

# West Wyalong High School

## Newsletter

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Monday 2 March 2020

TERM 1 WEEK 6

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Lots has happened over the past few weeks at our wonderful high school. Year 7 teachers and students participated in the annual Wollongong excursion and it was great to see all the smiling faces as they headed off last Wednesday at 9.00am. It was a fun-filled few days and we will post some of the photos on Facebook shortly. I am sure everyone who attended appreciated the opportunity to sleep in their own bed on Friday night.

Our teachers participated in their Term 1 twilight professional learning session last Tuesday evening and managed to complete their mandatory anaphylactic and CPR training. We participated in an excellent presentation/workshop on integrating robotics and other technologies into our classroom teaching. We have secured a robotics kit for the first half of the year and we will be introducing students to the world of coding and artificial intelligence. Our teachers are always trying to upskill and deliver more engaging, quality lessons to our students and this evening provided some great inspiration.

In regards to some short term staffing movement, Mr Bishop will be relieving as Principal at Barellan Central School for the remainder of this term. Mr Heydon and Mr Manchur will relieve as Deputy Principal during this time. Although we currently have a severe shortage of casual teachers, we continue to place appropriately trained, quality teachers in front of all classes.

Unfortunately I was unable to attend the P&C annual general meeting on Monday, however, it was fantastic that we have now filled the executive positions for the P&C and I look forward to working with Mrs Blackwood (2020 President) and the rest of the P&C team. We have some obvious challenges around maintaining our P&C school canteen and I urge all parents to support our healthy canteen. It is not appropriate for our students to leave school and attend the local shops to obtain food. Students are truanting when they leave the grounds without permission and parents will be

contacted accordingly. We appreciate your support in keeping our students safe and involving them in a healthy diet.

### CALENDAR – TERM 1, 2020

WEEK 6	
Monday 2 March	WR Basketball Trials (Boys), West Wyalong
WEEK 7	
Tuesday 10 March	WR Netball Opens, Orange
Thursday 12 March	WR Swimming Trials, Dubbo
WEEK 8	
Wednesday 18 March	WR Basketball Trials (Girls), Orange

### STUDENT ORGANISATION

#### STAY CONNECTED

A reminder to those students, parents, carers and family who have yet to "Like" our Facebook page, please do, so that you will receive notifications and important information about upcoming events.



Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/WestWyalongHS/>

School Website:

<http://www.westwyalon-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>



Please return your completed and updated Family Details form which were mailed out last week.

## SPORT - SWIMMING

Starting from Monday 10th February (Week B) years 7 to 10 will be attending Holland Park Swimming Pool for sport.

The students will participate in water rescue, survival and fitness activities.

There is no cost to the students.

Students need to bring their swimming equipment to school on the following days:

### Week A

Day	Class	Period
Monday	Year 10	Period 3 (12:35pm)
Tuesday	Year 8	Period 2 (10:40am)
Tuesday	Year 9	Period 4 (2:10pm)
Friday	Year 7	Period 4 (2:10pm)

### Week B

Day	Class	Period
Monday	Year 8	Period 4 (2:10pm)
Friday	Year 7	Period 4 (2:10pm)

## WESTERN REGION SWIMMING

Students who are planning to attend the Western Region Swimming Trials on Thursday, 12th March at Dubbo should have collected nomination forms and entry details from Mr Duncan. Entry forms must be returned by Tuesday, 3rd March so that all entries can be collated and sent through in the correct format/program prior to the entry deadline. If you have any questions, please contact Mr Duncan.

## LIFE SKILLS SWIMMING

Our Life Skills students enjoyed the first session of their water safety and swimming skills training today at Holland Park Pool. Thankyou to Anne-Maree Davies for working with our students.



## AG SOLUTIONS TRADE FAIR

West Wyalong High School students had a great day visiting the Ag Solutions Trade Fair. They listened to a very important Mental Health talk from John Harper. They then enjoyed a bbq lunch and an ice cream. Thank you for the great event.



## BATHURST DIAMOND FIBRE SHOW

Chloe Worner, Naomi Norton and Olivia Morris members of our Angora Show Team went to Bathurst Diamond Fibre Show where they competed against Molong Central and some independant competitors. Great results again from Ms Statham's team, in Angora Young Judges (Chloe 1st and Olivia 2nd) and Paraders (Chloe 1st and Olivia 4th). Naomi also did an awrsome job as Judges Steward in the Young Judges event. Willow Glen exhibited mohair fleeces and was awarded a 3rd, three 2nds and a first and Champion Mohair fleece.

Thanks Ms Statham for your commitment, time and effort with our students.



## WWHS SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all students who attended and participated in the Swimming Carnival. There were plenty of great races in terms of both effort and skill and a lot of individual battles within age groups as well.

Congratulations to those students who were elected as House Captains and Vice Captains prior to the carnival. They are all listed below and did a great job organising and motivating their House groups throughout the day. Their next big task will be the Athletics carnival.

House	Captain	Vice Captain
Brigden– Girls	Nicole Caldw	Erica Davis/ Abbey Seckold
Brigden – Boys	Joe Fixter	Chayce McLaughlin/ Chad Mitchell
Farrar – Girls	Catherine Hood	n/a
Farrar – Boys	Isaac Tukuafu	Ethan Tough/ Tyler Walsh
Hargreaves – Girls	Chloe Worner	Ranan Sannga
Hagreaves – Boys	Dylan McCartney	Tom Apolony
Neeld - Girls	Lydia White	Tiarne Lloyd
Neeld - Boys	Luke Cameron	Trent Bell

The Age Champions and Runners Up have been presented with their certificates at assembly along with those who set new records.

