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# Walpole Primary School

## Dates to Remember

Tuesday October 27	School Review
Friday November 6	School Photos
Thursday December 10	Concert and Presentation Night

### School Review

The school is undergoing its review on October 27. Two department staff will come to the school and check that we are improvement orientated- that we are looking at data (financial, academic, behaviour and attendance) and seeking to improve.

The staff have gathered evidence together and will share this with the reviewers. The School Board and P&C will also be invited to talk to the reviewers.

### P&C Raffle

Thank you very much to the P&C for putting together a fantastic raffle. There is over \$3500 worth of prizes. More information is available on the P&C Facebook site.

Thank you also to the many local businesses who generously donated the prizes.

Tickets can be purchased through the school or P&C for \$5 each. The raffle will be drawn at the Presentation Night, December 10.

### Early Childhood Playground

Plans are moving slowly for the new playground. We have had quotes done to install limestone retaining walls between the current sand pit and the lawn to retain the sand (and wood chips to come.)

Once this is in place we can look at setting up the water pump and play area.

### Book Week

Thanks to Ms Viner for organising events for Book Week. The theme was Curious Creatures, Wild Minds, resulting in some fascinating costumes.

### Book Fair

The Book Fair will be held November 9-13. The students love the

opportunity to look through the book displays and purchase a book or two. Thanks to Ms Viner and the P&C for setting up and managing the shop at lunch times.

### School Development Day

On the first day back, the staff attended professional development on the importance of covering the Proficiencies as well as the content in Maths. Aspects such as problem solving, understanding relationships between concepts, reasoning and fluency enable a student to be numerate.

### COVID Restrictions

COVID restrictions stay as they were last term. There is no date for level 4 restrictions to be raised at this stage. We will now look in to the implications for our end of year concert. Thank you to parents who continue to drop their students off at the gate.

### Youth Unemployment

Last Thursday I participated in a workshop to look at youth unemployment- statistics, patterns, job prospects and issues for K-12 educators. It was a stimulating day.

A couple of panel members from the Chamber of Commerce and work force employment spoke about the many job opportunities currently in the Albany region. They were concerned about lack of applications and general disinterest in focusing on the job once someone was employed. They want staff who turn up every day and know they have to start at the bottom tier.

The main take away ideas for me were that we have to teach: commitment to follow something through, overcoming difficulties and clarifying expectations and instructions.

How can you help your child develop the skills and attitude so that they are successful adults?

## Your School Photo Day Is

Friday 6 November 2020



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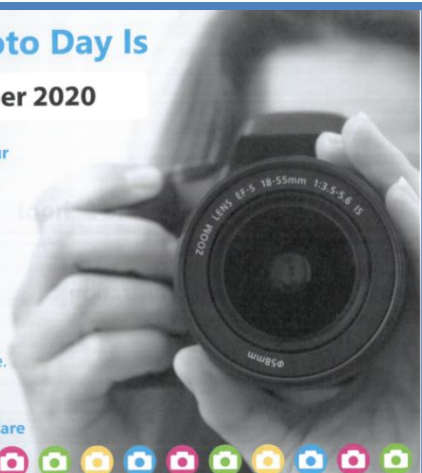


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**IMPORTANT!**

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Thank you ☺

**Contact US**

## Dental Van Visit

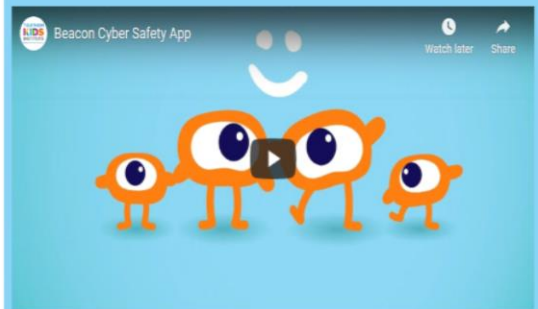
The dental van will arrive on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November, and be at Walpole PS from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November for 2 weeks.



## Children's Book Week Dress Up Day

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