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NEWSLETTER NO 5

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

STUDENT SURVEY 2012 RESULTS
At the end of 2012, a representative sample of students was surveyed and the overall feedback was that students:
- feel safe and secure (80%),
- receive help from teachers when experiencing difficulty learning (79%),
- find staff approachable and willing to talk about student progress, and students learn how to solve problems, question and make decisions (85.2%),
- 81.6% of students were satisfied with their progress at Warwick SHS.

Students also supported statements about the school including:
- encourages a sense of pride, achievement and self worth (86%),
- has high standards of behaviour (76%),
- strives for high academic standards (87.6%),
- assists students with developing skills and understandings that they will need (83.8%),
- and are encouraged to achieve to the best of their ability (86.5%).

As school principal I am very pleased with these results as it shows me that our school programs (both academic and pastoral care) are having the desired impact on students and that overall we have a happy student group who are satisfied with the service they get from Warwick SHS.

Lesley Wintle
Principal

RECOGNITION OF EX-STUDENTS
Recently in the STM Magazine in the Sunday Times a list of the 100 of this state’s Best and Brightest was written. Two ex-Warwick SHS students received accolades in the Arts and Humanitarian areas.

MELISSA GEORGE (student 1992) Top of Their Game (Arts) Melissa commenced her acting career whilst still a student at WSHS as Angel in Home and Away, and in later years has featured in Friends, Alias, Grey’s Anatomy, Lie to Me and films Dark City, Mulholland Drive and 30 Days of Night.

AKRAM AZIMI (Head Boy and School Dux 2005) (Humanitarian work) 14 years ago Akram first arrived in Australia from Afghanistan. He was named Young Australian of the Year in January 2013 and received this top honour for his mentoring work with young indigenous Australians and a Special Olympics athlete.

This is an honour for both of these students, who are just two of our many high achieving ex-students.
MAKE YOUR TEACHER’S DAY

Applications for the 2013 WA Education Awards are now open. The Awards are a wonderful way to recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements and contributions of our school and staff. Applications can be made by principals, school staff, Parents and Citizen’s Associations and school councils/boards. Further information and application templates for each of the nine awards are on the awards website at det.wa.edu.au/education awards.

MERIT CERTIFICATES FOR STAFF

As a part of these awards this year, parents and students can also show their support for the great work of those working in your school by completing a Merit Certificate for them which is included in this newsletter. This includes teachers, Associate Principals, Principal or support staff. We will present them to staff at our school assembly. Please return these to the Administration office as soon as possible.

P&C MEETING NOTIFICATION

P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 24 June at 7.15 pm in the Administration office lobby.
New members are always welcome.

Angela McGuinness - President

P&C NEWS

The P&C would like to apologise for the continued delays of winter uniforms. We will notify parents via a general text message when they arrive at the school. In the meantime the students may wear plain dark, (preferably navy blue) jackets or jumpers to school.

The Canteen is still looking for volunteers to assist with preparation of lunches, free lunch is provided to those who assist. Please call Shirley Beevers in the Canteen for more information (6240 4459).

P&C Treasurer: Corrina Stone has volunteered to be the Treasurer this year. Many thanks to Corrina who will receive training from the outgoing Treasurer, Angela McGuinness.

Parents of Year 8 students: the students may order their lunch in Pastoral Care Group in the mornings which will ensure they get what they have ordered and reduce their wait times in the cues at recess or lunch. Please encourage your children to utilise this service.

The canteen is excited to be introducing new items to the menu:

- Sweet Chilli Wraps $4.00
- Hot Chicken Rolls $3.50
- Soup and Bun $2.50
- Deluxe toasties with a choice of Ham or Chicken, Filled with avocado, pineapple, red onion, tomato and cheese $5.00

Come along and get warmed up with our super warm winter foods.

P&C FACEBOOK PAGE:
The Warwick P&C now has a Facebook page, to enhance communication with parents. This will be used to send messages home directly. The main purpose will be to send out notifications and provide information.

Find us: http://www.facebook.com Warwick Senior High School P&C

Angela McGuinness - President
PARENT/TEACHER REPORT AFTERNOON
3 JULY

This seems to have come around very quickly, however it is still three weeks away.

The meetings start at 3.00 pm and finish at 5.30 pm.

Normal lessons will start at 11.15 am and there will be supervised private study in the Library from 8.30 am.

The timetable will be as follows:

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<td>Parent/teacher Afternoon</td>
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<td>5.30 pm – 6.30 pm</td>
<td>Year 12 Parent Meeting in the Staffroom</td>
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As per usual, information about the online booking procedure will be sent home with the Semester One reports.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Dennis Hodge, Associate Principal

HPV VACCINATIONS 2nd VISIT

DATE: Tuesday 18 June 2013
(Changed from 6 June 2013)

TIME: 1.45 pm (straight after lunch)

VENUE: S&E Activity

178 Lower school male students will have their second vaccination. This is delivered by the Health Team from the City of Joondalup who have received permission slips from the parents.

If you have any questions. Please contact City of Joondalup or our school nurse, Ms Ros Webster on 6240 4400. WA Health has produced a short information video on the vaccine for parents which is on the WA Health YouTube Channel.

Dennis Hodge – Associate Principal

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN CLOSES

2013 Woolworths Earn and Learn Program ended on Sunday 9 June.

Can you please ensure that your sheets and any loose Points stickers are returned to WSHS Administration as soon as possible so we can lodge our Woolworths Earn and Learn claim.

We are grateful for your support and we will inform you of the school’s purchases.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

2013 Contributions & Charges are now payable

Payment 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

ABSENT FROM SCHOOL?

If your child is going to be absent from school and you wish to advise the school of your child’s absence via text message. The number to use is 0407 983 896.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Behaviour Tonics are running the Engaging Adolescents – parenting skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems, at their office in Wembley.
Running over 3 x 2.5 hour sessions it is full of information, tips and practical strategies.
$180 single $340 double.
12, 19 and 26 June, 7pm to 9.30pm
To enquire/register call 9382 1182 or go to www.behaviourtonics.com.au

EAST NARROGIN PRIMARY SCHOOL
SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2013
To all past and present student, principals, teachers, staff and parents of East Narrogin Primary School…… Please join East Narrogin Primary School in celebrating 50 years. Official ceremony opening at 3.00 pm continuing on until 8.30 pm guided tours, displays, exhibitions, food stalls, bar, band and Finale. Please RSVP by Friday 25 October: Phone: 9881 1581, Email: enpsbirthday@yahoo.com For catering purposes please indicate if you will be attending Afternoon Tea and/or Dinner.

The AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS are looking for young people who are in Years 8 to 10 and are over 13 years.
Do you want to learn to fly an aeroplane…trek through the WA wilderness…explore an air force base…get physical on a high ropes course…put on your uniform ready for a parade…lead a group of friends on a survival exercise…INTERESTED!!
Visit aafc.org.au to learn more or visit the Recruitment Day at the Royal Aero Club, Eagle Drive, Jandakot on Sunday 28 July between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm and be in the draw to fly a plane yourself.

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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