

# Wagga Highlights



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HIGH SCHOOL

Term 2 Week 7 – Monday 6 June 2016

## Behaviour Code

The Department of Education student behaviour code complements our own school rules. NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

**In NSW public schools students are expected to:**

- Respect other students, their teachers and school staff and community members
- Follow school and class rules and follow the directions of their teachers
- Strive for the highest standards in learning
- Respect all members of the school community and show courtesy to all students, teachers and community members
- Resolve conflict respectfully, calmly and fairly
- Comply with the school's uniform policy or dress code
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Respect all property
- Not be violent or bring weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco into our schools
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools

Our school will take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.

## P&C News

Our next P&C meeting will be held tonight Monday 6 June at 7:30pm in the Ted Drake Room. All parents and caregivers are encouraged to come along and support our school.

WWHS P&C Association will be conducting a raffle to be drawn at the upcoming Dance Night. We are seeking donations for a 'pamper pack' type hamper. Items we are seeking are boxes of chocolates, soap, scented candles, body lotion, wine or any other gift type goods. Items can be dropped off at the School Office. Tickets will be sold at Dance Night on 28 June and will be drawn on the night.

*WWHS P&C thanks you for your generosity.*

## Retirement

Our principal, Mick Powell is retiring at the end of this term after almost 38 years of service to public education. We are holding a retirement dinner to celebrate his career on Saturday 25 June, 2016 at Elements @ The Gardens – Wagga Wagga Botanic Gardens from 6:30pm. The cost is \$70 per person which includes a three course meal and a contribution towards Mick's retirement gift. For more information, please contact Tania Maddison at Wagga Wagga High School on 69253611 or email [tania.maddison@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:tania.maddison@det.nsw.edu.au)

## Thanks to...

Thank you to the following students that have volunteered to help the local Primary School sport days.

**Will Lonsdale, Ben Hann, Alex Cox, Eddie McDougal, Georgia Clark, Cameron McDougal, Joanna McDougal, Riley Whiting, Dean McMullen and Ruby Vonarx.**

## Did you know that you can now make online payments to Wagga High?

A new online payment portal linked to our school website will make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

### What expenses can be paid online?

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students
- Other

### When?

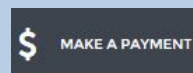
This payment method went live last **Friday 3 June**.

### How?

Log onto <http://www.waggawagga-h.schools.nsw.edu.au> or follow the QR Code (below). Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

*You will notice some changes to excursion and other permission notes in the future.*

- You will see a small box in which says Fee ID, followed by a number. Please enter this number when paying online to help us to identify the purpose of your payment.
- You will notice a space on the return slip to record your payment type and POP Receipt No. This will enable us to match the payment to our daily payment report.
- You may see a QR Code, as shown below. When scanned with a QR Reader, this will take you directly to our website. (This is a **free download** from your App store). You will then need to look for this symbol to access the POP facility.



*More detailed information is attached.*



## UNSW English Comp

The ICAS University of NSW English Competition is coming up! You won't sit for the test until August 2, BUT - if you want to play you have to pay your entry fee (\$8.00) NO LATER than 20 JUNE. **THAT'S MONDAY 20 JUNE. No need for a note - just pay your money to the office before the closing date. DON'T BE LATE!** Why should you do it? You'll get an academic achievement award from the HT of English just for participating. You'll get wonderful feedback from the University of NSW to help guide the development of your English skills. It looks FANTASTIC on your list of achievements when you want to apply for jobs or for early entry to Universities. It shows that you have had a consistent positive attitude toward your education. AND - if you happen to be successful - Even Better! You could be given a medal if you score in the top of the state. If you happen to be successful across a number of tests (English, Science, Maths) you might even be invited to a special presentation evening at the University of NSW. If you want to go to the University of NSW - they look very favourably upon the students who participate in these tests. **Last but not least - WHY NOT!** **PAY - \$8.00 - TO THE OFFICE BEFORE MONDAY 20 JUNE.** Please note that no refunds can be granted after the closing date.

