

# Wagga Highlights



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## Term 2 Week 8 – Monday 15 June 2020

### Calendar of Upcoming Events

| June       |           |  |
|------------|-----------|--|
| 15         | Mon       | P & C Meeting<br>Ted Drake Room 7:30am       |
| July       |           |  |
| 3          | Fri       | Last day of term 2                           |
| 20         | Mon       | Staff Development Day                        |
| 21         | Tue       | Students return for Term 2                   |
| 27 – 7 Aug | Mon – Fri | 2020 HSC Trials                              |
| August     |           |  |
| 3 – 7      | Mon – Fri | Education Week                               |
| 7          | Fri       | Year 10 Meningococcal<br>vaccinations        |
| September  |           |  |
| 18         | Friday    | Year 7 immunisations (2 <sup>nd</sup> round) |
| October    |           |  |
| 20         | Tuesday   | First day 2020 HSC examinations              |
| November   |           |  |
| 13         | Friday    | Last day 2020 HSC examinations               |
| 19         | Thursday  | Year 12 Formal                               |

### Students attending TAFE

Students studying Mechanics, Electrotechnology, Aged Care & Nursing return to TAFE for face-to-face learning Thursday 18 June 2020. If your course is not listed, you are not returning this week and further information will follow for your course.

### Parent Portal

A reminder to all parents that Wagga Wagga High School has a Parent Portal available for parents and carers to keep updated with their students learning. Parents can access information about attendance, positive/negative referrals, assessments and homework. A security key is required to access your child's information, you can request this key by sending an email to the school email [waggawagga-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:waggawagga-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au). This portal can be accessed via [waggawagga-h.sentral.com.au/portal](http://waggawagga-h.sentral.com.au/portal).

### Message to Parents and Carers

We remind parents to please not turn up to the school office, without an appointment, and expect to speak to the principal, one of the deputy principals, a student adviser, careers adviser, our counsellor or one of your child's teachers. There is absolutely no guarantee that the person you wish to see will be available and you may go away disappointed.

Please **ring the school first** to arrange a time which suits both you and the staff member.

### Return to face to face learning

Please refer to the 'fact sheets' at the end of this newsletter. These include great information for parents/carers explaining some helpful tips as we move back into full time face to face learning at school.

### Library News

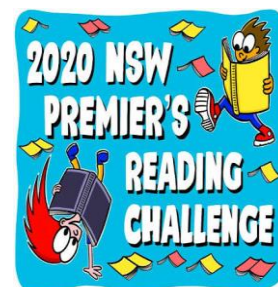


**Seminars – Smart Research for HSC Students** This Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> June from 4.30 to 5 pm the State Library of NSW will be offering their last session on smart online research. The

current learning environment is particularly challenging for HSC students. The specialist librarians at State Library have put together a workshop that will help students find the right tools, manage citations, recognise the best quality information sources and most importantly save valuable time. Students are able to attend the session by going to:

<https://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/events/smart-research-hsc-students-essential-library-resources-your-research-and-study> to register. The session will be offered via Zoom and cover the topic of: **Essential Library resources for your research and study:**

**PRC News** Students in years 7 to 9 are reminded that there is still time to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge this year. You have until the 28<sup>th</sup> of August to read 20 books – and can choose from an extensive list of novels, manga, non-fiction, graphic novels and more! Note that books you have read from August 31 2019 can be counted towards the 2020 PRC so if you haven't already signed up why not challenge yourself and get involved?! Students can access the PRC site through their DET portal by going to their Oliver Library tab underneath their email tab and finding the PRC link on the page or by going to: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html> click on the VIST THE STUDENT SITE image. See library staff for assistance – we'd love to help you get completed!



### Year 12 Formal

A date has been set for this years Year 12 formal. Thursday 19 November. More details to follow at a later date.



## Careers

Did you know Aiden Lamb Year 12 has started his own business, check out his instagram page - [newview\\_photography2020](#)

Have you visited the careers website at: [www.wwhscareers.com](http://www.wwhscareers.com)

### HSC & Beyond

What's on Offer - Exhibition Hall Visit with over 50 universities, TAFE and education providers. In addition to these providers, major career path organisations will also be in attendance, including Hospitality, Aviation, Culinary, Hotel Management, Sport and Creative Arts. There will be over 120 live daily sessions about scholarships, early entry programs, campus life, UAC & NESA and much more.

- [Download the speaker program here.](#)

HSC & Beyond will be open from **17-21 June 2020**. Live chat and live sessions will be available Wed/Thur from 4-8pm and Sat/Sun 10am-2pm. **How do Students & Parents Register** [Registration is free](#) for students, parents and schools. For further information, students are encouraged to click on the 2 links below. (use Right Click)

[A flyer can be downloaded here](#)  
[website](#)

### Virtual Careers Expo

| Event                     | Dates      | URL   |
|---------------------------|------------|---|
| HSC & Beyond Virtual Expo | 17-21 June | <a href="https://inspired.edu.au/hscbeyond/">https://inspired.edu.au/hscbeyond/</a> |

### RESOURCES

I have created a document that I thought you may find useful entitled All Things Tertiary covering information on University, TAFE and Private Providers with links to other information on

- UAC and how to apply to Uni
- early entry programs,
- scholarships,
- help with searching for courses,
- EAS and much more.

