



**SPECIAL NEWSLETTER
27 NOVEMBER 2015**

Dear Parents and Caregivers

With the year fast drawing to a close there are a number of events planned which I want to alert you to, as well as announcing some dates for 2016.

Please note the following:

Tuesday 1 December	<p>Community Day The day will begin at the normal time – 8.40am – with form time, and finish at the usual time of 3.05pm. Students are allowed to wear mufti, and they must bring either a gold coin or a can or cans, for the Food bank.</p> <p>Year 9 – from 9.00am to 12.15pm students will be participating in a variety of activities in our gyms and the Springvale stadium. After lunch, they are being offered classes of interest to choose from, such as making Christmas decorations, baking cookies, Minecraft, Dungeons and Dragons, etc. These are all being run by staff.</p> <p>Year 10 – from 9.00am to 12.00 mid-day all students will be working for a number of organisations cleaning, gardening, painting etc. They will be bused to and from venues, returning to school at about 12.15pm. WHS staff are accompanying each group. Students may need to bring suitable equipment and clothing depending where they are going. They will know this prior to the weekend. After lunch they will be participating in a variety of sports based activities, all here at WHS. The day will happen regardless of the weather. This is our way of giving something back to our community.</p>
Wednesday 2 December	<p>Students will be released at 1.50pm so that staff can have professional development. Students are asked to go straight home and not into town or through other school grounds. Buses run at the normal time and the Library homework centre will be open until 4.30pm.</p>
Friday 11 December	<p>Last day for the Junior school. Junior Prizegiving begins at 11.00am and will conclude at approximately 12.45pm. Parents are asked to be seated by 10.45am. Venue is the School Hall. Students then attend their final form time for the year at which they will be issued with their reports. They should be released by 1.00pm. Buses run at the usual time, so if an alternative arrangement can be made for the bus students to get home it would be ideal. Year 10 Students are also issued with their Diplomas.</p>
Monday 1 February 2016	<p>2016 Year 9 students and new students to the School at any other level, begin the year.</p>
Tuesday 2 February 2016	<p>Year 10 – 13 students begin the year.</p>

If you have any questions please contact me.

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