## Excellence Assembly

Our next Excellence Assembly will be held on Wednesday 29 June during period 6. Students who would like to receive a Certificate of Excellence at this assembly must hand their merit awards into Mr Powell by the end of Week 8 (17 June).

## Did you know?

- Over 19,000 Australians die every year from a smoking related illness
- Smoking kills more people in Australia than the total number killed by alcohol, illicit drugs, murder, suicide, road crashes, air crashes, poisoning, AIDS, drowning, fires, falls, lightning, electrocution, snakes, spiders and sharks
- Smoking is the number 1 preventable cause of death and disease in Australia
- Smoking causes diseases such as emphysema, lung cancer, heart disease and cancer of the mouth

## Reminder

Students are reminded that they must move into the amphitheatre as soon as they arrive at school each morning. No hanging around streets near the school! Students are also reminded that under no circumstances are they to leave school, unless they have a leave pass or a study leave pass, or they are participating in an excursion. All students are reminded that the TAFE College is out of bounds for all students, except those who attend a course there.

## Year 10 subject selection

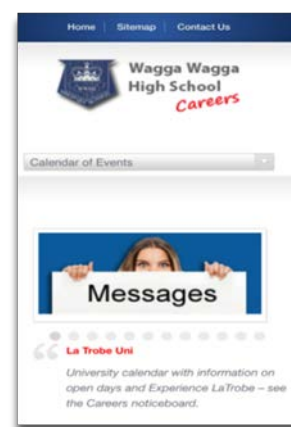
In Year 10 students are asked to select subjects for Years 11 and 12. Here are some tips to help your teen choose well. <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future/year-10-subject-selection>

## DOB in a DOER!

It's great to hear news of our students doing well in sporting and cultural activities outside of school, but we don't hear about all of them! How about letting us know of our students' successes? Just give the school a call on 6925 3611 and 'dob in a doer'!

## Careers News

- WHS – White card:** Students completed their WHS White Card last week which will enable them to access work experience and work placement programs. Annette Watts from Allen's Training commented on the enthusiasm the students displayed. **Congratulations to those students who participated in this training.**
- University, Early Entry and Scholarship information.** Please see the staff in the Careers Room.
- TAFE Open Day 7 – 10 June.**
- Taste of TAFE:** Information regarding courses available is outside the Careers Room.
- Cultural Care Au Pair:** Information packs available.
- CSU Engineering Day at Bathurst Campus:** Thursday 7 – Saturday 9 June.
- Jobs, Careers and Training Exchange** Wednesday 22 June, Kyeamba Smith Hall.
- University course information** please see the staff in the Careers Room
- Parents and students can now log onto the new **Careers Website** and register to explore careers information, related resources and relevant careers messages - visit [www.wwhscareers.com](http://www.wwhscareers.com)



## \$5.00 Canteen Specials

Monday	Pizza
Tuesday	Hamburgers
Wednesday	Chicken Chilli Wrap
Friday	Hot Dog & Sauce

## School Calendar

### Term 2 2016

#### JUNE

13	Monday	Public Holiday
17	Friday	EEE 2017 applications due
20-24	Mon – Fri	Year 10 Work Experience Week
28	Tuesday	Dance Night
29	Wednesday	-Excellence Assembly -Information Evening Yr 10 into 11
30	Thursday	Year 10 Mini-Timetable afternoon

#### JULY

1	Friday	End of Term 2
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### Term 3 2016

18	Monday	Staff Development Day
19	Tuesday	Students return Term 3

## HOW DO I ACCESS ONLINE PAYMENTS?

The **\$ Make a payment** link can be found in the ribbon on the school Website. By selecting this link you will be taken to a secure Westpac payment page. (You will no longer be in the school's website.)

The payment process is very simple and follows the format of many other online payment systems you may have used before.

## HOW DO I MAKE A PAYMENT?

From the initial payment page Parents/Carers can complete the details, some of which are mandatory (**marked with an \***), before confirming the payment details and completing the payment.

A receipt can be printed from the payment page OR be emailed to the payer.

The payment screens are:

1. Entering payment details
2. Entering credit card details
3. Confirmation of payment details; and
4. Online Payment Receipt.

