# Wagga Highlights



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## Term 1 Week 6 – Monday 2 March 2020

# **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

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March		
2	Monday	Riverina Swimming Carnival
4	Wednesday	School Photos
4 – 6	Wed – Fri	Biology Field Trip
11	Wednesday	Big Day In – IT students attend Joys Hall, CSU.
12	Thursday	Stage 3 Taster Day
13	Friday	Year 7 Immunisations
13	Friday	School Photo Catch Up day
16	Monday	P & C AGM meeting 7:30pm TDR
18	Wednesday	Year 7 2021 Information evening 6:00pm in Currie Hall
18	Wednesday	RYDA - Year 11
19	Thursday	Athletics Carnival – Jubilee Oval
23 – 24	Mon – Tues	Surf Trip
30	Monday	Cover Me – Music Concert 5:30pm
31	Tuesday	Parent Teacher Afternoon (more information to come)
April		
2	Thursday	Stage 3 (Year 6) Taster Day
7	Tuesday	EALD Interviews
8	Wednesday	Excellence Assembly 10:25 – 11:05am Currie Hall
9	Thursday	Cross Country Carnival
9	Thursday	Last day of Term 1

#### **School Photos**

School Photos are this Wednesday 4 March. Students are to bring in their envelopes on this day with the correct money enclosed to give to the photographers. Catch Up Photo Day is Friday 13 March.

#### **Health Care Plans**

Health Care Plans have been posted home to those students who have a medical condition listed on file at Wagga Wagga High School. We have asked families to please update these details and to return with a current action plan and any other documentation from your GP regarding your child/s condition. It is extremely important we have your most current information and your child's health care plan is not out of date. Schools have a duty of care towards all students and current information is a requirement by the Department of Education.

## Important Reminder – Text Messages

Parents are reminded to notify the school when your child is absent from school, either by phoning the school on 6925 3611 or replying to the text message you receive by simply replying with an explanation of the nature of the absence, please do not include emoji's as the message will not be received. This is a department requirement and is important to your child's attendance records. If you do not receive a text message on the day your child is absent please notify the school as your contact details may be incorrect and need updating.

## **Leadership Segment**

Welcome back everyone! We are so proud of how everyone has adjusted to the New Year and a massive welcome and well done to the new Year 7's; you guys are doing great!

The leadership team are back on board in 2020 to give our regular update on what we have achieved and what we have planned, so here we go!

Over the holidays we collected cans and bottles from around Wagga to earn money for our formal and school gift. In addition we were able to promote recycling in our



community. So far our year group have raised a large sum of money and therefore have decided to keep the return and earn fundraiser as one of our major fundraisers. A big shout out and thankyou to all those who have donated!

The Valentine's Day fundraiser on Wednesday 12 February raised us over \$500 and proved to be a day of love, with multiple Year 12 students serenading and gifting roses and chocolates to lucky valentine recipients.

Millennium Cup has also started and went off with a bang, with the first event being the swimming relay. Students were able to come away with their first win with a 5m lead, however, if you ask Mr Davies, teachers won by a nose! Our second event, water polo, did not disappoint either. Our team of 30 students were able to conquer the team of 10 teachers 12 to 6. There was no rules on team limits if anyone thinks that rule will stick! Our next millennium

event will be a game of family feud in week 5 at assembly. So we are encouraging everyone to get keen! 2 - 0 students are leading the way!

We hope everyone enjoys their new year



at Wagga Wagga High School and we look forward to continuing our roles in the school. As a leadership group and as a year group, we have much planned for the future! Stay tuned!

## P&C News

Our AGM will be held at the next P&C Meeting on Monday 16 March 2020 at 7.30pm in the Ted Drake Room. If you would like to join the P&C or receive email updates please send an email to <a href="mailto:Erika.Crevatin@det.nsw.edu.au">Erika.Crevatin@det.nsw.edu.au</a>. If you would like to nominate for a position or vote at the meeting subscription is 50c, payable prior to the meeting.

We welcome all new members – parents, carers and community members.

## **COVID-19 Updated Advice**

Effective 1 March 2020 the Federal Government has issued a travel ban on foreigners coming to Australia from Iran. Only Australian citizens and permanent residents coming from Iran will be allowed entry to Australia and from 1 March they are required to self-isolate for a period of 14 days after departing Iran consistent with the restrictions for those entering from China. Additionally, Australians have been advised NOT to travel to Iran. The updated advice from the NSW Government for parents and affected staff is:

- Any student or staff member who has been in or transited through, mainland China (not just Hubei province) or has been in Iran is excluded from work, school or child care services for 14 days from the date they left mainland China or Iran (as the COVID-19 incubation period can be as long as two weeks).
- Ay confirmed case of COVID-19 will be excluded until they are medically cleared to return.
- Close contacts of a confirmed case of COVID-19 will be excluded for 14 days since last contact with the confirmed case.
- Students and staff who have returned to Australia from Mainland China or Iran more than 14 days ago and have shown no symptoms are able to return to school.