The document can be accessed here:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xyH4eVcs9PeQgpd\\_GK0p3UklkcddZeQICzDVhnpOD4/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xyH4eVcs9PeQgpd_GK0p3UklkcddZeQICzDVhnpOD4/edit?usp=sharing)

The UAC Guide 2020-21 has arrived - collect your copy from the Careers Room. UAC has opened (April 1 st ) so make sure you have your UAC pin and student number and are researching courses on the website. A video to help you apply to UAC is shown here or use this URL [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uznSlo\\_s\\_4U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uznSlo_s_4U)

### University of Wollongong – Year 12 Information Evening

Date: 16 June 2020

Time: 6:00pm

Overview: This Information Evening will give students in Year 12 (and their parents) an insight into the degrees offered and the unique student life and opportunities available at UOW. Knowledgeable staff and team of current UOW students will be on hand to discuss the following topics and answer any questions you have. Details and Registration:

<https://event.on24.com/eventRegistration/EventLobbyServlet?target=reg20.jsp&referrer=https%3A%2F%2Fwcc.on24.com%2Fwebcast%2Fregistration%2F2355725&eventid=2355725&sessionid=1&key=917809356032BB5D866CF80DF5DC10F5&regTag=&sourcepage=register>

### Online Agricultural Careers Expo

Online Ag Careers Expo - learn about education pathways, salary expectations, job and scholarship opportunities for a rewarding career in Agriculture. Speakers from Elders, Costa, AACo, Holmes Sackett, and more! Tuesday 23 June 11am -1pm <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/online-agricultural-careers-expo-2020-registration-102136123896>

## P&C News

- Our next P&C meeting will be held tonight , Monday 15 June, 7:30pm in Ted Drake Room. All hygiene and social distancing measures will be in place.

## RMS Safer Driver Course

NDE Australia are currently conducting the Roads & Maritime Service (RMS) Safer Driver Course in Wagga Wagga, for Learner Drivers. The next series of courses will be held at the St Johns Anglican Church Meeting Rooms, 6 Church Street Wagga Wagga, on Sunday 21 June and Wednesday 8 July 2020, commencing at 9:00am. The 8 July course, is in the first week of the school holidays. All social distancing procedures will be followed and hand sanitiser will be provided. The Safer Drivers Course is an essential service under the present COVID 19 situation and can be conducted under the present Government guidelines. Students are advised not to attend if they have any COVID 19 symptoms and can rebook for a later course.

The course consists of a 3 hour theory session followed by a 2 hour practical driving session, which involves low risk driving techniques. The 2 hour session entails 2 students, completing 1 hour drive each, on a pre prepared route. The course provides 20 hours of log time in the Learner Drivers Handbook for \$140. Drivers need to have 50 log book hours to qualify for the course.

This is great value for students and families and can be completed in 1 day. Lunch is provided at the training venue.

The Facilitators and coaches are highly skilled and experienced and provide easy to understand instruction, which will assist young drivers to gain valuable experience and safe driving techniques.

Students and families can book through the NDE Australia website <http://www.ndeaustralia.com.au> or call 0298533243



# This guide is for parents and carers

A guide to NSW school students returning to face-to-face learning

Information has been updated as at 11 June 2020, until further notice.



# In line with health advice, schools are operating full time, and many additional activities are now able to recommence

All schools have returned to full-time on-campus learning. With updated health advice and changes to state and national restrictions, schools are able to recommence the majority of school-based activities from either 15 June 2020 or the start of Term 3 (20 July 2020). Some activities are continuing to be considered.

The following principles underpin these guidelines:

- schools continue to be safe and operations are in line with Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) and NSW Health guidelines
- existing infection control protocols at schools, and new health and safety measures put in place will help maintain the health and safety of students and staff
- all activities permitted at school are safe and appropriate in a living with COVID-19 environment.

School students do not need to follow strict adult physical distancing guidelines, but should follow good hygiene practices like:

- regularly washing hands
- avoiding sharing drinks or food
- coughing or sneezing into your elbow, or a tissue which should be discarded immediately
- filling water bottles from bubblers rather than using the bubbler directly.



## School attendance

All students should be at school unless:

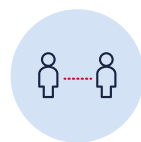
- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe
- they are currently unwell.



## School activities/ school site usage

The majority of school-based activities can recommence, as long as the following measures are observed:

- all visitors and external to school providers must adhere to relevant hygiene, distancing and safety protocols
- principals may continue to restrict, limit or prohibit activities if they are seen as contrary to the current health advice
- external providers and visitors are required to demonstrate compliance with health and safety requirements including adhering to strict guidelines and completing relevant forms
- non-essential adults are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events – this **includes parents/carers** unless specifically approved by the principal.



