


Wagga Highlights

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Term 1 Week 8 – Monday 16 March 2020

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Please be advised at this stage we have postponed all events at Wagga Wagga High School until further notice. We are following instructions from both Department of Health and Department of Education.

March		
16	Monday	P & C AGM - POSTPONED
18	Wednesday	Year 7 2021 Information evening 6:00pm in Currie Hall POSTPONED
18	Wednesday	RYDA - Year 11 POSTPONED
19	Thursday	Athletics Carnival – Jubilee Oval POSTPONED
23 – 24	Mon – Tues	Surf Trip POSTPONED
30	Monday	Cover Me – Music Concert 5:30pm POSTPONED
31	Tuesday	Parent Teacher Afternoon (more information to come) POSTPONED
April		
2	Thursday	Stage 3 (Year 6) Taster Day POSTPONED
7	Tuesday	EALD Interviews POSTPONED
8	Wednesday	Excellence Assembly 10:25 – 11:05am Currie Hall POSTPONED
9	Thursday	Cross Country Carnival POSTPONED
9	Thursday	Last day of Term 1

Biology Excursion



On Wednesday 4 March, the year 11 biology classes headed off to Lake Illawarra for a field study about marine ecosystems. During the excursion, the students learned about the importance of Neptune's Necklace (a type of green algae) and how it holds the ecosystem together.

They measured the abundance of Neptune's Necklace on the rocky platform at Windang Island, whilst it was pouring with rain. Although the rain soaked everyone, it did not dampen the students' enthusiasm towards the field work - all students were excellently behaved and were a credit to Wagga Wagga High School.



COVID-19 UPDATE

To the Wagga Wagga High School Community
Following the travel and social restrictions our Prime Minister Mr Scott Morrison has in place the Department of Education Secretary Mr Mark Scott has announced that schools would adopt social distancing measures requiring schools to cancel assemblies, excursions, travel, some events and conferences.

The community expects schools to be as safe as possible. We are implementing these measures to provide peace of mind for students, parents and staff.

From today our school will cancel assemblies and substantial gatherings, along with all excursions. These cancellations also extend to inter-school arts, sports, initiative activities and events.

For us that means:

- No staff meetings
- No assemblies
- No year 7 2021 information night
- No P&C
- No athletics carnival or cross country
- No excursions
- No parent-teacher night
- No sports events
- No year 7 taster day

School sport will run only at school in a modified format,

- Year 7 & 8 will have sport in periods 1 & 2 with the rest of the day as class lessons.

- Years 9 – 12 will have school as normal with school sport on site.

I remind our school community to follow correct hygiene procedures with washing hands regularly, not sharing drinks, pens and other common school items.

If you are unwell please stay at home to support your recovery and protect others. If you have an autoimmune disease I would recommend that you stay at home until you gain advice from your doctor.

Our school is in the process of preparing to place work for student's online especially senior students.

The school will continue to update you as we are informed.

Library News



The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is now open!

Go to the following website

<http://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#>

to help you search for books to read from the PRC reading lists, save them to read later, and add them to your reading log. You also have a new PRC profile. You can even watch the short video to show you how the website all works. We are hoping that as many students as possible from years 7 to 9 sign up. See library staff for assistance.

Meet our Leaders

Over the next few weeks and months we will be showcasing each of our student leaders. Here are a few students to get us started.

Meet our Leaders!

Introducing.....**Aaron Mead**
Farrer House Captain



Nickname: A-A-Ron
Main Role: Pumping up everyone in Farrer House to get involved in all 5 areas of school life.
Side Kick: Works at Coles part-time
Supports: Brumbies
Favourite Movie: Rudy
Favourite Food: Sushi
Masterchef of: Pizza
Favourite WWHS Moment: Yr 10 Agriculture
Funniest Person at WWHS: Harry Moss
Person that gives him inspiration: Khaileb Cameron-Pani
Reality TV Show Debut: Married at First Sight
Top of his Bucket List: Go fishing in the Carribean.

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Introducing.....**Holly Anderson**
SRC Representative Year 9



Leadership Position: Represents Year 9 students and their ideas for activities and improvements within the school. Holly represents the school at a district level as well.
Main Role: Being supportive and friendly to everyone no matter what!
Supports: I don't follow sports.
Favourite Movie: Too many!!!
Favourite Food: Anything sweet.
Masterchef of: Cakes, cookies and anything sweet.
Favourite WWHS Moment: Being in the library.
Funniest Person at WWHS: Many people make me laugh.
Person that gives her inspiration: All my friends.
Something we don't know about you: I love anything creative.
Reality TV Show Debut: None...they seem too over the top.
Top of her Bucket List: Travel around the world to different countries.
Final Words of Wisdom: **When life gives you lemons, make lemonade** ☺

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Introducing.....**Lauren Jolliffe**
House Captain for Hargraves



Aka: Loz
Hails From: North Wagga Public School
Supports: Wagga Kangaroos
Works Part-time @: Intersport
Favourite Food: Sorbet
Masterchef of: Stir Fry
Favourite WWHS Moment: Pouring ice water over Miss Maddison
Funniest Person at WWHS: Chelsea Douglas
Person that gives her inspiration: Her Mum
Reality TV Show Debut: The Bachelorette
Top of her Bucket List: Donate Blood
Final Words of Wisdom: **Smile** ☺

Careers

La Trobe Uni -

- **Course information available from the careers room**
 - Aspire Program (Early Admissions Program) should be considered by all students looking at applying to La Trobe
- Regional Benefits Program - check out the benefits program for regional students who may score above 80 in their ATAR- this also links with scholarships

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 Students 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

P&C News

Our P & C meeting originally scheduled for tonight has been postponed until further notice.