FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

YEAR 7 STUDENTS TO WARWICK IN 2015

In preparation for Year 7 students entering high school, I have recently conducted meetings at our four primary schools (Glendale, Greenwood, Hawker Park and East Hamersley) to discuss with parents the transition of the current Year 5 groups of students into high school in 2015. Also another meeting was held at Warwick SHS for any parents who could not attend their local school meetings and parents from out of boundary areas.

The successful transition of these students to the high schooling set for Year 7, will bring WA into line with other states for the age a child commences high school. With a new nationwide curriculum (the Australian Curriculum) being implemented in high schools now, it is necessary for our Year 7 students to be in a high school to access specialist teachers and facilities (e.g. Science, Technology, Design and Technology etc).

Warwick will work closely with local primary schools and parents that have students planning to attend Warwick, to ensure this move is a positive experience for these students. If you wish to find out more about Year 7 to high school, please consult the Department of Education website. www.det.wa.edu.au.

AFL PROGRAM SUCCESS!

Congratulations to our teacher/coach of the specialist AFL Program at Warwick SHS, Mr John Batten and two of his teams on their recent successes.

Senior Team: Were successful in beating all other teams to become North of the River champions, to then play off in the Grand Final against Corpus Christi College at East Fremantle Oval on Wednesday 24 July. Unfortunately, the other team had a few goals on the board quickly and the Warwick boys failed to rein them in. I was very proud of our team as they played a fair game and were very gracious in defeat.

Year 8/9 Team: Were the Subiaco Zone champions again this year and had to play against Esperance SHS at Lake Grace. After an early morning four hour drive, this team played, won convincingly and then had a four hour bus ride home. Well done to these young players and Mr Batten and many thanks to Mr McAlpine who drove the bus.

Lesley Wintle
Principal
THE NEW AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM

The ACARA (Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority) is responsible for the development of the new Australian Curriculum, which was agreed to in 2008 by all state Education Ministers.

A national curriculum has been agreed upon to: “support all young Australians to become successful learners, confident and creative individuals and active and informed citizens”. It will also allow consistency of education across all states and cater for a more transient population in Australia than before.

The curriculum development will occur in three phases.

- Phase 1 subjects: Mathematics, English, Science, S&E (History)
- Phase 2 subjects: S&E (Geography), Arts
- Phase 3 subjects: Health/PE, Technologies, Economics and Business, Civics and Citizenship

Warwick SHS teachers in Phase 1 subjects have commenced the planning and implementation of the new courses in Years 8-10, linked to the new curriculum and these will be fully implemented by the start of 2015. Other phases will be commenced as this curriculum and the relevant support materials are available.

Student reports will be modified in line with the new Australian standards. Parents will be advised of changes to reporting well before it occurs.

ACARA Website: www.acara.edu.au for more information.

WE HAVE NEiTA TEACHERS!

The NEiTA Foundation has congratulated our school on having a teachers nominated for an ASG Inspirational Teaching Award.

Ms Sarah Miller (Netball Specialist Program Teacher) was nominated by members of our community. Sarah is a hard working PE teacher with responsibility for the Netball WA endorsed Netball Program. She inspires and motivates students to strive for excellence.

Mrs Sharon Reid is a long serving WSHS teacher who is currently the Year 9 Coordinator, Attendance Officer and S&E Teacher. She is known for her outstanding rapport with students.

Ms Miller and Mrs Reid are now eligible for consideration for a National ASG Inspirational Teaching award and grant. Congratulations Sarah and Sharon, thank you to the nominators, and ‘well done’ to all our teachers for doing such a great job! These teachers will be presented with their NEiTA Certificate of Nomination at a school assembly.

The purpose of these prestigious awards is to honour and recognise inspirational teachers, and highlight the work, not only of individual teachers throughout Australia and New Zealand, but also the team contribution of all teachers in every school and centre.

Lesley Wintle, Principal

YEAR 12 CEREMONY – UNPAID CHARGES

Year 12 students with unpaid charges may not be invited to attend the Year 12 Farewell Ceremony. Until the charges are paid in full: certificates, reference and graduation photo will be withheld. The Year 12 Farewell Ceremony is held in term 4 to celebrate our Year 12 students’ achievements and wish them well in the future. This Ceremony is heavily subsidised by the school therefore students with unpaid charges may not be invited to attend. Under the Education Act (1999), payment of school charges is compulsory for all upper school students in Year 11 and 12.

