



Walpole Primary School Newsletter

Nature Culture Future

important dates

13 – 25 March – NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5
 25 – 28 March – Room 4 Camp in Perth
 29 March – 7 April – Term One School Holidays
 15 April – First day of Term 2 (students attend)
 15 April – 28 June – UR Walpole: Dirt
 26 April – Staff Development Day



RICK ROCKS WALPOLE PS

Our Year 1 - 6 students recently had a visit from Rick the Rock and the West Coast Eagles. The students were put through their paces by Rick but more importantly the students engaged in a discussion on resiliency and how to encourage others who are trying their best.

Afterwards the students engaged in a footy clinic working on their handball and kicking skills.





MERIT CERTIFICATE WINNERS

Congratulations to our merit certificate winners at our first assembly of the year.

Room 1: Audrey Wimsett, Naomi G, Luke Skippings

Room 2: Luvik Ranamuka, Chloe Strickland, Jasper Dilley

Room 4: Isabelle Anning, Eliana Adler, Lucas Vega

Aussie of the Month for February: Xavier Spinks



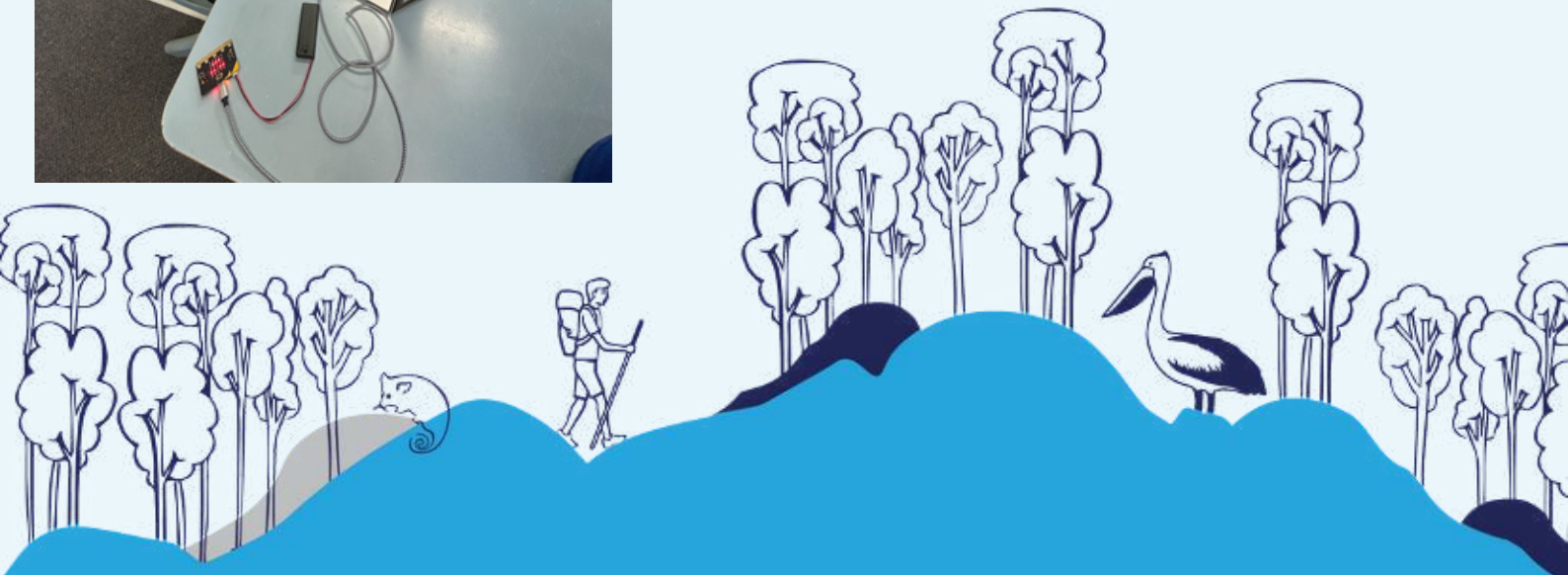


WESTERN POWER: CIRCUIT BREAKERS

Room 4 students have begun the Western Power: Circuit Breakers program in Digital Technologies. Students engage in building and operating their own electricity grid using a Microbit, a type of mini computer

The class will be supported by a representative from Western Power (online) and aim to create their very own mini Walpole electricity grid. Not only will they learn how to code the Microbits but also use 3D design and printing to construct key components.

Western Power have subsidised our purchase of the Microbits (\$10 per kit) which would normally be \$44 per kit.



From the Principal

by Stuart Klose

Congratulations to Ms Walker and the Room 4 students on a wonderful assembly on Friday of Week Six. The messages the students presented were so well articulated and their personal experiences underline just how important education around stereotypes and understanding difference is. Room 2's rendition of Little Red Riding Hood was also a highlight.

Our first Long Table Lunch for the year was a hit with our guests. Students from across the school, worked together to produce a range of delicious dishes supplied mostly from our own gardens and poultry. Our guests consisted of the wonderful groups around Walpole who host Containers for Change collection points on behalf of the school.

NAPLAN testing is well underway, and I am very proud of the resiliency and tenacity that all our Year 3 and 5 students have demonstrated so far. Thank you to all the parents for your support during the testing period. We expect to receive students' results in Term Three.

