



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kaya,

We find ourselves at the end of Term 3. This week our high school students have had great success at Country Week and our primary students have immersed themselves in the magic of reading for Book Week.

In this newsletter I would like to bring to your attention two important pieces of information:

End-of-semester reports - The Department of Education has recently provided clarification of the requirements for end-of-semester reports. In light of this information, we are considering a review of our school's assessment and reporting plan.

If we identify possible changes to our current approach, then the end-of-semester reports might have a different format to that of previous semesters. If we do make changes, we will seek input from families at an appropriate time next term.

Bushfire preparation - As we approach the bushfire season, I wanted to remind you of some of our procedures.

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 4:30 pm on the day before the pre-emptive closure. If the forecast changes after the 4:30 pm 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.

Further information is available on the school website:

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

Students and staff will be participating in bushfire drills during Term 4 to prepare for the upcoming bushfire season.

Finally, I wish you all a great mid semester break.

Kind regards,

Mr Gareth Smith
PRINCIPAL



FROM THE DEPUTIES

Whole School Initiatives Deputy

Welcome to what has been an incredibly busy and productive term. I have been at Country Week this with the Volleyball team and I am proud of the sportsmanship and endeavour that our students have demonstrated. I know that the teachers involved with both Badminton and Basketball also feel this sense of pride, along with the students who look forward to Country Week all year long.

In our classrooms this term, students have been busy consolidating their understanding of the content being taught with a particular focus on areas that have been identified in the returned NAPLAN data. Teachers have been hard at work defining assessments before Term 4 starts to allow us to start reporting in student achievement.

Attendance in Term 3 has been excellent and students have maintained the standards that were set in Term 1. We know that Term 3 is always difficult as there is a lot of illness. The response from the school community to report absences has been excellent and we appreciate your communication.

I wish everyone a restful holiday and look forward to seeing everyone in Term 4.

Mr Matthew White
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



CONSIDERATE

ASPIRING

RESPONSIBLE

ENGAGED

SAFE



ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES

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

Year 1	Jayden Walsh Everett Cooper	Millie Ireland Boyd Smith	Hunter Miller Leo Poultney	Thomas Ellis
Year 2	Max McGregor	Georgia Lees	Sophia Leppard	
Year 3	Ally Melling Jack Lee	Kaitlyn McIntyre Max Piconeri	Lilly Angel	Harper Stokes
Year 4	Jude Purcell Steele Clarke	Quinn Bombara	Jason Mohamad	Emily Henson
Year 5	Dakota Webster Hazzel Waide	Taylor Sherlock	Margaret Mendoza	Chase Horstman
Year 6	Rayne Brown Kingston Thomas	Seth Anderson Emmy Spatara	Tauri Piconeri	Ivie Bombara
Year 7	Hailey Murray	Aaliyah Hill	Eli Howlett (x2)	Millee Hull
Year 8	Desi Kelly	Kynan Stokes	Stevie-Lee Websdale	
Year 9	Aidan Gray			
Year 10	Kayleigh Fitzpatrick			

Our 2024 Student Council were very lucky to have the Western Australian Premier Hon Roger Cook drop in at lunch whilst they toured Parliament House with



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 7 October

First Day of Term 4

Monday 21 October to Friday 25 October

Bush Rangers Camp for Year 10 students

Monday 21 October to Friday 1 November

Swimming Lessons - PP to Year 6 Students

Monday 4 November

School Development Day

Students DO NOT attend

Thursday 14 November

Year 7 Orientation Day

Monday 2 December

Presentation Day

Wednesday 4 December to Friday 6 December

Year 6 Camp

Monday 9 December

Christmas Concert

Wednesday 11 December

Graduation Day Year 6 & 10 Students

Thursday 12 December

Last day of school 2024



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Primary and Secondary Jumps and Throws were held during the week prior to the carnival with our 2024 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.

Mirda (Red) have been the reigning victors for over 10 years. This year we team **Wooyan** (Blue) were our new victors followed by **Nodjam** (Green) and then **Mirda**.

