


Wagga Highlights

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Term 1 Week 3 – Monday 8 February 2021

Calendar of Upcoming Events

February		
8 -10	Mon – Wed	Year 12 Camp
11	Thursday	Twilight Swimming Carnival
12	Friday	Swimming Carnival Rest Day
15	Monday	P&C Meeting
17	Wednesday	School Leaders Induction Assembly
17-18	Wed –Thu	University of Wollongong Trip
23	Tuesday	Elevate at Koorinal High School
March		
3	Wednesday	School Photos

Whitecard Course

Any students in Yr 10,11,12 interested in doing the Whitecard course need to register their interest in the Careers Room. This course is for students wanting to do work experience or gain employment in the Building and Construction industry.

Best Start Year 7 Assessment

Year 7 students will participate in the Best Start Year 7 Assessment in Term 1, 2021.

Best Start Year 7 is an online literacy and numeracy assessment available to secondary schools that assesses key literacy and numeracy skills of Year 7 students. It is designed to assist teachers to identify students who may require additional support in developing their literacy and numeracy skills. The assessment is undertaken between 1 February to 5 March.

The purpose of the Best Start Year 7 assessment is to provide feedback to teachers to help identify student needs. Feedback will be provided to teachers who may choose to share this with students, parents and carers during teacher interview processes.

The assessment will take place within regularly timetabled Maths and English lessons, and there is no special preparation that is required by students before completing the test. Please inform the school if your child has special needs requiring support to complete an online assessment.

Students will be asked to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a computer to enable them to hear audio during the assessment. Earbuds used for mobile phones or other portable devices may be suitable for use during the assessment. The type of computer connection needed is an audio jack or USB.

If your child needs earbuds provided by the school, please contact Hannah Germantse.

Maths Homework Centre

Our Maths homework centre is back this week, each Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:30pm to 4:30pm in A4. All students are welcome to attend. This is a free of charge initiative, students can spend time catching up on homework or assessments. There will be Maths teachers on hand for any assistance needed.

Twilight Swimming Carnival

Our twilight swimming carnival will be held this Thursday 11 February, a letter has been emailed to all parents/carers explaining the process including Friday's attendance.

Elevate Education

Elevate Education will be presenting valuable study skills to our senior students (years 11 and 12) on Tuesday 23 February. This program is funded by the school and is valuable preparation for senior study. A Parent Session will be presented at Koorinal High School on Monday 22 February at 6.00pm. Due to Covid number restrictions, parents will be required to RSVP to this event if they wish to attend. Please phone Wagga High School on 69 253611 to reserve a place for the parent session.

Immunisations

A reminder to all students in Years 7 & 10 to please return your signed consent cards if you wish to receive the immunisations offered by NSW Health.

Library News

A MASSIVE THANK YOU to all those students who have visited the library for study and leisure this year - it has been a really positive start. A reminder that the library is open to all student from all years from 8.30 am and at recess and lunchtimes, 5 days a week.

Students are reminded that the library also has a fantastic subscription to the digital World Book Encyclopedia - great for school assignments and general interest! Simply go to: www.worldbookonline.com username: wwhs1 password: library. This subscription is for all WWHS students, staff and their families.

Students also have access to an extensive video database called Clickview. You may have used this resource in class with a teacher – but students are reminded that they too can access it themselves – great for help with homework and general interest. Log in through Oliver in your DET portal (Go to the news tab). Library staff are happy to help you access these fabulous resources – please contact us if you need assistance.

Kathleen Trenaman (Teacher Librarian)

Welcome to New Parents BBQ

Our welcome to new parents BBQ, which was to be held tomorrow has been postponed to a later date. Further details to come.

Careers

UOW Discovery Day

Unfortunately WWHS is not attending Discovery Day as a school organised event due to recent covid concerns in Greater Sydney area but UOW have offered students and their parents the opportunity to attend. UOW have put in place safe covid plans and as a school we encourage students to follow safe covid hygiene practices. UOW have recommended Monday 15th or Friday 19th Feb as the best days to attend. Interested students and parents can attend UOW Discovery Day by using the link below to register. Once students have filled in the form UOW will send the students their passwords to choose a timetable. https://uow.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6Kh2zfPHXE_uLKM6

P&C News

Our first P&C meeting for 2021 will be held Monday 15 February in the Ted Drake Room at 7:30pm