Congratulations to:
• Melinda Thiele, Year 10, is a member of St John Ambulance NSW Wagga Wagga Cadets Division. Over the weekend, Friday 6 March to Sunday 8 March, Melinda attended a Leadership Course which she passed. Melinda has now gained the rank of Cadet Corporal for her Division. Congratulations Melinda and well done.

Moving up the levels
Congratulations to Amelia Thomson (Yr 8) who has reached Silver Level; Nikea Leighton-Popple (Yr 8) who has achieved Gold Level and Riley Ashcroft (Yr 12) who has reached Honours Level. Great work!

Reminder
Year 8 Borambola Excursion - Friday 27th March 2015. Year 8 are looking forward to our Welfare excursion at Borambola at the end of this month. Please remember to complete the Medical and Consent form available at dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform using the following information:
Booking Number: 0446489
Booking Start Date: 27/03/2015
Booking Venue: Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre
Thank you to those students who have already paid and brought their permission note back to Miss Heinjus. Don't forget to stay off the uniform list so you can attend this excursion.

Science and Engineering Challenge
On Thursday the 5th of March, 23 eager Science students ventured out to the MTC to participate in this year’s Science and Engineering Challenge. The team finished 4th out of 8 schools despite the outstanding performance by Damian Hay, Mitchell Cawley and Rhys Jolliffe at the future power challenge, and the flawless development of a bionic hand by Henry Standley, John Baker and Jake Spackman. Another commendable effort of note was from Sophia Sharp, Aurora Bellany and Isabella Green in the construction of a truss bridge which managed to secure a flawless development of a bionic hand by Henry Standley, John Baker and Jake Spackman. Another commendable effort of note was from Sophia Sharp, Aurora Bellany and Isabella Green in the construction of a truss bridge which managed to secure second place. All students had a great day, participating to their best ability and enhancing the reputation of Wagga Wagga High School Students.

P&C News
Our next P&C meeting, the AGM will be held in the Ted Drake Room in A Block at 7.30pm tonight Monday March 16. If you would like to nominate for an executive position please contact P&C secretary, Anne Egan on anne.egan@det.nsw.edu.au or pick up a nomination form from the school office. All parents and caregivers are encouraged to come along and support our school.

WWHS Athletics Carnival
The Athletics Carnival will be held this Thursday at Jubilee Park. The 1500m race will commence at 8.15 so if you are interested in running that event please put your name down outside the PE staffroom. Students, including seniors are expected to attend this compulsory whole school activity from 8.30-3.00. If seniors need to attend TAFE then they must see Mrs Lawson or Mr Willis prior to leaving. Buses will leave WWHS in the morning to transport students to Jubilee Park and return again in the afternoon. It will cost $2 each way. There will be canteen facilities on the day selling pies, sausage rolls, salad wraps, chips & chocolates. A BBQ will also be running on the day to raise money for the G Day USA trip.

Sports News
• CWVHS Swimming Carnival – 2015
Thursday night 5th March, saw WWHS enter a team of 46 students in the Combined Wagga Wagga High Schools Swimming Carnival. With swimmers ranging from 12-18years, they displayed a considerable level of talent and skill. Wagga Wagga High School placed 3rd overall out of the 7 Secondary Schools in Wagga which was an awesome effort.
One specific highlight was Bodie Senior (who came second in the race,) breaking the 14 Boys 50m Backstroke record which was held by one of our staff members, Ryan Robertson since 2004. Well done to Bodie.
A big congratulations must go to all students who participated in the carnival with much spirit and enthusiasm on the night.
Individual Rankings include:
12yrs – Lauren Jolliffe – 2nd
14yrs – Ivy Seddon – 3rd
14yrs – Bodie Senior – 2nd
16yrs – Tristan Brown – 2nd
17yrs – Alexandra Dennis – 2nd
Congratulations to Macy Trainer from year 8 who placed 4th in the junior girls division of diving.
A special thankyou to all the WWHS staff and students who assisted in the smooth running of the carnival, especially the ‘timekeeping’ and ‘waitressing’ students.
Congratulations to:
• Lauren Barton who was selected in the Riverina basketball team last week. A large number of students were also selected in the Riverina 15s touch football teams, one of which is going to be coached by Mrs Maddox in PE.
• The following students who were selected in the Riverina U15 touch sides to compete in Mudgee in May.
  Boys - Riley Hubbard, Matt Fellows, Jordan Little, Jack Flood, Jordan Prestage.
  Girls - Macy Trainer, Janai Footman, Leila Miles, Bronte Prestage, Rhiannon Podmore, Tara Winbank.
• The open boys and girls water polo teams who finished 3rd in the Riverina knockouts last week.
• The open boys and girls touch football teams who both qualified for the Riverina finals to be held in Week 10 this term.
• Kaitlin Staines on her selection in the open NSW CHS tennis team, an amazing feat for a student in year 10.

Also a reminder that the open netball team will be holding selection trials this afternoon commencing at 3.30 on the school courts. Everyone must attend!

On Friday 6th March, 30 students from WWHS attended the Riverina Swimming Carnival in Leeton. We saw some exemplary results displayed, including Tristan Brown who broke a record in the Boys 16yrs 100m Freestyle event.
The following students have been selected to represent the Riverina at the Combined High Schools (CHS) Swimming Carnival at Homebush Bay at the end of March:
  Tristan Brown, Samuel Gardiner, Ivy Seddon, Bodie Senior, Steven Senior, Lauren Nugent, Emily Tooze, Lauren Macleod, Damien Hay, Ben Keith, Madeline Bradley and Lauren Jolliffe.
Well done to the above students and we wish you all the best in competing in Sydney. A massive achievement!!

