



Walpole Primary School Newsletter

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important dates

2-6 September – Book Fair
5-6 September – Kids in Space Competition in Perth
13 September – Room 4 Assembly
18 September – Parent Survey closes
20 September – Last day of school for Term 3

WINTER CARNIVAL

After much anticipation and many hours of practice, our year 3-6 students travelled to Pemberton Friday August 23rd to participate in the annual Winter Carnival. Walpole Primary School fielded two exceptional teams for the day; the year 3-4 students with Mr Klose and Mrs Walker and year 5-6 students with Mrs Barrow. The carnival consisted of three rounds, netball, soccer and hockey, with teams playing three or four shortened games in each round against other schools from the local area. As it was raining quite heavily when we arrived in Pemberton, the year 5-6 team was relieved to have netball first, whereas the year 3-4 students got a bit damp on the hockey field in Round 1. They dried off quickly during their netball round and luckily, the weather cleared for the majority of the afternoon with the sun even coming out at times. All students represented our school beautifully, with outstanding sportsmanship and teamwork, and it was wonderful to see their hard work in practicing pay off with their skills continuing to improve and shine throughout the day. Year 5-6 finished their hockey round and year 3-4 finished soccer just as the rain started to fall again, and although tired and muddy at the end of the day, everyone agreed that this year's carnival was our best ever. Most importantly everyone had fun, and we are already looking forward to next year's carnival.

Room 4





From the Principal

by Stuart Klose

Kaya, parents and community members of Walpole Primary School,

Spring Newsletter: Embracing the Season of Growth

As the days grow longer and the air fills with the promise of new beginnings, we reflect on the vibrant activities of the past four weeks. This newsletter highlights the wonderful events and achievements within our school community.

Book Week Parade: Celebrating 'Reading is Magic'

Our annual Book Week parade was a resounding success, with students and staff alike embracing the theme 'Reading is Magic.' The creativity on display was truly remarkable, thanks to the support of our dedicated parents who helped craft the fantastic costumes. This year, we introduced a poster competition to further promote the love of reading. Prizes were awarded to the best posters from Room 1, Room 2, Room 4, and a special prize for Ms. Viner's Choice. Congratulations to Naomi (Room 1), Tyler S (Room 2), Dylan (Room 4), and Wren (Ms. Viner's Choice) for their outstanding work.

Year 6 Basketball Competition in Denmark

Last Wednesday, Christie Bentink and I had the privilege of accompanying our Year 6 students to Denmark for a basketball competition. Competing against teams from Denmark PS and Parklands, our students showcased their competitive spirit. A big thank you to Christie for her support and for providing transport for some of our students.

Annual Winter Carnival in Pemberton

On Friday of Week 6, our Year 3-6 students braved the wet and cold conditions in Pemberton for the annual Winter Carnival. Under the guidance of Mrs. Walker (Years 3-4) and Mrs. Barrow (Years 5-6), our teams demonstrated exceptional sportsmanship and resilience in hockey, soccer, and netball. We are always proud of how our students represent Walpole Primary School and our community.

Walpole Kids in Space Competition

On Monday, August 26, Room 4 students presented their innovative solutions using space technologies to local experts Holly, Sgt. Craig, and our gardener Mark. The judges were impressed by the students' use of the design process and 3D printing. Congratulations to Eli, Brynn, Dylan, and Isabelle, who will now travel to Perth to compete in the state Kids in Space competition on September 5 and 6. We wish them the best of luck!



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Arts Trail Display: Living Art Piece

Mrs. Watson, with the help of Myrna and Matt, has been guiding Room 4 students in creating artwork for the Arts Trail display. Their living art piece, now planted at the Walpole Community Garden, and a surfboard-inspired piece will be showcased. We extend our gratitude to Mrs. Watson for her dedication and to the Walpole Op Shop for their generous \$1000 grant supporting this project.

New Behaviour Management Policy

At our recent school board meeting, we ratified a new behaviour management policy aligning with the Department of Education's requirements. This policy complements our Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) program in development, led by Mrs. O'Brien. PBS is a proactive, school-wide approach that integrates various strategies to improve behaviour, learning, and safety. Our core values—Being Respectful, Being Responsible, and Being Resilient—will be the foundation of this program. In Term 4, we will also develop our Good Standing policy to support our new Behaviour Management policy.

