



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kaya,

Welcome to the final edition of the Waroona District High School Newsletter for Term 1, 2024. Considering Term 1 was a shorter term it has been very busy as we condensed many of the things into 8 weeks rather than the regular 10 weeks.



Some of our Term 1 Highlights are:

- We have welcomed many new students to Waroona District High School and increased our enrolments to 288 students
- We have had the steps rebuilt that lead to the Rec Centre as part of our ongoing upgrades to the school
- Our Year 7 students attended an Orientation Camp to introduce them to High School, the Bushrangers program and built some teamwork skills
- We have had free hearing, speech and eye screenings in Years K-1
- Our Year 3, 5, 7 & 9 students have completed NAPLAN
- We conducted our On Entry testing in Pre-Primary
- Our Year 6 students attended Sculptures by the Sea at Cottesloe beach, sponsored by ALCOA
- We hosted a "GRIT" training day for Year 6 Student Leaders from across the Shires of Murray and Waroona.
- We participated in both Bushfire and regular Evacuation Drills to familiarise staff and students with our Emergency Management Procedures
- We participated in a range of activities for Harmony Day, supporting our commitment to an inclusive and accepting culture at Waroona District High School
- We had an Easter party in Kindy and Pre-Primary
- We are about to publish our 2023 Annual report which documents a range of successes from 2023.
- We delivered progress reports in Primary and Secondary via email and Connect
- Our students have enjoyed icy poles on Friday's and a 'free dress day' on the 1<sup>st</sup> March to raise money for Country Week
- Our High School Art students helped create Mosaics down at the Railside Park in Waroona
- Our Year 10 students learnt about DNA and built DNA models in Science using lollies
- Our Kindy students celebrated Valentines Day making colourful gardens and portraits for loved ones.
- We had Redz Zoo and movies as Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) rewards



I am very pleased to announce that the Waroona Integrated Speech & Hearing in Education (WISHE) project will be continuing. This project is a trilateral partnership with ALCOA (who provide generous funding), Telethon Speech & Hearing (TSH) and Waroona District High School. The WISHE is an outstanding success offering free in-school-based audiology, speech and language assessments with ongoing therapy without the need for families to travel or wait on waitlists. This enables our Kindy to Year 1 students to get timely intervention as needed. I would like to thank ALCOA and Telethon Speech & Hearing for partnering with us to provide this service for our families.

Can I remind you of the procedures for a pre-emptive closure of the school due to a bushfire risk - you will find details of the procedures on our website using the following link:

[Parent-Information-Bushfire-Procedures-for-Waroona-DHS-2024.pdf \(waroonadhs.wa.edu.au\)](https://www.waroonadhs.wa.edu.au/Parent-Information-Bushfire-Procedures-for-Waroona-DHS-2024.pdf)

Finally, I'd like to thank every member of the school community for their efforts in Term 1. I wish you all a safe and relaxing Easter and term break.

**Mr Gareth Smith**  
PRINCIPAL

HAPPY  
Easter

CONSIDERATE

ASPIRING

RESPONSIBLE

ENGAGED

SAFE



## FROM THE DEPUTIES

### Whole School Initiatives Deputy

Hello everyone and congratulations on getting through what has been a very busy term. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 have been hard at work completing their NAPLAN Tests for 2024. These tests provide valuable insight into the development of students at our school, as well as provide useful data points for staff to explore as part of our continuous improvement agenda. Students in Years 4, 6 and 8 will be taking part in online testing set up by the school for Maths, Spelling and Grammar, this will also provide important information around areas of strength and weakness that can be further targeted.



In terms of attendance, we have had a strong return to 2024 despite several bugs going around our community. Currently we have an overall attendance rate of 87.2%, as a school we would love to get that target over 90%, so please remember that everyday counts and get to school. Numerous studies have shown that missing one day a week can have a severe effect on the long-term development of student learning; attending as much as possible is very important. To help encourage students to attend, in the second week back next term we will be holding our 90% attendance reward lunch for students who achieved 90% or better for Term 1.

Term 2 also looks like being a busy one with many different activities for students. I know that the Student Leadership Group is hard at work planning the High School Dance and Primary School Disco. With so much being achieved in Term 1, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter and a restful school holiday.

See you in Term 2.

**Mr Matthew White**  
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



### Primary Deputy

Hi Parents and Carers

As Term 1 concludes, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the students and staff on what has been an extremely successful term.

Next term promises to be action packed with opportunities to be involved in Winter Sport, for our primary students, School Photo Day and our ANZAC commemorations. The National Simultaneous Story Time event is also in Term 2, usually a highlight for the students.

