



# Walpole Primary School Newsletter

## Nature Culture Future

*important  
dates*

7 August – Spare Parts Puppet play and workshop  
 8 August – West Coast Eagles incursion  
 8 August – STEM Night: Old Fashioned Games  
 9 August – P&C Meeting  
 15 August – School Board Meeting  
 18 August – Assembly Room 4  
 21 August – Book Week – Dress Up Parade



## UR WALPOLE 2023

In its 24th year, UR Walpole is an eco-education programme that runs in Term 2 every year immersing students in their local area and community. It is always a busy but enjoyable event on the Walpole Primary School calendar and this year has been no different.

This year the topic was FIRE. Students explored this theme across the learning areas and engaged in many rich learning tasks.

All classes went on some exciting excursions including a trip to the Fire station for the YK-1 class. the North Walpole Bush fire brigade for Y2-3's, and the Year 4, 5 & 6's went to Horseyard Hill to look at the planning required for a prescribed burn.

FROM THE CHAPLAIN - CUBBY HOUSE BUILDING PROJECT

All the Year K-6's went on the WOW cruise with Gary Muir. The K-1s enjoyed a trip to learn about fire. The Y2-3's learnt about the fire triangle and the Y4-6 students learnt about how different plants and animals respond to fire. They also heard about William's quokka study and the effects fire had on them and their recovery rate. Thank you to Gary, Emma, and Wayne for taking us out on the WOW cruise.





# WALPOLE- CENTRE OF THE UNIVERSE







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WE WOULD LIKE TO FIND THE STUDENTS OF THE PAST AND FIND OUT WHERE THEY LIVE TODAY AND WHY THEY LIVE THERE.

WE ARE LEARNING ABOUT GEOGRAPHY (WHERE PLACES ARE IN WA, AUSTRALIA, AND THE WORLD).

## WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW

NAME:

AGE:

YEARS SPENT AT WALPOLE PS:

WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

WHY DO YOU LIVE THERE?

EMAIL:

YOU TOO CAN JOIN IN ON THIS FUN AND EXCITING ACTIVITY BY SHARING THIS ARTICLE WITH A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER THAT WENT TO WALPOLE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

IF YOU SAW THIS ARTICLE, CONTACT US BY EMAIL WITH A SCENIC PHOTO OF WHERE YOU LIVE OR A POSTCARD

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## ROOM 1 - MS MARIA MIRANDA

Hi! I am Ms Miranda and I am excited to teach at Walpole Primary School this year. I am so excited to be your child's teacher! We are going to do many fun activities and learn a lot.

I have been teaching for the past 3 years at regional schools in WA. I am from Sri Lanka and I moved to Australia 5 years ago to pursue my education and dream of being a teacher. I enjoy exploring, going on hikes and taking photographs of nature. Having never been to the Southwestern region, I can't wait to have lots of adventures and meet new people. I love teaching and inspiring young minds to become creative thinkers and independent learners. Look forward to meeting you all soon.

Hope that is okay. Please let me know if you want me to change anything.

Kind regards,  
Maria







# SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

**WEEK 8: MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER - FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER**  
**LUNCHTIME IN THE WPS LIBRARY 1.00 TO 1.45**

**WE NEED PARENT VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUT.**  
**IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP ON ANY OF THESE DAYS PLEASE CONTACT THE**  
**SCHOOL ON 68710200**

**CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK PARADE MONDAY 21 AUGUST**  
**READ, GROW, INSPIRE**



## From the Principal

*by Stuart Klose*

Welcome to Term 3 as we enter the Noongar Season 'Djilba' (August - September) is represented by the colour pink as it symbolises growth of wildflowers and plants. This is the start of the massive flowering explosion that happens in the South West. Beginning with the yellow flowering plants such as the acacias.

Djilba is a transitional time of the year, with some very cold and clear days combining with warmer, rainy and windy days mixing with the occasional sunny day or two.

Traditionally, the main food sources included many of the land-based grazing animals including the yongar (kangaroo), the waitj (emu) and the koomal (possum).

As the days start to warmup, we start to see and hear the first of the newborns with their proud parents out and about providing them with food, guiding them through foraging tasks and protecting their family units from much bigger animals, including people!

The woodland birds are still nest bound, hence the swooping protective behaviour of the koolbardi (magpie), djidi djidi (willy wag tails) and chuck-a-luck (wattle birds).

As the season progresses and the temperatures continue to rise, the flower stalks of the balgas (Grass Trees) emerge in preparation for the coming Kambarang season.

Ms Maria Miranda will be joining our wonderful school on Monday 14 August to teach in Room 1 for the remainder of the year. Ms Miranda has spent the last few years teaching in the Mid-West. Please welcome Ms Miranda once she arrives.