Supporting Literacy with MaqLit

We are excited to announce the purchase of the MaqLit Literacy intervention program to better support selected Year 3-6 students with reading. A heartfelt thank you to Mrs. Burton for securing a \$3400 grant from the Walpole Op Shop, allowing this purchase. We are grateful for their continued generosity.

As we move forward, let's continue to embrace the spirit of growth and learning that spring brings. Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to our school community.

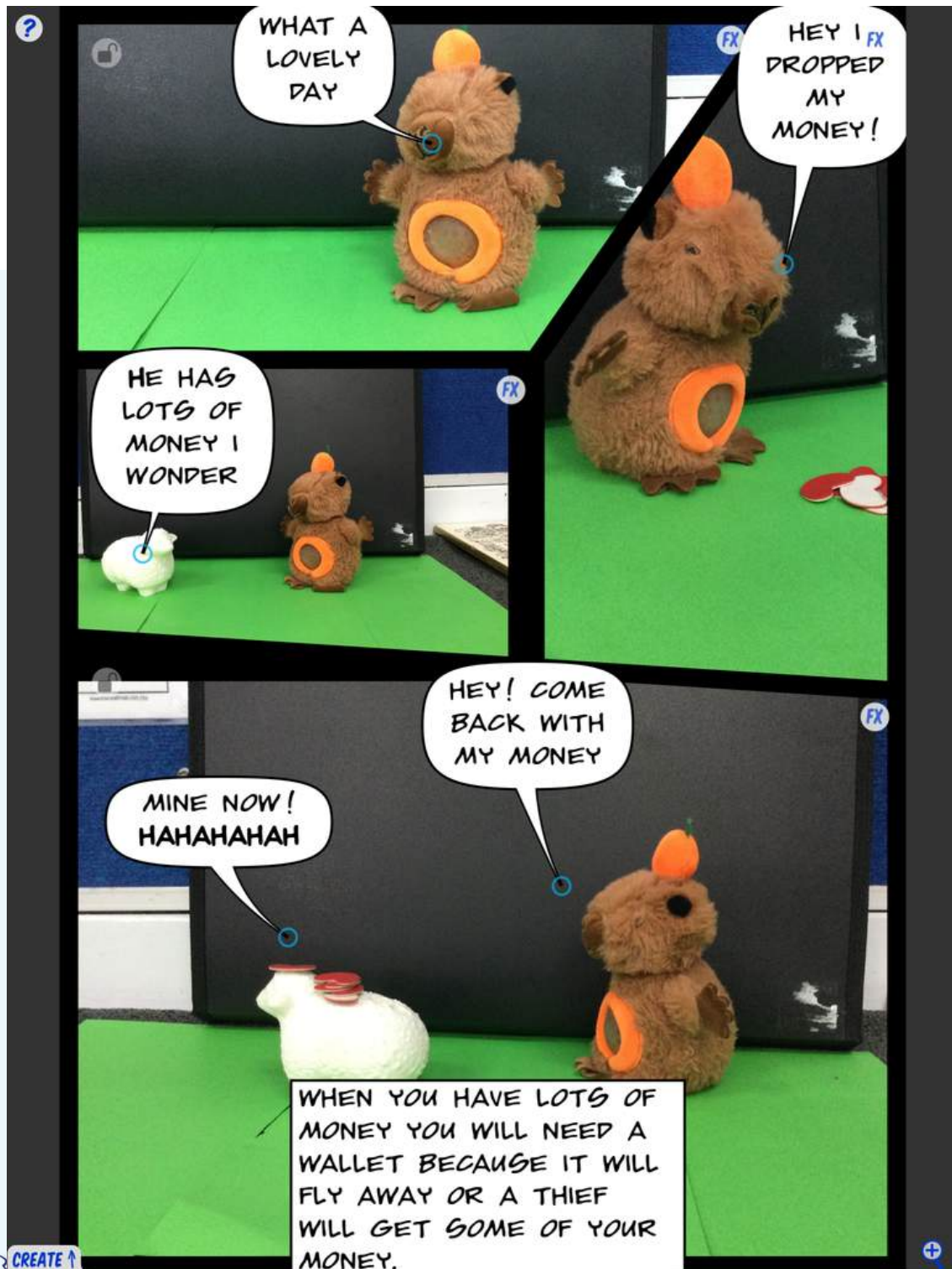
Warm regards,

Stuart Klose
Principal





ROOM 4 CARTOON BY SIMON AND LOUIS





ROOM 4 KIDS IN SPACE

Kids in Space Program

The Kids in Space program, organized by The Andy Thomas Space Foundation and the Australian Space Agency, has captivated over 100 schools across Australia, igniting