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Principal's Message

Nice to catch up with you again in what has been a hectic start to the term.

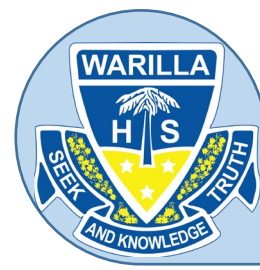
Let me start with some positive news. Year 12 of 2020 have done it tough in so many ways, yet they continue to excel. The Year 12 Trial HSC exams have just finished and saving 1 individual it was 100% attendance. Even more impressive was the feedback that came from the exam supervisors, to comment on the fantastic politeness, and outstanding behaviour of these students. If you are the parent or carer of one of these students, please tell them how impressive they are (I did just that on our first whole school assembly today). Despite the interruptions of this year these students have been focused during their exams and for this they are to be congratulated. I think COVID will continue to impact on their experience of school during 2020. The latest directive from the Department of Education indicates that we are sadly probably not going to be able to hold our usual Year 12 Graduation ceremony at school. We will keep asking what we can deliver, but if nothing else we will ensure a ceremony is held (even though we can't have any visitors) and each student will have a great photo. In the meantime, please keep working with your child to reengage with their lessons now, as this is the time that vital feedback is being given by teachers in class. I will keep you posted about the Formal, as this is also unlikely at this point in time. I feel the sense of disappointment around all of these restrictions, but we will make the best of this. (I share with you my current disappointment as my son is getting married in 6 weeks time, after 12 years with his lovely fiancée, and his wedding has gone from 120 to 80 to now 40 if they are allowed to go ahead at all...) The most important factor is that we all stay safe and don't jeopardise the health of our families and ourselves. We can celebrate Year 12 2020 at another time, and it will be wonderful!!! Thank you for your understanding.

Something that also seems to have been effected by COVID is the lack of school uniform. New stock has arrived at the Uniform shop, but that doesn't really effect the number of students who are choosing not to wear the correct Uniform. I appreciate it is cold these days, but the number of students who own a school jumper, but are instead wearing a "Champion" or other brand jumper is really concerning. We all appreciate that Warilla High has a great reputation in the wider community, and part of this comes from students complying with the school uniform. I have had conversations with parents who have told me there is a certain pressure for students NOT to wear the correct jumper, from their peer group. Please take the time to explain to your child that wearing of the school uniform is not only a message to the wider community it is about us all being part of the same team. Wearing school uniform is also a safety issue, as we use this to identify if "outsiders" come into the school. Currently, the Student Representative Council, some staff and the uniform supplier have been holding meetings around updating the Uniform to be a comfortable and still stylish item to wear during their days at a school. In the meantime can I ask you to "dig out" the correct school jumper and have your student wear this.

Finally, we have had our canteen restored to being fully working and operational. While it was closed, we have had it painted and reworked so that it is a cleaner more functional space. My desire is to have a canteen that provides good, reasonably priced food as a service to our students, and it is currently working well.

I think that pretty much brings you up to date with all of the latest developments. Keep well!!!

*With kind regards,
Ms Brook,
Principal*



Infectious Disease

I am writing to advise you that our school currently has a student who is receiving treatment for cancer. Currently, he/she is actively involved in the school community in between having treatment and dealing with and recovering from the side effects.

As this student has a compromised immune system (which makes him/her more vulnerable to disease), it is important that you do not send your child to school if he/she is unwell. For example, if your child has an infectious disease (such as measles, chickenpox, shingles or diagnosed flu), he/she should stay at home until no longer contagious. For more information about how long an illness is contagious, contact your GP or visit the NSW Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au.

I would also appreciate it if you would notify me if your child has an infectious disease. This will allow me to assess the potential risk of the disease and if necessary, to notify the student's parents and medical team.

We appreciate your co-operation. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Brook

Calendar

Week 7A

02/09/2020	STEM Engineering Teleconference
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Week 8B

11/09/2020	R U Ok Day Activities
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Week 9A

16/09/2020 18/09/2020	Year 11 Preliminary Exams
16/09/2020	Brainstorm Productions

Week 10B

21/09/2020 24/09/2020	Year 11 Preliminary Exams
25/09/2020	Last Day of Term 3

Week 1A

12/10/2020	Term 4 Start – All Students Return
12/10/2020 16/10/2020	Year 10 All My Own Work

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

LATE ARRIVAL – CHANGE OF PROCEDURES

Up until 9.30am go to the side window of the Library between 'A' block and the Library block. One of the Office Staff will record your information and give you a late slip to get into class. After 9.30am report to the front office. Arriving late 3 times **without a note from parent/guardian** will result in parents being contacted by the school and consequences will apply.

