



Walkaway Primary School Newsletter

Newsletter #3 13th March 2019

MARCH UPCOMING EVENTS

13th School Banking

25th-29th Pre-Primary
Swimming Lessons

27th School Banking
P&C Meeting 7pm

APRIL UPCOMING EVENTS

3rd Room 4 Assembly &
Open Day

5th NCVISSA Swimming
Carnival

12th Anzac Ceremony 9am

12th End Of Term One

Dear Parents and families,

I write today's newsletter with a great deal of gratitude for our school community. We have much to be grateful here at Walkaway. I would like to acknowledge some of our recent contributors to our wonderful school:

Thank you to Gavin and Jill Foale for donating the materials for our beautiful library chair. Special thanks to Jill for her incredible design and skilled work in making an old chair I was able to get for free amazing!!



Thank you to Keira Mullholland and Aaron Dewar for spending Friday morning painting some roads for the kids to use in their sand play.



A huge thank you to Mrs Taryn Winter and Mr Tim Milnes for making it possible for our kids to experience camping overnight at this year's leadership camp.

A huge thank you also to Mr Clune, Mrs Holliday and Mrs Garrett for making our days so much fun!! An awesome experience for our students.

We also have quite a number of parents who spend their mornings reading with our students or doing parent help in the classrooms. Thank you all for the great contribution you make to our students' learning.

Last, but certainly not least, we are very lucky to have a community member, Mrs Carol Hammarquist and one of our wonderful grandparents, Mrs Rebecca Thurkle who are donating their time to drive our Pre-Primary students to their swimming lessons in Week 8.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO YOU ALL!!

Thank
you





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EXCURSION NOTES

This year to save on trees and your time, we are putting into place a new excursion letter. Instead of sending the medical form home with each excursion note, the form has a check box for you to acknowledge there are no changes to your child's medical condition. Please do, however, make sure we are informed as soon as possible if there are any changes we need to be aware of.

AMBASSADORS PRESENTATIONS

This year, the Ambassadors will present their short speech at the Term 1 assembly on Wednesday 3rd April. They will then be presented with their Ambassador badge. Parents of our 2019 Ambassador group are invited to stay for morning tea and a quick chat regarding our plans for the Ambassadors over the year.

ANZAC SERVICE

Our ANZAC Service will be held in the quiet garden on Friday 12th April at 9am, with guest speaker Mr Ken Morris RSL. We believe in the importance of holding our service prior to April 25th when it is on the holidays to build students understandings of this important day of recognition for those who have, and continue to sacrifice themselves for our country. We hope you can come and join us.

P&C



Our P&C had a very successful crop this year and have significant funds (approx. \$70 000) to spend on making our great school even better. Our P&C would love your ideas. To add your suggestions, scan the code or head to the following link, click on the plus symbol (bottom right) and type your ideas



https://padlet.com/megan_barrett2/t8uy69fh5zbq

You can also email your suggestions in or write them down and drop them into the office.

Have a great 2 weeks everyone. I will see you in Week 8.

Kind regards

Megan Barrett, Principal



Half way through the term already! We have been busy having fun with sounds, numbers and words, along with making sea creatures related to our water theme. In Science we observed changing liquid to solid and made jelly cups, which were yummy! We also observed icy poles changing from liquid to solid. Nice things to do in hot weather.

R

Pre Primaries have had their first Buddy session. They designed and made a boat together out of recycled materials. Both big and little buddies enjoyed themselves. The little buddies were disappointed that the big buddies were at camp last week but they'll be here this Friday to design and make a telescope with us.

R

Pre Primary swimming lessons are every day in week 8. A note has gone home. Please read it carefully and return the completed forms by this Friday 15 March.

R

Thank you very much to Kiera and Aaron (Tobi and Theo's Mum and Dad) for painting wooden planks for us last Friday. Soon they will be out in the playground for us to make roads to drive our cars on. You did a great job.

M

We're looking forward to having Mrs Flanders pop in and out of our room while Mrs Barrett is on leave for 2 weeks.

R

I will be away on Fri 22 March (week 7) . Thank you Miss Smith for taking care of Room 6 on that day.

On Entry testing for Pre Primaries will be completed this week. The children have coped well with the process.

Meanwhile, we have a busy second half of term planned leading up to assembly/Open Day, ANZAC Day, Easter and Mothers Day. Mrs C.

Cute Quote: "I love you so much. When my love gets up to your glasses, I won't love you any more!"



Week six already! We have all been very busy in room one.

R

- On Entry testing is still going on... and on....and on.
- Thanks to Mrs Griechen for filling in while maths testing was being undertaken.
- We had a visit from a member of St. Johns Ambulance who taught us about what to do when someone has a serious accident.

R

- Thank you to our reading volunteers for their pioneering spirit and willingness to work around various locations throughout the school..

R

- Thanks to Mrs Arnold our school chaplain for spending time with us every second Thursday. The students love having her around.

M

- On Wednesday, spelling and sight words will start coming home in the reading folder

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We did a class survey of our favourite sandwich fillings and Nutella topped the list, but there was a healthy representation for salad as well. I hope this information might prove helpful when trying to sort out the daily lunchbox dilemma.