students' passion for space exploration and technology. This program aims to immerse students in the nation's burgeoning space ecosystem, introducing them to cutting-edge space technologies, potential careers in the industry, and the vast possibilities space holds. The Year 4, 5 7 6 students at Walpole Primary School have had the privilege of participating in this exciting initiative. Students collaborated in teams to create innovative projects that either assist astronauts in space or address Earthly challenges using space technology. Among their imaginative solutions were:

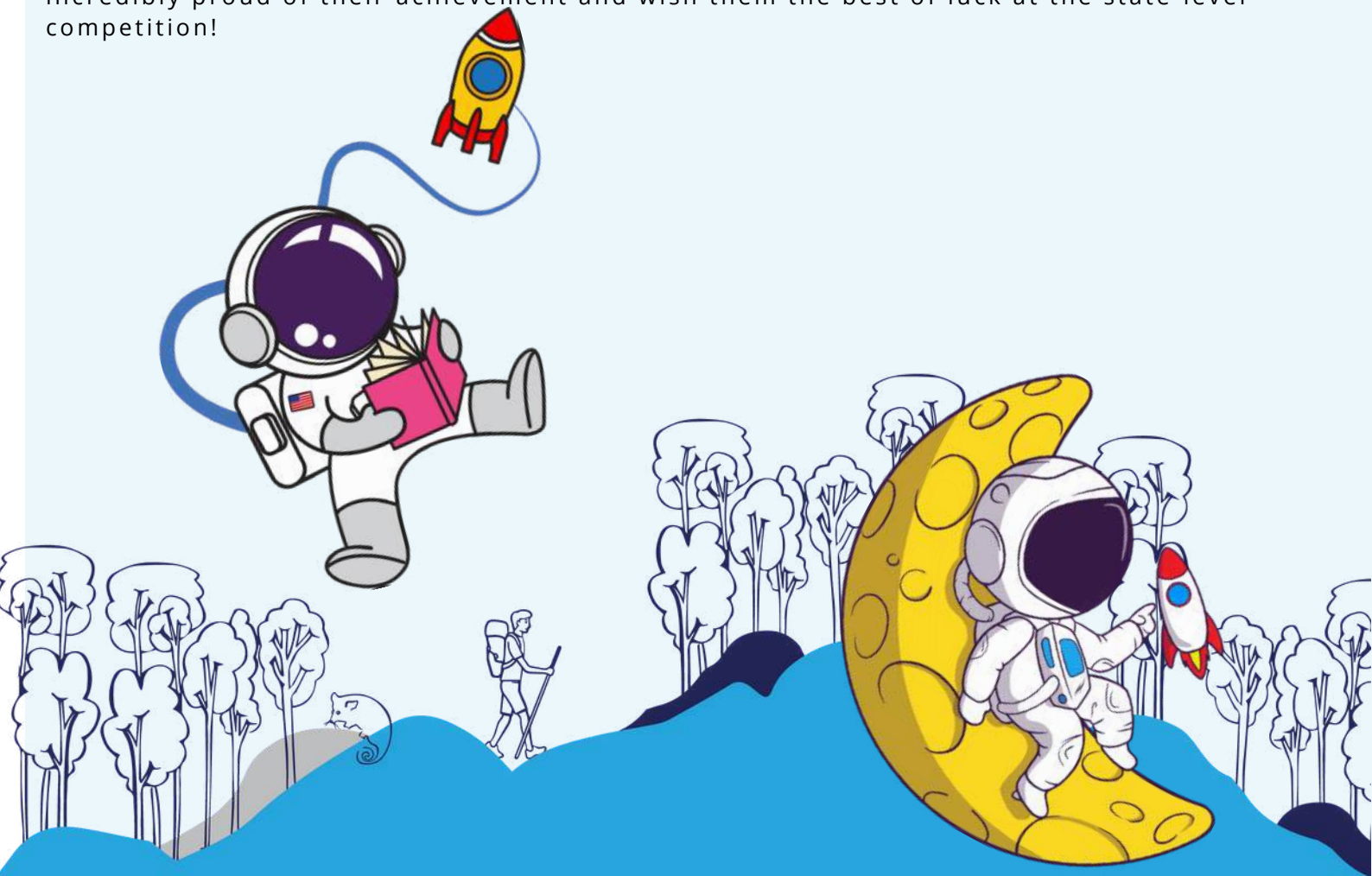
- A comfortable bed for astronauts.
- A mechanism enabling astronauts to exercise while working.
- A spacecraft dedicated to cleaning up space debris.
- A shuttle designed for delivering medications to space stations.

