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Waratah Campus

**WARATAH CAMPUS NEWS**  
**TERM FOUR 2023**  
**WEEK 10 EDITION**

# THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

**We farewell Year 10**

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## GET READY FOR 2024

Check out our back page for important dates for 2024.

Have a fun and safe holiday.

We can't wait to see at Callaghan Waratah in 2024.

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# PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Ms Nicole Avard, Rel. Principal

As we approach the final days of the 2023 school year, it's important to reflect on the incredible journey we've had together. This year has been a whirlwind of growth, learning, and some very special and memorable moments for all of us here at Waratah.

In our classrooms, our students have shone with their hard work, curiosity, creativity, and resilience. Whether it's mastering critical reflection through engaging with texts in English, exploring the practical applications of science to everyday life, diving into complex mathematical concepts, or honing movement skills in PDHPE, our students should be proud of their achievements. Their growing ownership of their learning has been very pleasing and was evident during our newly introduced student-led conferences.

Beyond our classrooms, we've seen our students flourish across many activities – from debating and public speaking triumphs, regional and state sporting representations, chess victories, stellar dance and music performances, and contributing to vibrant community celebrations like NAIDOC week and Harmony Day – the list goes on. Each accomplishment is a testament to our students' dedication and passion.

I'd like to congratulate our 2023 student leaders for

their outstanding service to our school community this year. They've helped facilitate the smooth transition of Year 6 students, led by example in the Amnesty student leadership conference, graciously hosted countless special assemblies and infused positivity into our school community. I'd like to particularly acknowledge our outgoing Captains – Zanetta, Zoe, Finn and Ebony. You are wonderful young leaders and I look forward to seeing where your next leadership journey takes you.

A special shoutout to our departing Year 10 cohort. It is with great affection and pride that I look back on your time here at Waratah. You've navigated challenges with grace, refined your sense of who you are, and made an indelible mark on our school culture. You will be greatly missed. As you step into the world of senior high school, we encourage you to carry the learning, memories and friendships of Waratah Campus with pride and embrace every opportunity that comes your way. I have no doubt that you are ready and well-prepared to take on the challenges of Stage 6.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you to everyone—students, staff, and families—for making 2023 a year to remember. Have a wonderful and safe holiday season. I look forward to welcoming you back next year for an even more amazing 2024!



# CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

Wrapping up 2023



# PRESENTATIONS

## A celebration of learning

Our end-of-year award ceremonies this week were a special opportunity for our school community to celebrate all that we have accomplished over the year. They also gave us a chance to recognise the success of individual students who have shown dedication to their studies and have contributed positively to our school's culture.

This year, we acknowledged a wide range of skills, qualities, and interests, including sports, academics, the arts, citizenship, innovation, love of reading, leadership, and more. We congratulate all the students who received an award, and we extend our thanks to the families and special guests who joined us for these celebrations.



# PRESENTATIONS

YEAR 7





  
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WARATAH  
1ST IN YEAR 7 - 2023

# PRESENTATIONS

## YEAR 7





  
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# PRESENTATIONS

## YEAR 8





  
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OVERALL ACADEMIC  
EXCELLENCE

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WARATAH  
1ST IN YEAR 8 - 2022

