



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As I am writing this, I am still struggling to believe that the end of Term 3 is almost here. What an incredibly fast and busy term we have had. Some of the highlights from this term include:



- Staff providing a morning tea for P&C day as a way of giving back to our hard working P&C members
- NAIDOC Assembly to acknowledge our local Aboriginal culture, history, food and artefacts
- Parliament House visit for our student leaders with a formal lunch in the dining room with local member Robyn Clarke
- Inspiring Girls Careers Forum for our Year 9 girls with an interest in a career in the mining industry
- Whole school parent reporting afternoon. What a fabulous turn out on the wettest day of winter!
- New state of the art interactive televisions purchased for our Year 2 and 3 classrooms
- Year 10 OLNA testing to get more students qualified and meet the WACE requirements
- Aspire UWA incursion – an engaging STEM focussed incursion for secondary students
- RUOK Day – with students and staff wearing yellow, yellow cupcakes and cookies and a very important message communicated about checking in on others
- Crazy Critters incursion for our Kindy and Pre-Primary students
- Birds of Prey incursion sponsored by ALCOA and featuring some amazing local species
- Primary Disco which was a great fundraiser for the Year 6 camp with DJ Mr C pumping out the tunes
- WA Human Powered Vehicle challenge which saw our mixed primary / secondary team take out third place in their division
- Parent information session on remote and online learning to prepare parents for any sudden and extended lockdown situations
- Room 27 Reward afternoon with great food, games and activities for this deserving group of students
- Long jump pit makeover which has been long awaited
- Jumps & Throws day for Primary & Secondary in the lead up to the carnival
- Whole school Athletics Carnival with Red Faction yet again taking out the shield
- FUDGE night for the significant males in our student's lives

- Product Design & Construction pop up sales and Sunday Markets in which our entrepreneurial students sell their creations
- Teacher Aide Appreciation week to celebrate this group of amazing staff
- Hosting of the Interschool Athletics Carnival on our beautiful oval
- Literacy Week – with staff and student dress ups, a visiting author and various other literacy based activities including the mysterious portal...
- Country Week for our secondary students with two Basketball teams and a Badminton team representing us as this newsletter edition goes to press

For a small school we provide so many opportunities for our students in the arts, cultural and sporting domains.

I would like to take this opportunity to formally farewell Mrs Belinda Rodoreda who has acted in the Manager Corporate Services role in Term 2 and welcome Mrs Leah Greathead who will be joining us for the next 9 months. I also farewell and sincerely thank Mr Peter Woperis and Mr Chris Webb our amazing gardening/handyman duo who have kept our grounds and buildings in top form over the past few years. We welcome back Ms Lisa Fry who is returning to the gardener/handyman role after several years training staff across the state. We look forward to having Ms Fry return and wish Mr Woperis and Mr Webb the very best in their new endeavours. Mr Chao returns in Term 4 from Long Service Leave and we welcome him back to secondary Maths and STEM.

NAPLAN results have been released this week to schools and I look forward to unpacking the data to see what gains we have made in Literacy and Numeracy and more importantly what work is required to support our students to make progress in these areas.

As the term concludes I wish our students, staff and parents a very safe and relaxing break and I look forward to a productive Term 4.

**Ms Jacquie Abbiss**  
**PRINCIPAL**

## PRIMARY NEWS

Hi Waroona

Term 3 has been a very successful 10 weeks for the Primary section of the school. Within this term we have organised a number of key events that have made the term very exciting for your children. Earlier in the term we held a **Primary Disco** that had over two thirds of our Primary students attend. This event raised over \$800 for the Year 6 Camp.





Our Primary Jumps and Throws Day and the School Athletics Carnival were also fun and exciting events for the students. The Parent/Carers and community turn up was great to see and we all enjoyed the sunshine, coffee and Jester pies. Congratulations to Red Faction once again!

Our FUDGE night was held during Week 8 and yet again we had a fantastic turn out. It was great to see the interactions with the dads, uncles and other significant relatives with their students. A big thank you to the junior primary staff for giving up a week night to hold this important family building event.