The class Showcase took place on August 26th, 2024, where each group presented their projects to a panel of esteemed guest judges: Ms. Holly Jones, Senior Constable. Craig Kelly, and Mr. Mark Coldrey. After a series of insightful questions and evaluations, only one team could be selected to advance.

Congratulations to Our Winning Team!

A big congratulations to Eli, Dylan, Brynn, and Isabelle, whose innovative space debris cleaning machine earned them the top spot. This group will represent WPS at the WA Kids In Space Showcase in Perth, scheduled to take place at Mercy College on Friday, September 6th, 2024.

The winning team now has two weeks to refine and polish their presentation. We are incredibly proud of their achievement and wish them the best of luck at the state-level competition!

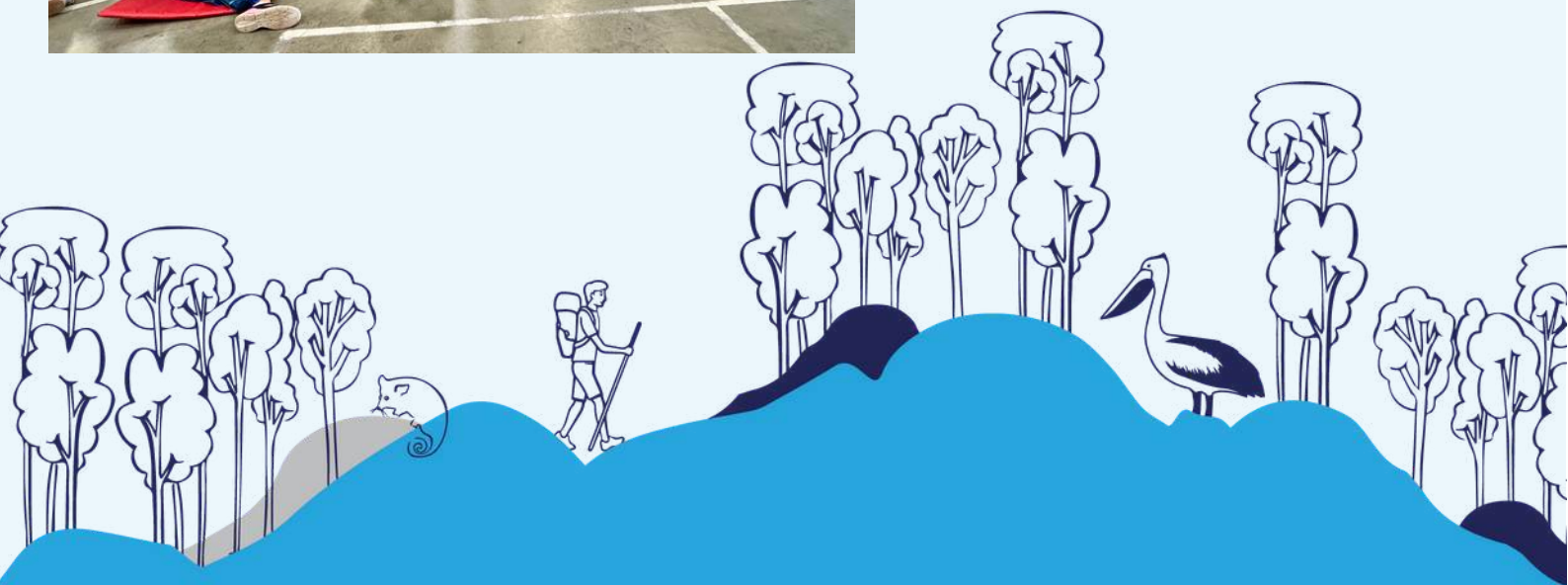




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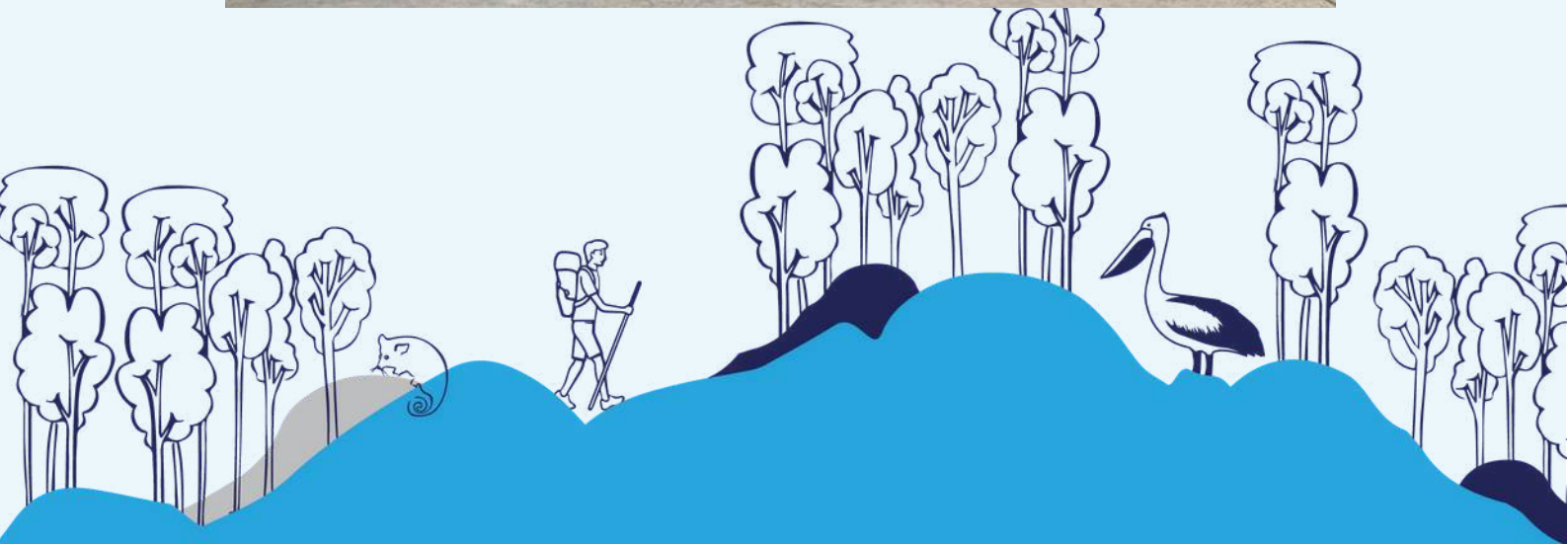
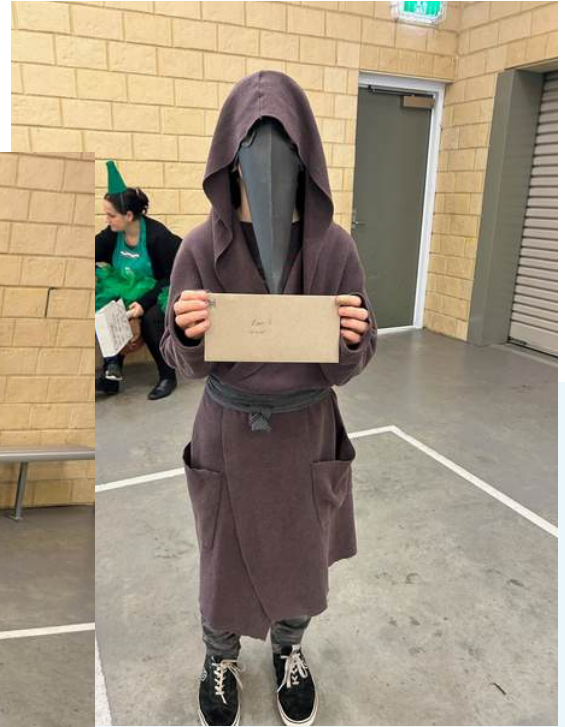


