PRINCIPAL’S ADDRESS
The 4-7s have all returned from the URWalpole Camp, excited, tired and I’m sure, more appreciative of the luxury of home. Many students were proud of how they dealt with the challenge of being away from home and are looking forward to the next camp.

Schools they visited have contacted us to remark how delightful and well-behaved the students were. Many had ideas of organising a similar camp. Thank you very much to the staff: Sarah Walker, Jason Tate, Trish Crossley, parents: Antony Egerton-Warburton, Adele Brown, Kim Clifford, Liz Edmunds and community members, Gary Muir, Peter Newton and Bill Crossley, who made it possible.

Student reports will be printed next week and will go home with each student on Friday. Please keep a look out for them in your child’s bag. If your child is unable to come to the school on the last day of term, the report will be held at school until their return. Thank you to the parents who have come in to meet with the class teacher if there are concerns with academic performance. It is important that we work together in the best interests of each child.

Thank you to Tash Viner and the parents who have helped with the Book Fair this week. As usual, it has been a huge success. To coincide with Book Fair, the Student Council have invited the students to dress up as a fictional character. The money raised will go to support Samuel Johnson, the Determined Unicyclist, and his ride for breast cancer research. You can further support his attempt to ride the Tree Top Walk on Sunday by being there at 9:30!

Other community representatives that have contributed to the school in various ways this term include Gary Muir who donated his book to our school library – Tolstoy to Tinglewood: The Case of Frank Skinner Thompson by Gary Muir and Geoff Fernie. (Gary’s dedication was, “The World revolves Around Walpole”), Ficifolia Community Garden and Pioneer Store for donations towards the UR Walpole camp, Bankwest Denmark for the donation of 2 near new desktop computers for student use and Derek Hoye and Ashleigh Cooper and their helpers for running Active After School Activities.

Term 3 Starting Dates
Just a reminder that staff will be participating in five days of professional development from July 22 to 26. Students will only return to school on Monday, July 29. This is only for Walpole PS. Please check starting dates with relevant schools should you have children elsewhere.

Walpole Primary School extends an invitation to parents, carers and community members to attend our UR Walpole Celebration Assembly where we celebrate all of the wonderful learning opportunities that the students have experienced during the UR Walpole Integrated Program.

Thursday 4 July

Commencing at 1.00pm for an open classroom journey, followed by a formal gathering at 2.15pm in the under cover area.
YEAR SEVEN STUDENT
The next Year 7 student who I would like to introduce to you is:

Caelan Minchin

I was born in Denmark hospital WA.

Where did you start school? I started school at Walpole Primary School in Kindy.

What are your interests/hobbies? My hobbies are playing games on my iPod and listening to music, building cubbies, hanging out with friends, riding my bike and making movies.

Where are you going for high school? I am going to high school at Great Southern Grammar.

What are your plans after high school? After high school I would like to go to university and study to be an actor.

What are your future goals? My future goals are to make movies, to go skydiving and go cage swimming with sharks.

What kind of car do you want as your first car? I would like a Hummer.

Where do you see yourself in 20 years? In 20 years I see myself going skydiving.

THANK YOU
A big thank you to Fiona Brennan, Julie Ewing, Kim Burton, Denise Hunter, Karen Cummuskey, Terri Thompson and Liz Bedford for their help with the Book Fair this year.
So far $851 has been raised.

Money raised from the Fictional Character dress up day totalled $86.45. This will be presented to Samuel Johnson by Kori Thompson on behalf of the students.

Need a boost to your mid-year school budget?

The second payment of the Schoolkids Bonus is coming in July. If you are eligible you could receive up to $205 for each primary student and up to $410 for each secondary student. You could receive the Schoolkids Bonus if you have a child in primary or secondary school and receive Family Tax Benefit Part A or you are a primary or secondary student receiving an income support payment. If you think you are eligible and you haven’t already updated your child’s education details with Centrelink, then visit Online Services by 29 June 2013 to ensure you receive the correct amount and are paid on time. The Schoolkids Bonus replaced the Education Tax Refund in January 2013 so eligible families cannot claim education expenses in their 2012-13 income tax return. To ensure you receive the Schoolkids Bonus payment in July, check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus

SKATE PARK
On Monday 1st July at 1.00pm the students will be planting much needed lawn to the sandy area of the skate park. Students are asked to bring along some grass runners and a trowel to plant with. Everyone is welcome to come along and help.