



Walkaway Primary School Newsletter

Newsletter #17 13th November 2018

NOVEMBER UPCOMING EVENTS

13th Music A Viva 1.15pm

16th Summer Carnival

27th Talent Show 9am

27th Thank you Morning Tea
10am

28th P & C Meeting 7pm

DECEMBER UPCOMING EVENTS

6th End of Year Concert
Graduation 9.00 am

6th School Council 11.15am

13th Last Day of Term Four



The Ambassadors will be
selling icy poles at lunchtime

When: Every Wednesday

Where: Lunch area

Cost: 50c each

Dear Parents and families,

It is time for us to complete the National School Opinion Survey. I really look forward to your responses to the survey. Results are published in the Annual School Report and provide important information both for reflecting on the year that has gone and for our future planning in the 2019 -2021 School Business Plan (formerly Strategic Plan). I have provided the link below. A paper copy can also be provided—please contact the office to arrange.

[School Opinion Survey](#)

Closing date for the survey is **Tuesday 4th December.**

CBH STATIONERY PACKS—Year 1 2019

A big thank you to Kristy Levett for informing me of the opportunity to apply for stationery packs for our Year 1 students in 2019. In this newsletter, you will see a letter outlining the contents of the packs your child will receive.

Thank you also to CBH for providing this opportunity for our students.

NCVISSA SUMMER CARNIVAL

We have some very excited students attending this year's summer carnival in Northampton. We wish each of our teams the best for the day.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES 2019

Attached to this newsletter are the Contributions and Charges for 2019. Unfortunately our system does not allow us to accept payment prior until the beginning of next year. Payments can be made from 1st February 2019. Swimming lessons will be the first charge, with payments being collected in Week 1 2019 for students in Year 1-6, with lessons commencing on Wednesday 6th February. We held a vote for swimming lessons for PP's in 2019 and, as a result of this, will trial having their lessons later in the term. Also, to clarify, under Leadership Camp, there is an optional overnight stay. This will be discussed with the parents involved at the beginning of 2019.

Loose Parts Play is growing at our school



MOTTO and VISION

Thank you to those who have submitted their vote for our new motto. Room 2 and 4 students are in the process of voting and are taking this role very seriously. We have received a good percentage of votes so far but have decided to hold the vote open until this Friday, 16th November, to ensure we have as many families as possible responding. If you haven't yet voted, the link is below:

To vote, please click on the link below :

[Walkaway PS Motto Voting 2018](#)

As for the vision, the Staff and the Board feel that to maximise engagement in the process, we will hold these discussions next year with the hope we will have larger numbers of parents and community members who can come and engage in the parent forums to capture the vision for our school that maximises consensus and celebrates our school.

Regards,

Megan Barrett, Principal



SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

A position has become available for a parent representative on our School Board. This will be a 1 year position as this person will fill the remaining tenure of Tash Hicks. We would like to thank Tash for the time she has put into our Council/Board and school development. I encourage you to consider this opportunity to work with the school as a school board member.

If you, or someone you know, are interested in becoming a board member, please contact the office for a form. Should there be more than one applicant, a voting process will follow. Expressions of Interest are due by Tuesday 27th November at 9am. Forms are available in the office.

Our new Kindies have now completed their orientation sessions. It was lovely to get to know them all a bit more. Thank you to the parents for attending the meeting on Friday. Thank you Mrs Austin and Mrs Griechen for your wonderful help.

In Room 6, we are still working hard learning new things and practising what we have learnt throughout the year. Pre Primaries are doing well with their sight words and applying their word knowledge to their oral reading. In Sounds Write we are onto the more challenging sounds where two letters together make a different sound (ch, sh, th). Kindies are consolidating all their sounds and listening for them in words. In Maths, Pre Primaries are learning grouping and sharing, while Kindies are continuing to build on their number knowledge.

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Everyone is trying hard with our concert item. I will be able to get the end of year information note out very soon.

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We have a lot of illness in our room at the moment. I hope everyone feels better soon.

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Mrs C.

Cute quotes: Although Halloween is over, some of us still like to talk about when they went "Chicken Treating!"

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Week six has arrived and we are as busy as ever in room one. We wrote a persuasive letter to Santa and we will post them today. A few students admitted to Santa that they have been a little bit naughty but this was out- weighed by all the good things they have done throughout the year. There has been very little action on the tooth chart which must mean that dental health is pretty good at this moment in time.