# PRESENTATIONS

YEAR 8





  
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YEAR 8 2023

# PRESENTATIONS

YEAR 9





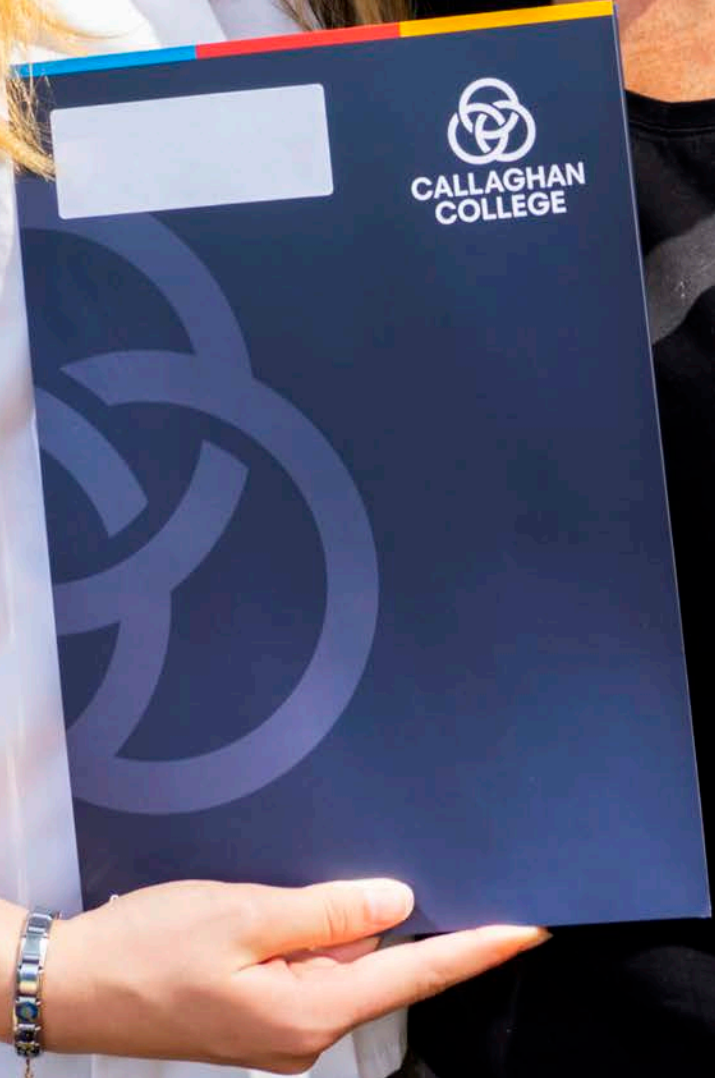
  
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# PRESENTATIONS

YEAR 9







# PRESENTATIONS

YEAR 10

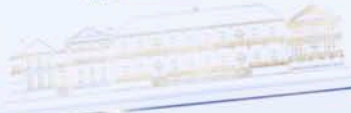




Tim Crakanthorp MP  
2023 Social Justice Award

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State Member for Newcastle



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SOCIAL JUSTICE  
AWARD



# PRESENTATIONS

YEAR 10





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YEAR 10





  
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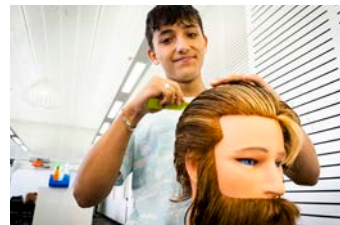
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A trip down memory lane



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# DIARY DATES

**DEC**

**15**

Last day of Term 4

**FEB**

**1**

Year 7  
First day of school

**FEB**

**2**

Years 8 to 10  
First day of school

**FEB**

**22**

School photos

**FEB**

**29**

School photos catch-up date

**MAR 13-22**

NAPLAN  
(Year 7 and 9 only)

## SUPPORTERS

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the following organisations for their continuous support:  
Baker's Delight Waratah

STARTTS Newcastle  
Mosaic Multicultural Connections  
Wesley Mission  
NSW AECG  
Samaritans  
Salvation Army  
Australian Defence Force  
Port Waratah Coal Services  
Newcastle Boys High School Old Boys Association

## ADMIN OFFICE

Please ensure that all outstanding excursion, camp, elective, and sport fees are paid before the end of the school year.

You can make the payment in person at our Administration Office until the close of business on Friday. Alternatively, you can make payments online through the 'Make a payment' tab on our school website or the Schoolbytes Parent Portal. Thank you.

## STAYING IN TOUCH

Wondering who to contact for any learning or wellbeing issues relating to your child?

Visit our communication flow charts on our school website at <https://waratah-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/contact-us.html>

## WELLBEING CONTACTS

Support is always there during the holiday season -

**BEYOND BLUE: 1300 224 636**

**KIDS HELPLINE: 1800 551 800**

**LIFELINE: 13 11 14**

**FAMILY CONNECT AND SUPPORT: 1800 236 762**

### TUNING INTO TEENS

'Tuning into Teens' is a free online support group hosted by the Samaritans and Family Support Newcastle

Monday and Tuesday 5:30-7:30pm

8th and 9th January

15th and 16th January

22nd and 23rd January

Topics covered include -

Develop new ways of talking with and understanding your teen

Support your teen to manage difficult emotions

Develop your teen's skills in managing conflict

Being kind and caring to yourself

To register, call Rachelle 0407 891 650 or Mark 0491 060 916

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