PRINCIPAL’S ADDRESS
Our students look fantastic in their royal blue and white uniforms. It is a little disappointing to see a few children come to school in other clothes. Navy blue items can be substituted when royal blue is not available but multi-coloured items are not appropriate for school.

The official school shirt is the royal blue shirt with a white underarm gusset, sleeve and collar trim and royal blue shorts, skorts, windcheater, wide-brimmed hat and/or track pants. Girls can also wear a royal blue and white-checkered dress and blue leggings.

Footwear needs to be appropriate for active play. Ugg boots, Crocs and heeled shoes become unsafe in the playground.

Jewellery is not to be worn at school, again, for safety reasons. Stud earrings and a wrist watch are the exceptions.

It would be great to have parent support in ensuring the students are dressed ready for school.

Book Week
The students enjoyed Book Week’s theme of ‘Our Story’. Most of them dressed up as a character from somewhere around the world.

$46.35 was raised through gold donations and the money will go to Unicef Australia.

Rob Jones visited the classrooms and told traditional Aboriginal stories from the local area as well as other places in Australia.

Winter Carnival
Tomorrow the year 3-6 students will be busy playing their winter sports, hockey, netball and soccer, at Pemberton.

Thank you to the overwhelming support from parents to help out. It was a pity we had to knock some offers back as we had limited room on the bus.

School Development Day
Last Friday, the teachers attended a number of workshops in Albany, on Digital Technology. They had a look at various ways they can integrate technology and coding into their lessons.

Ms Walker will attend further professional development over the next few weeks to enhance her knowledge of coding and devices.

I had two days of professional development in Perth, last weekend. Presentations included Explicit Teaching, Authentic Assessment and combining Science and Technology.

NAPLAN Results
Parents of Year 3 and 5 students should have received their individual NAPLAN report. If you have any queries, please contact the teacher.

Welcome Back
Lily and Cooper Masters have returned to Walpole PS for a month. It is great to see them enthusiastic to be here.
ALAC Swim School will be offering a holiday swim program for pre-school aged children.

Running in line with Vacswim, this program is the perfect way to build on the swimming skills children have developed throughout the school term, or to give them some extra practice during the holidays.

Bookings for this Holiday Swim Program are now open – as places in these programs are limited and very popular – early registration is recommended to secure your place.

Please contact Nola and Casey at Swim School on 98442274 or email alacswimschool@albany.wa.gov.au should you wish to enrol in this program or have any further queries.

WALPOLE AUSKICK
Our final Auskick session of the season was played last Wednesday afternoon.
A big thank you to coach Colin Burton and his helpers who turned up every week and took the kids through their training.
We only had a small group of kids this year however they all had lots of fun learning new skills and making great friends.

Karen Cummuskey