UPDATING STUDENT DETAILS

If you change your address, phone number, including mobile number, or other contact details could you please let the school know as soon as possible?

PRIVATE PERSONAL PROPERTY

Personal property which is brought to school is the sole responsibility of the individual. The school is not insured to cover loss or damage.

PARKING IN SCHOOL ZONES

Heavy fines are imposed for illegal dropping off or picking up students in school zone hours.

The school car park is for staff parking only and is not to be used for dropping off or picking up students.

RIDING A BIKE TO SCHOOL

Students who ride a bike to school are required by law to wear a helmet.

STUDENT ABSENCES

Students must bring a note to explain their absences. A green 'Absence Book' is available from the front office. Unexplained absences will appear on the student's report.

Year 9

It's been a trouble-free start to term 3, and Year 9 have effectively engaged in learning across all KLA's. Year 9 have the opportunity to determine their own learning pathway by selecting an elective for 2020. The students have been given an Elective Handbook, which outlines the procedures and options they have in selecting their elective. Please read the booklet carefully with your child, so that the most desirable choice can be achieved, if they are having any issues, please see Mr Reid in B3 or alternatively see me.

Please remind students that Uniform is a key part of our school culture and requirement. Navy shorts and pants, and the school shirt and jumpers are the school requirements. If students do need to be out of Uniform for a day, we request that students bring in a signed note from home and they will receive a Uniform pass for the day. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Loretta Ratajkoski
Year 9 Advisor

Attendance – changes to students returning to school after sick leave

With restrictions being tightened up in New South Wales, we have had a number of changes made to our school procedures. One of the significant changes is the way we deal with students who either present at school with flu-like symptoms or students with flu-like symptoms that are kept home by parents. If students present at school with flu-like symptoms, they will be sent home. Students in either of these situations are now required to take a test for the COVID-19 virus and MUST show a negative result to the school before the student is allowed back on site. This means that staff will be required to sight the results that you have received for the test before allowing the student to return to school. We understand that this may add complexities to some family situations, for example, being able to pick students up or accessing testing facilities, but these procedures have been put in place to ensure the safety of staff, students and members of our whole school community. Please be aware that this is now a requirement of all New South Wales schools. We would appreciate your full co-operation with these requirements and would advise you to contact the school if you have any further questions.

Mr. Nolan
HT Administration Students

Senior Study Club

EVERY WEDNESDAY, IN THE LIBRARY TILL 5:30PM



HSC & Year 11 Exams

are fast approaching!

Need help with:

Biology
English (all levels)
Chemistry
Math (all levels)
HISE Subjects;
and more?

For the rest of this term we will have a variety of tutors and teachers available to students at study club.

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Science News

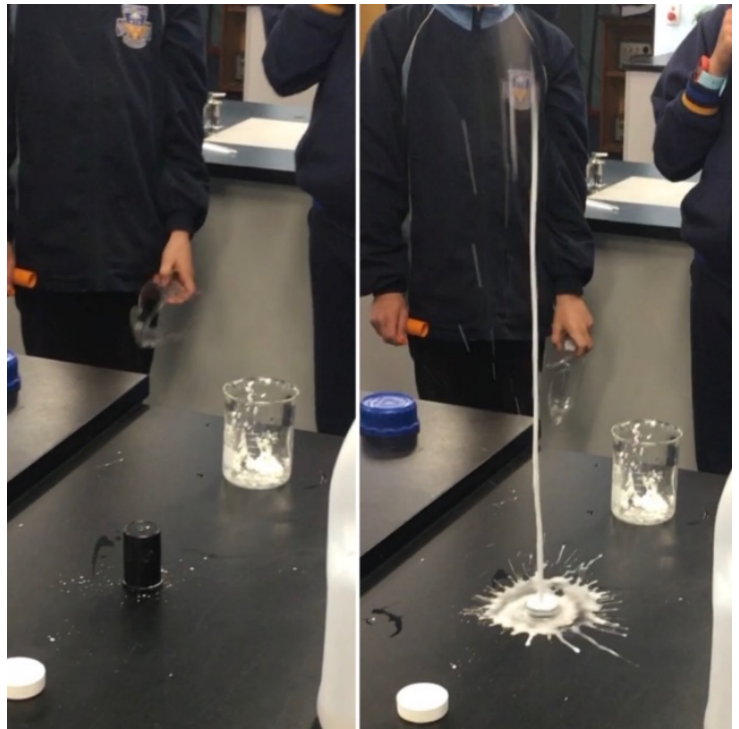
Hard to believe we are almost halfway through Term 3 which has started really well for our Science Faculty, with everyone being more settled after a disrupted Term 2. We are busy catching up on developing scientific skills in Year 7, with our students making canister rockets (photo below) which looks like a lot of fun.

