PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

SCHOOL BOARD
Thank you to the parents who have volunteered their time on the School Board over the last three years. Some of now resigned as they no longer have children at primary school including Julie Ewing and Matt Wrigley. A big thank you to the Board Chair, Glen Burton, who continued in this role even though his children had left. We have been very lucky to have all of these people in our community.

Lee Cummuskey has accepted nomination as the Board Chair for 2016. Thank you Lee. Lee has been a Board member for the last three years and brings this knowledge to the role.

Thank you to the new members who have volunteered their time for the School Board. New members are Ariana Svenson, Linda Hoskins, Tim Gamblin and Jessica Peach.

The School Board endorsed the Students At Educational Risk Policy, the School Report and the Business Plan. We also discussed drafting a Parent Survey to gauge parent satisfaction/concerns as well as an Exit Survey for parents whose children have left the school.

EXTENSION OPPORTUNITY
Hale School have been developing a richly interactive online course, initially for the Year 6 rural students who were heading off to Hale. They have now extended it beyond their new students and have opened the program up to other rural schools.

We have enrolled a small group in this cross-curricular opportunity. The curriculum incorporates literature, maths, science and history, with tasks being presented in various digital formats. The students will participate in an online session once a week as well as having follow up homework activities.

P&C
Thank you to Adele Brown who has accepted the role of acting treasurer with the P&C.

MR FLETT
Our thoughts go out to Mr Flett, who had a cycling accident this week. He has just undergone surgery and won't be able to return home for a while.

Mrs Flett will stay with him until he is able to get around independently.

Stephanie Mutch will teach the yr 3/4 class in the interim. She is an experienced teacher who teaches one day a week at Denmark PS.

Thank you to Lee Cummuskey and Linda and Chris Hoskins, who helped Pete and called the ambulance.

THANK YOU
Thank you to Luda and Yarra who gave many hours of their time to coordinate the inspection, removal and transportation of a kiln to Walpole PS. Our old one was too rusty to use safely and had to be decommissioned.

Kensington PS (it pays to have contacts) donated their spare kiln. Rob Griffiths, Yarra and Luda installed the new one. Ritchie is going to wire it up ready to use.

JEWELLERY
A terrible incident with an earring last week was a reminder that students should not be wearing jewellery to school. If they have their ears pierced, the earring should be small and not likely to be caught on objects.

Voluntary Contributions
Thank you to the 18 families who have paid school fees. Remember, it is less than one day at Day Care.

Payment can be made by cash, cheque or direct deposit. Schools bank details are: Walpole Primary School, BSB 306 009 Account No. 419 756 0.
Physical Education

During sport sessions children are reminded to apply sunscreen which is available at the school. If your children are not to wear sunscreen or they carry their own, can you please advise the office in writing.

Thank you
Lisa Teague Robertson

Can you help?

Wanted different size and shaped containers for Maths capacity activities

Eg ice-cream, yoghurt, butter

Please drop into the Year 1/2 room.

Thank you

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Kindy
Pre-Primary
Year 1 Tristan Kirkwood
Grace Rule
Year 2 Mae Hardimann
Year 3
Year 4 Matilda Hill
Madeleine Gamblin
Year 5 Danais Shoveller Murray
Year 6 Todd Brown
Jade Vermueilen
Bindi Robertson

Congratulations Aussie of the Month!
Leah Hill and Mei Parker

Bookclub

If you would like a Bookclub catalogue to go home, please let the office know or pick one up from the counter.

AUSKICK 2016

Walpole Auskick is due to commence Term 2, Tuesday 26th April.

Auskick is for boys and girls PP to Yr6

To run the Auskick program several volunteer coaches are required and parent help is always appreciated by the coaches and especially your kids.

After 5 years of fun and games I am looking for someone new to take on the coordinators role. It’s not a difficult job and I am happy to help you out.

If you are interested in getting involved and would like your child/ren to participate in Auskick this season, please contact me (Karen Cummuskey) on 98401019

2016 JUNIORS NETBALL & NETSETGO

Juniors & NetSetGO Registration Day
Monday, 14th March – 3.30 to 5.30pm at the rec centre

JUNIORS: For players in Years 5-8
STARTING DATE: 4.00PM WEDNESDAY 27TH APRIL
Players are to wear a black sports shirt and suitable running shoes. Shirts and game fixtures will be provided once teams are formed.
Co-ordinator: Linda McWilliams (0428 380 001)

NETSETGO: For children in Years PP-4 (ages 5-10)
STARTING DATE: 3.30 - 4.30PM TUESDAY 3RD MAY
Students will be developing their netball game strategies, ball throwing and footwork skills. Please bring a water bottle, tie back long hair, cut nails and wear suitable running shoes.
Co-ordinator: Kelly Judd (0403 533 134)

Registrations are now completed online. If you cannot attend registration day and need information on how to register, please contact Kelly Schroeter at kschroeter@bigpond.com or 0409 532 944.