We have a lot going on this term. Room 4 has begun a great project called Walpole-Centre of the Universe, well supported by Mr Peter Hill (Creative Schools Project). The Spare Parts Puppet Theatre are presenting a performance of Blueback and providing two workshops for our students (supported by Cash for Cans). The West Coast Eagles are providing the students a presentation on healthy lifestyles and a football clinic. In Week 6 we have our Book Week Parade and the Winter Carnival.

Tuesday 8 August we are hosting another STEM Night. The theme for this event is 'Old Fashioned Games'. The event will be held from 5 - 7pm at the Walpole Rec Centre. A light meal can be purchased for \$# per head. Come along and enjoy the games of yester year.







# TRIPLE P: POSITIVE PARENTING SEMINAR

On Wednesday 2 August we hosted the first session of the Triple P Parenting program presented by Laura Fitzpatrick and Jenny Allen (Triple P trained School Psychologist). There was a great turnout of local parents.

We are seeking interest from parents for the two follow on sessions:

- Raising Confident Competent Children
- Raising Resilient Children

You can register your interest now by calling the school on 6871 0200 or emailing to [walpole.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:walpole.ps@education.wa.edu.au)





## CONTRIBUTIONS 2023

Contributions have been set at \$60.00 per child for 2023. Payment of these enables the school to support your child's education by providing materials, services and facilities such as:

- cooking ingredients
- materials for arts and crafts, design and technology, and science activities
- class sets of resources
- access to educational software systems such as Mathletics.

This equates to \$1.50 per week or \$15.00 per term. The school is very happy to support families wishing to set up a payment plan, please contact the office and organise to meet with the Manager Corporate Services.



## BUS NOTIFICATION

To assist the smooth departure of the school buses, could you please contact the office before 2pm if there is to be a change in plans for children getting home.



## COVID 19

Families are reminded that Covid 19 is still present in the community, and we ask that if your child is unwell with cold or flu like symptoms that they stay home until their symptoms resolve.

We also have a good supply of RAT Tests, both oral and nasal so please come to the front office if your family needs any.







# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Walpole CRC -Term 3

### Sports Activities



Where: Walpole Sports & Rec Centre

When: Wednesday 26th July

Wednesday 2nd August

Wednesday 9th August

Wednesday 16th August

Time: 3:15pm to 4:15pm

Age: 5 years and up

Please note: No sports activities week 1



Where: Walpole Oval

When: Wednesday 23 August

Wednesday 30th August

Wednesday 6th September

Wednesday 13th September

Time: 3:15pm to 4:15pm

Age: 5 years and up

Please note: No sports activities week 10

Come on down for a game of basketball or  
bush hockey in a fun and relaxed format.

**Free All Welcome!**

Queries: Nicole Munro 9840 1395 or 0428 955 840

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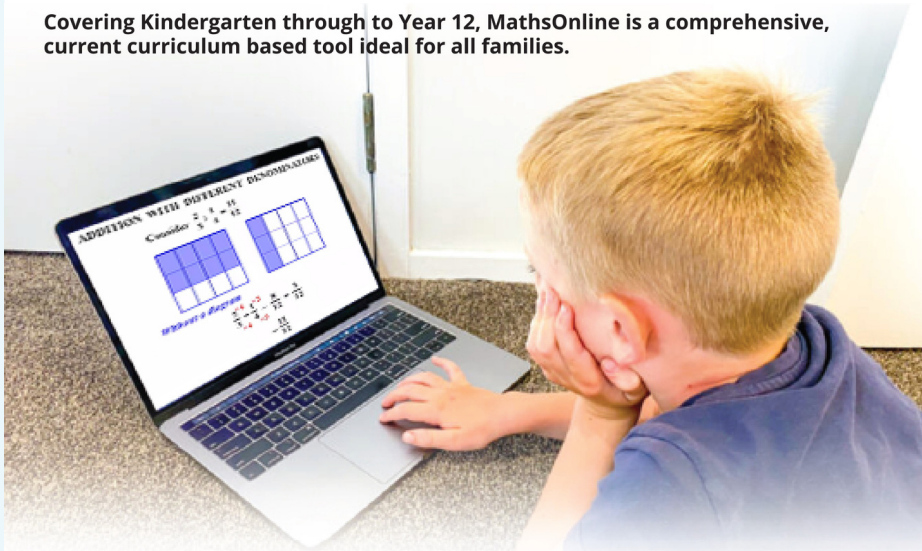


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the office by 3pm Monday of newsletter week.  
Newsletters this term will be made available from  
our website on Friday of Week 3, 7 and 10.



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