On behalf of our staff, we wish families a safe and enjoyable Easter break.

**Mr Carl Carulli**  
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



### Secondary Deputy

A very consistent theme has emerged this term when I have visited classrooms; students are listening, engaging in activities and working hard to do their absolute best. This positive attitude when applied in this consistent manner will only result in better grades for the students. I witnessed this last year, and the school produced some excellent academic results that we are immensely proud of. Splendid work and now the **challenge** is to keep up the effort for the rest of the year and continue to **aspire** to do your best.



The High School recently sent via "Connect" progress reports. This is to give parents/caregivers a snapshot on their child's progress so far this year. Parent interviews have been delayed (due to the bush fire incident) until Monday 29 April 2024. Bookings can be made via <https://sobs.com.au/pt3/parent.php?schoolid=1918>

The Year 7 and 9 students have completed their NAPLAN this term and reports back from their teachers is that they have done their very best, this may mean that for some Year 9 students, they will prequalify for the OLN and thus not have to sit the tests in Years 10, 11 or 12. Results should be in next term.

The Year 7-10 students that have qualified for the end of term reward will experience a movie afternoon with popcorn, lolly bags and a sour strip. We have encouraged students to attend 90% or more of the time and ensure they demonstrate acceptable classroom behaviour. Congratulations to the vast majority that have been offered the reward afternoon.

Recently a member of the community was caught entering the school grounds after hours without permission. The local police issued a fine for trespass. This is a timely reminder as we are entering a two week break from school that during school hours members of the community should enter or leave the school via the administration office and outside of school hours the school site is out of bounds.

**Mr David Mattin**  
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



# ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES



The following students received merits at our last two assemblies this term:

<b>Year 1</b>	Olyver MacDonald	Orlin Valler		
<b>Year 2</b>	Ryan Hooper AJ Harbour	Harry Grant Olivia Miles	Rylan Licciardello Annastazia Poole	Easton Bonham Ragnar Valler
<b>Year 3</b>	Levi Burgoyne Jacob Wood	Jace Wordley	Thomas Wilson	Addison McGregor
<b>Year 4</b>	Alyce Dearing	Allyssa Waldon	Addison Fardella	
<b>Year 5</b>	Margaret Mendoza Zac-Si Paskin	Taylor Sherlock Annalee Miles	Vince Stelzer	Keegan McDerment
<b>Year 6</b>	Riley Horstman Daisy Frawley Milli Gill	Ivie Bombara Riley Stokes	Bayden Licciardello Brandon Walsh	Tyler Butler Dom Rutherford
<b>Year 7</b>	Evelyn Kobin (2) Oliver Wilcox	Leah Prosser	Coen Thomas	Lilly Bevan
<b>Year 8</b>	Matthew Larkman Max Whitbread	Kynan Stokes (2)	Zebastian Tredgett	Douglas Scott
<b>Year 9</b>	Zachary Lloyd	Alexander McBlane	Cortney Weil	Chloe Pich
<b>Year 10</b>	Luis Yldeso (2) Shanaya Ellis(2)	Peta Scott (2)	Kayleigh Fitzpatrick	Kenzy Gibson



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## ONLINE ORDERING SYSTEM

We recommend you add this to your Newsletter before photo day, to advise Parents/Guardians of ordering procedures.

Waroona District High School

Our school photos will be taken on:

**Monday 22nd of April 2024**

### Class Photos/Portraits:

- Every Student will have their photo taken, whether they are purchasing photos or not.
- The school has chosen to use the online ordering system. Your child will be given an online ordering instruction slip and a unique student **shootkey**.
- Log onto [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au) and follow the prompts to place your order.
- If you lose your **shootkey** the school reception will have a copy to quote back to you.
- The expiry date for online ordering is **Monday 29th of April 2024**. Any orders received after this date will incur a \$30.00 archive fee.
- Spare order envelopes (green) will be available at the school reception if you prefer to pay with cash.

### Specialty Group Photos:

- After photo day, a link will be sent to the school for distribution to parents whose child/children is/are in the specialty group photos.

### Family Photos:

- Envelopes can be obtained from Administration.
- Family photos are taken each morning before school.
- Please ensure that your family envelope and payment are handed to the Photographers on photo day.
- If you do not have the correct money we will provide any change needed when photos are delivered to school.
- Family photos **cannot** be ordered online.
- Once school has received photos, family photos will remain at reception for parents to collect.

