



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kaya,

Welcome to the final edition of our newsletter for 2025.

As we come to the close of another school year, the Christmas season offers us a natural moment to pause, reflect, and look ahead.

Looking back, 2025 has been a year of growth and momentum for us. Waroona DHS continues to offer a wealth of learning experiences; academic, cultural, sporting, and extracurricular that allow our students to discover their strengths and build confidence. It has been encouraging to see our students take on new challenges, support one another, and develop pride in their school, with experiences such as Country Week and the Year 6 and Year 10 camps creating memories that will last for years to come.

Our growing reputation is something we are particularly proud of. Increased enrolment interest and positive feedback from families reflect the hard work of our staff, the enthusiasm of our students, and the strong partnership we share with our community. Together, we are building a school known not only for opportunity, but for care, connection, and high expectations.

Looking ahead to the new year, we remain focused on continuing this positive trajectory. We will build on what is working well by further strengthening our teaching and learning framework and rolling out initiatives aligned with the Department of Education's *Teaching for Impact* strategy. These include the implementation of a full instructional coaching program for teachers, strengthening learning pathways from Kindergarten through to Year 10 and ensuring every student is known, supported and encouraged to achieve their best.

As 2025 draws to a close, we farewell Mr Reynolds, who has taught our Year 6 class this year, and we wish him well in his next endeavours. We also farewell Mr Carulli, our Primary School Deputy Principal of 22 years and Mr Mattin, our High School Deputy Principal of 19 years. Mr Carulli and Mr Mattin have been exceptional leaders who have been at the heart of Waroona DHS for over two decades. They have been constants in our community and deeply committed to the people they serve. Their retirement marks the end of an era at Waroona DHS, but their influence will be felt for many years to come. We wish them both every happiness in their retirement.

We are excited to welcome new members to our staff team in 2026. Mrs Moore will join us as Primary Deputy Principal, and Miss Sjollemma will take on the role of Secondary Deputy Principal. Mr Worrall will also be joining our team as both a Primary teacher and High School Design and Technology teacher. Mrs Ceresna who joined us for Term 4 this year will continue with us as our High School Science teacher.

In other staffing changes, Mr White will move into a more senior Associate Principal position, and Miss Stella will take on the new role of Learning Support Coordinator.

Finally, I would like to thank our staff for their dedication and professionalism, our students for their effort and resilience, and our families for the trust and support you place in our school. Your partnership makes a genuine difference.

School Development Days in 2026 will be:

- Tuesday 28th April
- Friday 29th May
- Monday 12th October

I wish all families a safe, restful, and joyful Christmas break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new year, refreshed and ready for another exciting chapter in our school's journey.

Merry Christmas to all.

Best wishes,

Mr Gareth Smith
PRINCIPAL



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2025 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Our 2025 Presentation Assembly was held on Monday, 8th December and our Graduation Day for Year 6 and Year 10 students was held on Wednesday, 17th December. We would like to take the opportunity to congratulate all students who have given their best efforts in their schooling throughout the year. Our sincere appreciation to all sponsors who so generously supported our school community this year. The following students received awards this year:



Secondary Academic Awards

Year 7	English	Chloe Rico	Charles Hull Contracting
Year 8	English	Lucas Birch / Leah Prosser	Charles Hull Contracting
Year 9	English	Leena Stelzer	Charles Hull Contracting
Year 10	English	Aidan Gray	Lake Navarino Forest Resort
Year 7	Maths	Tyler Butler	Evertrue Solutions
Year 8	Maths	Riley Watts	Evertrue Solutions
Year 9	Maths	Leena Stelzer	Curtis Electrical
Year 10	Maths	Aidan Gray	Lake Navarino Forest Resort
Year 7	Science	Chloe Rico	Curtis Electrical
Year 8	Science	Isla Fardella	Harvey Medical Group, Waroona
Year 9	Science	Zebastian Tredgett	Shift Engineering
Year 10	Science	Chase Tredgett	Lake Navarino Forest Resort
Year 7	HASS	Chloe Rico	Charles Hull Contracting
Year 8	HASS	Isla Fardella	Shift Engineering
Year 9	HASS	Akasha Fardella	Shift Engineering
Year 10	HASS	Chase Tredgett	Lake Navarino Forest Resort
Year 7	Dux	Chloe Rico	Shire of Waroona
Year 8	Dux	Isla Fardella	Shire of Waroona
Year 9	Dux	Zebastian Tredgett	Shire of Waroona
Year 10	Dux	Chase Tredgett	Brad Vitale

