Good Evening Everyone

It’s really great to be back at School and I sincerely thank all parents and students for their warm welcome.

By the time most people get to read this newsletter the senior students will have completed the first day of their Canberra Camp. In seeing them off yesterday and this morning it was obvious that both students and parents were very excited with lots of anticipation about the adventure they were about to undertake. I’m sure they will return with some really great memories.

Follow their journey via the school website, www.walpoleps.det.wa.edu.au. We hope to have some news no later than Monday.

NAPLAN RESULTS

It is likely the students’ results and reports will be received around the middle of this month. When the forms are sent home please spend some time talking with your child about their performance. If your child has not performed as well as you anticipated please make an appointment with their teacher to discuss how we can both assist them to make the necessary improvements.

Please remember though that the results of these tests are only a small part of the assessment of your child’s performance and that teachers have a lot more data covering all learning areas and the attitudes students display towards their learning that will more accurately represent the progress your child is making.

Winter Carnival

Last Friday students participated in the Winter Carnival at Pemberton. From teachers’ and parents’ comments our students were well behaved and participated in a sports(wo)manlike way. Whilst all teams tried their hardest our netball and hockey teams finished 1st and 3rd and 2nd and 3rd respectively. From all reports the training undertaken by the soccer team has started to bear fruit. Thanks to all those parents who supported the student either in training or in attendance at the Carnival.

“As one of the coaches for our netball teams in Pemberton I would like to congratulate the players for their fantastic effort! Both teams won every single game against all other schools. Bearing in mind that some of these girls do not play netball at all and that the other girls play in different teams in Denmark, everyone put in their very best effort.

Blue Wrens, you were an absolute pleasure to coach! Well done girls!!”
Karen Pascoe

Tingledale Bus

Welcome to Lorraine Bain who will be a relief driver from time to time. Lorraine will be driving the bus whilst Lee is in Canberra.

Friday Lunches

We are looking for 3 to 4 parents who are willing to volunteer to be on a roster to assist the students prepare Friday Lunches. Preparation begins at 11am. If you are able to help, please leave your name at the Front office.
In-School Swimming Lessons
I am in the process of arranging lessons for Term 4 hopefully utilising the skills of those mums who have qualified to teach swimming. As per survey results lessons will be conducted at Peaceful Bay with students taking two lessons each day. Further information will be provided in due course.

Richard Walker

This Fortnight’s Thought
"Be content with what you have, rejoice in the way things are. When you realize there is nothing lacking, the whole world belongs to you."
Lao Tzu

LUNCH BOX IDEAS & HAPPY HEALTHY EATING
With accredited Practising Dietitian, Emily Eaton.

You are invited to a free hands-on workshop covering:

- Food and fluid needs of primary school aged children
- Nutritious and delicious lunchbox ideas
- Essential eating principles to ensure your child has a positive healthy relationship with food. (these lay the foundation for life!)
- Question time

Each participant receives a resource folder, a lunch right menu planner, nutrition guidelines, recipes and more.

When: Friday 23 Sept 2011 from 9.30am – 11.00am **Morning Tea provided**
Where: Walpole Primary School
RSVP essential by Friday 16 September.
Phone: Vivienne Williams on 98400 900.

International talk like a Pirate Day is coming up and you’re invited to dress up. It is being held on the 19th of September so dress up and bring a gold coin donation. All proceeds will go towards our sponsor child Sarini.
If you have any queries talk to Chelsea or Ashlen. Thankyou.

2011 – 2012 VACSWIM
Lessons are open to anyone who is five years and older on the first day of classes. Enrolments for October and January classes are completed and sent direct to the VacSwim Office (PO Box 130 Tuart Hill, WA, 6939); or online at www.det.wa.edu.au Enrolments must be received by 7 September 2011 for the October program and 9 November 2011 for the December/January program. For more information contact VacSwim on 9344 0900 or visit VacSwim website at www.det.wa.edu.au

AFRIKAN TRIBAL “many tribes….one spirit”
Lawrence Oboh an indigene of West Africa will be coming to Walpole to conduct a 2 hour Traditional African Djembe Drumming Workshop for adults and children on 23 October 2011. Cost: $150 Adults $90 Children
For more information contact Wanda Speller 0417953874. Registration forms can be collected from Aradia Blue Gift Shop.