

Principal's Newsletter



YEAR 11 STUDENT LEADERSHIP INDUCTION

Last week our student councillors had a most successful day undertaking a leadership induction course at the Shire Council chambers. This valuable opportunity helped to prepare the councillors for their roles and responsibilities as student leaders. Over the course of the day, 29 students gained valuable experience in leadership, meeting procedures, public speaking and other skills that will assist them to work together as an effective student council.

Thank you to the Shire of Esperance for hosting this wonderful learning opportunity for our students.



ESPERANCE ONLINE YOUTH SURVEY - NOW OPEN

This month, the Shire of Esperance is consulting with the community on what would make Esperance a better place for young people. Further information is available on the Shire of Esperance website and Facebook page. We encourage all members of our school community to access the link: [Shire of Esperance Youth Surveys HERE](#)

YEAR 7 TO YEAR 12 SWIMMING CARNIVALS

What a terrific swimming carnival the year 7 and 8 students experienced at the Bay of Isles Leisure Centre on Tuesday and the year 9-12 students on Wednesday! Well done to all students, in particular faction captains and everyone who competed in the events, earned faction points and demonstrated great faction spirit over the two fun-filled days.

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11/12
Champion Girl	Indhi MacDonald	Kalira Docherty	Megan Karger	Laura Sacilotto	Libby Carter
Runner up	Hayley Karger	Anna Smith	Isabella Dwyer and Ashlee Parker	Samantha Crisp	Olivia Morris
Champion Boy	Max Campbell	Cooper Kennedy	Fletcher Slee	James Emery	Dane Holdman
Runner Up	Bryce McDonald	Liam Harris	Sam Johnston	Breez Pirangi	Brayden Blackham



Year 7 and 8 medal winners



Years 9 – 12 medal winners

Congratulations also to the winning factions, Eyre in the year 7 and 8 carnival and Dempster in the year 9 to 12 carnival. The overall faction winner across the whole school was Eyre.

A big thank you to Ms Phillips, Mr Lovejoy, the physical education staff, other school staff, student helpers, parents and extended families for your involvement on the day. We appreciate your support very much.

WAGIN WOOLORAMA

Congratulations to all members of the Sheep and Cattle Team who did us proud at the Wagin Woolorama recently.

The students were terrific ambassadors for Esperance and thoroughly deserve their achievements during the competition. A big thank you to the staff attending: Ms McDonald, Mr Harris and Mr Fitzpatrick.

Open Merino Judging Placed in top 10 <i>(This involved public speaking)</i>	Ryan Shaw Eric Adams
Merino Judging Team Event Placed 4 th	<i>Team Members</i> Eric Adams Ryan Shaw Jason Wilkinson Brandon Dean
Wool Judging Placed 13 th	Eric Adams <i>(Most of our students placed in the top 50)</i>
Cattle Parading Four students placed in the top 12	Bella Topping Malandi Maree Amy Scott Hayley Roads



Ryan Shaw and Brandon Dean with two of our Border Leicester Rams



Caleb May with our Champion Ram



Bella Topping parading with 'Jelly'



Malandi Maree, Hayley Roads and Amy Scott showing their heifer handling skills



Scott Hessey parading with 'Bessy'

PROGRESS REPORTS

All students will be receiving their Progress Reports on Friday 20th March. They will be distributed during a brief assembly at 2:45pm. Please notify the school if you do not receive this report from your child.

THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (WACE)

New requirements for students to achieve secondary graduation and a WACE upon completion of year 12 are now in existence for year 11 2015 students onwards. These changes are being implemented to ensure that students leaving school are well prepared for further study, training or entry into the workplace. The minimum requirements for students to receive their WACE are listed on the School Curriculum and Standards Authority's website [HERE](#) and have been replicated in part, below.

Breadth and depth requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of a minimum of 20 units or the equivalent. This requirement must include at least: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10 units or the equivalent at Year 12 ○ two Year 11 units from an English course and one pair of Year 12 units from an English course ○ one pair of units completed in Year 12 from each of List A (arts/languages/social sciences) and List B (mathematics/science/technology).
Achievement standard requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achievement of at least 14 C grades or higher (or the equivalent) in Year 11 and 12 units, with a minimum of six C grades or the equivalent at Year 12 • Completion of at least four Year 12 ATAR courses or a Certificate II (or higher) VET qualification.
Literacy and numeracy standard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of at least four units of an English course post-Year 10 and studied over at least two years. • Demonstration of the minimum standard of literacy and numeracy (either through OLN or NAPLAN prequalification).

There is also a year 10 parent presentation on WACE 2015 – 16 [HERE](#).

LITERACY AND NUMERACY ONLINE Assessment (OLNA)

Year 10 students are currently sitting the OLNA assessments, as are some year 11 students. When the School Curriculum and Standards Authority reports student achievement on the OLNA, they report using one of the following three categories for each assessment:

Category 1: This is for students who have not met the minimum standard in a particular area of reading, writing and numeracy and have been identified as at risk of not meeting the minimum standard. These students may need specific learning interventions to assist them to meet the standard before the end of Year 12.

Category 2: This is for students who have not yet demonstrated the minimum standard but through completion of General or ATAR courses are likely to achieve this standard before the end of Year 12.

Category 3: This relates to students who have demonstrated the minimum literacy and numeracy standard, either through OLN or by prequalifying through year 9 NAPLAN Band 8 or above.

COMMUNITY BIKE RIDE

Ride for Bike Week! Bike Week is next week - 16th to 22nd March and a wide range of fun activities have been organised for the Esperance community. Further information is available from the Esperance Bike Week page on *Facebook*, or:

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