



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kaya,

We find ourselves now at the end of Term 3, which has been a very busy term in our school. With the summer now approaching I want to inform you of the following information in preparation for the upcoming bushfire season:

Important Information for the 2023/2024 Bushfire Season

Waroona District High School has been placed on the Department of Education bushfire zone register as it is located in a designated bushfire risk area.

If a fire behaviour index of 75 (extreme fire danger) or greater is forecast for the Shire of Waroona, a school may be required to invoke a pre-emptive (planned) closure. A 'catastrophic' fire danger rating poses a significant threat to the school if a fire starts. It is likely to be uncontrollable, unpredictable and fast-moving.

Parents and carers will receive a text message to inform them of a possible pre-emptive closure of the school.

The final decision to pre-emptively close the school will be confirmed with the principal no later than 4:30pm on the day before the pre-emptive closure. If the forecast changes after the 4:30pm deadline, the school remains closed.

Parents and carers will receive a text message to either confirm or cancel a pre-emptive closure of the school.

Typically, schools will be required to close for a day at a time however, this will depend on changing weather conditions. Parents and carers will receive a text message to advise if the school will reopen the day after the pre-emptive closure, or whether it will remain closed.

Parents and carers are encouraged to monitor official bushfire information sources for current information about fire danger ratings:

1. [Emergency WA website](#)
2. Department of Fire and Emergency Services
 - Information line, 13 33 37
 - Twitter, https://twitter.com/dfes_wa
3. Local radio
 - [ABC Emergency WA](#)
 - ABC local radio
 - 6PR



Please contact the school on 9782 7000 with any concerns about pre-emptive closures during the bushfire season.

Students and staff will be participating in some bushfire drills to prepare for the upcoming bushfire season.

Mr Gareth Smith

PRINCIPAL

FROM THE DEPUTIES Whole School Initiatives Deputy



It has been a big term for teaching and learning with students and teachers getting on with important lessons across a variety of subjects. Teachers have not only been busy with the delivery of lessons, they have also engaged in Peer Review. This system involves teachers watching colleagues and feeding back information around our schools Teaching and Learning Framework. It is vitally important work, that our teaching staff have found incredibly valuable when reflecting on their own practise.

From the point of view of our students, coming to school every day counts. Studies have shown that students who miss large amounts of school are not able to catch up to the work that their peers are doing. It is important that students are present at school every day. To encourage this the school will be having a BBQ lunch on Thursday of Week 1 Term 4 (12 October) for students who have achieved regular attendance status, which is 90% or above. With NAPLAN results now available, the school, as a whole, can look at areas that we did particularly well in and areas that we need to refine practise. This work will occur over the next few weeks and is essential to make sure we are targeting areas for improvement.

As part of looking for these areas of improvement we work collaboratively with other schools in our District, Waroona District High School will be working as a collective with these other schools to examine writing achievement for our school. As part of this we will be moderating our work and comparing grades given for pieces of writing. This process is essential as it allows the school to accurately implement the state-wide judging standards and examine where further teaching needs to occur.

Have a great holiday everyone.

Mr Matthew White

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



Primary Deputy

Term 3 is drawing to close, and on reflection, it has been a very busy and successful ten weeks! Here is the list of some of the events that made up the term:



- Parent Reporting Afternoon
- Spare Parts Puppet Theatre
- Yirra Yaakin Aboriginal Story Telling
- Year 4-6 Stem-a-thon
- Constable Care Puppet Show
- Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea
- Primary & Secondary Jumps and Throws Day
- Whole school Athletics Carnival
- RU OK Day
- Primary Interschool Athletics Carnival
- Book Week

That's more than one event for each week of the term! We hope your children have enjoyed everything that we have organised, and we are sure that they have learnt some important lessons along the way.

Term Four will be a **NO HAT-NO PLAY** in the sun. Please ensure your child is provided with a suitable hat – preferably a school uniform black hat.

Swimming lessons will begin in Term Four. The first series begins on Wednesday 11th October. This 8-day series will be for the Pre-Primary, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 students. Students who are not given permission to attend will be placed in an alternate class with work while their class participates.

A second 10-day series will begin on Monday 23rd October. This series will be for the Year 1/2 classes and the Year 2/3 class.

