Good Evening Everyone,

The end of term has arrived very quickly with students and staff extremely busy completing preparations for the UR Walpole celebration on Tuesday 3 July. The afternoon will begin with an early School lunch break (12.00 noon) with recall to class at 12.30pm in readiness for classroom learning journeys and displays of student presentations and activities. This will be followed at 1.30pm by an end Assembly where the inaugural presentation of the ‘WOW Wilderness Community Environment Award’ will be made to a community person who has made a significant contribution to the School’s sustainability programmes.

Staff have also been working long hours to complete student reports for Semester 1 and these will be sent home on Friday 6 July. Reports not sent home with students will be mailed to parents/carers. Please make the time to sit down with your child to acknowledge their work over the semester, to discuss their achievements and how you can support them to succeed to their potential. World recognised education authority John Hattie has done significant research that indicates clear feedback is one of the most effective forms of improving student performance.

Parents wishing to discuss their children’s achievements this semester are requested to please contact their respective teachers or telephone the office to make a mutually convenient time. Un-arranged appointments will only be possible if the teacher has no other commitments.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Maintaining a high level of attendance at school is another way that supports most children to maximise their achievements. Whilst there are many genuine reasons for student absences (eg being unwell and possibly impacting on others’ health) there is ample evidence to support the foregoing statement and it is pleasing to acknowledge Kailis Bellanger and Aurora Ewing for their 100% attendance record in Semester 1. Other students who almost achieved 100% attendance included Will Arrowsmith, Justin Bailye, Todd Brown, Elsie Edmonds, Monty Edmonds, Fenn Egerton-Warburton, Gabriel Finlay, Gypsy-Rose Mayger and Zoe Slatter.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT

Next term will see the availability of soccer (commences Monday July 30 at Recreation Centre), hockey and athletics (to be advised), and some financial support for equipment purchases for the gymnastics programme. The soccer, hockey and athletics programmes will run from 3.15 to 4.15pm with afternoon tea provided to participants. Names will be required for each activity early next term.

UR WALPOLE

Walpole Primary School extends an invitation to parents and caregivers 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.

Tuesday 3rd July

Commencing at 12.30pm for an open classroom journey, followed by a formal gathering at 1.30pm in the Under Cover Area where the inaugural WOW Wilderness Environmental Award presentation will be made.
TOILET TRAINING

With the current cold weather upon us and about to continue into Term 3 please take the time to talk with your child about the need for them to take toilet breaks prior to school commencing and again at recess and lunch times – these breaks are not just for play. The school day is planned around the ability of the body to not have to toilet providing children and staff go to the toilet at designated times. Whilst there are always exceptions to any rules there are presently far too many disruptions to class routines; if you believe your child requires additional toilet breaks (due to illness or other reasons) please discuss the matter with their teacher.

BOOKFAIR

Thanks to Mrs Manning for again organising an extremely successful Bookfair. It appears that the School has been able to generate in excess of $500 in commission that will be used to purchase more books for the children to enjoy.

STUDENT STATIONERY

Prior to the start of next term please go through your child’s stationery items and replenish their requirements. IT IS NOT THE SCHOOL’S OR TEACHER’S ROLE TO PROVIDE THESE ESSENTIAL ITEMS OF STATIONERY.

The following items as a minimum need to be supplied by parents and should be in each child’s pencil case at the beginning of every day:

- 2 lead pencils (2B)
- coloured pencils
- 2 red and 2 blue biros (Years 4-7)
- project markers (Textas)
- 30cm ruler
- scissors
- eraser
- glue stick
- pencil sharpener
- protractor (Years 4-7)
- compass (Years 4-7)

In addition students need to have an art shirt and a library bag.

Thank you to all staff and parents for their support over this busy but exciting term at our School.

Have a great holiday with your children; we look forward to seeing them again on Tuesday July 24.

Richard Walker

2013 Enrolments

Applications for new enrolments for children entering:

**Kindergarten**

(born 1 July 2008 – 30 June 2009)

in the 2013 school year should be made by

**Friday, 6 July 2012.**

Enrolment forms are available from the School office

Corner Swan St and Latham Ave

Phone: 98401020

Immunization records and proof of birth date are required at enrolment.

THE KARATE TOURNAMENT

On Sunday the 24th June, Walpole karate students competed against Denmark Karate Club in a tight tournament. Students participated in Kata, Kumite, Demonstrations and Team events. With Sensei Brooker and Sensei Williamson helping us out Walpole managed to win the trophy, but it was a tough battle between the clubs. With about twenty kids from Walpole and about twenty five kids from Denmark and three Black Belt Gradings you would think Denmark would win for sure, but we managed to stay in the competition.

Denmark put up a great fight and we are looking forward to the next tournament.

We’d like to congratulate Denmark students Jack Williamson, Chloe Harrison and Dale Bennari for their achievement in getting their black belts. Walpole would like to thank Murray Brooker for giving up his time to travel to and train the clubs. We thank everyone’s help with setting up the hall and the people who sponsored the clubs.

By Max Cummuskey and
Shannon Wrigley
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As I was walking, I saw a bunch of kids running toward him. They ran at him, knocking all his books out of his arms and tripping him so he landed in the dirt. His glasses went flying, and I saw them land in the grass about ten feet from him. He looked up and I saw this terrible sadness in his eyes.