Last week Waroona District High School hosted the South West Small Schools Sports Association (SWSSSA) Interschool Athletics Carnival. We were blessed with beautiful weather, however we were unable to take home the shield. Our students competed brilliantly and after the jumps and throws we were level pegging with the other schools, however we were unable to keep up with them on the track.

To end the term, the Primary teachers organised a feast of Literacy Week activities including a Dress Up Day and a Visiting Author. Many staff members read their favourite books to the children. My favourite book, 'A Fish Out of Water' was read to the Year 1/2 class. We had a lot of fun imagining what it would be like to have a giant fish in a swimming pool!

To conclude I would like to thank parents and carers for their engagement in the school this term. Your involvement in the school events demonstrates to the students that school is important and that trying hard to learn can set up your future.

Have a great Term 3 break.

**Mr Carl Carulli**

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (Primary)**

## SECONDARY NEWS

This time last year the world was using the word "unprecedented" to describe COVID. This year we are business as usual with camps, Country Week, Pedal Prix and incursions. Our subject teachers are busy delivering their curriculum.



Year 10 students have recently completed their second attempt at OLNA. Results will be available early next term. NAPLAN results have been received with us and the Year 7 and Year 9 results are extremely pleasing. Teachers will analyse the results to find the gaps in learning and then plan for further improvement for our students.



Student attendance this term has been a focus. Too many students are taking time off when they should be attending school. We ask parents to ensure their child attends every possible day, as it is very clear that those students that attend on a regular basis (90% or more) achieve greater success. Each assembly we have a draw for those that attend 90% or more with some great prizes on offer.

Early in Term 4 we have our Year 7-10 students visiting to Penguin Island. They will complete a range of environmental and recreational activities whilst on the excursion. Later in the term the Year 10 students will attend their annual camp to Rottnest Island which should be a highlight for the staff and students.

I wish all the students and the wider community a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to seeing you next term.

**Mr David Mattin**

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (SECONDARY)**

## CHAPLAINS CHAT



Holidays are upon us, a time to recharge

During this last term our school was involved in the Pedal Prix. During the race we learned many lessons but one of the lessons that stood out to me was the importance of the pit stop.

The pit stop was just as important as the race. A well-planned pit stop would gain us time and improve our overall standing. A sloppy pit stop would mean that we would have to put in extra work to make up for lost time.

School life, work life and life in general has many similarities to the race. We have times when everything is all go and times of rest.

The holidays are nearly here and my challenge is... Will this pit stop prepare us for the next set of laps? Will our pit stop involve some time to fill our own cups? Will we plan out some down time? Will we re-energise?

I would like to encourage everyone to use this opportunity to have a break so that we can finish this year off strongly.

I hope you all have an amazing holiday and I look forward to seeing you all again next term.

If you are struggling or concerned about anything I would love to catch up for a chat and a coffee.

**Mr Rodney van Dongen**

**Chaplain**





## ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES

The following students received merits at our assemblies this term:

Year	Recipient			
1	Baylen Thomas	Emily Clarke	Steele Clarke	
2	Georgia Hvala Zayden Thomas	Toby Lockyer	Jackson Mclean-Hyman	Brennel Tressidder (x2)
3	Ivie Bombara (x2) Riley Stokes	Tauri Pisconeri Alex Gliddon	Holly Melling Ashlynn Scally	Chloe Ricco
4	Evelyn Woodley	Tamzen McGregor	Sienna Pisconeri	
5	Matilda Taylor	Alex McBlane (x2)	Akasha Fardella	
6	Blakely Slack	Natasha Mason	Maddison Webster	Jordon Dinah-Wood
7	Allira Tomlinson (x2) Declan Clements	Jasmine Aitken Dana Stampone	Shaylene Brown	Liam Read
8	Jake Pich Alex Lloyd (x3)	Jacob Slack Isabelle Mendoza	Callum McKenzie (x2) Jasmina Wood	Gypsie Fardella
9	Siah Weller	Ethan Wright	Erin Jackson	Lachlan Birch
10	Jim Thomas (x2) Joshua Ingram	Ethan Look (x2)	Cecil Fox	Nayssa Galea

## 2021 SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Primary and Secondary Jumps and Throws were held during the week prior to the carnival with our 2021 School Athletics Carnival held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September where we were lucky to have the sun shining on us throughout the day.