Finally, I would like to congratulate the Primary Interschool Athletics Team for their efforts on Monday. They were a pleasure to take away and they tried so hard despite missing some key students. We finished second behind St Annes Primary School! Congratulations to Jett, Brandon, Tyler and Chelsea on their individual medallion recognition. Enjoy the School Holidays with your family!

Mr Carl Carulli
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

**2023 TERM 4
COMMENCES ON
MONDAY 9 OCTOBER 2023
FIRST BELL 8:45AM
LAST BELL 2:20PM**

Secondary Deputy



What a super productive term we have had, both staff and students are exhausted. I am sure all are looking forward to a well-deserved two week break.

Country Week has once again been a focus at the terms end and from early feedback the school is performing well. I look forward to sharing their results early next term.

The students at school have been engaging in a variety of practical sessions all Week 10. These include Physical Education lessons, painting of a Serpent Head and Tail, chalking a massive Jack and the Bean Stalk vine around the High School as part of Book Week. They have also been replanting and mulching part of the Six Seasons Noongar Gardens with the Primary School and many more activities, culminating in a fun quiz and rewards auction of Friday.

In Week 3 next term, the Year 10 students will head off on their Walpole Bush Rangers camp. Mrs O'Meara has arranged a range of tours and volunteer work whilst in the region. This will be an amazing opportunity for the Year 10 students.

This term we have spent time encouraging students to lift their personal attendance rates. We are pleased that students have responded positively to our initiatives, however this will continue next term to ensure students form excellent attitudes around attendance which will transfer to their future work environments. Keep an eye out for the attendance incentives on offer for 90% and above attendance.

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

STUDENT ABSENCES – HOW TO LET WAROONA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

KNOW YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT FROM SCHOOL

SMS – 0417 932 820 | EMAIL – waroona.dhs@education.wa.edu.au | PHONE 08 9782 7000

APPOINTMENTS / OTHER ABSENCES

Where possible schedule outside school hours | Prior to the day of absence from school notify using above steps
Unexplained absences can impact Good Standing



ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES

The following students received merits at our assemblies this term:

Year 1	Sophia Leppard Annastazia Poole	Maddison Crank-Hogan Hadlee Bombara	Madison Castafaro	Olivia Fardella
Year 2	Tegan Waller	Lilly Angel	Brodie Ireland	Max Pisconeri
Year 3	Allyssa Waldon	Lilly Dryburgh	Charlie Ireland	Baylen Thomas
Year 4	Emily Clarke Sienna Johnson	Oliver Angel	Hazzel Waide	Brennel Tressidder
Year 5	Marshall Kinsella Zakery Overfield	Kaitlyn Walker Ivie Bombara	Seth Anderson Kingston Thomas	Deegan Johnson
Year 6	Tamzen McGregor	Skyla Lawson	Chelsee Dittmann	Lucas Whiteman
Year 7	Stevie-Lee Websdale Jessica Stone	Leena Stelzer	Darren Aris	Hary Johnson
Year 8	Nate Mason x2 Nayte Walsh	Blakely Slack Aiden Walker	Lily Harrison	Riley Racco
Year 9				
Year 10	Bellah-Jo Winter x2 Jacob Clarke	Loren Davis Kaleah Benck	Alex Lloyd Isabella Mendoza	Glenn Young

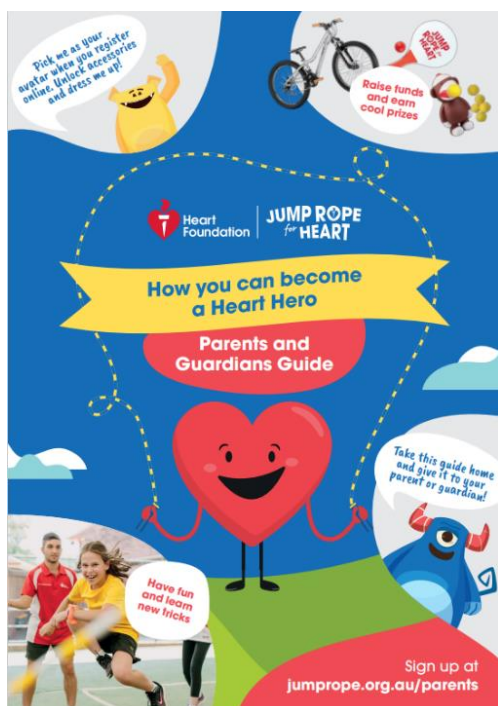
HEALTH – LET’S TALK ABOUT ... SCOLIOSIS

Scoliosis is an abnormal sideways curvature of the spine. It can be detected by a simple examination of the back.

