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Newsletter

Principal's Piece

Welcome to our final term of 2015. We are going to be very busy with a number of important events coming up. These include participation by our school choir in the Zig-Zag Festival, Stirk Athletics Carnival in week 3, Surfsafeonline parents session, Halloween Disco, transition days for year six students, graduation and end of year assembly. A notice has gone out to parents of students from Years 4-6 to participate in a study with UWA which will assist us to address issues of self-esteem in our students. I would really like as many participants as possible involved in this study.

The school has engaged the services of a web designer to work on making our school webpage more user friendly and informative. We expect this work to be completed by the end of this term in readiness for 2016.

Several of our staff have been attending Professional Development sessions recently. Ms Aitken has been to a session on Connect which is a Departmental Program. This program will enable teachers to access resources, design programs of work for students and to view and programs of work they develop as well a range of other activities. Staff will be provided with more information on Connect during the remainder of the year.

Bushfire season is upon us and we will be having an evacuation practice next week. We have developed a plan and wish to see how it operates to ensure that all staff and students remain safe in the event of a fire during the school day. Further information will be provided during the remainder of the term.

I will be putting a link to a school survey up on our school website in coming weeks. This will assist us in collecting your thoughts on the school and enable us to address issues that arise. You will be advised as soon as this is available.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the upcoming school assemblies and events.

Bernie O'Hara
Principal

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Where will your child be in 2016
Walliston Primary is already planning for the 2016 school year. If you know your child will not be attending Walliston in 2016, please let the office staff know. Thank you

Apologies - Change of date

The final playgroup session for this year is now on Thursday 3rd December and the final 3year old Kindy session held on Friday mornings is now on Friday 4th December not as shown on the Term Planner.

New Books

These are some of the books that were kindly donated by our students on Open Night in September. They will be distributed out to the children to borrow during this week.



Books Books Books

Come visit the Library soon as we have new books arriving regularly, from picture books to great novels and even the Guinness Book of Record 2016!

Free Dress Day

Year 6 Academic All Stars Day
Raising money for the Charity
'Compassion'

Wednesday 28th October

Neat casual (no offensive logos) appropriate clothes and footwear for school. Hat still required for recess/lunch time.

CHAPLAIN CHAT

IT'S NEARLY MO'VEMBER

I have been participating for a number of years now, promoting the Movember cause to raise awareness and funds for Men's health issues.....

It is nearly that 'Mo'nth of the year where some willing participants grow some facial hair to raise 'Mo'ney and awareness of men's health issues. It has been gaining 'Mo'mentum each year. Movember is focused on gaining valuable funds for research but also promoting awareness of men's health issues. 'The growth of a new moustache prompts a conversation, which in turn generates awareness and educates people on the health issues that men face. Awareness and education then prompts people to take action and change behaviour, which is changing and saving lives today'.

This year at Walliston Primary School the Chappie Adrian Wilson will be throwing away the razor and letting his top lip roam free..... An invite to the Dads, Granddads, Uncles and or Brothers of the students to join in..... Freedom to the top lip, you can do it for fun or sign up at the website www.movember.com.au and become a 'Mo' bro.

Thank you Adrian Wilson

Mobro.co/adrianwilson School Chaplain



Bushfire Zone Register

The Department of Education is concerned to maximise the safety of it's students and staff. Walliston Primary School has been added to the Bushfire Zone Register. Inclusion on this register means that the school may be required to invoke pre-emptive closure on a day for which a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating (FDR) has been declared for the Shire of Kalamunda. A Catastrophic FDR means that if a fire starts, it is likely to be uncontrollable, unpredictable and fast moving.

What does this mean for our school?

When given advance warning by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) that a Catastrophic FDR has been forecast for a given day, the Deputy Director General, Schools may direct the pre-emptive closure of Walliston Primary School. If the school receives such a direction, you will be informed of the possible planned closure by a letter sent home with your child. Parents of students absent on the day this letter is sent home will be contacted by telephone, so please ensure the school has up to date contact details for you.