Thank you to all who assisted in a smooth running of the day; along with the friends and families for the support of our students.

The victors of the day were team **Red** followed by **Blue** and then **Green**.

Congratulations to all students who participated and tried their best. The individual student Champions and Runner-Up's from this year's carnival are as follows:

Year		Champion	Runner-Up
Year 1	Boy	Jude Purcell ●	Steele Clarke ●
	Girl	Ruby-Rose Johnson ●	Jenny Calyan-Wood ●
Year 2	Boy	Brennel Tressidder ●	Cavalli Dias ●
	Girl	Katie Day ●	Mackenzie Jackson ●
Year 3	Boy	Deegan Johnson ●	Alex Gliddon ● & Archie Slack ●
	Girl	Ashlynn Scally ●	Tyler Butler ●
Year 4	Boy	Jett Grant ●	Lucas Birch ●
	Girl	Chelsea Dittmann ●	Sienna Pisconeri ●
Year 5	Boy	Jacob Edmunds ●	Kaiden Simpson ●
	Girl	Akasha Fardella ●	Harper Bevan ●
Year 6	Boy	William Butler ●	Liam Young ●
	Girl	Sianna Dittmann ●	Jasmine Edmunds ●
Year 7	Boy	Declan Clements ●	Douglas Scott ●
	Girl	Kaylee McKenzie ●	Sophie Stanton ●
Year 8	Boy	Dylan Edmunds ●	Callum McKenzie ●
	Girl	Gypsie Fardella ●	Baylee Jenkins ●
Year 9	Boy	Lachlan Birch ●	Ashton Parker ●
	Girl	Makkiah Dittmann ●	Faith Websdale ●
Year 10	Boy	Joshua Ingram ●	Blake Collyer ●
	Girl	Jazmyne Birch ●	Rachel Smith ●

The 2021 Sportsperson Awards were kindly donated by Lee Davis  
 Congratulations to **Lily Harrison** (Primary) and **Douglas Scott** (Secondary)



## 2021 COUNTRY WEEK DISTRICT SCHOOLS



Thirty students from Waroona District High School attended this year's Country Week held in Perth 20-24 September 2021. An amazing week with students who were amazing representatives for Waroona District High School.



**P&C**  
**Uniform**  
**Shop**  
Open Tuesday  
mornings between  
8:30am & 9:00am



## 2021 INTERSCHOOL PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September over 30 students from Year 3 to Year 6 participated in the 2021 SWSSSA Interschool Athletics Carnival that was hosted by Waroona District High School. This carnival saw three schools compete against each other – St Joseph’s Waroona Primary School, St Anne’s Harvey Primary School and Waroona District High School. All students participated with enthusiasm and team spirit; we’re very proud of all our school representatives.

Congratulations to our Waroona District High School medal winners...

Year Group	Waroona DHS Medal Winners	Overall Champion School Result
Year 4 Girls	Chelsee Dittmann (Runner-up)	1 <sup>st</sup> - St Annes
Year 5 Boys	Kaiden Simpson (Runner-up)	2 <sup>nd</sup> - St Josephs
Year 6 Girls	Sianna Dittmann (Champion)	3 <sup>rd</sup> - Waroona DHS
Year 6 Boy	William Butler (Champion)	

The Early Learning subcommittee of WDHS P&C wish to thank the following businesses and people for their donations to their Father’s Day raffle held during this term:

- Waroona Mitre 10*
- The Drakesbrook Tavern*
- The Waroona Hotel*
- Waroona IGA*
- Gemma Lockyer*
- Ann O’Donnell*
- Melissa Hooper*
- Kristy Vernon*
- Waroona Rural Services and*
- Waroona Car Wash*

# P&C Update

**DONATE YOUR CONTAINERS**  
WE RECEIVE 10 CENTS FOR EACH

WHEN RETURNING YOUR CONTAINERS, USE OUR SCHEME ID:  
**Waroona DHS P&C**  
**C10313256**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND FOR HELPING THE ENVIRONMENT

ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS

Most glass, plastic, aluminium, steel and paper-based cartons between 150mL and 3L.