The normal spine has three curves – one in the neck, one in the upper back and one in the lower back. These curves can be seen from the side, but when you look from behind the spine should appear straight. If the spine has a sideways curve, this is scoliosis.

Please read through the [scoliosis](#) information provided by Raising Children Network and check your child for scoliosis as described.

If you have any concerns, please contact your General Practitioner or Community Health Nurse, Casey Hardman
Telephone: 0457 536 132.



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2023 SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Primary and Secondary Jumps and Throws were held during the week prior to the carnival with our 2023 School Athletics Carnival held on Friday 1st September where we were lucky to finish the carnival before the weather arrived. 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 **Mirda** (Red) followed by **Nodjam** (Green) and then **(Wooyan)** Blue.

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	Harry Grant ●	Rylan Licciardello ●
	Girl	Olivia Fardella ●	Hadley Bombara ●
Year 2	Boy	Max Pisconeri ●	Cruz Smith ● & Jaxon Walsh ●
	Girl	Tegan Waller ●	Ally Melling ●
Year 3	Boy	Rylan van Hinsberg ●	Jake Pettit ●
	Girl	Ruby-Rose Johnson ●	Addison Fardella ●
Year 4	Boy	Brennel Tressider ● & Vince Stelzer ●	Roshae Eades ●
	Girl	Violet Kohlman ●	Katie Day ●
Year 5	Boy	Brandon Walsh ●	Alex Gliddon ●
	Girl	Tyler Butler ●	Milli Gill ●
Year 6	Boy	Jett Grant ●	Lucas Birch ●
	Girl	Chelsee Dittmann ●	Mackenzie Stokes ●
Year 7	Boy	Hary Johnson ●	Kynan Stokes ●
	Girl	Harper Bevan ●	Leena Stelzer ●
Year 8	Boy	Aiden Walker ●	Chase Tredgett ●
	Girl	Leah Beales ●	Lilah Sander ●
Year 9	Boy	Jacob Sherlock ●	Riley Gilbert ●
	Girl	Sophie Stanton ●	Isabella Grayden ●
Year 10	Boy	Callum McKenzie ●	Glenn Young ●
	Girl	Bellah-Jo Winter ●	Jazmina Wood ●

The 2023 Sportsperson Awards were kindly donated by Lee Davis. Congratulations to **Annalee Miles** (Primary) and **Matilda Taylor** (Secondary).





INCURSION – YIRRA YAKKIN



Earlier this term we had the Yirra Yaakin Theatre company present to our students from Kindergarten through to Year 7 *Lingo Lah Lah*. The presentation was a fun, interactive and joyful romp through our multilingual landscape, with a focus on Noongar language.



ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY



Nicki from Visibility demonstrated to Lily assistive technology. Lily was guided through NVDA (Non-Visual Digital Access) for laptops and other devices. This provides access to technology such as mobile phones and iPads.



2023 INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

This year the Primary Interschool Sports carnival was held down in Harvey at St Anne's. What a wonderful day it was and the competition between schools so close. St Anne's were the overall victors, followed by Waroona DHS and then St Joseph's Waroona. Congratulations to all students who participated and did their best on the day!

Year		Champion	Runner-Up
Year 5	Girl	Runner-Up	Tyler Butler
Year 5	Boy	Champion	Brandon Walsh
Year 6	Girl	Runner -Up	Chelsee Dittmann
Year 6	Boy	Champion	Jett Grant





P&C UPDATE

The annual 'Bake Sale' with items donated by our school ECE family community at the Athletics Carnival was ever so popular with students and families along with the delicious hamburgers for lunch that the Lions Club of Waroona made on the day.

Our P&C Early Learning Sub Committee held a Father's Day Raffle. Thank you to The Rec, Drakesbrook Tavern, Southwest Hair Designs, Mitre 10 and Waroona Rural Services for their kind donations and support. The fundraising will be going towards an end of year excursion for our Pre-Primary and Kindergarten students. We would also like to thank Robyn Clarke for her donation towards their End of Year excursion.

Our Year 6 Camp have received a kind donation from Alcoa Australia. This will help keep the costs down for the students attending their camp.

Our biggest fundraiser, the Waroona Show Gates. We would like to thank all the volunteers who have placed their name down on Waroona's busiest day of the year. We hope that you have a good day and get to enjoy the show yourselves.

