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Walpole Primary School

Dates to Remember

Sunday 12 Sept	Tree Top Walk Festival
Wednesday 15 Sept	School Uniform orders due
Friday 24 Sept	8.50am Assembly
	Last day of term 3
Monday 11 October	Term 4 commences

Tree Top Walk Festival

Rumour has it that the Timeline artwork produced by Walpole students for Syd's hut is amazing (It is being kept under wraps until Sunday). Our students have also written a poem for the Tree Top Walk celebrations which is further on in the newsletter. Ryan Smith, Manager of Tree Top Walk has asked that families and staff of Walpole Primary park in Carpark 2 and plan to be stationed around Syd's Hut near the picnic bench area for 10.45am. Gary will leave the main stage area at 11am and head to Syd's Hut for the presentation. Gary will lead the narrative, reveal the new signage and welcome the year 6's up to read the poem. It is encouraged students wear their school t-shirts and jumpers, however they can wear a choice of pants, jeans etc. Students can change out of their uniform after the opening of Syd's Hut

#showCase in PIXELS

Our Walpole artworks will be screened at the Yagan Square Tower Screen from Monday 6th of September to the 26th of September. The best time to be at the tower screen is 12:00pm, it'll be screened a few minutes after. Yagan Square will be playing the artwork daily, however, on days where there are large sporting events, it may be pushed to a later slot. WALGA has taken photos of each artwork on the tower screen and these photos will be shared on the WALGA Facebook page in the next few days.

Red Cross Pillow Case Program Incursion

As we prepare for Bushfire season the Red Cross Pillow Case incursion will be on Monday the 20th of September. The Program is for Years 2-6 and encourages children to be active participants in their own emergency preparedness. The content is useful for all kinds of emergencies and includes activities to highlight the importance of being prepared. The Pillowcase program helps to reduce real

and imagined fears and has successfully built children's stress management skills. Each student is then given a pillowcase to decorate and take home, to start their own personal emergency kit. For more information please visit

<https://www.redcross.org.au>

Bush Fire Season Preparation

During the Term 3 holidays the school grounds will be prepared for the Bushfire season. This will include removing vegetation, non-natives and weeds, under pruning trees up to two metres and establishing 1 metre clearances around the base of trees. This is essential work to keep Walpole Primary safe.

Assembly last day

A reminder for your diaries that Assembly has been changed to the 24th of September.

Parent School Survey

Next Monday the Parent School Survey link will be sent out via email and text message. The School Board has worked to make the survey accessible and easy to complete as your feedback is highly valued. The survey is an important tool as it allows us to reflect on our school performance and guides our future planning. We ask that one survey per child is completed as every child's experience is different if possible.

Uniform Order

Uniform order forms were sent home this week. Please return them by Wednesday 15th September so we are able to have the order ready for 2022. This is important as due to COVID-19 manufacturing and shipping are experiencing large delays.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Walpole PS.

Kate Hewitson – Principal

The Advent of the Tree Top Walk



Listen to the whistling, Through the tingle trees.
They are only found down here, We're lucky and at ease.
Red, Yellow and Rates live here, Feel the cooling breeze.
Peacock spiders, birds and frogs, All nest in bark and leaves.



I'm an Aboriginal, First ones living here.
Right here in Walpole, Quokkas I hear.
Many different animals, Everyone is dear,
Dancing round the pit of flames, Stories passed each year.



European ships did sail, Past our lonely coast.
Looking to live and settle here, As an outpost.
Mandalay was shipwrecked, It was toast,
Now we see it more than most, Peeking from the coast.



Walpole was a place of trees, Till a French man came along.
He thought it was a nice place, And decided to stay for long.
He made a little house, On the river bank so strong,
Next year other families, Came so he wasn't wrong.



In thirty-seven, a bush fire, was burning all the trees.
Crackling, roaring through the bush, Killing with ease.
Seizing wildlife quickly, with the bracing breeze.
Watch it burn down the trees, with absolute ease.



I'll park in the tree stump, Safe and dry,
It will not fall over, Nor will it die.
Let's run around the tree, It looks very wide.
We have to go home now, It's falling on its side.



We have to solve a problem, Firm packed earth.
Here's our solution, To protect all their worth.
Two new stunning walkways, Were finally given birth.
One high in the tree tops, One winds around their girth.



The treetop walk is really cool, Tall trees are very nice.
I know it's really beautiful, It's cool as ice.
If you want to come along, You shouldn't think twice.
Night life, trees and animals, Can be seen if we are nice.



Written by the Year 1 to 6 students of Walpole
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