

Wagga Highlights

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Term 3 Week 7 – Monday 31 August 2020

Calendar of Upcoming Events

| September | | |
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| 3 | Thursday | Athletics Carnival |
| 7 | Monday | P & C Meeting (via zoom) |
| 18 | Friday | Year 7 Immunisations (2 nd round) |
| October | | |
| 20 | Tuesday | First day 2020 HSC examinations |
| November | | |
| 13 | Friday | Last day 2020 HSC examinations |
| 19 | Thursday | Year 12 Formal |

Resources for HSC – Parents & Students

This year's HSC is different due to COVID-19. Information is available on the NESA website to clearly answer parents' questions about the HSC exams. Please refer to the following website for more details.

<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/covid-19/coronavirus-advice/hsc>

Athletics Carnival

Our Athletics Carnival is this Thursday 3 September. Below is the order of events for the day. Remember to come dressed up in your sports house colour... There will be prizes to be won on the day!

- Best dressed Female, Junior & Senior
- Best dressed Male, Junior & Senior
- Best dressed group/team within your year group (this can be students from different sports houses in the same year, dressed up in the same theme)

Be creative. Be original. Have FUN! The school canteen will also be there on the day with cash or eftpos facilities available.

FIELD EVENT ROTATION SHEET

| | 12 years | 13 years | 14 years | 15 years | 16 years | 17 + |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 10.45 to 11.15 am | Long Jump | | 400m | Discus | Shot Put | 400m |
| 11.15 to 11.45 am | Discus | Novelty | Shot Put | | 400m | Long Jump/ Triple Jump |
| 11.45 to 12.15 pm | 400m | 400m | Discus | Novelty | Long Jump/ Triple Jump | Shot Put |
| 12.15 to 12.45 pm | Novelty | Shot Put | Long Jump | 400m | Discus | 800m |
| 12.45 to 1.15 pm | | 800m | 800m | Shot Put | | Novelty |
| 1.15 to 1.45 pm | Shot Put | Long Jump | | 800m | Novelty | Discus |
| 1.45 to 2.15 pm | 800m | Discus | Novelty | Long Jump/ Triple Jump | 800m | |

400m / 800m races have priority

Excellence Assembly

Our Excellence Assembly which was originally to be held 9 September has now been postponed until Term 4. More details will be released at later date as we wait to see how COVID-19 restrictions change.

Shannon's Award nominations

Shannon McKnight was a popular and highly regarded student at Wagga High, where she started Year 7 in 2009 and completed her HSC in Year 12 in 2014. Shannon was a kind, compassionate person who always thought of others first. She was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia half way through her HSC. Throughout treatment, Shannon remained positive, always expecting the best outcome. She showed incredible courage during this time. Unfortunately, things did not go as hoped and she finally succumbed to this illness on March 3, 2016, aged 20.

The Wagga High Awards Committee wish to acknowledge Shannon's contribution to the school community by encouraging her values among our students with a permanent annual award promoting her legacy.

"Shannon's Award" an award of a cheque for \$100 and a perpetual shield to be presented, at our annual Presentation Night, to a student who has been an inspiration to others and who has shown remarkable courage, compassion and kindness.

How Can I Nominate someone for "Shannon's Award"?

Any Student in Year 7 to 12 can nominate another student in Year 7 to 12. The Awards Committee will make the final decision, considering reasons provided by students on the nomination form. Nominations are open from Weeks 6 to 10, Term 3. Students are to nominate other students for Shannon's Award by completing and submitting the nomination Form by the end of Term 3.

Nomination forms are available from the Library and Front Office and can be returned to the Library.

Busabout – changes to bus timetable

With the completion of the Farrer Rd widening project, from Monday 31 August buses will revert back to 2019 routes. These changes mainly effect students who live in Boorooma, Cartwrights Hill, Estella and Gobbagombalin areas.

Bus drivers will hand out notices to students on board buses this week. Please click on the following link for more details or alternatively, if you have any questions, please call Busabout office on 5942 6600.