Rose Gannaway – Business Manager
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

2013 Contributions & Charges are now payable

Full payment of subject charges should now have been received for students who are enrolled in specialist programs (Football, Netball and Dance).

Students whose charges are not paid up to date may not be invited to attend extra curricular events e.g. reward excursions, river cruises, camps etc.

To allow the school to provide all students with optimal educational outcomes, please make every effort to pay the contributions and charges. These funds go directly to the Learning Areas to subsidise resources and equipment for the use of our students.

Payment Options:
- Cash/EFTPOS – in person at the front office
- Cheque/ Money order – payable to “Warwick Senior High School”
- Credit Card– payment slip at end of newsletter.
- Internet

ACCOUNT NAME: Warwick Senior High School
BSB: 306 074
ACCOUNT No.: 419 704 8
Reference: student name

Are You Experiencing Financial Difficulties?
The school is sympathetic to families suffering financial hardship, if your family is experiencing financial difficulties, please contact Christine Lott on 6240 4400 to arrange a payment plan for 2013 Contributions and Charges may be paid off at as little as $10 per week.

Thank you to all the parents who have already made payment to the school.

Rose Gannaway - Business Manager

YEAR 12 STUDENTS RETURNING LAPTOPS

As this is the last full term for our Year 12 students, it is approaching the time to start returning the laptops to Mr Edwards this term.

We would like students to do this from Thursday 29 August. This gives us four weeks before the end of term to follow up students.

I realise that some students may need to use their laptops longer due to ongoing commitments in class as they finalise study and assessment requirements. If this is indeed the case they can negotiate an extension by outlining the course and teacher involved. I will explain this to the students at their year assembly.

Students should plan in advance to download any files they wish to keep.

Many students have asked is whether they can purchase their laptop. Unfortunately, this is not possible as all laptops will be used within the school next year and they remain the property of the Department of Education.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Dennis Hodge – Associate Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

FRIENDS OF WARWICK BUSHLAND
Find out everything about Warwick Bushland - photos, walk trails, upcoming events, useful downloads and links. There is also a Facebook page to “LIKE”. Check out on line.

STIRLING LEISURE CENTRES - SCARBOROUGH
(City of Stirling)

Join Scarborough Leisure Centre before 31 December 2013 and we will donate 5% of your membership cost to your school Parents and Community Committee (P&C). Just let the friendly staff at the Leisure Centre know the name of your school when you join and the Leisure Centre will do the rest.
Scarborough Civic Centre
173 Gildercliffe Street
Scarborough 6019
Telephone: (08) 9205 7490
Website: www.stirling.wa.gov.au/slcscarborough

KELMSCOTT SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Kelmscott SHS is inviting all past students, teachers and support staff to come and celebrate the KSHS 40th anniversary.

SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER 2013
11:00 am – 4.00 pm
Kelmscott SHS
Cnr Third Avenue and Cammillo Road

Looking for old photos or other interesting items from your KSHS days. Find KSHS on Facebook!
Contact: Lesley.Rigby@education.wa.edu.au

SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE
As in previous years, Southern Cross Cultural Exchange is once again seeking volunteer host families to host international exchange students arriving in February 2014 for a stay of one term, one semester or two semesters.

Carefully selected students will arrive in February for one term, one semester or two semesters from France, Italy, Germany, Austria, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, the U.S.A, South America and Japan. They will attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at our website www.sccce.com.au, email sccejau@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship.

2013 TOTAL CHESS DUNCRAIG JUNIOR CHESS CLUB
Chess club runs every Thursday of school term. 5.45 pm until 6.45 pm. More information contact Dennis Holland at info@totalchess.com.au or 0432 935 088.
STUDENTS NAME: ____________________________ YEAR: ____________

REASON FOR PAYMENT:

Enclosed Cheque/Money Order for amount $__________

OR

Please debit:  MASTER CARD  VISA  OTHER - Specify ________

CARD NO: ________ ________ ________ ________

EXPIRY DATE: ________ ________ MM/YY  Amount: $__________

Name on Card: ____________________________ Signature: ____________________

Cash Register Receipt No; ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR WSHS

Please note the change of WSHS Enquiries email address.

warwick.shs.enquiries@education.wa.edu.au
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