In Term 4 we will have Lions Club Raffle books to sell. This allows us to receive a donation back from the Lions Club of Waroona. If your child is planning to attend Country Week or Year 6 camp in 2024, we encourage you to sell a book of 10 tickets to start your fundraising for next year. A notice will go out via the P&C Facebook page once the tickets arrive.

Enjoy the Spring holidays!

COMMUNITY NEWS



UPCOMING SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

CAMP/TOURNAMENT	DETAILS - see website for full details
3X3 TOURNAMENT Tuesday 26th September	Registration Link: https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/da8efb U12-U18 (Based on Summer Domestic age groups) MARC 8am-6pm \$100 Team registration fee. \$0 player registration fee Minimum and maximum number of 4 players per team Team registrations close 18th September 2023
MINI MAGICIANS CAMP Wednesday 27th September	Registration Link: https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/e734fd MARC 1.30pm - 3.30pm Registration cost \$40 For ages 5-9
GIRLS NIGHT IN Wednesday 27th September	Registration Link: https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/438218 MARC 5.30pm-8.30pm Cost \$60 Skills, Scrimmage, Mentoring with NBL1 players and mentors For ages U12-U18 Girls
SPRING HOLIDAY CAMP 3rd & 4th October	U12 • U14 Tuesday 3rd October U16 • U18 Wednesday 4th October Registration Link: https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/5f2263 MARC 10am-4pm Includes a hot dog lunch Cost \$100 Full day registration available only Open to everyone Age groups are Summer Domestic age groups
REP READY CAMP 5th & 6th October	Thursday 5th October - U12 • U14 Friday 6th October - U16 • U18 Registration Link: https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/ad2e1d MARC 10am - 4pm includes a hot dog lunch Cost \$100 Full day registration available only Open to 2023 WABL players and those looking to trial for 2024 season Age groups are WABL age groups (different to Summer Domestic)



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A FREE session for parents and carers of young children

Do these delay tactics sound familiar?

"I am not tired", "I don't want to go to bed"....

"I need a drink,... go to the toilet and ...I am hungry".

Learn strategies to reduce bedtime battles.

No cost. Booking essential.

Limited creche available.

Bookings: [Bedtime-battles-falcon](https://www.bedtime-battles-falcon.org.au)

Phone: 9581 0581/ 0402 517 389

Email: Peel.pcwa@anglicarwa.org.au

When: 10am to 12pm
Thurs 2 November 2023
Where: Falcon Library
Cobblers & Flavia Street
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- Understand your child's emotional world and emotional needs
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child's self-esteem

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To express your interest: Contact Lisa

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When: 7pm to 9pm
Tues 17 Oct - 5 Dec 2023
Where: Via Zoom



Preparing for School

A FREE session for parents and careers of young children

Starting school is a big event in a child's life — children need a range of skills so that they will be ready to learn and happy at school.

- Tips for an easier transition from home to school.
- Discussion topics to chat with your child for a smoother start to school.

No cost. Booking essential.
Limited creche available.

Bookings: [Preparing-for-school-falcon](#)

Phone: 9581 0581/ 0402 517 389

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When: 10am to 12pm
Tues 17 Oct - 5 Dec 2023
Where: Baptist Church
370 Pinjarra Road
Greenfields



Manage the Morning Madness

A FREE session for parents and careers of young children

- Are your mornings chaotic and stressful?
- Do your kids dawdle and struggle to get out the door on time
- Learn routines and strategies to manage mornings

No cost. Booking essential.
Limited creche available.

Bookings: [Morning-madness-falcon](#)

Phone: 9581 0581/ 0402 517 389

Email: Peel.pcwa@anglicarwa.org.au

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When: 10am to 12pm
Thurs 16 November 2023
Where: Falcon Library
Cobblers & Flavia Street
Falcon



Toilet Training Tips

A FREE session for parents and careers of young children

- Learn about the signs your child is ready to toilet train and strategies.
- Get practical ideas on how to manage the transition from diapers to being toilet trained.

No cost. Booking essential.
Limited creche available.

Bookings: Toilet-training-tips-falcon
Phone: 9581 0581/ 0402 517 389
Email: Peel.pcwa@anglicarwa.org.au

When: 10am to 12pm
Thurs 9 November 2023
Where: Falcon Library
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