<https://busaboutwagga.com.au/upcoming-school-timetable-changes-effective-31st-august-2020/#more-1217>

Trophies & Shields are due back in

All perpetual trophies or shields are due back in to the school office. If you won an award at last years Presentation evening, please return it ASAP to be prepared for this year's award recipients.

Year 10 Hampers

Year 10 have started to collect food items ready for Hampers to be made during the Year 10 Enrichment week in November. They are asking students to bring in a non perishable food item, and they will be out and about in the playground before school and during Recess to collect these. Every item this year will be worth 1 point for their house, with points being tallied at the end to award a prize to the winning house group. The hampers will be given to those in the school and wider community who are in need of a little something before Christmas. Thank you in advance for your support! Year 10 2020.

Careers

Reminder to all students about our Wagga Wagga High School Careers website page. Please take the time to have a look for all the latest information and any vacant positions available. <http://www.wwhscareers.com/>

For more than 38 years, ATEL has focused on creating positive employment futures for both employers and employees, especially apprentices and trainees. ATEL assists employers large and small, new or established across all types of industries and services. Over the past 12 months ATEL have been working on how we can update our brand to reflect who we are and what we have to offer to our clients, employees and community. And with that in mind, we are thrilled to introduce you to Squad (formerly ATEL Employment Solutions and ATEL Training Services). Squad is all about being part of a team, working together, learning and delivering genuine skills and services to our businesses and communities.

The **ANU Admissions Webinar recording** [can be found here](#)

If you have any follow up questions, please contact us at student.recruitment@anu.edu.au, or the ANU Admissions office at domestic.admissions@anu.edu.au

ANU Virtual Open Week for further information. [Please register online for the latest information about this event.](#)

Covid-19 & School attendance

Reminder to all parents about the updated guidelines from NSW Health & Department of Education:

- Any child present at school with cold or flu like symptoms will be sent home.
- Any child sent home with cold/flu like symptoms or is absent from school due to cold/flu symptoms MUST get a COVID-19 test.
- Students MUST NOT return to school until they have received a NEGATIVE COVID-19 test.
- The school MUST receive the negative COVID-19 results via email before the child returns to school.

Protecting Year 12 during COVID-19

Year 12 students will now have their COVID-19 test result fast tracked through pathology. They simply need to advise the nurse or doctor doing the test they are HSC students.

Results will be fast tracked to reduce disruption to their studies and exams. We also want to reduce potential anxiety around getting tested and ensure students self-isolate at home until results are known. This will help protect the whole community.

It is important that all Year 12 students:

- Stay 1.5m apart where possible
- Wear a mask if physical distancing isn't possible
- Get tested asap if they have even the mildest of symptoms
- Tell the clinician doing the test they are a Year 12 student and to mark the referral 'Urgent - HSC student'
- Stay home and self-isolate until results are known
- Receive a negative test result before returning to school; showing the school a screenshot of an SMS result is sufficient
- Call the contact number provided by the clinic if results are not received within 36 hours

As social young adults, senior students may be at greater risk of COVID-19 than the younger children at school.

They're also more likely to be out and about in situations which could put them at risk of COVID-19 if they don't stay vigilant.

P&C News

- Our next P&C meeting will be Monday 7 September. This meeting will be held online via Zoom.
- If you would like to participate virtually please send an email indicating your interest to the current P&C President Helen Mundy helen.mundy29@gmail.com



Future Choices Virtual Transition Expo

for Students with Disability

9th September 2020 9-5pm

Presented by



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The *Future Choices Virtual Transition Expo for Students with Disability* is a unique opportunity that connects young people and tertiary graduates with disability to:

- Education / training providers
- Employment services
- Employers
- Apprenticeship / traineeship services
- Disability providers
- Assistive technology suppliers
- Government services

...and other support services to help them make informed decisions about their future.



Our virtual expo platform is fully accessible and has a range of features that the audience can use to fully participate in the event.

To register for the Future Choices Virtual Transition Expo:

- 1 Visit futurechoices.vfairs.com and register as an attendee.
- 2 Log on during the event (9th September, 9am – 5pm).
- 3 Explore the exhibit hall.
- 4 Attend the webinars that are of interest to you.
- 5 Parents and carers are also welcome to register along with staff / services supporting the transition of students and people with disability.