The NSW Ministry of Health has processes to identify any close contacts of cases confirmed in Australia. Advice about not attending school would be provided to these close contacts by the NSW Ministry of Health. Consistent with our current guidelines, staff and students unwell with respiratory illness should remain at home until symptoms resolve. If any student becomes unwell, we will implement our infection control guidelines and follow the advice provided by the NSW Ministry of Health as appropriate.

#### Careers

ANU – Applications for study at ANU 20 2021 open 4 March 2020 and close 3pm 25 March 2020.

Tuckwell Scholarship Program – The Tuckwell Scholarship Program is the most transformational undergraduate scholarship program in Australia. Every year, we offer 25 talented school-leavers the opportunity to fulfil their potential by avtively participating in the very best that ANU has to offer. Scholars are selelcted on the basis of intellect, character, leadership and their commitment to Australia. https://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/

#### University of Sydney:- University of Sydney

Information Students need to have a look at the E12 program and the Broadway Scheme to see if they are eligible for alternate programs for Sydney University.

There are programs that students can attend if interested:

- On Campus Residential Programs
  - Open Day for Year 12 27-29 August
  - Life At Sydney Uni for Yr 11 Students 29-30th September
  - Wingara Mura-Bunga Barrabuga Summer Program for Yr 9-11 ATSI Students 7-11 Dec
  - Bunga Barrabuga Winter Program for Yr 12 ATSI Studetns 13-17th July
- Online Resources A \*STAR
  - Online support and digital resources available for all students e.g: study hacks, scholarship builder, ATAR information, GAP information and much more
- Other pathways programs include the Elite Athlete and Performers Scheme and Future Leaders/Dux scheme for school captains and high Achievers.
- Sydney Uni also give subject bonus points for English and Maths (5pts for Band 6 and 3 points for band 5) through the EAS Educational Access Program

### **Careers News continued**

**CSU EXPLORE DAYS** – Now open for students in years 11 & 12 to register. The Wagga Wagga event will be organised as a school excursion, however all other events are for students to organise with parents.

- Albury Wodonga 24th March, BATHURST 17th March, ORANGE 28TH- APRIL, PORT MACQUARIE - 10TH MARCH, WAGGA WAGGA 31ST MARCH
- Register now: <u>www.study.csu.edu.au/exploreday</u> and if you are wanting to attend the Wagga day please also get a note to catch the bus from the Careers Room
- CSU Open day will be in August stay tuned.
- Medicine Information Night Wagga Wagga 16th March
  2020 6pm 7.30 pm @ CSU
- Brand new Doctor of Medicine starting 2021 course starts in 2021 Orange Campus a joint program with UWS school of Medicine.
- Register to keep informed <u>www.csu.edu.au/medicine</u>
  A message to all medicine students Don't forget to register for UCAT from March 2020.

**Indigenous Pathways into Health –** A new resource has been made available to us. Please see Mrs Fellows in the Careers Room for further information.

**CSU Information** - Indigenous Health Success

Information at <a href="www.threerivers.csu.edu.au/indigenous-success">www.threerivers.csu.edu.au/indigenous-success</a> and a resource is available in the careers room outlining Indigenous pathways into Heath.

- CSU Medicine Information Night Monday 16th March 2020 6-7.30 pm @ CSU
- CSU have 2 Early Entry Options to keep in mind CSU Advantage Open 1st June and Close 31st August and SRS (Schools Recommendation Scheme)
- Tool which is an online career planning system https://www.uow.edu.au/student/careers/careersmart/
  - Year 11/12 can also access the UOW website looking at Careers drop down menu. This allows you to look at the degree and what jobs you can get from these degrees and which employers are linked to this industry of study.

https://www.uow.edu.au/student/careers/what-can-i-do-with-my-degree/

- UOW Scholarship Information to keep an eye on is found at uow.info/scholarships
- UOW Sports Prorams did you know UOW hjave the Soccer program with Tottenham and the Rugby Program with Crusades Global Rugby - check info on the website.
- Early Admission Program at UOW applications Open July 20 and Close August 14 Interviews will be in the week starting 28th September.
- UOW Open Day is Sat 8th August.

