



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kaya,



As Term 3 comes to a close, it's been a week full of highlights and achievements. Our High School students have enjoyed great success at Country Week, representing our school with pride and skill. I had the chance to visit for a day and watch some of our teams in action on the Volleyball and Basketball courts. Not only did they perform exceptionally well, but they also continue to earn a strong reputation among other District High Schools for their outstanding sportsmanship.

Meanwhile, back at school, our primary students have been fully immersed in the magic of Literacy and Book Week. The excitement was contagious, and this year's Book Week Parade was, in my opinion, the best one yet, with some truly incredible costumes on display!

As we look ahead there are two things I would like to bring to your attention:

Bushfire preparation - As the weather warms up again, I would like to remind you, as I do every year, of our bushfire procedures in preparation for the upcoming season.

Waroona District High School has been placed on the Department of Education bushfire zone register as it is located in a designated bushfire risk area.

If a fire behaviour index of 75 (extreme fire danger) or greater is forecast for the Shire of Waroona, the school may be required by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) or the Department of Education (DoE) to invoke a pre-emptive (planned) closure. A 'catastrophic' fire danger rating poses a significant threat to the school if a fire starts. It is likely to be uncontrollable, unpredictable and fast-moving.

If this is the case parents and carers will receive a text message to inform them of a possible pre-emptive closure of the school.

The final decision to pre-emptively close the school will be confirmed with the Principal no later than 4:30 pm on the day before the pre-emptive closure. If the forecast changes after the 4:30 pm deadline, the school remains closed.

Parents and carers will receive a text message to either confirm or cancel a pre-emptive closure of the school.

Typically, schools will be required to close for a day at a time however, this will depend on changing weather conditions. Parents and carers will receive a text message to advise if the school will reopen the day after the pre-emptive closure, or whether it will remain closed.

Further information is available on the school website:

<https://waroonadhs.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Parent-Information-Bushfire-Procedures-for-Waroona-DHS-2025-26.pdf>

Students and staff will be participating in a bushfire drill during Term 4 and again during Term 1 in 2026 to prepare for the upcoming bushfire season.

2026 Planning - Planning for the 2026 school year is now underway, and part of this process involves reviewing our projected student enrolments. If your child will **not** be returning in 2026, we kindly ask that you notify the school as soon as possible. Having accurate enrolment information helps us plan effectively for classroom placements and staffing, ensuring a smooth start to the year.

Thank you for your continued support. We wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable mid-semester break!

Kind regards,

Mr Gareth Smith
PRINCIPAL

Term 4 Commences
Monday 13 October

First bell 8:45am
Early Close 2:20pm

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FROM THE DEPUTIES

Whole School Initiatives Deputy

Hello everyone,

Welcome to what has been an incredibly busy and productive term. This last week I have been at Country Week with the Volleyball team and I am proud of the sportsmanship and endeavour that our students demonstrated. All of our teachers involved in all of our sports; Badminton, Netball, Volleyball and Basketball also felt this strong sense of pride, along with looking forward to the week all year.

In the classroom this term, students have been busy consolidating their understanding of the content being taught. With a particular focus on areas identified in the returned NAPLAN data. Teachers have been hard at work defining assessment before Term 4 starts to allow us to start reporting in student achievement.

On the attendance front, we have had many student's away with colds and flus. We know that Term 3 is always difficult as there is lots of illness and bugs going around. If parents could please make use of the notifications sent out through Compass to report students absences, we would really appreciate it. Currently, we are behind in our data compared with this time last year, so will have some extra reminders going out to help students maintain their good standing.

I wish everyone a restful holiday and look forward to seeing everyone in Term 4.

Mr Matthew White
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



Primary Deputy

As Term 3 draws to a close, our school is enjoying a belated celebration of Book Week. This year's theme is 'Book an Adventure' and many classes are using this theme to inspire our students to fall in love with stories. I enjoyed my recent trip down to the Junior Primary classes to read my favourite story – 'A Fish Out of Water' by Helen Palmer. We urge parents to keep alive the enjoyment of storytelling for the next generation coming through.

Congratulations to our Interschool Athletics Team who represented our school magnificently at the recent Interschool Carnival. Once again, we finished second, which has been repeating itself quite a bit in recent years. Congratulations to our Champions and Runner Up Champions. Thank you to St Joseph's for hosting the Carnival.

At the beginning of Term 4 parents will receive a 'Consent2Go' email for swimming lessons which will be held in Weeks 3 and 4 of the term.

We will also be holding 'Loud Shirt Day' on the first Friday back. We will use this as a fundraiser in support of Telethon, who kindly offer us our Teletherapy Speech and Hearing services.

Finally, as we move into the final term for 2025 just a quick reminder that we will have the 'No Hat-No Play' policy kick into action. Please ensure your child always has a hat in their bag.

Have a great Term 3 break!

Mr Carl Carulli
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



Secondary Deputy

What a busy term, staff and students are exhausted, and I am sure are looking forward to a well-deserved few weeks break. Country Week has once again finished the term off. I am confident the teams will once again represent the school well and look forward to sharing their results early next term.

