PRINCIPAL’S ADDRESS

We’ve all had a busy few weeks. The teachers have been setting up routines and clarifying expectations. Many have had an opportunity to share their plans with you during their parent meetings.

Miss Cooper has been appointed as the LOTE teacher. The Year 2-7 classes have enjoyed the opportunity to learn another language.

School Board

One nomination was received for a position on the School Board. Penelope Marchment will begin her, up to three year, term with the School Board. Current members include Glen Burton, Julie Ewing, Kelly Burton, Lee Cummuskey, Lorelle Flett, Matt Wrigley, Sarah Walker, Sherrill Williams and Dave Masters.

School Contributions

Thank you to the many families who have already paid their school contributions. With the $1240 collected so far, we have purchased two laptops.

Cultural Awareness

Zac Webb, a past student, visited the school this week and enlightened the students on traditional Aboriginal language and skills. The P-7 students used reed, collected from local waterways, to make rope.

Active After School

Two activities will run on Tuesdays this term. Claudia Simpson, a qualified Zumba instructor, will have the students shaking their thing. Karen Cummuskey and Julie Ewing are qualified cycling instructors and will show the students how to maintain their bikes and ride safely on the road and track.

Friendly Schools

Posters are now displayed around the school that support our Social-Emotional education program, Friendly Schools Plus. A key message of the program is that students should Think, Plan, Talk. Think about what has happened, how they feel about it and if it is a problem. Then they need to consider alternative courses of action and their consequences, plan the best course of action and whether they need help to implement it. Then they talk through their problem with the source or enlist an adult to support them.

Aboriginal and Islander Education Officer

Rob Jones started this week in a casual capacity as Walpole PS’s AIEO. He currently works at Denmark PS and SHS in the same role. He brings a wealth of experience to the school and is looking forward to working with all of our students. He knows many of them through his involvement with Denmark Football Club.
Public Health Nutrition and Falls Programs

Nutrition Corner:
Welcome to nutrition corner for 2014. The focus for this year’s articles will be to encourage you to get more veggies (which will include legumes such as baked beans and chick peas) into your child’s day. Exposure to veggies regularly is the key to kids learning to like them. Offer them at meals and snacks, not just at dinner time. Include them in muffins, frittatas, pasta and rice and in smoothies. Try this snack recipe for school lunches.

**Chick Nuts:** 1 x 400g can of chickpeas, drained well and patted dry. 1 teaspoon olive or canola oil, 2-3 teaspoons Moroccan seasoning. Toss the chickpeas in the oil and Moroccan seasoning and spread in a single layer on a non-stick oven tray. Bake in moderate oven (190°C) approx 40 minutes or until crisp.

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P&C
Sorry, there was an error with the date of the next P&C meeting. The AGM will be held on Thursday 13 March, at 7pm.

If you are interested in being a member, the more the merrier, please come along or let Kasey Hill know.

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School Mentor Program
Do you have an hour to spare once a week?
Have you ever thought about volunteering your time?
Maybe you already know the benefits of volunteering, but need a new challenge!
Your time, experience, talents and patience could enrich a young life.
The School Volunteer Program operates at Walpole Primary School, promoting school / community links and providing students with an extended support network.

If you require additional information please contact Walpole Primary School on 98401020.
Lisa Teague Robertson
School Volunteer Program, W.P.S. Coordinator.

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WELCOME TO THE 2014 NETBALL SEASON
DENMARK JUNIOR NETBALL REGISTRATION DAY

WHEN  10th MARCH 2014
TIME  4-6PM
WHERE  DENMARK RECREATION CENTRE

COST FOR THE SEASON
NET/SET/GO YEARS 1-4   $60.00
SUBJUNIORS YEARS 5-7   $110.00
JUNIORS YEARS 8-12   $110.00

WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE NEW AND OLD PLAYERS, THE MORE THE MERRIER.

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Parent Helpers
If you would like to be a parent helper throughout the year in some capacity: classroom, excursions, camps, mentor, reading, Friday lunch and/or incursions please let the office know so we can keep a register.