Good Afternoon,

Over the next few weeks we will be profiling one of our Yr 7 students, the leaders of our student body. All of the Year 7 students designed and completed a survey to introduce themselves to the school community. Names were drawn out of a hat and this week we are introducing:

**Monty Edmonds.**

Where were you born? **Albany Hospital**
Where did you start school? **Walpole**
What are you interests / hobbies? **Drawing, farming, reading and music.**
Where are you going for high school? **Denmark High**
What are your plans after high school? **Going to university.**
What are your future goals? **Travelling the world.**
What kind of car do you want as your first car? **A Hummer.**
Where do you see yourself in 20 years? **Looking after our farm.**

**SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS**

To function as an Independent School, we must have a board that has been elected from our peers. Walpole Independent Primary School has determined that we will have a board consisting of 7 parents and 4 staff members. The parents elect the parent representatives and the staff elect the staff reps. Therefore we are now calling on parents and staff to nominate. Please find attached information on the role of the board and the nomination form. **Nominations close at midday, next Friday the 8th of March.** Ballot papers will then be distributed to every parent for them to vote.

**SKYLAB HAS SWUNG INTO OUR SCHOOL**

Many of you will have seen the new playground equipment that has been installed. We have new swings near the ‘Spider’ and a Skylab looking climbing apparatus on the grass near the hall. Many thanks to our gardener and local contactors for the ground work and retaining walls. The children have made great use of both sets of equipment and I look forward to seeing many hours of fun on them.
SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Plans are underway for the organisation of this years swimming carnival. Notes will go home today explaining what is happening. I hope all participants have a fantastic day.

HEAD LICE
A quick reminder to all parents to be diligent when checking their children’s hair for head lice. Unfortunately, it is and will be an ongoing issue. I thank all the parents that have had to continually treat their children’s hair to help alleviate the problem. I know it is time consuming and costly. Like all of us, head lice especially like clean hair.

FRIDAY LUNCHES
Thankyou to Mr Rick Donovan for putting his hand up to assist with Friday lunches. However, we still need others to come on board to share the load so that the lunches can happen every Friday.

If you could spare some time on a Friday morning, please contact the school ASAP.

SCHOOL SORES AND CHICKEN POX
Both school sores and chicken pox have been diagnosed for students and both are quite contagious. If unsure, please get your child checked by a medical professional and then follow the given procedure. Students are able to return to school once antibiotics are being used and the school sores are covered to prevent contact contamination.

ACTIVE AFTERSCHOOL – SAILING
A reminder that due to the ‘Regatta’, there will be no AAS sailing this weekend, but please feel free to come along and join in the fun.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS
We have had a great start to the year with students wearing their school uniforms. Please remember to remove nail polish and large, fancy earrings and hair pieces as they can cause injury in the playground.

Mrs Teague-Robertson would also like to remind students to wear the appropriate footwear for sport. All students are involved in morning fitness or sport lessons each day and need to have footwear that they can run around in safely.

Many thanks,
Lorelle Flett

PYJAMA DAY
On Friday, the 15th March, the Student Council will be running a Pyjama Day. Just rock up in you pyjamas and bring a gold coin donation. All donations will be going towards buying new kitchen equipment.

Thankyou,
Camin Egerton-Warburton
Walpole Primary School Councillor

CAKE RAFFLE
Year 6 students will be holding a cake raffle at assembly on Friday 8 March.
Two Prizes
$1 a ticket or 6 for $5
On sale before school on Friday 8th March at the undercover area

CANBERRA 2014 FUNDRAISING
POLLING BOOTH SAUSAGE SIZZLE & CAKE STALL
9 March 2013
Come along and support the students fundraising for their trip to Canberra next year.
Donations of cake most welcome.

Community Information Sessions
February & March
Run in a Confidential and Safe Environment
Mums Raising Teenage Boys – Denham Town Library Meeting Room
Wed 13-Mar 9:30 to 12:00 noon
Fee: $15/p

For any further information
Phone 9845 7700 or email
Albany@wa.relationships.com.au
Bookings Essential - Numbers are limited.
WALPOLE AUSKICK 2013

COACHES REQUIRED

Regrettably, I may not be available this year due to other coaching commitments.

Are there any parents or guardians who would be happy to step in during term 2?

This role is for one hour per week, can be shared between several people and you don’t need to be a “footy head”!

The Auskick programme is extremely popular with the kids and is well supported by the AFL.

Please let me know if you can help out.

Thanks and kind regards,

Lee Cummiskey (98 401019)

BEGINNER’S GUIDE TO
LIFE ON THE BRIGHT SIDE

Do you know a bright child who is bored in school?
Or one who is not achieving their potential?
Or a young child who is reaching milestones early?

Come and hear Author and Gifted Education Consultant Derrin Cramer talk about myth-conceptions of giftedness and some of the challenges that come with ‘Life on the Bright Side’ and pick up some tips to help when advocating for your child.

$10 per person
Copies of books will be available for purchase at reduced prices

MARCH 5th 6.30 - 8pm
LITTLE GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

All parents/guardians visiting the school must sign in at the front office before entering the school grounds for any reason during the day, eg dropping off lunchbox, hats, jumpers etc or helping in the classroom.