In the intervening period between the declaration of the pre-emptive closure and the day of planned closure, DFES will monitor weather patterns to keep the Department informed of any change to the forecast for the declared day. The final decision to pre-emptively close the school will be confirmed by the Department with the Principal no later than 4.30 pm on the day before the declared day. If the forecast changes after that deadline, the closure will stand, regardless of improvements to the weather conditions later in the afternoon of the day before the declared day or overnight. If the forecast changes for Catastrophic FDR changes between 3.00pm and 4.30pm then the school will be open. Parents can confirm this by phoning the school on 9291 8099 to hear a recorded message or checking the school website for an update on the possible closure. <http://www.wallistonprimaryschool.wa.edu.au/>

How will I know when the school is reopening?

It is anticipated that the school will only be required to close for a single day at a time, but this will depend on the weather. The school website will contain a notice to advise you of the current status of the school closure and when it is expected to reopen or you can listen to a recorded message by phoning 9291 8099.

I ask that you monitor local media for current information about fire danger ratings and notification of schools reopening. Staying tuned to ABC Local Radio (7.20am) in your locality is advisable. You can also check with DFES on 1300 657 209 or www.dfes.wa.gov.au. If any of the options listed above for finding out when to send your child back to school will prove problematic, please contact the school to arrange for us to phone you to advise you when the school will reopen.

Planned Closure on a Monday

If Catastrophic Conditions are expected on a Monday and this situation develops over a weekend staff members will place notices on the Website, the school's phone and on the windows of the admin area.

Questions?

Please contact the school on 9291 8099 if you have any questions about planned closures during the bushfire season.



Bronze



Room	Name
3	Ella Richardson
	William Kraft
	Shaun Cooke
8	Jasmine Lawton

Gold



Room	Name
12	Rebecca Moore

Silver



Room	Name	Name
1	Christopher Moore	Erin Stockman
3	Bonnie Greenway	Hayden Parker
6	Laura Kilpatrick	Ryley Heal
8	Ahliah Grech	Narissa Guy
11	Maddy Rathman	
12	Jesse Ruiters	Liam Ashby
	James Foote	

A Tribute to Bruce Cameron, former

P & C President 1993 - 1998

It is with sadness that I must advise you that Bruce Cameron passed away on 9th October, 2015. Bruce and Leonie have six children who attended the school over a span of 21 years. During that time Bruce constantly served on the P&C committee, including 5 years as President, and the School Council. He was a volunteer on many school camps to Busselton and Rottnest, and a driver on sixteen Walliston Wanderers trips. He was a devoted family man and as such was committed in his support of the school. He is fondly remembered by many of the staff and perhaps some of the parents now at the school.

P&C News



and a Play Dough Stall on Sunday. Donations of play dough would be gratefully accepted, please leave in the front office. If anyone can spare some time to help on the stalls please contact Nat Jenkins.

ZIG ZAG FESTIVAL - Sunday 25th September at Stirk Park. We are running a Fairy Floss Stall



Stirk Athletics Carnival Friday 30th October

The Carnival is being held at our school this year, with all events being held on the one day. We will be running a cake stall and selling cool drinks, while a coffee van will provide hot drinks with part proceeds donated to our school. We will be asking for donations for the cake stall, a note will be sent home soon.



Halloween Disco Friday 6th November

Tickets to go on sale next week, a note will be sent home soon, and decorating to be done! Any parents are welcome to help us decorate the old library in the week leading up to the disco.



Toy Catalogues reminder, orders will be placed at the end of October, and also November. There are spare catalogues in the office if needed. Our school earns 20% credit of every order, great for Christmas shopping.

Kidzabuzz 2015/2016 books are for sale in the office for \$25 each with 25% of each book sold donated to school. Loads of WA family orientated discounts valid to 31 October 2016. Digital version also available soon.