The students have been completing a lot of assessment tasks in the past two weeks and now we will begin a phase of revision and consolidation. The spelling lists that will be going home may have a lot of familiar words as we need to revisit certain sounds and difficult words.

Thank you to two of our dedicated Mums who are helping out with reading on Thursdays and to Mrs Brooks who is giving up her time to help us in the classroom on a regular basis.

The cycle of colds and flu has unfortunately continued and we are keeping our fingers crossed that everyone stays healthy from now on.

Ms Harman



Wow it is week 6 already and we still have so much to do and learn.

In Science this week we are learning about the difference between weathering (breaking down), erosion (taking away) and deposition (depositing in a new spot). We were discussing how making a model can be a useful tool for scientists, especially in Geology as changes can sometimes take millions of years in real life. Someone suggested we could ask someone from the future to find out for us! A few weeks ago we made a model of a rock that was exposed to weathering by putting water inside a ball of clay and freezing it. The frozen water was supposed to crack the clay but none of the "rocks" were cracked. We tried to crack them open with a hammer to check if there was actually ice inside...this was a very messy job.

In Maths we are moving on to Space and Location using the language of position, following and giving directions, drawing paths and using coordinates to locate items on a map.

In writing we are working on an information report. Students are researching an animal and are using the Talk for Writing framework to help them to organise their paragraphs. There are many interesting creatures coming to light and I am learning lots of interesting facts. We are using the main idea, changing the order and substituting words to summarise and help students put information into their own words.

Regards Suzanne Heywood



I don't know where those two weeks have gone! Certainly on the downhill run now. Just a reminder to the parents of the Year Six students to have their graduation speeches ready to go by Week 8. Remembering that it is to be a maximum of 2 minutes in length, just the main points of their time at Walkaway Primary School. Mrs Garratt has been in contact with Mrs Drew, all being well she will be attending our Graduation and Concert.

R The Year Six students have been completing their orientations to the various high schools in Geraldton. The girls have theirs next week.

O We have been looking at Venn diagrams in maths over the last week and I have put an activity relating to this in the homework contract. This will be the last contract for 2018! It will be due on **Friday 23rd November**. I would like to thank those parents who have encouraged their child to complete these over this year and in previous years. I have always enjoyed marking them and seeing the standard of these.

O In Reading we are looking at Fact and Opinion through the Springboards Programme. We will be completing a new text over the next fortnight looking at this Comprehension Skill.

M In science we have been enjoying role-playing aspects of our Solar System. The students have been engaged in extending their knowledge and awareness of our place in space. A reminder of what students need for our Christmas Concert – red, green or white top (NO MOTIFS PLEASE) and casual shorts, skirts or trousers with closed in shoes. Thank you for your support with this.

Our class party will be on **MONDAY 10th December @ 12:15pm**. Aiming for healthy options – like we had last year.

Thank you once again for your support and communication. Here's to the next fortnight!
Mr Clune



Congratulations to the
2018 Walkaway Cup Winners

~ Jannes & Beau ~

~ To all of you from all of us ~

The staff of Walkaway PS would like to invite parents and Community members who have supported the school in any way this year to a thank you morning tea.



Where: Walkaway School (Room 3)

When: 27th November 2018

Time: 10.00 am - 10.50 am

~ We would love to have you join us ~



BOOK FAIR THANKYOU

Book Fair – “To the Bookfair and Beyond – Reading is Out of this World”

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Book Fair which was held in Room 3 at the Walkaway Primary School from Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November. The theme was “To the Bookfair and Beyond – Reading is Out of this World”.

We have had another very successful Book Fair. The amount of sales was \$1186.40 plus the Library is buying \$222.00 of books which makes the grand total of sales \$1406.40, which is fantastic.

This means that the school library will benefit by being able to choose books from the Book Fair to the value of \$492.24 plus we choose an extra \$50.00 of books just for having the book fair, making the grand total of \$542.24 of new books.

Many thanks to Mrs Holliday for helping me to decorate the room and display the books. I couldn't have done it without you.

Also many thanks for videoing the display and putting it on Facebook for everyone to view.

A special thankyou also to Lisa and Mackenzie for all your help and assistance at the busy times you were fantastic and very responsible.

Thank you to Kacie for helping to pack up the Book Fair.

Thank you to all staff, parents and students for your support and the students for entering in the colouring in competitions.

Competition prizes are chosen from the Book Fair. Congratulation to all winners and well done to all entrants.

Thank you to the judges who again said judging the winners was really hard as many were deserving to win, but unfortunately they had to choose one winner in each group.