Year 7, 2016 Information Evening.
Prospective parents of Year 7 students in 2016 are invited to attend an information evening to be held in the Currie Hall at Wagga High on Wednesday March 18 from 6-7 pm. After a short presentation on the curriculum, welfare programs and other opportunities offered at the school, there will be time for questions.
The 8:30 Rule
When you get to school you are required to go straight to the amphitheatre where supervision is available after 8:30 am. This means that you do not loiter at your bus stop, outside the school fence or in any out-of-bounds area. This is a safety measure and we call it ‘the 8:30 Rule’.

Reported Case of Chicken Pox
Please be aware that we have had a case of Chicken Pox reported in our school. Please be watchful for symptoms which may include: a mild fever, feeling tired and irritable, itching and rash. The rash usually first appears on the chest, back or face. It then can move to other areas of the body including inside the mouth. At first, the rash looks like small pimples. These later become blisters full of fluid. Please see your GP if you have

Travel Grant Opportunity
Students in regional and rural areas often miss out on educational opportunities that are accessed by their counterparts in the larger city areas. The Drs Kenneth and Cheryl Cheung Travel Grant/Scholarship Foundation has been set up to bridge the distance, by providing financial assistance to high school students enabling them to attend study workshops, school-sanctioned educational activities, agricultural shows, or even attend a performing arts workshop. The Travel Grant/Scholarship Program is administered by three members of the community, independent of the fund sponsors.
To obtain more information, please go to http://bit.ly/1bbbJxw

Senior Students' Study Leave
Senior students are reminded that they are not to leave the school during the school day unless they have applied for study leave. See Mr Gunter for an application form. Students should be aware that if they breach the conditions of study leave, this privilege will be revoked. It is disappointing to see that a small number of seniors continue to flout this rule. Repeated offenders run the risk of suspension. Be warned! Students in Years 7-10 must not leave the school at any time during the school day unless they have a Leave Pass or are part of a school excursion.

Bucket Hats
WWHS bucket hats are available from the school finance office for $10 (cash only).

BYOD in 2015
BYOD stands for Bring Your Own Device. With the closure of the DER program schools are adopting a BYOD policy, which allows students to bring in an approved computing device to use in the classroom to aid and enhance their learning. Last year the school trialled this program with Year 9 in Term 4 and this year we are opening BYOD to all years.
To join the BYOD program you need to bring in a signed BYOD agreement to Mr Wright in the Mathematics staffroom. These notes are available from the school website, front office or from Mr Wright. The note also explains the minimum specifications for a device. This is to ensure the device is compatible with our network, and capable of running the software available.

Backup Your Computer Data
In the coming Easter holiday break, the school server will be replaced, with a new management system put into place. To make this process easier all students are being asked to backup any files they have on their home drives, or on any of the school computers, to an external source such as a USB, portable hard drive or cloud storage (Microsoft OneDrive in your portal). After the changeover, the home drives and students’ shares will be empty.

Fitness for the family
Michelle Bridges talks about how to make fitness a priority for the whole family - and the start of a lifetime habit for your kids. Try out tips to keep your kids healthy, active and out of the pantry. Find more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/fitness/fitness-for-the-whole-family

School Sponsorship Program
Wagga Wagga High School has a partnership with The Leprechaun’s Bean located at 180 Forsyth Street, to raise much needed funds for the school. For every coffee purchase made, 50c is returned to the school. This partnership is one of the easiest fundraisers available to Wagga High, and it has been endorsed by the P&C.
It’s simple! Just nominate Wagga High when placing your order and it will be recorded at the register. These will then be tallied and a cheque presented to the school for the equivalent amount of money.
The Leprechaun’s Bean is becoming renowned for having the most consistently great coffee in town. They have their own free App available from the App Store for Apple and Android phones to ensure timeliness and accessibility of their coffee.
For further information please contact The Leprechaun’s Bean on 6971 0990 or visit their website at www.leprechaunsbean.com.au

Help Raise Funds for WWHS through Quickbeds
Next time you are booking accommodation, go to www.quickbeds.com and enter the WWHS Grassroots ID: 1280. Every time you book accommodation through Quickbeds you raise $10 for our P&C.

Facts about fractions
If you’ve forgotten 3/5 of primary school maths and 7/8 of high school maths, what’s left? Ah ha! Kids need help learning how to add fractions too. The only thing left is to print these fact sheets. Find our more: https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4013.pdf

Amazing art
Autumn’s the perfect season to take a trip to a gallery. The popular ArtExpress exhibition connects us to the inner lives and self-expression of high school students. Amazing works are on show throughout NSW. Check out the calendar.
Find out more: http://artexpress.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/

Canteen Specials
Monday – Pizza - $5.00
Tuesday – Hamburger - $5.00
Wednesday – Chicken Chilli Wrap - $5.00
Friday – Hot Dog & Sauce – $5.00

Calendar
Term 1, 2015
March
Monday 16 – P & C Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 18 – Year 7 2016 Information Evening 6pm Currie Hall
Saturday 19 - WWHS Athletics Carnival
Friday 20 – World’s Greatest Shave for a Cure Sausage Sizzle
Wednesday 25 - World’s Greatest Shave for a Cure Cake Stall
Monday 30 – April 1 – Surf Trip
April
Thursday 2 - WWHS Cross Country
Last Day Term 2 – Thursday 2 April
Term 2 2015
Monday 20 April - Staff return
Tuesday 21 – Students return

DOB in a DOER!
It’s great to hear news of our students doing well in sporting and cultural activities outside of school, but we don’t hear about all of them! How about letting us know of our students’ successes? Just give the school a call on 6925 3611 and ‘dob in a doer’!