For those that were at school they have developed a range of puppeteering skills. High School students have made the puppets, developed the script and presented to the whole school. They also have engaged with primary classes to help with STEM activities and have been seen running around assisting the primary students solve clues during a scavenger hunt.

The Year 10 students will return to school and in Week 2 head down South to Walpole for their Bushranger camp. Mrs O'Meara has arranged a range of volunteer work whilst in the region along with some other fun activities. This should be an amazing opportunity for the Year 10 students.





The school has spent a large part of the term encouraging students to lift their personal attendance rates. We are pleased that students have responded positively to our initiatives, however this will continue next term to ensure students form excellent attitudes around attendance which will transfer to their future work environments.

I wish all the students and the wider community a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to seeing you next term.

Regards

Mr David Mattin
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



RU Ok? Day Colour Run





ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES

The following students received merits at our first assembly this term:

Year 1	Jackson Lowe	Liam Mackenzie	Ollie Dent	Amira Chappell
Year 2	Lacey Burgoyne	Neicey O'Neile-Jeffries		
Year 3	Maximus Clarke	AJ Harbour		
Year 4	Savannah Webster	Terra-Jai Websdale	Carter Abnett	
Year 5	Jason Mohamad	Maxwell Hardie	Allyssa Waldon	
Year 6	Sophie Martin Rubi Cunningham	Kacee Weil	Ally Murray	Zac-Si Paskin
Year 7	Tyler Butler Archie Slack	Riley Stokes Chloe Rico	Annebelle Webster William Bunyan	Nicholas Lee
Year 8	Tallon Thomas	Oliver Wilcox		
Year 9	Samuel Sutton	Matthew Larkman	Max Woodford	Indi Harrison
Year 10				

BOOK WEEK





ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The 2025 School Athletics Carnival was a huge success with students from Pre-Primary to Year 10 giving it their all. It was a day full of energy, fun and incredible teamwork.

This year, we saw an awesome turnout for both spectators and student participation with some fabulously dressed participants. Our parents even blitzed the Student/Parent/Teacher relay!!!

The day belonged to **Wooyan** (Blue) were our victors followed by **Nodjam** (Green) and then **Mirda** (Red).

Thank you to all who assisted in a smooth running of the day; along with the friends and families for the support of our students.

The individual student Champions and Runner-Up's from this year's Carnival are as follows:

Year		Champion	Runner-Up
Year 1	Boy	Tommie Ireland ●	Connor Lees ●
	Girl	Ruby-Lee Clarke ●	Evie Fitzpatrick ●
Year 2	Boy	Zane Knox ●	Adakin James ●
	Girl	Harlow McDermont ●	Lacey Burgoyne ●
Year 3	Boy	Harry Grant ●	Rylan Licciardello ●
	Girl	Violet English ●	Hadlee Bombara ●
Year 4	Boy	Cruz Smith ●	Jack Lee ●
	Girl	Ally Melling ●	Savannah Webster ●
Year 5	Boy	Brayden Mead ●	Nate Grimlinger ●
	Girl	Ruby-Rose Johnson ●	Rosie Neal ●
Year 6	Boy	Vince Stelzer ●	Jax Wall ●
	Girl	Aiva Coles ●	Violet Kohlman ●
Year 7	Boy	Seth Anderson ●	Bayden Licciardello ●
	Girl	Lilly Wilcox ●	Tyler Butler ●
Year 8	Boy	Mitchell Hersey ●	Tyler Burnell ●
	Girl	Mackenzie Stokes ●	Chlesee Dittman ●
Year 9	Boy	Hary Johnson ●	Matt Larkman ●
	Girl	Desi Kelly ●	Akasha Fardella ●
Year 10	Boy	Jacob McWilliams ●	Warlitch Kearing ●
	Girl	Lilah Sander ●	Mickayla Buckley ●
Sportsperson Award	Primary	Olivia Miles	
	Secondary	Blakely Slack	

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

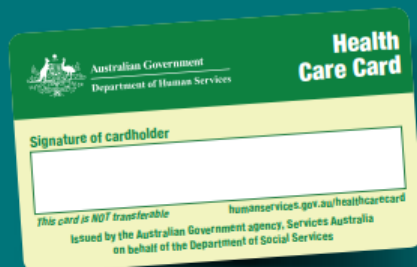
This year the Primary Interschool Sports carnival was hosted by St Joseph's Waroona at the Waroona Town Oval. What a wonderful day it was and the competition between schools so close. St Joseph's were the overall victors, followed by Waroona DHS. Congratulations to all students who participated and did their best on the day!