Entertainment Books 2015/2016 books and digital versions can still be ordered via the office or online www.entbook.com.au/87463 \$65 each with \$13 donated to school. Loads of great WA discounts valid to 1 June 2016. **Great Christmas gifts!**

Honey - 1 kilo tubs of honey still for sale in office, both \$10 each.



Gym Tonic passes (5 visits for \$10)

Many thanks for your support Diane Moore / Fundraising Coordinator



Stirk Athletics Carnival

Friday 30th October

held at

Walliston Primary School

starting at 9.30am.



Merit Awards

Congratulations to these students



Room	Name	Room	Name
1	Cassie Twigger	1	Owen Hosking
3	Matthew Kenyon	3	Ella Richardson
6	Zane Halasz	6	Summer Scarpella
8	Aaron Welsh	8	Kristy Golden
8	Samantha Rupe	11	Daniel Dal Porto
11	Joshua Lindsey	12	Ryan Hopfmueller
12	James Foote	12	Olivia Kilpatrick
15	Angus Greenway	15	Bailey Randall

Dates to Remember

21st Oct	Dance Lessons Start (Yr 1 - 6)
	P&C Meeting 7pm
23rd Oct	Italian Assembly 2pm
	Uniform Shop open 2.45pm - 3.15pm
25th Oct	Zig Zag Festival Jnr/Snr Choir Performance
27th Oct	School Banking am (Old Library)
30th Oct	Stirk Athletics Carnival (at Walliston P.S)

Community News

PERTH HILLS Spring Festival

Kalamunda Night Market
Central Mall, Kalamunda
5:00pm 23 October 2015

An amazing array of hot food, drinks, fresh produce, local artisans wares, quality hand made goods and much more.

Come and enjoy the friendly atmosphere on a beautiful evening as a part of the 2015 Perth Hills Spring Festival. Showcasing retail and cafes in Kalamunda Central and Haynes street.

Email: farmersmarket@kalamundachamber.com
www.kalamundafarmersmarket.com

ARTS AND CRAFT

FOR KIDS IN YEARS 3, 4 AND 5
 AFTER SCHOOL THURSDAY FOR FOUR WEEKS FROM 3.15PM TO 4.45PM

OCTOBER 29 CHOOSE AN ACTIVITY AND
NOVEMBER 5 SPEND FOUR WEEKS WITH THE
NOVEMBER 12 ACTIVITY YOU HAVE CHOSEN.
NOVEMBER 19 COST OF \$25 COVERS THE
 WHOLE PERIOD. NO REFUNDS.

REGISTER ONLY ONLINE AT WWW.MVBC.ORG.AU
 LIMITED PLACES - FIRST IN FIRST SERVED

- * **Drawing and Painting:** Learn the basics of drawing and acrylic painting.
 ONLY 10 PLACES AVAILABLE
- * **Fine Brush Painting:** Learn a colouring-in technique to paint four small pictures for a Christmas card.
 ONLY 10 PLACES AVAILABLE
- * **Christmas Crafts:** Make a craft that you can use in your Christmas decorations includes Father Christmas, photo frames, Christmas tree, Christmas box, star and angel.
 ONLY 10 PLACES AVAILABLE
- * **Woodburning:** Learn how to burn pictures on wood (please note: This involves hot tools so only available to children in year 5)
 ONLY 4 PLACES AVAILABLE

** All equipment and tools are provided. * Old clothing recommended * Includes Christian themes * Fruit, cheese and crackers provided for afternoon tea. * Instructors have a current Working With Children Check*

Maida Vale BAPTIST CHURCH
 24 Edney Road, High Wycombe. 08 9454 4626 www.mvbc.org.au

After School Arts News

Vacancies exist in all classes of Pottery, Painting and drawing and Hooked on Hessian.

Classes commence Thurs Oct 22nd from 4-6pm for 8 weeks. Please phone Norma 9293 4486 with bookings and enquiries. Ages from 5yrs up.

Arts, Crafts and Creativity