



**PIARA
WATERS**
Senior High School

Annual Report 2023



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Welcome from the Principal

Kaya (hello!) and wanjoo...

It is with immense pride that I write the first Annual Report for Piara Waters Senior High School. I was appointed to the role of inaugural principal in October 2021 and commenced planning to open the school in January 2022. Whilst it was an exciting time, it was constrained by COVID-19 restrictions which limited face to face consultation with our Consultancy Council who represented the Piara Waters Community. Regardless, we forged ahead, and our school doors opened for the first time on 1 February 2023 with 150 Year 7 students and seven teachers.

Students were transitioned and oriented within the first two weeks of Term 1 2023. They experienced a positive start to the school year as they navigated their way around our school campus. Strong emphasis was placed on 'Connection and Belonging' and much of Term 1 focused on building positive relationships with teachers and peers. We positively engaged our parent community by hosting our first Parent-Teacher Conferences in March 2023, followed soon after by Harmony Day celebrations.

Our building program for Stage 1 lagged due to the effects COVID-19 had on supply across the world. Each Term, I took a handover of a separable portion and gradually released our students into each block. Needless to say, they were extremely excited to experience high school in state-of-the-art facilities. Throughout the year, several school tours, parent information and staff information sessions were held to introduce the community to Piara Waters Senior High School. Positive feedback was received, and our students prospered as the year progressed.

During Term 1 2023, expressions of interest were sought from the Piara Waters Senior High School parent community to nominate for the inaugural School Board and in Term 2 of 2023, the School Board was established with two parent representatives, a community representative and staff representative. Each year as we add a cohort to the school, representatives will be sought to serve on the School Board. A highlight for the School Board was the school board training which took place on 12 June 2024.

On Friday 8 December 2023 we were proud to host our Official School Opening Ceremony. Piara Waters Senior High School was officially opened by the Premier of Western Australia, Hon Roger Cook, Hon Dr Tony Buti Minister for Education, Aboriginal Affairs, Citizenship and Multicultural Interests, Director General of Education, Ms Lisa Rodgers and MLA Yaz Mubarakai. The occasion was auspicious with parents, invited guests, staff and students proudly participating in the formalities of the morning.

2023 was a year in which we were able to establish our foundation by:

Consolidating our School's Vision

Developing our School's Values

Developing our Staff Charter

Promoting the image of our school in the broader community

Establish exciting new partnerships to support future pathways.

We look forward to 2024 and the exciting developments that are on the horizon as our school grows from strength to strength.

Yours sincerely,



Carol Daniels

Foundation Principal

M.Ed (Research), Educ(Hons), FurthDipEd, HigherDipEd

Welcome from the School Board

The 2023 school year was one of beginning. The school opened both unofficially, welcoming students on the first day of the school year into the buildings and areas that had been completed and handed over, and officially with an opening ceremony later in the year.

During the year the administration staff worked diligently towards all the requirements and expectations of the Department of Education. This included setting up the inaugural board for Piara Waters Senior High School. As a parent representative and the board chair, I would like to congratulate all the staff, students and parents for navigating the first year of a brand new, partially completed senior high school, so well.

During the year the school held a number of firsts, starting with the Foundation Assembly on the first day with Yaz Mubarakai MLA and Dr Tony Buti MLA. To assist with integrating the new year seven students into high school life. The school also held presentations from Armed for Life. Then all the 'normal' school life started with Mathematics, English, Science, Humanities and Social Sciences lessons, skill building, NAPLAN, and parent-teacher interviews. A few special events that were observed were Harmony Day, ANZAC day, celebrating the Matilda's achievements, Book week, Science week, Indonesian Independence Day, RUOK Day, and Remembrance Day.

The big event was obviously the official opening on the 8th of December. All the buildings had been completed and handed over to the school, including the amazing sports hall where the ceremony was held. As well as staff, students and parents, the ceremony was attended by Hon. Roger Cook MLA, Hon. Dr Tony Buti MLA, Lisa Rodgers and Yaz Mubarakai MLA.

I would again like to acknowledge the amazing event of the staff and students in navigating the 2023 school year. Students acclimatised to the high school life in the ever changing and growing environment (some of which was still a building site). While staff supported those students to achieve the best of their individual abilities and pointing them forward on their pathways of success.