Earlier this term we purchased 20 new iPads which has made the online NAPLAN tests run very smoothly. Once testing has completed, the iPads will be homed in Room 2. This will allow every student to have access to an iPad to help support their learning. Voluntary contributions have assisted greatly in the purchase of these devices.

We have recently calculated the cost per student of the swimming lessons held in Week Two this term. The final figure was just over \$30 per student which is considerably less than the amount we requested in Term Four 2023. Parents who paid upfront have received a credit to their child's account and student financial summaries have been sent home with students. Please contact the office if you have any further queries.

Room 4 students are starting to get excited about their camp to Perth in Week 9. Ms Walker has prepared a great itinerary that includes the new ropes course at the Gloucester Tree in Pemberton, ice skating and a visit to Fremantle Prison. We won't just be having fun, there are plenty of great educational experiences planned as well, we will visit Parliament House, WA Museum and the Kodja Place. Thank you to Nat Rule and Hew Dilley for giving up their time to help make the camp a success. Keep an eye out on Class Dojo for all the action.

Please be aware that we have changed our bank account due to the closure of the Bankwest branches around the state. We now bank with Commonwealth Bank and have different account details.

I wish everyone a wonderful break over Easter and hope the students have a safe and enjoyable school holiday.





CONTRIBUTIONS 2024

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. Please only contact the office by phone, text or email. If your child is on the bus and you pick them up, please sign your child out through the office before leaving.



FEELING UNWELL

Families are reminded that if your child is unwell with cold or flu like symptoms that they stay home until their symptoms resolve.

To ensure the safety of our students, parents please make sure that the office has the most up to date medical details for your child.



NEW BANK DETAILS

Account name: Walpole Primary School

BSB: 066-040

Account Number: 19907742





COMMUNITY NOTICES

School Holiday Programme

**Limited spaces
For all events, RSVP**

Email: reception@walpole.org.au or call: 9840 1395



DENMARK ANIMAL FARM

Wednesday, 3rd April, 9 am-3 pm

Lunch Included at

Denmark Farmhouse Cheese

Price: \$35

PEMBERTON TRAM AND AERIAL ADVENTURE

Friday 5th April, 9 am - 4 pm

Lunch Included

Price: \$35



**AERIAL
ADVENTURE**



BUBBLES WITH GERTRUDE WELLESE

Wednesday, 10th April, 9:30 am - 11 am

Price: \$5

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OUTDOORS GEOCACHING
GREAT SOUTHERN

**KWOORABUP COMMUNITY
ADVENTURE PARK DENMARK
8 - 12 years**

**Includes shelter
building and
basic first aid!**

**3rd April
10am - 1pm
\$20**




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GREAT SOUTHERN

**GEOCACHING
THE FORTS, ALBANY**

8 - 12 years

**April 2nd
10am - 1pm**

\$20



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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Summer Fun with 'Lets Go Surfing' mornings for All-Abilities.

Disabled Surfers Association Great Southern will hold four surfing days on Saturday mornings in 2024 at Middleton Beach in front of the Albany Surf Lifesaving Club

Register here, Participants, carers/parents and volunteers:

<https://events.humanitix.com/lets-go-surfing>.

Dates:

- 20 th January
- 17 th February
- 16 th March
- 13 th April

Surfers:

- Armbands and rashies can be collected 9 am - 10 am at the registration tent (registrations finish at 10 am)
- Surfing - 9:30 am to 11.30 am, followed by a FREE BBQ and presentations before 12 pm
- Sunscreen and wetsuits are available
- Please BYO a water bottle





JUNIOR SOCCER

PROPOSED TRAINING DAYS & TIMES



***** PLEASE NOTE *****

**THESE ARE PROPOSED TIMES AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
ONCE TEAMS ARE FINALISED**

Pre Primary & Grade 1 Miniroos	3:30 Wednesdays Denmark Primary School
Grade 2 / U8s	3:30 Mondays Denmark Primary School
Grade 3 / U9s	3:30 Wednesdays Denmark Primary School
Grade 4 / U10s	4:30 Mondays Denmark Primary School
Grade 5 / U11s	4pm Tuesdays Denmark Primary School
Grade 6 / U12s	4:15 Tuesdays Denmark Primary School

Grade 7 / U13s	4:30 Mondays DSHS
Grade 8 / U14s	4pm Tuesdays DSHS
Grade 9 / U15s	4pm Wednesdays Location TBC
Grade 10 / U16s	3:30 Tuesdays DSHS
Grade 11 & 12 / U18s	TBC

SEASON DATES

Junior Soccer - week commencing 15 April (Week 1 Term 2) to Early September (TBC).

Miniroos commences 22 April to Mid August

Registration Info:

Visit: facebook.com/denmarksoccer/



JUNIOR SOCCER

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

Regular Registrations:



Go online to:

<https://lead.me/DJSOCCER>

Eligible Kidsport Registrations:



Go online to:

<https://lead.me/KIDSPORT>

For Proposed* Training Days & Locations - visit our facebook page

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newsletter
items to:*

walpole.ps@education.wa.edu.au or dropped off at
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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