Their fundraising this term has allowed the Kindy and Pre-Primary classes to have an incursion with the Critter’s up close team who brought a selection of animals and reptiles for the kids to learn about, touch and hole. They also set up some experience tanks for in the classroom for a fortnight so the students could view a giant snail, a tarantula, some sea snails and other creature.

Our Canteen will launch a revised menu for Term 4, and volunteers are also needed. So, if you can spare some time on a Wednesday, please let us know.

We are still needing a volunteer to take over from our uniform shop manager, Natalie Birch, who will step away from the role at the end of 2021. This can be a flexible role, with you able to pick a day that suits you and a time that suits you to serve the school community. All training can be provided and ideally if you could bring a friend and alternate weeks that would be supported by the P&C also.

Our next P&C meeting will take place next term. We are a small group but are always looking for new members or assistance.

**Gemma Lockyer**  
WDHS P&C President



**Book Week – our cheeky staff members like to join in with the fun.**



# BOOK WEEK



Nothing better than having a book read to you!  
Find a nice spot and read away!

Some of our Secondary students wrote the books that they read to Primary students.





**NOMINATE A LOCAL HERO TODAY!**

## AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2022

CALLING FOR NOMINATIONS TO RECOGNISE  
OUTSTANDING LOCAL CITIZENS ON AUSTRALIA DAY

- Meritorious Community Service - Under 25 years
- Meritorious Community Service - 25 years and over
- Citizen of the Year
- Citizen of the Year - Youth under 25 years
- Citizen of the Year - Senior 65 years and over
- Active Citizenship - Community Group/Event

**Nominations Close 31st October 2021**

Nomination forms available from the Waroona Shire Administration Office or online at [www.waroona.wa.gov.au](http://www.waroona.wa.gov.au).



Be part of the annual Trout release

# WAROONA TROUTFEST 2021



- Recfishwest free rod hire and tuition
- Kids casting comp with Chaz Riegert
- Casting comp prizes by Bunbury Anaconda Outdoor Fishing and Whiteys Tackle
- Australian Trout Foundation trout fishing stall
- Fly fishing demos with WA Trout & Freshwater Angling Association
- Coffee van on site
- Sausage sizzle and drinks available to purchase
- Department of Primary Industries & Regional Development information stand
- Additional games and activities for all ages

**Where:** Drakesbrook Weir  
**Date:** Weir Road Waroona  
**Time:** Saturday 2 October  
10am - 1pm

Register your interest @ [Sea to Scarp: Your Community](#)  
Call for more information 08 9773 7800

MEMORISE TO BRING YOUR DAY, SUNSCREEN AND WATER



## PINJARRA GOLF CLUB JUNIOR OPEN EVENT

Pinjarra Golf Club will be holding our first ever JUNIOR OPEN event on Wednesday September 29th.

We are hoping that all the keen junior golfers in this region will support us and come along and have a great day.

Entry is via Mi Tournament  
[Nominate Here](#)

Pinjarra Golf Club  
Cnr Pinjarra Road & Sutton Street, Pinjarra  
Tel: 08 9531 1252

# WAROONA SHOW

## Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2021



FREE ENTERTAINMENT ALL DAY \*\* INTERACTIVE FARM DISPLAYS \*\* HALL EXHIBITS \*\* CATTLE \*\* STALLS \*\* LOG CHOPS \*\* FUNLAND \*\* SIDE SHOW ALLEY \*\* LOCAL PRODUCE \*\* POULTRY \*\* INTERNATIONAL FOOD TRUCKS \*\* HORSE EVENTS & GAMES \*\* VARIOUS BANDS ONSTAGE \*\* FARM & NATIVE ANIMALS TO CUDDLE \*\* HISTORY DISPLAY \*\* FARM MACHINERY OLD & NEW \*\* GOURMET SHED \*\* LOCAL TALENT \*\* 90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY ALCOA FIREWORKS \*\* REAL COUNTRY SHOW \*\*

