

Walpole Primary School Newsletter

important dates 4th - 8th September - Book Fair Lunchtime Monday 5 September - P&C Meeting 5.30pm 15 September - Assembly Room 2 22 September - Last day for students 9 October - First day of Term 4 for students



2023 WINTER CARNIVAL

ON FRIDAY THE 25TH OF AUGUST, THE YEAR 3,4,5 AND 6'S WENT TO PEMBERTON TO DO WINTER SPORTS. WE ALL DID A GREAT JOB.

THE YEAR 5 AND 6'S WON ONE GAME OF NETBALL AND IN SOCCER WE SCORED A GOAL BUT WE DID NOT WIN. IN HOCKEY WE DIDN'T SCORE ANY GOALS BUT WE ALL GAVE IT OUR BEST. AT SOCCER, ONE OF THE PEMBERTON TEACHERS CAME UP TO US AND SAID THAT WE ARE GOOD AT WORKING TOGETHER.

THE YEAR 3 AND 4'S ALSO PLAYED HARD IN ALL THE SPORTS. THEY HAD A COUPLE OF GOOD WINS IN NETBALL AND NIL ALL DRAW IN HOCKEY. MR KLOSE WAS THE COACH, AND HE WAS VERY PLEASED WITH THEIR EFFORTS.

BOTH OF OUR TEAMS PLAYED WITHOUT RESERVES. WE ARE PROUD OF HOW WELL WE PLAYED.





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SENIOR COMPETITION (YEAR 5/6)

CHAMPIONS - PDHS 2 RUNNERS UP - ST JOSEPH'S

INTERMEDIATE COMPETITION (YEAR 4/5)

CHAMPIONS - NORTHCLIFFE RUNNERS UP - PDHS 2

BEGINNER COMPETITION (YEAR 3/4)

CHAMPIONS - ST JOSEPH'S & NANNUP (DRAW) RUNNERS UP - PDHS 2







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We have passed halfway through the term and Room 1 has been busier than ever with lots of learning taking place!

Last week, the Pre-Primary and Year 1 students have focused on telling the time to the hour and half past. Check out their amazing clocks! What does the fox... sorry, clock say?

Kindy students have been reading the story of "The Little Red Hen" and engaging in activities based on the story. Including making puppets of the characters of the story, sequencing the story and telling us if they would share the bread with the other animals. They had some interesting answers!



From the Principal

by Stuart Klose

Kaya,

This August has graced us with more sunny days than I can recall in my 16 years here in the Great Southern region. With temperatures on a few days hovering in the pleasant mid to low 20's, the weather has been a true delight. After spending a week in the Wheatbelt, where farmers are yearning for rain, I was reminded of the breathtaking beauty of our environment, with countless plants bursting into colourful blooms.

It's been a joy to witness Ms. Miranda fitting seamlessly into Room One. The KP1 students have engaged in a diverse range of high-quality activities. There's an undeniable sense of pride when students eagerly share their work during my visits.

Last Friday, Mrs. Walker and I had the honour of accompanying two teams to the Winter Carnival in Pemberton. Throughout the day, our students exhibited exceptional sportsmanship and gave their all. The Beginner team (comprising Year 3 and 4 students) excelled in netball, while finding hockey and soccer to be more challenging. The Senior team (made up of Year 5 and 6 students) displayed competitiveness in netball and soccer, although hockey posed a greater difficulty. Despite a lack of spare players, both teams persevered, though energy waned as the day concluded.

A heartfelt thank you goes to Ms. Viner and the Year 6 students for their efforts in organizing and hosting our Book Week Parade. Witnessing students adorned as their beloved book characters was truly heartwarming. The significance of consistent reading from primary to high school cannot be understated, as it strongly correlates with a student's future success. Don't miss the opportunity to explore our Book Fair running in the Library next week.

Looking forward, swimming lessons will return to Peaceful Bay in 2024, scheduled for the second week of Term One. Expect enrolment materials to be dispatched during Term Four of this year.

Earlier this term, our Year 6 students had an insightful visit from the Year 7 team at Denmark Senior High School, marking the initial step in aiding our students' transition to high school. If you have completed an enrolment package, kindly drop it off at the front office for us to forward to the high school on your behalf.

Currently, our Semester Two attendance rate stands at 84.5%, notably below our targeted rate of 92%. Consistent school attendance is paramount for students to achieve the progress we all aspire to see. In the event of illness, please keep your child at home until their recovery, but do ensure that their siblings attend if they're able.

Please anticipate our annual school survey, a valuable tool for us to gauge our performance. Your participation is greatly appreciated, as the insights gleaned from the survey guide our planning for continuous improvement.





A WEEK AGO, WE HOSTED A BOOK PARADE FOR THE STUDENTS, STAFF AND PARENTS. STUDENTS AND STAFF CAME DRESSED AS THEIR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTERS AND SHOWCASED THEIR COSTUMES. OUR THEME FOR THIS YEAR WAS READ, GROW, INSPIRE.

AFTER WE HAD SEEN ALL THE BRILLIANT COSTUMES, IT WAS TIME TO PICK THE BEST DRESSED STUDENTS AND STAFF. WE CHOSE ONE PERSON FROM EACH CLASS AND ONE TEACHER WHO HAD THE MOST CREATIVE AND THEME-BASED COSTUME. OUR WINNERS WERE ASTRID HICKS AS A FAIRY, SKYLER DUNSTAN AS A DALMATIAN, MILA BURTON AS STACY FROM THE BABYSITTERS CLUB AND MRS BURTON AS A DRAGON SLAYER. WE ALSO HAD CBCA (CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA) SHORT LIST BOOKS UP ON DISPLAY AT OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY.

OVERALL, WE ALL HAD A GREAT TIME, AND IT WAS GREAT SEEING PEOPLE DRESS UP AND HAVE FUN PARADING THEIR COSTUMES.





BOOK WEEK CONTINUED









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.



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.

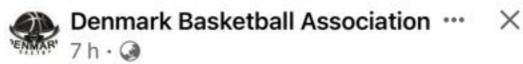


Families are reminded that Covid 19 is still present in the community, and we ask that if your child is unwell with cold or flu like symptoms that they stay home until their symptoms resolve.

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.







DBA Junior Registrations for season 2023/2024

Junior Registrations for season 2023/2024 will be held at the Denmark Recreation Centre

Tuesday 5th September 3.30pm to 5.30pm

Registrations will be open for

Aussie Hoops - (Years 1, 2, 3, 4) We are also taking EOI for Pre Primary U13s (years 5, 6, 7) U16s (years 8,9,10)

Aussie Hoops sessions will run Saturday mornings and Juniors on Monday afternoons/ evenings.

Spaces are limited for all age groups!

The season will commence in Term 4 2023





































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