## Physical distancing

Physical distancing of children in schools is not required under the Australian HPPC guidelines. Research has shown limited transmission risk associated with school children in the school environment.

All adults must maintain physical distance from each other (1.5m) including teachers and support staff, and parents.

Schools should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable parents to physically distance from one another and from staff.



## School cleaning and hygiene supplies

Your school will continue to receive additional cleaning in line with the AHPPC guidelines and advice from NSW Health. Target areas include high-touch areas and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways and movement areas. There will also be additional cleaning of toilets and bubblers and topping up of supplies like soap.

Your school has received supplies of soap, hand sanitiser, toilet paper, paper towels, disinfectant wipes and personal protective equipment. The school is able to order more as needed.



## School activities return and timeline

Activities/site usage that can already take place:

- Use the school library
- Engage in non-contact sporting activities
- Canteens and uniform shops can open at principal's discretion
- Year 11 and 12 students only may attend classes/activities relating to subjects only available on other campuses is allowed

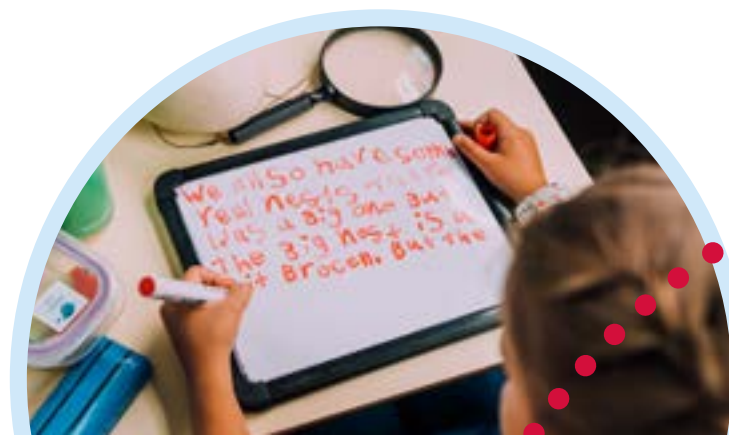
- VET work placement for Year 12 students is able to proceed from 1 June 2020. School based apprenticeships and traineeships can recommence once the relevant workplaces are back in operation
- Trade Training Centres can operate on school sites.

Activities/site usage that can take place from Monday 15 June 2020

- School assemblies (limited to 15 minutes and no external visitors)
- Choirs and performing arts at school, with safety protocols in place
- Students may attend other schools for essential curriculum related reasons or placements (e.g. auditions or placement tests)
- Hydrotherapy pools can be used
- Incursions/external providers can provide activities that support delivery of curriculum (e.g. music tutors, sport skills development programs, science demonstrations, drama tutors, Healthy Harold).
- Community use activities used by students such as dance classes, and student sport skills development, outside of school hours with limited adult attendance)
- Day field trips to outdoor locations with no physical distancing requirements can take place
- Face to face TAFE attendance (see TAFE website for further information)
- School photos
- Department of Community and Justice services and programs.

Activities/site usage that can take place from beginning of Term 3

- All school sport and activities including competitions aligned with current health advice (including those activities run by external organisations)





- Inter-school student events and competitions (choirs, sport, debating, public speaking, performing arts, Selective Sports High School trials etc)
- SRE/SEE lessons
- Work experience for students
- VET work placements can proceed subject to the availability of placement and appropriate risk assessments. For any that can't proceed, please see [the NESA website](#)
- School based apprenticeships and traineeships can recommence once the relevant workplaces are back in operation
- P&C meetings – with a strong preference for on-line where possible
- Parent/teacher meetings – where these need to take place – strong preference for on-line where possible unless involving serious matters that require face to face discussion
- Community use activities involving general adult attendance (such as community markets).

### Activities under consideration from Term 3

The following events will be reconsidered in Term 3. For now these events must remain on hold.

- School camps
- Excursions (other than field trips explained above)
- Parent attendance at assemblies and other school events (e.g. graduation ceremonies or student speech events)
- Parent volunteers – e.g. parent reading helpers (note: canteen and uniform shop volunteers are permitted)
- Interstate excursions
- School based activities that involve large gathering of adults are not permitted at this time. These include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school BBQs, large parent information evenings, and large on-site cultural events. These large gatherings and the following activities will continue to be reviewed and assessed based on AHPPC and NSW Health advice and may be permitted at a later date.

### Activities that are cancelled, delayed or not permitted

Certain large arts and sports events are cancelled or delayed because they require feeder activities and have long-lead time organisational arrangements. Please speak to your schools if you would like to know more.

International excursions are cancelled until further notice.



### Reporting and assessment

You will receive your child's semester 1 report before the end of August (Week 6, Term 3).

This will be a simplified version of the report you normally receive. Schools are encouraged to discuss your child's progress with you before the written report is issued.



### Responding to COVID-19 cases

There is a clear plan in place for schools to respond to any suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our schools. We are working closely with NSW Health and will communicate with parents if a situation arises. Find out more at the [response protocols page](#).



### Transport

For travel advice to and from school refer to the NSW [public transport service](#).



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