Yours sincerely,



Sabrina Blankley

School Board Chairperson – Piara Waters Senior High School

School Demographics

- Workforce Composition

	No	FTE	AB'L
Executive Leadership Team			
Principal	1	1.0	0
Deputy Principals	2	2.0	0
Manager Corporate Services	1	1.0	0
Heads of Learning Area	2	2.0	0
Program Coordinators	1	1.0	0
Teaching Staff			
Level 3 Teachers	1	1.0	0
Teaching Staff	7	6.0	0
Total Teaching Staff	8	7.0	0
Allied Professionals			
Administration Staff	2	1.6	0
Education Assistants	2	1.8	0
Facilities Support (Cleaners & Gardeners)	3	1.4	0
Total Allied Professionals	7	4.8	0
Total	23	18.8	0

● Student Numbers

2023 Semester 2

Semester 2	2023
Lower Secondary	155
Upper Secondary	
Total	155

● Attendance

Secondary Attendance Rates

	Attendance Rate	
	School	WA Public Schools
2023	92.1%	82.5%

Attendance % - Secondary Year Levels

	Attendance Rate					
	Y07	Y08	Y09	Y10	Y11	Y12
2023	92%					
WA Public Schools 2023	87%					

MANAGEMENT OF NON-ATTENDANCE

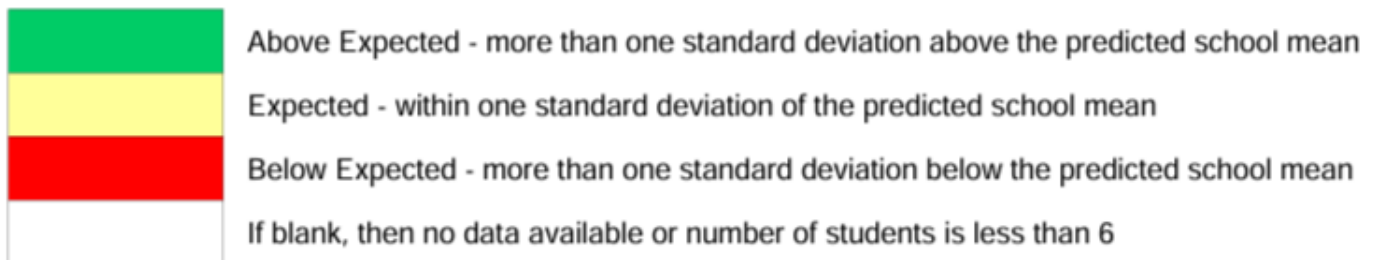
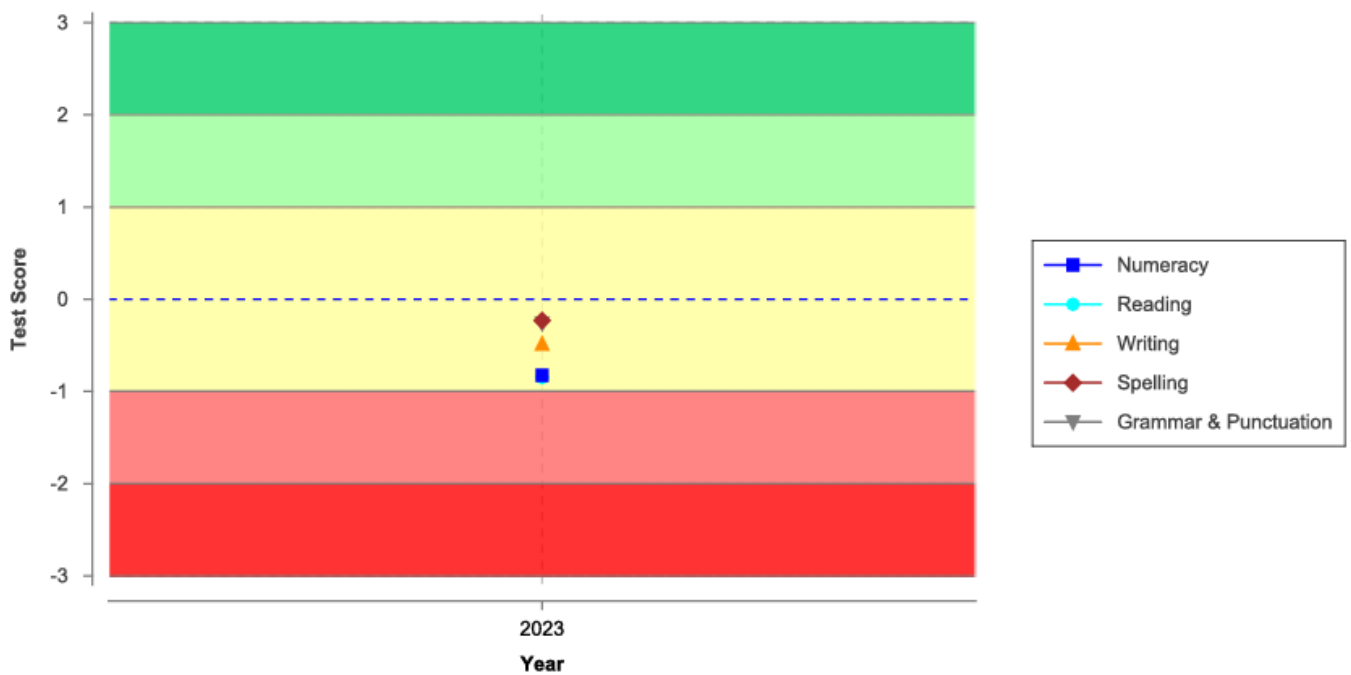
A significant portion of non-attendance is due to extended absences which occur during the school term. Whilst parents seek approval from the school principal, non-attendance impacts negatively on individual school attendance data.