Age	Boys Champion	Boys Runner Up
12	Riley Bell	Mitchell Whyte
13	Bailey Boneham	T Jordan-Downes W Ambrose
14	Daniel Blackwood	Levi Milsom
15	Jai Bischoff	Matthew Hood
16	Zac Hanrahan	Max Wilson
Opens	Ethan Tough	Sam Glasgow

Age	Girls Champion	Girls Runner Up
12	Olivia Downey	Janae Downey
13	Felicity Worner	Pru Sannga
14	Annalise Bischoff	Emma Miller
15	Bridie White	Halle West

16	Georgia Miller	J Hill/B Gould/J Sannga/J Glasgow
Opens	Catherine Hood	Lydia White

All students who participated in events and helped with the running of the day were thanked and congratulated for their efforts. Certificates were handed out during the assembly on Friday.

This year's House competition saw Farrar continue their dominance although, they were challenged throughout the day by Hargreaves and Neeld. Congratulations to Farrar and all the swimmers who contributed. They will now need to back up their performance at the Athletics carnival next term to claim the House Champion trophy. This has proven hard for them to do in recent years with some strong male and female athletes in the other House groups.

Farrar: 445 points  
 Neeld: 404  
 Hargreaves: 403  
 Brigden: 382

There were only three new records set during the carnival which is an indication of the quality of swimmers who have been participating over recent years. Some competitors gave records a shake and missed out by narrow margins. One record was equalled and two new records set. It was great to see the many hours of training pay off with great swims by these competitors and the age champions.

Bridie White – 15 years 50m Breaststroke – 43.06  
 Previous record – 43.06 held by Kadi Lord (2013)

Jai Bischoff – 15 years 50m Backstroke – 35.19  
 Previous record – 35.72 held by Ethan Tough (2018)

Ethan Tough – Opens 50m Backstroke – 34.31  
 Previous record – 34.41 held by Darcy White (2018)

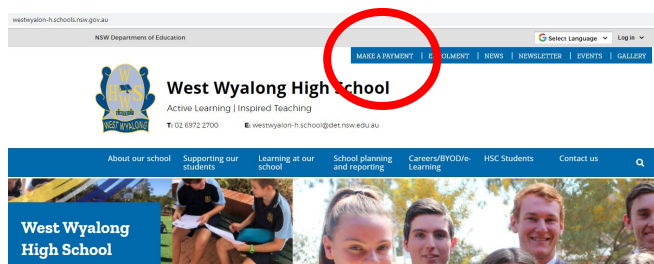


## ONLINE PAYMENTS

Payments can be made online for –

- Voluntary school contributions
- Subject contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative & Practical Arts

To make a payment, go to the school's website (<http://www.westwyalon-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>) and click on "Make a Payment" (which is located across the top banner).



## Brower's 14th Charity Walk 2020 Toddle off to Toppo

Starting at BARNADO PARK, WEST WYALONG 9am

### Saturday, March 28

Registration sheets available from Quade Moncrieff  
Livestock & Property

Forms must be picked up by Tuesday, March 24 and \$5 rego fee, to cover insurance costs, must be paid on registration

All funds raised go to  
**West Wyalong Can Assist and Country Hope**

All participants, friends, family and supporters invited to Top Town Tavern for a barbecue, raffles and entertainment  
(under 18's must be accompanied by a responsible adult)  
For more information please contact  
0427 722 219 or 0447 740 409

## GOODWIN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2020

The Goodwin Foundation grants educational scholarships to secondary and tertiary students who normally reside, or whose parents reside, within the Bland or Lachlan Shires.

Applications are now open for the Goodwin Foundation Scholarships for 2020. **Applications close on Friday 24 April 2020.**

Details of the scholarships and application forms are available at West Wyalong High School, Ungarie Central School or at the offices of GP Evans & Englert, Solicitors of 101 Main Street, West Wyalong. Ph (02) 6972 2311. Email [patokane@bigpond.com](mailto:patokane@bigpond.com)



**Expression of Interest in West Wyalong**

**\$100 NSW Creative Kids Vouchers Now Available!!**

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3 Week Trial  
Available!!

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**IN-SCHOOL DRUM TUTORING  
BEGINNER TO ADVANCED**

For more info contact Daniel  
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Currently Tutoring across Cowra / Parkes / Grenfell



Schools, sporting clubs, youth groups, and other organisations involved in supporting young people up to the age of 25 years, can now apply for a Murrumbidgee Youth Community Grant to receive funding for activities aimed at building resilience and positive mental health and wellbeing.

The initiative is part of Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network's (MPHN), Federal Government Empowering Our Communities funding to support mental health and wellbeing in the region's drought affected communities.

The Murrumbidgee Youth Community Grants have two funding levels, up to \$1,500 where a simple 250-word overview of the activity and a basic budget is required to apply. The next level is for grants of more than \$1,500 and up to \$5,000, which will require a 500 word overview and a more detailed budget and quotes. Application to approval of funding should take no more than two weeks.

Grant applications close on Friday, 27 March 2020 or when funding is exhausted. All grant activities must be complete by 30 June 2020.

If you or someone you know is experiencing a mental health emergency should call the Mental Health Line 1800 011 511, Lifeline 13 11 14 or call 000. Or to access the Head to Health website visit [www.headtohealth.gov.au](http://www.headtohealth.gov.au)

For more information about the Murrumbidgee Youth Community Grants visit [www.mphn.org.au](http://www.mphn.org.au) or follow Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network on Facebook or Twitter.