



WEST WYALONG HIGH SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 3

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back – 2025

I hope everyone had a nice, safe and enjoyable school holidays and you are ready for an exciting year ahead.

It was great to see all the smiling faces return to school last Thursday and a special welcome goes out to our Year 7 students and new students who are joining us for the first time. We are thrilled to have you as part of our school community and look forward to supporting you as you transition into high school. Remember, you're not alone – your teachers and fellow students are here to help you every step of the way!

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new parents. We are delighted to have you as part of our school community and encourage you to become involved in school activities and events. Your engagement makes a significant difference in our students' experiences. Please contact the school and speak to your child's year advisor, the deputy principal Mr Heydon or the principal Mr Sheens if you have any concerns. We have a Parents and Citizens meeting once a term to communicate matters as they arise. These meetings are usually held in our school library mid-way through the term on a Monday evening. Your attendance at these meetings also ensures the longevity of the school canteen. We advertise these meetings on our school Facebook page and via the school newsletter.

I am excited to announce that we will be taking part in a whole school wellbeing program that teaches and supports positive mental health in the classroom, staffroom and wider community. The Resilience Project is a well-known accredited program that will

enable us to join with both the Bland Shire and Temora communities to improve our wellbeing. We will distribute more information about our involvement in this initiative as we find out more. We intend to begin delivering the suggested activities in Term 2.

During the school holidays we successfully managed to recruit several new teachers. We are very fortunate to have some very experienced teachers joining us this year. Welcome to -

- **Mrs. Hanrahan** – Mathematics Teacher
- **Mr. King** – PDHPE Teacher
- **Mrs. Ackland** – Visual Arts Teacher

We are excited to have such talented educators on board and I am confident that they will make a positive impact on our students' learning experience.

As we start the school year, please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any concerns or questions. We are here to support you and ensure a successful year for all.

I look forward to another wonderful year ahead.

Mr Sheens

MEDICATION

Parents are reminded that any medication that is required to be administered at school needs to be dropped in to the front office and parents are required to complete a form. Students are not permitted to carry medication in their bag.

STUDENT ORGANISATION

CALENDAR – TERM 1, 2025

WEEK 3	
Friday 14 February	Canteen closed
WEEK 4	
Thursday 20 February & Friday 21 February	Canteen closed
WEEK 5	
Tuesday 25 February	Swimming Carnival
Thursday 27 February	WSSA Opens Netball, Orange
Friday 28 February	Canteen closed
WEEK 6	
Tuesday 4 March – Friday 7 March	Year 11 'Life Ready' excursion, Milson Island
WEEK 7	
Monday 10 March	Canteen closed
WEEK 9	
Wednesday 26 March – Friday 28 March	Year 9 excursion, Penrith
WEEK 10	
Friday 4 April	Canteen closed

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

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Our annual school swimming carnival is being held on Tuesday 25 February.

Students are to meet staff at Holland Park Pool, West Wyalong for roll call at 8:55am. This is not a day off for students and everyone is expected to attend.

Please remember –

- There will be no finals, swim your fastest in every heat.
- Be sun safe including hat, sunglasses, regular application of sunscreen and sun appropriate clothing. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle.
- Students are encouraged to wear their house colours.

Parent Portal

West Wyalong High School uses Sentral Parent Portal as our main communication tool with parents. Parents are able to access their child's timetable, academic reports, submit absence notes (either future or past), submit notes for excursions/extra curricular activities. At present, payments are unable to be taken on the Portal. Payments for excursions and other items can be made by cash to the front office and on the school's website (under 'Make a Payment').

Parent **SENTRAL** Portal instructions

This Quick reference guide can be used for both parents and students.

First time use and new user registration

The steps to access the Parent and student Portal are:

1. All parents and caregivers, are emailed their Parent and student Portal letters with their unique access key. If you do not have one, please contact the school.
2. Use Google Chrome to access the portal as some other browsers may not work as well.
3. Register for an account on the registration page
 - a. Enter in your username. This must be your current email address.
 - b. Create a secure password. Note - This is not where you put in the access key

You will now be taken to another screen.

1. Enter in the Access key from your letter.
2. SUCCESS! You now have access to the WWHS Parent and Student Portal.

Please contact the school if you require further assistance with access to the portal.

WESTERN REGION TRIAL DATES - 2025

WWHS students have been successful over many years in being selected in a variety of Western Region teams with several of them going on to higher levels. These students have been self-motivated, organised and spent many hours training to compete against other highly skilled athletes from our Region, State and even Australia.

Western Region Trial dates for various sport have been released and details can be viewed on the Western Region School Sport page (<https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/Western>) and accessing specific sports trials and events through the 'find events' tab. Explore the sports/events that you are interested in.

Any students who intend to trial for Western Region teams, please keep in mind that the school must approve your attendance at the trial. In addition, you will need to organise transport to and from the trial venue.

To ensure that you don't miss events that you are interested in, listen carefully to the daily notices or assembly reports for nomination dates and information and collect and return all relevant forms to Mrs Milsom in a timely manner.

As with all absences from school, students are expected to talk with their teachers about class work and assessment tasks that may be impacted by their absences and find workable/appropriate solutions.

Everyone is welcome to view current (and the most up to date) information on the Western Region website. If you have any questions, please see Mrs Milsom.

PUBLIC NOTICES



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Canteen Menu

Term 1 2025

MEALS/HOT FOOD

- Pizza **\$3**
- Lasagne **\$6**
- Mac & Cheese **\$6**
- Lean Beef Burger **\$6**
- Chicken Burger **\$5**
- Chicken Burger (with the lot) **\$6**
- Sweet Chilli Tender Wrap (plain) **\$5**
- Sweet Chilli Tender Wrap (with lot) **\$6**
- Pie **\$4**
- Cup of Noodles - chicken or beef **\$3.50**
- Chicken Nuggets (6) **\$3.50**

SALADS

(available as sandwich, wrap or roll)

- Salad only **\$5.50**
- Salad & Meat (chicken or ham) **\$6**
- Snack Box - lettuce, carrot, cheese, cucumber, tomato & egg **\$5.50**
- Snack Box - salad & meat (chicken or ham) **\$6**

SANDWICHES - FRESH OR TOASTED

1 Filling **\$3.50** | 2 Fillings **\$4**

3 Fillings **\$4.50**

Ham, Chicken, Cheese, Tomato, Egg,
Pineapple, Lettuce, Mayo, Vegemite,
Baked Bean & Spaghetti.

White or 9 Grain (Gluten Free Available
- additional \$0.50)

SNACKS

- Watermelon container **\$2.50**
- Fresh seasonal fruit **\$2**
- Jatz & cheese **\$1.50**
- Popcorn **\$1.50**
- Grain Waves **\$1.50**
- Sea Salt Red Rock Deli Chips **\$1.50**
- Jelly Cup **\$2**

FROZEN SNACKS

- Quelch **\$0.50**
- T&T (various flavours) **\$1.50**
- Pineapple rings **\$1**

DRINKS

- Slushies **\$2.50**
- Up & Go (various flavours) **\$2.50**
- Water **\$2**
- Soft Drinks (no sugar) **\$3**
- 300ml Milk (Choc/Strawberry) **\$3**
- 500ml Milk (Choc/Strawberry) **\$4.50**
- Juice Bomb (various flavours) **\$2.50**
- Fruit Box **\$2**

Wooden Utensils **\$0.20**

**PLEASE ORDER LUNCH
BEFORE SCHOOL
(8.30am-8.55am)**

**Late orders will be subject to
availability on the day.**

Please note menu is subject to supplier availability and may change at any time.