BOOK WEEK PARADE





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SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Each year we have our major fundraiser for the school library, the Scholastic Book Fair. Scholastic offer generous commissions on the book sales made during the Fair, which means new titles in our library for all children to enjoy.

This year our Book Fair will be held in WEEK 8 from Monday 2 September to Friday 6 September.

Our Fair is open during lunchtimes for the students, from 1 to 1.30pm each day. Parents and carers are welcome to attend during this time.

In order to open every day we need your help! Two volunteers are required each day over lunchtime to help run the Fair. Please let our office staff know if you can help and what days you are available.

Ms Viner will be here all-day Tuesday 3 September so for some child free shopping please come between 12 – 1pm or from 2 – 3.30pm.

We'd love to see you here!

You're invited to our
SCHOLASTIC Book Fair

Find these books and more at the Fair!

DEMOLITION DINOSAURS
There's a dangerous building in the centre of town and the Demolition Dinos are smashing it down!
100134117 | PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+

\$10

FLAT CAT
This cool cat is flat as a tack!
100134199 | PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+

\$10

NO-ONE REALLY KNOWS AN AXOLOTL
You've never seen axolotls like this before!
100132945 | PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+

Special value \$6





SCHOOL NURSE

Does your child wet the bed?

WA Country Health Service offers a Nocturnal Enuresis (Bedwetting) Program for children aged 5½ to 17 years. The Program runs over 6 – 8 weeks with specialised support from a community health nurse.

Are you and your child ready to take action to achieve night-time dryness? The first step is to make an appointment with a doctor for a check-up and referral to the Program.

For more information

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WALPOLE P&C



NEW TICKET PRICE

WALPOLE PRIMARY
SCHOOL P&C

Walpole Spring Luncheon

SATURDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2024
WALPOLE HOTEL MOTEL
11:30 – 3.30

Good Friends & Good Food

- GUEST SPEAKERS • RAFFLES •
- BUFFET LUNCH WITH DESSERT • PRIZES
- AUCTIONS • BOUTIQUE SHOPPING •
- GAMES •

GUEST SPEAKERS INCLUDE:
GLENN 'YOGI' KENDALL
MALA HASLEM
CLAIRE WATTIE

\$65

~~\$90 PER TICKET~~
ON SALE 1ST AUGUST 2024
LIMITED TICKETS

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS MAJOR
PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE
STUDENTS OF WALPOLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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 via phone or email before 2pm** if there is to be a change in plans for children getting home. Please also contact the office regarding ongoing changes such as participation in after-school sport on Wednesdays (when running).



FEELING UNWELL

Families are reminded that if your child is unwell with 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.





Enrolments are now open for VacSwim school holiday swimming lessons. With locations at pools and beaches across WA, they're a great school holiday activity. These fun lessons also teach children skills to help keep them safe in and around water.

Enrol now at education.wa.edu.au/vacswim

Department of Education
GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Shaping the future

VacSwim

Keep your child safe in the water

Enrol them in school holiday swimming lessons.

Spots are limited, enrol now
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ALBANY LITTLE ATHLETICS



LITTLE ATHLETICS IS A FUN, SOCIAL AND ACTIVE PROGRAM TO KEEP FIT, BUILD THE FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS OF RUNNING, JUMPING AND THROWING AND MAKE FRIENDS FOR LIFE !

OUR LOCAL CENTRE DELIVERS WEEKLY ATHLETICS COMPETITIONS OFFERING A VARIETY OF EVENTS AND TRAINING SESSIONS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 5 - 16.

Registrations open September



Season fee applicable
+ uniform fee

Starts October -
Saturdays from 8.30 am

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