My heart went out to him. So, I jogged over to him and as he crawled around looking for his glasses, I saw a tear in his eye. As I handed him his glasses, I said, "Those guys are jerks. They really should get lives." He looked at me and said, "Hey thanks!" There was a big smile on his face. It was one of those smiles that showed real gratitude.

I helped him pick up his books, and asked him where he lived. As it turned out, he lived near me, so I asked him why I had never seen him before. He said he had gone to private school before now.

I would have never hung out with a private school kid before. We talked all the way home, and I carried some of his books. He turned out to be a pretty cool kid. I asked him if he wanted to play a little football with my friends. He said yes. We hung out all weekend and the more I got to know Kyle, the more I liked him, and my friends thought the same of him.

Monday morning came, and there was Kyle with the huge stack of books again. I stopped him and said, "Boy, you are gonna really build some serious muscles with this pile of books everyday!" He just laughed and handed me half the books.

Over the next four years, Kyle and I became best friends. When we were seniors, we began to think about college. Kyle decided on Georgetown, and I was going to Duke. I knew that we would always be friends, that the miles would never be a problem. He was going to be a doctor, and I was going for business on a football scholarship.

Kyle was valedictorian of our class. I teased him all the time about being a nerd. He had to prepare a speech for graduation.

I was so glad it wasn't me having to get up there and speak. Graduation day, I saw Kyle. He looked great. He was one of those guys that really found himself during high school. He filled out and actually looked good in glasses. He had more dates than I had and all the girls loved him. Boy, sometimes I was jealous.

Today was one of those days. I could see that he was nervous about his speech. So, I smacked him on the back and said, "Hey, big guy, you'll be great!" He looked at me with one of those looks (the really grateful one) and smiled. "Thanks," he said.

As he started his speech, he cleared his throat, and began. "Graduation is a time to thank those who helped you make it through those tough years. Your parents, your teachers, your siblings, maybe a coach...but mostly your friends. I am here to tell all of you that being a friend to someone is the best gift you can give them. I am going to tell you a story."

I just looked at my friend with disbelief as he told the story of the first day we met. He had planned to kill himself over the weekend. He talked of how he had cleaned out his locker so his Mom wouldn't have to do it later and was carrying his stuff home. He looked hard at me and gave me a little smile.

"Thankfully, I was saved. My friend saved me from doing the unspeakable." I heard the gasp go through the crowd as this handsome, popular boy told us all about his weakest moment. I saw his Mom and dad looking at me and smiling that same grateful smile. Not until that moment did I realize it's depth.

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**WALPOLE AUSKICK**

**Last training date**
**Tuesday 3rd July**

**Normal footy training followed by windup and presentations**

Sausage Sizzle, Certificates, Ice creams

We hope you can make it.

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**ROLLER DISCO**

**Yr 1 to Yr7**
**Friday 6th July**
**5pm-7pm**

At the Rec Centre

$10 per child, $15 for 2, $20 for 3

Cost covers food, drinks, ice cream.

What a way to celebrate the last day of Term 2.

Bring your own skates or borrow some of ours.

**DRESS TO IMPRESS**

Enquiries to Karen 98401345

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**This Fortnight's Thought (a repeat)**

**Being Nice to People**

One day, when I was a freshman in high school, I saw a kid from my class was walking home from school. His name was Kyle. It looked like he was carrying all of his books. I thought to myself, "Why would anyone bring home all his books on a Friday? He must really be a nerd."

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Positive Parenting Program
Course Term 3 2012
Mount Lockyer Primary School

Positive Parenting Program is an internationally renowned parenting program being offered through schools in your area. Parents have given it rave reviews… And it’s free!

If you are a parent of a 3 to 12 year old, you are invited to:

• Promote your child’s development - and prepare your child for school
• Discuss common parenting challenges
• Enrich your parent-child relationship
• Explore effective behaviour management strategies – ways to encourage behaviour you like

Remember, you don’t have to be experiencing difficulties - Positive Parenting Program is for every parent!

A course will be running in your area:

Venue: Mount Lockyer Primary School
Term: 3rd Term 2012 (beginning Week 2)
Dates: Thursdays: 2 August, 9 August, 16 August and 30 August
Time: 9.15am – 11.15am

After the four group sessions there will be four follow-up telephone consultations.

A limited number of places are available and you need to book in advance – please register your interest to attend as soon as possible by returning the information below by Thurs 26 JULY.

You can register using the tear-off slip below

OR for more information contact Jennifer Allen on 9842 5801 or 0427 083 653
OR email Jennifer.allen@education.wa.edu.au

Childcare will be provided if needed.

REGISTRATION FOR: POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM COURSE
Mount Lockyer Primary School – Commencing 2 August 2012 (Registrations due by Thursday 26 July)

Name of Parent(s) wishing to attend:

____________________________________________
Phone Numbers: (Hm) _____________________ (Mob)
____________________________________________ (Wk) _____________________
Email address:__________________________________

My child is at: Kindergarten / Pre primary / Year ___ (circle one)
Name of Child at Kindergarten/Pre primary/Year ___:

Childcare Required: Yes / No (circle one)

If yes please give names, dates of birth and ages of children requiring childcare:

Name:______________________________Date of Birth:______________________
Age:________________
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Please leave slip at Mount Lockyer Primary School Office

or email your Registration to:
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