Year 11 Biology are experimenting how enzymes work at different temperatures under the guidance of Ms Avnell, Mr Dyer and pre-service teacher, Ms Boyce, whilst Year 10 have shown a lot of interest across our broad range of Year 11 Science courses on offer during the taster sessions.

Year 12 and Year 11 Students: just a reminder that tutoring for Chemistry will recommence on Wednesday afternoons from August 19 in the library and Biology tutoring is also available on Tuesday afternoons.

Just a reminder that students are required to bring equipment for class, with pens, a ruler, pencil, glue and a notebook considered essential items for science. In addition, many of our students are now bringing in their own laptops which allows us to explore more teaching and learning options in class.

Any student/s who would like to take part in the NSWSTA paper aeroplane competition, please come and see Mrs Munro for details.



Year 10 STEM

Mr Koglin's Year 10 STEM class are currently engaged in two parallel projects. The first, a computer science project with Professor Daniel Saffioti from the University of Western Sydney, where they are learning the fundamentals of how computers, networks and wireless transmission work, participating in a range of hands-on activities. The second, a 'Hot Wheels' challenge where students design and construct modifications for a Hot Wheels car to race against their classmates, where they will engage in feedback sessions with experts in Australian STEM fields and a former Engineering Student of the Year who works at the Australian Centre for Field Robotics.

Mr Koglin

Recycling News

Once again Warilla High School is a donation partner with Return and Earn and myTOMRA Australia.

You can donate to Warilla High School at the Return and Earn Vending Machines at The Links, Killalea and Shellharbour Square. Earn VIVO's for your donation and help us to help the planet. 1 Bottle 1 VIVO. Bring your receipt to THE HUB at any lunchtime to claim your VIVO's.

Mrs Campbell
SRC Coordinator

Good Reports - Year 7

Storm Balmain
Taylah Baxter
Alex Bosevski
Uriah Commins
Indiana Dos Santos
Moses Fowler
Benjamin Grando
Sienna Klotz
Ruby Langlands
Jasmin McKay
Chloe Mete
Olivia O'Neill

Bianca Riikonen
Aleighsha Roy
Mason Smart
Alannah Spooner
Brayden Steel
Madelaine Steel
Connor Taylor-Wilson
Flynn Wilkshire



Good Reports - Year 8

Alliyah Adam
Hudson Bailey
Alexis Bell
Matilda Best
Mailayla Butler
Hannah Carrion
Reece Conlon
Emily Doheny
Charlotte Giles
Riley Giles
Thomas Hayman
Nate Hillcoat

Emiliana Krajewski
Jennifer Leis
Koby Newham
Cloe Petreski
Leon Prosaroski
Sharaya Pulley
Mikayla Steen
Georgina Thomas
Abby Trott
Gabriel Tzaneros
Soni Whitney
Molly Williams



Good Reports - Year 9

Hamish Ackers
India Bellhouse
David Bosevski
Gideon Bromwich
Georgia Conroy
Owen Dorahy
Jynaya Dos Santos
Sean Dowell
Allyssa Dunning
Brooke Fahey

Olivia Falconer
Edvard Grujevski
Kailee Haines
Jordyn Martin
Logan McCann
Jack McGregor
Joshua Moore
Leon Nguyen
Vy Nguyen
Tarliah Reynolds