Secondary Elective Learning Area

Year 7-10	Visual Arts	Destinee Kelly	Yarloop CWA
Year 7-10	Home Economics	Jacob McWilliams	Yarloop CWA
Year 7-10	Bush Rangers	Zachary Lloyd	Waroona Electrical Services
Year 7-10	STEM	Tallon Thomas	Bendigo Bank
Year 7-10	Design & Technology	Liam Young	Mitre 10 Waroona
Year 7-10	Project Design & Technology	Cortney Weil	Mitre 10 Waroona
Year 7-10	Digital Technology	Zebastian Tredgett	Rotary Club, Pinjarra
Year 7-10	Media Arts	Aidan Gray	Waroona Rural Services
Year 7-10	Secondary Sportsperson	Millicent Gill	Waroona Senior Citizens
Year 7-10	Photography	Zebastian Tredgett	Bendigo Bank
Year 7-8	Dance	Kaisha Lloyd	Rotary Club Pinjarra
Year 7-10	Football/Cricket Academy	Blakely Slack	Waroona Volunteer Fire Services
Year 7-10	Basketball/Netball	Kynan Stokes	Waroona Rural Services
Year 10	IVET Hospitality	Blakely Slack	Nanga Bush Camp



Citizenship Awards

Primary (1-5)	Citizenship	Levi Burgoyne	Annette Mason
Secondary (7-9)	Citizenship	Matthew Larkman	Andrew Hastie MP
Year 6	Citizenship	Hazzel Waide	Waroona Agricultural Society
Year 10	Citizenship	Blakely Slack	Waroona Agricultural Society
Year 10	Long Tan Leadership & Teamwork Award	Riley Racco	Australian Defence Force
Year 10	Principals Award	Aidan Gray	Mason Family

Primary Academic Awards

Year 1	Academic Award	Oliver Dent	Mitchells Transport
Year 2	Academic Award	Lacey Burgoyne	Mitchells Transport
Year 3	Academic Award	Harry Grant	Mitchells Transport
Year 4	Academic Award	Jack lee	Mitchells Transport
Year 5	Academic Award	Jack O'Neile-Jeffries	Mitchells Transport
Year 6	Dux	Isobel Wilson	Brad Vitale
Primary	Sportsperson Award	Harry Grant	Waroona Rural Services



Class Encouragement Awards

Room 24 (Yr 1&2)	Ms Jaxon	Neicey O'Neile-Jeffries	Charles Hull Contracting
Room 25 (Yr 1&2)	Mrs Lorroway	Thomas Ellis	Charles Hull Contracting
Room 26 (Yr 3)	Mrs Davies	Avianna Chester	Drakesbrook Hotel
Room 21 (Yr 4)	Miss Loughton	Ruby Waldon	Drakesbrook Hotel
Room 28 (Yr 5)	Mrs Perrott	Rosie Neal	Supa Harvey IGA
Room 22 (Yr 6)	Mr Reynolds	Rubi Cunningham	Waroona Electrical Services

Scholarships for 2026

Year 6	Scholarship (\$150)	Kelsey Smith	SSTUWA
Year 6	Scholarship (\$500)	Keegan McDerment	Alcoa of Australia
Year 10	Scholarship (\$500)	Liam Young	Alcoa of Australia
Year 6	Scholarship (\$750)	Annalee Miles	Lions Club of Waroona
Year 10	Scholarship (\$1,000)	Zachary Lloyd	Lions Club of Waroona

2026 Student Councillors

Our Student Council for 2026 is:

Year 6 – Quinn Bombara, Alyssa Augustin

Year 7 – Kelsey Smith, Ally Murray

Year 8 – Archie Slack, Rayne Brown

Year 9 – Lucas Birch, Hayley Murray

Head Councillors – Kynan Stokes, India Brown

2026 Faction Captains

Mirda (Red)

Primary – Kaitlyn McIntyre & Harper Stokes

Secondary – Riley Stokes & Tyler Butler

Nodjam (Green)

Primary – Rosie Neal & Ally Melling

Secondary – Lilly Wilcox & Seth Anderson

Wooyan (Blue)

Primary – Nate Grimlinger & Jack O'Neile-Jeffries

Secondary – Sienna Frisina & Bayden Licciardello





2025 Award Winners

Presentation Day Years 1 to Year 5 and Year 7 to Year 9





Congratulations on a great year, and warm wishes to you
and your family throughout the holiday season.