The winners were: -

Kindy Pre/Primary:: Book Prize: Blaise Levett Posters: Mikayla Cole, Tippa Griechen and Deanna Bate

Yrs. 1/2: Book Prize: Kolt Brennan Posters: Macy Hicks and Bryony Ward

Yrs. 3/4: Book Prize: Izzy Cowcher Posters: Wil Hamersley and Aurora Milnes

Yrs. 5/6: Book Prize: Jannes Beisser Posters: Freya Ward, Shakaia Cocker and Lisa Griechen

“Stars in the Jar?” – Guessing Game

The winning number was 67.

No one guessed the winning number but the closest was 68, guessed by Aurora Milnes.

Thankyou everyone for another great Book Fair.

Sincerely Mrs Cobley - Librarian



**WALKAWAY'S
GOT
TALENT**

Change of date

27th November at 9am

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without their
requirements list
hanging over
your head.



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WALKAWAY TENNIS CLUB ARE PROUD TO BE
HOSTING THE

**WALKAWAY COMMUNITY
CHRISTMAS DINNER**

WHEN : 15th DECEMBER 2018

WHERE: WALKAWAY REC CENTRE

SANTA AT APPROX 6PM

Parent please bring a gift for your child/children for Santa to give out with their name

FOLLOWED BY

OUR COMMUNITY DINNER

EVERYONE INVITED

\$8/HEAD

(INCLUDES 1/2 OF CHICKEN, ROLL AND A BAG OF LOLLIES FOR THE KIDS
FROM SANTA AND SHARED SALAD)

PLEASE BRING 1 SALAD PER FAMILY TO SHARE

WE HAVE A CLUB LICENCE SO SORRY, NO BYO

PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN ORDER FORMS BY 11th DECEMBER
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Merit Certificates

Term 4 Week 4

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Room 1 - Angeline Bouwer, Ethan Levett

Room 2 - Angus Weston, Bridie Plowright, Karla Roach

Room 4 - Jaden Roach, Jannes Beisser

Clean Classroom Award - Room 4

Zip Award - Room 2

Faction Prizes

Room 6 - Jai Hope

Room 1 - Ethan Bate

Room 2 - Chace Brennan

Room 4 - Asher Milnes

Faction Points

Red - 142/2806

Purple - 223/2909



Term 4 Week 5

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Room 1 - Shya-Lee Geary, Rebecca Reed

Room 2 - Wil Hamersley, Reese Bailey, Richard Griechen

Room 4 - Jed Winter, Ethan Reed

Clean Classroom Award - Room 6

Zip Award - Room 2

Faction Prizes

Room 6 - Tippa Griechen

Room 1 - Ethan Levett

Room 2 - Allira Roach

Room 4 - Bruce Weston

Faction Points

Red - 125/2931

Purple - 128/3037



Uniform Orders for 2019

Uniform orders are due back at school or to me by Monday 10th December. This will ensure you have them by the start of next year. I am filling orders with stock on hand so if you pay now you can collect as soon as I have your order ready.

Narrelle Bate
Uniform Coordinator



Banking TOMORROW

14th November in Room 3

8.30am till 9am





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2019 Year One Stationery Packs

CBH is pleased to announce that we will be providing stationery packs to year one students in 2019 from WA grain growing schools.

Through our continued support to our grain growers, their families and communities the CBH Group is able to offer these packs to year one students through the generosity of our stationery supplier [Quick Corporate](#), together making a difference in our regional communities.

This is the final year of the program which commenced in 2015 with 3,724 stationery packs provided for Year One students across WA's grain growing region since its inception.

Each pack will contain the following items:

Description	Qty
Eraser Micador AS30 3030 Small	4
Pencil Case 325 x 165mm	1
10 x 2B Pencil Junior Grip Triangular – Faber Castell	10
1 x 10pk Junior Grip Triangular coloured pencils	1
Sharpener Double with Barrel	1
Ruler Wooden 30 cm	1
Glue Stick UHU BLU 40 gm	2
School Scissors 165 mm x 1	1
Whiteboard Markers - Blue x 2	2

Each pack is required to be sent home with the year one student on the day of enrolment then brought to school at the commencement of the New Year.

Please note that stationery packs belong to the individual students, not the school.

Thank you to Michael Legge and the team at Quick Corporate Australia for their assistance in making these packs available free to the year one students.

Applications will be accepted until the all packs have been allocated.

Contact: Amie.Bolton@cbh.com.au