Ms Harman



Everyone is doing really well with home reading. Regular home reading is so beneficial to learning and results show immediately. During guided reading I can hear improvements in fluency and expression already. This really helps their comprehension too.

R

We are working on designing a Rubber Band Powered car in Design & Technology.

B

Students are working with a partner and must design, build, test and refine a Rubber Band Powered car that is made of simple everyday materials (including some recycled materials). There are some very excited engineers out there who want to go home and make one straight away. Gathering ideas is OK but I want them to design and make it at school with their partner. We are in need of a few materials. If you have any of these they would be very useful:

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- Pairs of lids in various sizes (not milk bottle lids we already have lots of these)

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- Pairs of soft drink bottle lids

- Plastic water bottles

- Old CDs

Z

- Small wood offcuts

- Cardboard

- Polystyrene pieces

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The Year 4s really enjoyed taking on a few senior responsibilities on Thursday and Friday while the Year 5s and 6s were on camp. They did a fine job too.

Well I hope everybody had a safe and restful weekend.

A busy week for Room 4 last week:

R

- Swimming team training Wednesday 13th.

- Leadership Camp – Bluff Point Thursday 7th and Friday 8th

Thank you Mrs Barrett for coordinating this for our school . Thank you Messers Garratt and Holliday for your assistance during days. Well done to Mrs Winter and Mr Milnes for staying over night with our students.

B

- Homework Contract goes home Monday 11th March.

Due Friday 22nd March.

M

- Continuing work on PLACE VALUE and SYMMETRY

- Working on Narrative – Sizzling Starters.

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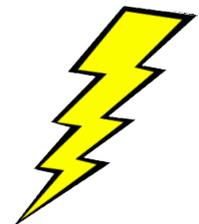
- Growth Mindset – using “ Zones of Regulation “ charts.

- It’s Electrifying – Science.

- Miss Smith’s Excursion on Wednesday 13th March.

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Wishing everyone a lovely fortnight, and please if you have any concerns make a time to see me. Communication is very important in your child’s education and growth. I will be working on RESPECT this fortnight. Our actions speak louder than our words.



Mr Clune

Hi Everyone,

It's that time of year again, 22 days till bounce down and less than 200 days till the Eagles bag their first ever back to back flag. It's a \$30 entry fee again with half going to the end of year prizes and the other half to the P&C. The last two years have seen us get new Footy and Netball uniforms for the school so it'll be great to add to that. Please share the link with family and friends as the more members, the bigger the prize pool.

https://www.footytips.com.au/compswalkaway_primary_school1



P&C Meeting

27th March @ 7pm in Room 3

Crèche available if required

Contact Shiree, P&C President ASAP on 0427 261 502

Hope to see you there!



**UNDER NEW
MANAGEMENT**

Hello all. My name is Katherine Ward, and I am now the Walkaway Primary School P&C UNIFORM CO-ORDINATOR!!

Please come to me for all of your uniform needs, and I'll do my very best to help.

Uniform 'order forms' are available at the School Office, and I will try to process orders as quickly as I can.

Payment must be received in full before any items can be collected.

Due to excess stock, I will be selling shorts and skorts at the reduced price of \$10 each.

The stock available for sale includes: -

10 x size 4 short 5 x size 12 short 7 x size 14 short
6 x size 10 skort 7 x size 12 skort

Voluntary Contributions 2019 - \$50 per child

A reminder that school fees are now due.

Thank you to those families who have already paid.

Please make every effort to pay these as soon as possible.

Payment may be made by EFT, see below.

Please use your family name and reason in the reference field.

BSB 016 650

Acct No. 340943005

Acct Name: Walkaway Primary School

Bank: ANZ Geraldton

Thank you.



*You are invited to join us
Friday 12th April
At 9am
For our ANZAC Service.*

Students please wear your school uniform
(not faction shirts)

BANKING DATES FOR TERM 1

Room 3 8.30 - 9.00am

13th March , 27th March , 10th April





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LEADERSHIP CAMP 2019

Term 1 2019 Term Planner Updated 25/2/19

WK	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	Feb 4 First day for Students	5	6 Swimming 1-6	7	8	9	10
2	11	12 School Board Mtg 2.30-3.30	13 School Banking Swimming 1-6	14	15	16	17
3	18 Swimming 1-6	19 Class Meetings	20 Swimming 1-6	21	22 P&C AGM 9am P&C General Meeting 10am Welcome BBQ 6-8pm	23	24
4	25 Swimming 1-6	26	27 School Banking	28	March 1	2	3
5	4 Labour Day Holiday	5	6 Swim Off	7 Leadership Camp	8 Leadership Camp	9	10
6	11	12 Food Sensations Incursion	13 Swimming Training School Banking	14	15	16	17
7	18	19	20 Swimming Training	21	22	23	24
8	25 PP Swimming	26 PP Swimming	27 Swimming Training School Banking PP Swimming	28 School Board Mtg 2.30-3.30 PP Swimming	29 PP Swimming	30	31
9	April 1	2	3 Room 4 Assembly & Open Day	4	5 NCVISSA Swimming Carnival	6	7
10	8	9	10 School Banking	11	12	13	14

EASTER: Good Friday – 19th April, Easter Monday – 22nd April,
 ANZAC: Thursday – 25th April