### Entering Payment Details

The payment details screen captures student information and payment details. This allows for identification of the student that the payment applies to and what the payment is for.

*This is critical to ensure that the right student is credited with payment for the right items.*

Where Class or Year **AND** Invoice number are entered, Date of Birth is not required.

If only Class or Year **OR** Invoice number is entered a Date of Birth is required.

The payment details should come from the school invoice/statement of account or listing that the school issues. There can be more than one payment line for all items except voluntary school contributions, the items are

- Voluntary school contributions (1 payment), use this for general contributions or donations
- Subject contributions (up to 10 payments), use this for contributions for specific subjects e.g. Visual Arts, Industrial Technology, etc
- Excursions (up to 5 payments), use this for specific excursions e.g. Zoo; Opera House, etc
- Sport (up to 5 payments), use this for any sporting activities e.g. carnivals and weekly sport activities, etc
- Creative & Practical Arts (up to 5 payments), use this for drama, dance, craft levies, etc
- Sales to Students (up to 5 payments) use this for any goods? purchased by a student that becomes the property of the student e.g. example?
- Other (up to 5 payments) this may be used for paying total amounts owed by a student e.g. complete student invoice/statement of account

IF YOU ARE UNSURE OF WHICH BOX TO CHOOSE PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL AND ASK FOR CLARIFICATION.

**When any option is chosen (by selecting the tick box), a payment description and payment amount must be included. You can deselect an option by checking the tick box again.**

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **1. Why do I need to enter Date of Birth?**

The date of birth helps the school distinguish the student a specific payment relates to. This will ensure your payment is credited to your son/daughters account.

Note: date of birth is not required if class or year AND an invoice number are entered for a student.

### **2. Why do I have to enter the student's details each time I make a payment, isn't it stored in the system?**

The security of your information is of utmost importance.

When you make a payment you are in a secure Westpac website, for privacy and security of data no student details are maintained within the Westpac site. You must enter the details with each payment.

### **3. The screen keeps displaying the data I have just entered, it is not moving on.**

Check there is no missing information.

Scroll through the whole screen, any errors will be shown in RED, you cannot progress until you resolve the error.

### **4. I don't know the student registration number, what is it?**

The student registration number is optional, if your school issues invoices this number may appear on the invoice. Some schools use this on advice to parents, but not all schools.

### **5. What is the Ref or Invoice number, I don't know it?**

The ref or invoice number is optional. Some schools use this on advice to parents, but not all schools.

### **6. Why can't I deposit directly to the school's bank account?**

A direct deposit does not give the school any detail as to what you are paying for. The description space varies from bank to bank and is limited so the students name and class may not fit. Schools can have students with the same name and it is difficult to distinguish which student the payment relates to.

### **7. Why can't I use BPay?**

BPay only allows a total amount to be paid, payers are not able to select particular items to pay.

### **8. Does the school see my credit card details?**

Your credit card details are 'masked' on any system reports seen by the school. e.g. 411111xxxx4111

### **9. Can I use a debit card or PayPal for payments?**

Payments can only be made using Visa or MasterCard credit or debit cards. American Express, Diners Club or EFTPoS cards are not accepted. PayPal is not a payment option using this process.

If a payer only has an EFTPoS debit card then the schools EFTPoS terminal, cash or cheque are alternate methods of payment.

### **10. I have made a payment in error, how can I cancel it?**

Contact the school and request that they refund the transaction.

### **11. If I select "\$ Make a payment" on the school's website and the screen does not change who should I contact?**

Contact your school's office and ask for the School Administration Manager.

### **12. I haven't used online payments before, is it difficult?**

The payment process has been developed to be very user friendly. It follows the format of many other online payment screens you may have already used.

### **13. Can I pay for multiple students?**

Each student requires a separate payment. Once you have completed payment for the first student, please press the "Make Another Payment" button and proceed with the next student.

### **14. I am having difficulties using online payments with my Mac**

Try updating your browser to the latest version.

### **15. My session has timed out**

If you are delayed in completing a payment you will be logged out and will need to recommence the process. This is a security feature common to many online payment systems.