Charli Ryan
Jada Schillert
Chelsea Scolamiero
Joshua Scott
Jackson Sheedy



Good Reports - Year 10

Ebony Best
Angelina Bosevski
Adam Bosevski
Cassandra Hardy
James Jovanovski
Flynn Langdon
Georgia Langlands
Kiara Leis
Alyse Millington
Isabella Morrison
Tylah Richards
Adel Ryall

Tiffany Sarkissian
Ryan Scheu
Anya Southwell
Abby Spicer
Lillian Trinh
Amber Tutt
Mara-Jade Tutt
Eliza Wood
Claire Woolley



Good Reports - Year 11

Alannah Blake
Selena Bosevski
Maguire Coster
Mitchell Dalby
Alex Falconer
Ashleigh Goncalves
Aisyah Hairuddin
Tayleah Handcock
Mackenzie Lear
Holly Mills
Kelly Mintoff
Nathan Robinson

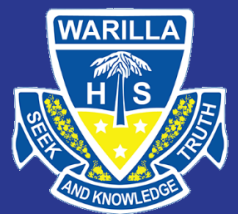
Audrey Scheu
Isaac Shaw
Bree Todd
Pete Tran
Jayden Wells
Joel Whalan
Toni Wheeler
Emmy Withers

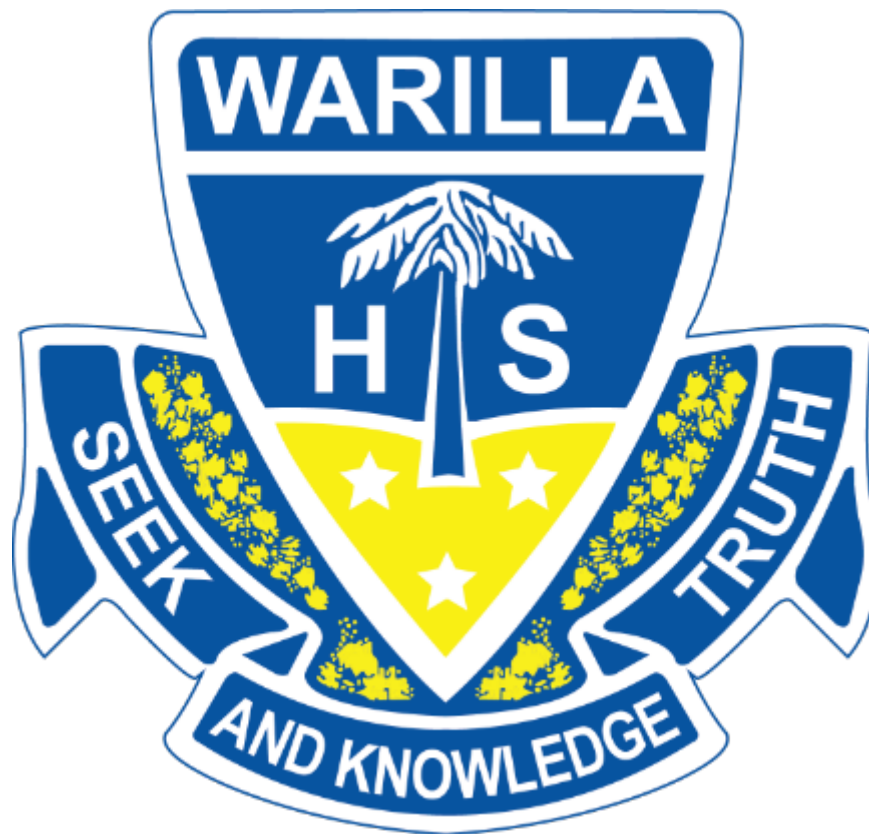


Good Reports - Year 12

Jessica Almond
Connor Brady
Danielle Clarke
Mikaela Erdelyi
Karli Fanke
Brendan Gibbs
Abbey Giles
Isabella Grando
Claudia Halley
Jade Lees
Cassie Olsen
Quy Thuong Phan

Charlotte Richardson
Lockie Robeille
Heavenly Rowles
Bailey Smith
Tia Stratilas
Gabriel Veliz
Ryan Wheeler
Finn Spaleta
Jemma Wood





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