### Please Note:

Late orders can be placed via our website [www.mspreorders.com.au](http://www.mspreorders.com.au). Individual and Family Photos are not available to view online for Students' Security. If for any reason you need to contact MSP regarding your child's photos you will be asked to provide your child's **Shootkey**.

## Important Dates

**Friday 29 March 2024**

Public Holiday – Good Friday  
(Easter)

**Monday 15 April 2024**

Term 2 Commences  
(First bell at 8:45am, early  
close 2:20pm)

**Monday 22 April 2024**

School Photo's

**Friday 26 April 2024**

Staff Development Day  
Students do not attend

**Monday 29 April 2024**

Parent/Student/Teacher  
Interviews  
School Library  
2:20pm to 5:00pm



## P&C INFORMATION

In February the P&C held its AGM meeting and elected our new executive committee being as follows:

Sallyann Vuletic – President

Rachel Fitzpatrick - Vice President

Matt White - Treasurer

Jo Evans - Secretary

We would like to thank our outgoing committee members who have worked so hard to help our school with a special mention to our outgoing President, Gemma Lockyer, who has been an amazing asset to the Waroona District High School Parents & Citizens.

We are hoping to have the canteen up and running in Term 2, but as always appreciate any volunteers that wish to lend their time. If you wish to lend a helping hand please leave your name and contact details with our office ladies and we will be in touch with you.

Do you have any second-hand uniforms laying around your home? Please consider donating them back to our uniform shop to resell as a preloved uniform. We are in need of more donations.

Our next General Meeting will be held in Term 2 if anyone would like to attend it will be posted on our Facebook page ("*Waroona District High School P&C*") when a date has been set.

**Sallyann Vuletic**  
**President**



## WA STUDENT ASSISTANCE PAYMENT



Department of Education

### The WA Student Assistance Payment

Helping you get the things you need for your kids.

Get ready to claim by setting up your Digital Identity on ServiceWA. Claims open Monday 15 April.

**\$150** For each Kindergarten and primary school student

**\$250** For each secondary school student

Claim on the ServiceWA app 

Get ready to claim the WA Student Assistance Payment.

The ServiceWA app is the fastest and most convenient way to claim the payment.

Download the latest version of the ServiceWA app and log in with your Digital Identity (myGovID) so you're ready to apply for the offer from 15 April 2024.

Apple Store:

<https://apps.apple.com/au/app/servicewa/id1599181775>

Google Play:

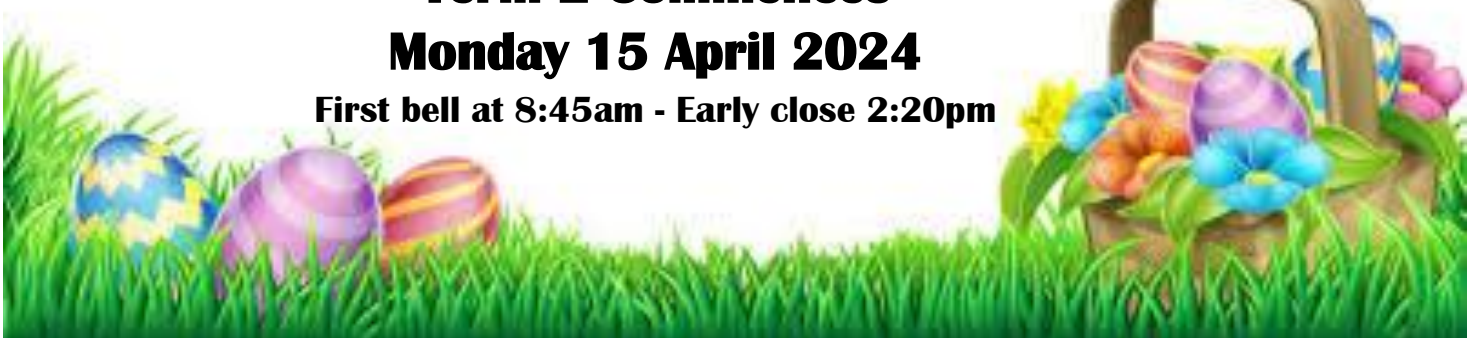
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For app support, head to [WA.gov.au/servicewaapp](http://WA.gov.au/servicewaapp)

For more information on the payment, including eligibility criteria, visit [education.wa.edu.au/wasap](http://education.wa.edu.au/wasap)

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

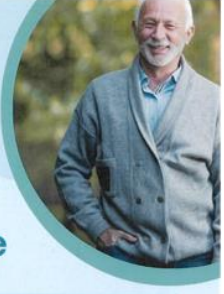
# Cuppa with a Copper

Locals will have the chance to meet our neighbourhood officers, discuss any issues and get advice on crime prevention.