<p>Free Parking- Park close &amp; walk or park at the Waroona Recreation Centre &amp; ride the FREE Shuttle Bus to Tarnell Street gates</p>	<p>Advance Tickets- Buy Online for Fast Track Entry &amp; Online Family Special Package \$48 visit: <a href="http://www.waroonashow.com.au">www.waroonashow.com.au</a> Tickets at the Gates on Show Day - \$20 Adult \$10 Child &amp; Aged Pensioner \$50 Family Cashless gate purchases available. Gates Open 9am Entry Forms also available Online</p>	<p>Come by Train- Australian Rail Service Arrives from Perth 11am &amp; Departs 3:35pm. 5 minute walk.</p>
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Need more info- Contact Waroona Agricultural Society on (08) 97 331 042, or email [secretary@waroonashow.com.au](mailto:secretary@waroonashow.com.au)





**Circle of Security**  
PARENTING SERIES

Presented by Janette Merendino (Talking Kids Australia)  
Sponsored by: Parenting Connection  
Location: Via Zoom  
Participants must complete all 8 sessions.  
Dates: Every Tuesday 19, 26 October, 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 November & 7 December 2021  
Times: 7:00pm to 9:00pm Cost: FREE  
Who should attend: Parents and Carers?  
How to register: Phone 0581 0581 or 0402 517 389  
Email: peol.pcw@anglicarewa.org.au

A FREE EIGHT SESSION PARENTING PROGRAM FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

At times all parents feel lost or without a clue about what our child might need from us. Imagine what it might feel like if you were able to make sense of what your child was really asking from you. The Circle of Security-Parenting™ program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened.

**Learning Objectives of the Training:**

- Understand your child's emotional world by learning to read the emotional needs
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child's self-esteem
- Honour your innate wisdom and desire for your child to be secure



FREE FUN ENGAGING ACTIVITIES INCLUDING LUNCH



**FUSION**  
YOUTH ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

Come and join us for a fun free day of hip-hop. Lunch provided!

**WHAT: HIP-HOP CLINIC**  
**WHEN: 30 SEPTEMBER**  
**TIME: 10AM - 12PM**  
**WHERE: WAROONA RECREATION CENTRE**

**WEAR YOUR COMFY SHOES, BRING YOUR WATER BOTTLE AND ENJOY YOUR DAY WHILE LEARNING SOME NEW SKILLS.**

**THIS IS A ALCOHOL AND DRUG FREE EVENT**

Register at:  
 [Sea to Scarp: Your Community](#)





FREE FUN ENGAGING ACTIVITIES INCLUDING LUNCH



**FUSION**  
YOUTH ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

Come and join us for a fun free day of Basketball. Lunch provided!

**WHAT: BASKETBALL CLINIC**  
**WHEN: 7 OCTOBER**  
**TIME: 12PM - 2PM**  
**WHERE: WAROONA RECREATION CENTRE**

**WEAR YOUR COMFY SHOES, BRING YOUR WATER BOTTLE AND ENJOY YOUR DAY WHILE LEARNING SOME NEW SKILLS.**

**THIS IS A ALCOHOL AND DRUG FREE EVENT**

Register at:  
 [Sea to Scarp: Your Community](#)





FREE FUN ENGAGING ACTIVITIES INCLUDING LUNCH



**Friend in Need**

Come and join us for a fun free day of Basketball. Lunch provided!

**How to support people through tough times**

Learn how to have supportive conversations, discover new ways to help a friend, and find organisations that specialise in providing additional supports:

[www.friendinneed.org.au](http://www.friendinneed.org.au)

**Tuesday, 28 September 2021**  
10am - 12noon  
(with LUNCH to follow)  
Waroona CRC  
10 Henning Street, Waroona




**TERM 4**

**Students return to school on Monday, 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021**

**Students to arrive by 8:40am**