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	Orlin Valler (Blue)	Zane Knox (Red)
	Girl	Harlow McDerment (Green)	Isabel Davies (Blue)
Year 2	Boy	Rylan Licciardello (Blue)	Ragnar Valler (Blue)
	Girl	Olivia Fardella (Red)	Violet English (Red)
Year 3	Boy	Cruz Smith (Green)	Max Pisconeri (Red)
	Girl	Tegan Waller (Green)	Ally Melling (Green)
Year 4	Boy	Jake Pettit (Blue)	Alby Bevan (Green)
	Girl	Ruby-Rose Johnson (Green)	Addison Fardella (Red)
Year 5	Boy	Vince Stelzer (Blue)	Brennel Tressider (Blue)
	Girl	Sienna Johnson (Blue)	Taylor Sherlock (Blue)
Year 6	Boy	Alex Gliddon (Blue)	Bayden Licciardello (Blue)
	Girl	Lilly Wilcox (Green)	Millie Gill (Green)
Year 7	Boy	Tyler Burnell (Blue)	Lucas Birch (Red)
	Girl	Chelsee Dittmann (Green)	Mackenzie Stokes (Red)
Year 8	Boy	Hary Johnson (Green) & Kynan Stokes (Red)	Matt Larkman (Red)
	Girl	Akasha Fardella (Blue)	Harper Bevan (Blue)
Year 9	Boy	Aiden Walker (Blue)	William Butler (Red)
	Girl	Leah Beales (Red)	Lilah Sander (Red)
Year 10	Boy	Jacob Sherlock (Blue)	Luis Yldeso (Red)
	Girl	Sophie Stanton (Red)	Isabella Grayden (Green)
Sportsperson Award	Primary	Riley Horstman	
	Secondary	Peta Scott	



The Shire of Waroona's Community Development Team is currently working on a project to improve the safety of the crossing on South Western Highway between Railside Park and Memorial Hall.



We are seeking your input into how we can make the area safer for all users, especially for children accessing the skatepark. Please scan the QR code to answer 6 short questions, or visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CF7Z8SP>. Your feedback is important to us!

Kindergarten Enrolments open for 2025

If your child's date of birth falls between 1st July 2020 and 30th June 2021 you can apply to enrol them for Kindy 2025.



For further information contact us on 9782 7000



Visit our website for an enrolment form www.waroonadhs.wa.edu.au Under the title Enrolments



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2024



1st
Wooyan

2nd
Nodjam

3rd
Mirda



LEAP INTO LEARNING

LEARN. ENGAGE. ART. PLAY

COMMENCES MONDAY 21 OCTOBER,
THEN 28 OCTOBER & 11 NOVEMBER
1PM TO 2PM IN OUR KINDERGARTEN ROOM AT
WAROONA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE BORN BETWEEN
1ST JULY 2020 AND 30TH JUNE 2021

COME AND MEET OUR KINDY TEACHER &
HAVE SOME MESSY FUN WITH YOUR KIDS

YOUNGER SIBLINGS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN IN
WITH THE FUN

PLEASE RSVP - SPACES ARE LIMITED
TEL: 9782 7000 OR
REBECCA.SUTTON@EDUCATION.WA.EDU.AU

COUNTRY WEEK 2024





COMMUNITY NEWS



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Uniforms and shoes



Vocational education



Lessons and activities



Books and supplies



Camps and excursions

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- Be 18 years or older
- Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
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* Most types of income are valid. Speak to your local Saver Plus Savings Coach if you're not sure.



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Join a free tour of our WA operations to see how we mine bauxite and transform it into alumina, the first steps in producing aluminium - a key ingredient in everyday life and the green energy future.

24 September | 12:00pm - 4:00pm
Huntly mine and Pinjarra refinery
25 September | 8:30am - 1:00pm
Willowdale mine and Wagerup refinery

Bookings essential. Scan the QR code or contact 9530 2400 or tourcentre@alcoa.com



PILOT OPEN DAY

Training the Next Generation of Commercial Pilots



WHAT TO EXPECT

- EXPLORE OUR SCHOOL FACILITIES
- MEET INSTRUCTORS & STUDENTS
- TAKE FLIGHT IN OUR SIMULATOR
- WIN A TRIAL FLIGHT
- PRE-FLIGHT CHECK EXPERIENCE
- JOIN OUR CAREER INFO SESSION
- MEET THE FLEET
- ENJOY ALL DAY BBQ

FREE EVENT

10.00AM - 2.00PM

**BUNBURY FLYING SCHOOL
BUNBURY AIRPORT**



WAROONA SHOW 5TH OCTOBER 2024



SHOW WEEK

Important information



THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM 9AM TO 5PM
MONDAY TO FRIDAY FROM THURSDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER TO THE 4TH OCTOBER
TO TAKE YOUR ENTRIES AND ANSWER ANY QUERIES.



FOLLOWING CUPPA WITH A COPPER

BRING YOUR DEVICES, QUESTIONS AND CURIOSITY!

JUSTINE FROM NBN LOCAL WILL BE VISITING TO HELP WITH YOUR INTERNET QUESTIONS

FREE SCAMS WORKSHOP

TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE:
A CLOSE LOOK AT ONLINE SCAMS
HOW TO DETECT COMMON SCAM
WHAT TO EXPECT FROM NBN
TIPS TO STAY SAFE - BECOME SCAM FIT
HELPFUL LINKS

TUESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
11:30AM ONWARDS

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Students for Waroona District High School
return for Term 4 on Monday 7 October 2024