**Tuesday 14th May**  
**10:30am - 11:30am**  
at  
**Waroona CRC**  
**FREE lunch to follow**

Waroona Community Resource Centre  
Waroona Family Support Service



## Elder Rights & Planning for the Future Workshop



Join Peel Community Legal Services for this **FREE** community workshop

This workshop will give an overview of the Elder Rights Service being provided at Peel Community Legal Services and answer the following questions:

- What is Elder Abuse and where can I get help?
- What is an Advance Health Directive and what happens without one?
- What is Enduring Power of Attorney?
- What is Enduring Power of Guardianship?
- What do I need to know about Wills?

Date: Thursday 20 June  
Time: 10am

Location: Waroona Community Resource Centre, 10 Henning St

To register please call Waroona Community Resource Centre on 08 9733 3011

Government of Western Australia  
North Metropolitan Health Service

*BreastScreen WA*

## BreastScreen WA is visiting Waroona Community Resource Centre!



You are invited to a **FREE** presentation about breast cancer screening and breast awareness

**Tuesday 9 April 2024**  
**10:30 - 11:30AM**

**Presentation topics include:**  
Breast cancer  
Breast cancer risk factors  
Breast cancer screening  
Breast awareness

The BreastScreen WA presenter is available to book you in for your screening mammogram if you are eligible, check when you are due or update your contact details after the presentation.



## NIAGARA THERAPY MORNING TEA

10am TUESDAY 16TH APRIL 2024

Do you suffer from any of the following?

- Poor Sleep
- Lymphoedema
- Circulation Issues
- Joint/Muscle Pain
- Diabetes Complications

WOULD YOU LIKE REDUCE PAIN AND INCREASE MOBILITY?

Niagara Therapy has been operating in Australia since 1969. All Niagara products are listed on the Australian Register of Therapeutic goods (ARTG) as a Class 11a Medical Device





# SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!



Coming up on **the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of April** will be our very first VWA Peel School Holiday Camp held in Pinjarra. This is during the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of the school holidays, so if you have students super keen to learn about volleyball or any school newsletters that need upcoming events posted, then this is one for them!

All information can be found on the website here:

<https://volleyballwa.com.au/events/junior-volley-indoor-camp-april-peel-24-2/>

If you have identified students currently excelling and wish to take their volleyball even further we also have a development camp **in Bunbury on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of April** for athletes between 13 and 21, more info here:

<https://volleyballwa.com.au/events/south-west-development-camp/>

## Peel Community Legal Services

### Tenancy Rights and Responsibilities

Delivered by tenancy advocate:

- What are your rights as a tenant
- What are your responsibilities as a tenant
- What happens if you don't fulfil your responsibilities
- What are your landlord's rights
- What are your landlord's responsibilities
- What can I do if my landlord doesn't fulfil their obligations

Delivered by lawyer:

- What are my legal options when a matter escalates (boundary fences, noise, trees & VRO's)

### Workshop Details

Waroona Community Resource Centre, 10 Henning Street, Waroona  
• Thursday 9 May 10am - 12pm

To Register Contact - Waroona Community Resource Centre Call direct on 08 9733 3011



## Waroona School Holiday Nature Craft Workshop



Join Murray Forrest Friends and The Waroona Shire for a Nature Craft Workshop These School Holidays

DATE: MONDAY APRIL 8

LOCATION: WAROONA RECREATIONAL CENTRE

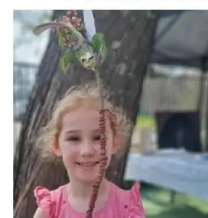
TIME: SESSION 1: 10am-11am

SESSION 2 11:30am-12:30pm

Cost: \$10 PER CHILD

For Bookings Please contact the Waroona Recreation Centre on

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## Financial Separation Property Settlement Workshop

Wednesday 10 April 10:00am - 12:00pm  
Waroona Community Recreation Centre



Join Peel Community Legal Services for this **FREE** community workshop

The workshop will help people understand the process of property settlement in the family court system. Topics in the workshop include:

- The Law relating to property settlement
- How the Family Court treats property settlements
- Marriage vs De Facto relationships
- Pre-action Procedure
- Applying to the Court
- The Court Process



How do I register?

To register for the workshops please contact the Waroona Community Resource Centre. Phone: (08) 9733 3011