- Non-attendance results in gaps in student's knowledge and understanding due to missing face to face contact with teachers and peers.
- Lack of continuity for students results in students feeling less secure once back in the school environment.
- The formation of the belief that punctuality and attendance are not important.
- Inability to maintain ongoing friendships due to absence can result in isolation.
- Loss of self-esteem and self-confidence can occur from extended absences.
- Increased likelihood of disengagement from school earlier than expected can occur.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT & PROGRESS

NAPLAN 2023

Comparative Performance: Year 7



Reading and Numeracy will be a strong focus for 2024. Students are performing below the school mean in the areas of Numeracy & Reading. The compilation of the Piara Waters Senior High School Business Plan will feature targets to improve the comparative performance in these important areas.

SCHOOL FINANCES

ONE LINE BUDGET - 0		
	Current Budget (\$)	Actual YTD (\$)
Carry Forward (Cash):	954,759	954,759
Carry Forward (Salary):	264,360	264,360
INCOME		
Student-Centred Funding (including Transfers & Adjustments):	3,136,581	3,136,581
Locally Raised Funds:	40,660	58,847
Total Funds:	4,396,360	4,414,547
EXPENDITURE		
Salaries:	2,373,837	2,373,837
Goods and Services (Cash):	1,086,345	807,740
Total Expenditure:	3,460,182	3,181,578
VARIANCE:	936,178	1,232,969

INCOME - 0		
	Current Budget (\$)	Actual YTD (\$)
Carry Forward (Cash)	954,759	954,759
Carry Forward (Salary)	264,360	264,360
STUDENT-CENTRED FUNDING		
Per Student	1,505,250	1,505,250
School and Student Characteristics	1,124,625	1,124,625
Disability Adjustments	38,496	38,496
Targeted Initiatives	77,398	77,398
Operational Response Allocation	390,807	390,807
Total Funds:	3,136,576	3,136,576
TRANSFERS AND ADJUSTMENTS		
Regional Allocation	0	0
Transition Adjustment	0	0
School Transfers – Salary	(206,552)	(206,552)
School Transfers - Cash	206,558	206,558
Department Adjustments	0	0
Total Funds:	6	6
LOCALLY RAISED FUNDS (REVENUE)		
Voluntary Contributions	17,625	18,340
Charges and Fees	3,983	3,233
Fees from Facilities Hire	0	0
Fundraising/Donations/Sponsorships	3,334	4,488
Commonwealth Govt Revenues	0	0
Other State Govt/Local Govt Revenues	0	0
Revenue from CO, Regional Office and Other scho	0	0
Other Revenues	15,718	32,786
Transfer from Reserve or DGR	0	0
Residential Accommodation	0	0
Farm Revenue (Ag and Farm Schools only)	0	0
Camp School Fees (Camp Schools only)	0	0
Total Funds:	40,660	58,847
TOTAL	4,396,361	4,414,548

EXPENDITURE - 0		
	Current Budget (\$)	Actual YTD (\$)
SALARIES		
Appointed Staff	2,214,968	2,214,968
New Appointments	0	0
Casual Payments	157,753	157,753
Other Salary Expenditure	1,116	1,116
Total Funds:	2,373,837	2,373,837
GOODS AND SERVICES (CASH EXPENDITURE)		
Administration	47,200	44,947
Lease Payments	73,878	51,571
Utilities, Facilities and Maintenance	169,600	67,832
Buildings, Property and Equipment	339,471	267,738
Curriculum and Student Services	161,296	80,953
Professional Development	9,000	9,202
Transfer to Reserve	285,000	285,000
Other Expenditure	900	499
Payment to CO, Regional Office and Other schools	0	0
Residential Operations	0	0
Residential Boarding Fees to CO (Ag Colleges only)	0	0
Farm Operations (Ag and Farm Schools only)	0	0
Farm Revenue to CO (Ag and Farm Schools only)	0	0
Camp School Fees to CO (Camp Schools only)	0	0
Total Funds:	1,086,345	807,742
TOTAL	3,460,182	3,181,579



This Annual Report is formally endorsed by the Piara Waters Senior High School Board.

PRINCIPAL *Carol Daniels*

15 March 2024