2025 Graduation Award Winners

Year 6 & Year 10



May the holiday season end the present year on a cheerful
note and make way for a fresh and bright New Year.
Here's wishing you a Happy Holidays!





**Congratulations to all the
Award Winners
and a huge thank you for
the sponsors for your
generous donations for the
awards and scholarships.**



2025 Year 6 Graduates





"Find your spark and use it to lead your life."

Mr Reynolds



2025 Year 10 Graduates





"A bright future beckons. The onus is on us, through hard work, honesty and integrity, to reach for the stars."

Nelson Mandela.

 Department of Education **Shaping the future**

Secondary Assistance Scheme

Years 7 to 12 you may be eligible for up to:

\$535

towards school expenses

If you hold a:

- Centrelink Health Care Card
- Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card
- Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card.

Applications close 11 April 2025

Ask School Reception for more information.

P&C School Uniform Shop
Is open on
Friday, 30 January 2026
9am to 11:30am

2026 Semester 1
students return to school on
Monday, 2 February
First Bell 8:45am
School finishes at 3:00pm





ASSEMBLY MERIT CERTIFICATES

The following students received merits at our assemblies this term:

Year 1	Evie Fitzpatrick	Connor Lees	Kratos Beznoska	
Year 2	Neicey O'Neile-Jeffries	Jake Walsh	Adakin James	Aliyah Poultney
Year 3	Kenzie-Jayne Mead	Michael Clarke	Dean Dryburgh	
Year 4	Brodie Ireland	Tegan Waller		
Year 5	Sophie Burnell Ruby-Rose Johnson	Charlie Ireland	Isabella Hart	Brayden Mead
Year 6	Vince Stelzer Taylor Sherlock	Georgia Rutherford	Sienna Frisina	Zayden Thomas
Year 7	Riley Horstman Stella Salter	Ivie Bombara Chloe Lunamaria Rico	Byron Scally	Harper Johnston
Year 8	Hailey Murray			
Year 9	Jessica Stone	Beau Maroney	Zeb Tredgett	
Year 10				

Swimming Carnival Results

Congratulations to all students who participated and gave their very best, you are all winners! We are proud of the sportsmanship between factions that was displayed throughout the day by all students.

It was a close competition with lead changing many times throughout the day. Congratulations to Mirda ● (Red), who were this years' overall Champions followed by Nodjam ● (Green) then Wooyan ● (Blue).

Year 4	Champion Girl Champion Boy	Addison McGreggor ● Jarrad Woodley ●	Runner-Up Champion Girl Runner-Up Champion Boy	Tegan Waller ● Max Pisconeri ●
Year 5	Champion Girl Champion Boy	Rosie Neal ● Baylen Thomas ● & Nate Grimlinger ●	Runner-Up Champion Girl Runner-Up Champion Boy	Quinn Bombara ● Charlie Ireland ●
Year 6	Champion Girl Champion Boy	Violet Kohlman ● Brennel Tressider ●	Runner-Up Champion Girl Runner-Up Champion Boy	Annalee Miles ● Chace Horstman ●
Year 7	Champion Girl Champion Boy	Tyler Butler ● Seth Anderson ●	Runner-Up Champion Girl Runner-Up Champion Boy	Lilly Wilcox ● Archie Slack ●
Year 8	Champion Boy	Mitchell Hersey ●		
Year 9	Champion Girl Champion Boy	Desi Kelly ● Matthew Larkman ●	Runner-Up Champion Girl Runner-Up Champion Boy	Jessica Stone ● Kynan Stokes ●
Year 10	Champion Girl Champion Boy	Leah Beales ● Jacob McWilliams ●	Runner-Up Champion Boy	Blakely Slack ●