Year		Student	Award
3	Boy	Harry Grant	Champion
3	Girl	Violet English	Runner-Up Champion
4	Boy	Jack Lee	Runner-Up Champion
4	Girl	Ally Melling	Champion
6	Girl	Violet Kohlman	Runner-Up Champion





Community News



Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops



1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au



Guide for eligible savings goals



Education items that **are** eligible:

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| ✓ Textbooks | ✓ Tutoring specific to study | ✓ Equipment and industry specific clothing mandatory for vocational training. Please note that evidence must be provided to show that the equipment and/or clothing is a requirement for the course being undertaken |
| ✓ Uniform mandatory for education (sports uniform included for children only) | ✓ TAFE/VET fees | ✓ Short courses and conferences that complement the vocational training being undertaken. |
| ✓ Computers and tablets (new or purchased second hand from a registered business with an ABN) | ✓ Computer Accessories (antiviral software, the Microsoft Office suite, monitor, modem, printer, external hard drives, other hardware etc.) | |
| ✓ Stationery | ✓ Bulk transport passes (monthly, 6 monthly and yearly passes) to school, university, or TAFE | |
| ✓ Furniture for studying (desk, chair, bookshelves, desk lamp) | | |

For children only the following educational items are also eligible:

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| ✓ Children's Primary and Secondary School items that are eligible: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Excursions, trips, and camps – School bag, lunch box, drink bottle – School materials – Laptop Hire Scheme – School materials for specialist subject costs – School photos | ✓ Children's club or community activity items (e.g., sport, music, dance, scouts/girl guides, cadets, art): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Membership fees and lesson fees such as swimming or piano lessons – Equipment and uniform – Excursions, trips, and camps |
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NOT eligible:

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| ✗ Private school fees | ✗ Mobile Phones, Mp3 Players, TVs, or gaming consoles | ✗ Second hand goods not through registered dealer (with ABN (Australian Business Number)) |
| ✗ Childcare fees and school holiday programs | ✗ Internet plans | ✗ Item purchased without a Tax Invoice that includes an ABN |
| ✗ HECS-HELP debts | ✗ Shoes, clothes, or accessories for school formals | |
| ✗ VET-FEE-HELP debts | ✗ Shoes, clothes, or accessories for outside school, including watches, wallets, and purses | |
| ✗ Motor vehicles and accessories, driving lessons and car parking costs | ✗ Non study related furniture | |
| ✗ Medical or health equipment | ✗ Bicycles | |
| ✗ Glasses (prescription or otherwise) | ✗ Gym memberships | |





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Saver Plus Information Sessions

We are running Information sessions for anyone thinking about joining the program and wants to learn more about how Saver Plus works.

Eligibility, income and participation criteria. To find out more head to <https://www.thesmithfamily.com.au/>.

To Register please use the QR Code or Zoom Link Below.



[Click here to Register](#)

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1300 610 355



Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St. Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.



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Protective Behaviours program empowers children to:

- Assert their right to feel safe
- Identify trusted adults to talk to
- Recognise 'signs' their bodies give them when they may be unsafe
- Learn 'body safety' rules and safety strategies
- Learn the difference between safe and unsafe secrets

Date: Thursday 27 November
Time: 12.30pm to 2.30pm
Venue: Child and Parent Centre, Dudley Park, Kooljack Street, Dudley Park
Registration: Please phone number 08 9537 5603 or email cpcadmin@anglicarewa.org.au to register.

Crèche is available

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Join us for a FREE youth skatepark clinic these school holidays.
Whether you're just starting out or looking to sharpen your skills, this is your chance to learn from the pros at Freestyle Now!

Bring your skateboard, scooter, or BMX along with a helmet and good vibes – and get ready for a fun-filled session of tips, tricks, and confidence-building on the skatepark.

Tuesday 7 October 2025

10am to 12pm

Railside Park, South Western Highway, Waroona

Railside Park is a smoke-free and vape-free environment

All ages and skill levels are welcome.



Supported by Healthway and
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Bookings are essential! Please visit
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/1708902867479?aff=oddtcreator>
to register or scan the QR code.





Saturday 4 October 2025

Drakesbrook Weir, Waroona

9am – 1pm

Official Proceedings: 10:00am

Main Trout Release: 10:15am



Free entry - no fishing license required!

- 🔥 Free Recfishwest fishing clinic
- 🎯 Casting competition with Chas Riegert from Freshwater Fishability
- 🪁 Fly fishing demos by WA Trout & Freshwater Angling Association
- 📄 Fishing stalls & information displays
- 🍽️ Food trucks & refreshments
- 🎪 Stalls, entertainment & games for all ages & abilities
- 📸 A fantastic day for families, nature lovers, and keen anglers alike!
- 🚫 Please note: This is a dog-free event!

**Free shuttle bus running from
Waroona Recreation and Aquatic Centre**

88 Hill Street, Waroona

First bus leaves at 8.30am sharp with the last bus returning at 1pm

Shuttle service every half hour

**ALCOA CYCLE
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Entering is easy, just follow these three steps:

- 1** Bring a gold coin for a donation
- 2** Add your details to enter the raffle
- 3** Hop on our bikes and start pedalling



Gold coin donation to ride and enter the raffle



All proceeds donated to Telethon



Raffle drawn at 3.00pm on main stage