Welcome to our final term for 2014. We have a busy time ahead of us for the 10 weeks of term. Our Year 6 and 7 students will be graduating in 9 weeks and we wish them all the best for their final weeks at Walliston.

Our Faction Athletics Carnival took place yesterday and the jumps and throws took place on Monday 20th. I was very pleased with the turnout of parents and family members who took the time to come along. We have some very gifted athletes at our school and the performance of some of our jumpers was particularly outstanding. Thank you to those parents who gave their time to assist with the running of the events as officials and helpers.

Our dancing lessons have commenced and students are doing well. There will be a dance social on Thursday 20th for years 1-5.

We had a report of a vehicle parked near the school last week in the morning for an extended period of time. This was reported to police and a note sent home for parents. I have not received any police follow up and believe that there was no danger. There have however been a number of incidents involving attempts by adults to get children into cars recently. Please reinforce with your children the messages from police regarding walking home safely from school.

Earlier this year we had a sleepover at the school to raise awareness of the issue of homelessness. We are setting up a donation box in the front foyer to accept donations of backpacks, soaps, shampoos, conditioners, toothbrushes (new!) and hygiene products. If you have any of these items and are willing to donate them please bring them to school and they will be put to good use.

Our year six and seven students are with us for another nine weeks. They have a number of sessions of transition at their respective high schools as well as preparing their graduation books and finishing off their year’s work.

Next week our interschool Stirk Athletics Carnival will be held at Walliston. The jumps events were to be held here anyway but due to refurbishment works at the Ray Owen Reserve the Athletics Events will also be held here on Friday 31st October. Gooseberry Primary School is the managing school for this event.

Some members of our school community have been very busy with the garden in the area between the netball courts and the pre-primary. This area is becoming very well established and is worth having a look at. We also have garden beds outside the junior block classrooms where students will be growing a variety of plants between now and the end of the year.

I trust you will have an enjoyable final term for 2014.

Bernie O’Hara
Principal

Walliston Primary School is Located in a Bushfire Zone.

This is a reminder that our school may be affected by fire from October through to March. Be ready for notices and alerts about Bushfires.
Where will your child be in 2015

We are already planning classes and staff for the 2015 school year. With the new Student Centred Funding taking effect, it is imperative that we have a true indication of the number of students that will be attending Walliston Primary School next year. If you know that your child/children will be transferring to another school please let the office know with in the next week. Your earliest attention to this would be greatly appreciated. (Obviously those students from Year 6 & 7 do not need to advise us of their departure).

WACA Visited our School

Last week two development officers from the WACA visited our school to encourage students in years 1–3 to play cricket. The students enjoyed batting, bowling, catching and especially the sample of milo. The children took home with them a signed poster and information on their local cricket clubs. A great day was had by all!

Mr Levy

Toy Catalogues
Due back in by Friday 31st October

School Banking Competition:

Every deposit made between October 20 and November 30 will create an entry in the competition. There are 40 x GoPro Hero3 White Edition Cameras and 150 x Slip 'N Slide Double Wave Riders to be won. Remember to bank to win! Banking is held every Tuesday morning in the old library from 8.20am. Visit the Commonwealth Bank if you would like to open a youth saver account. Good luck!

P&C News

Thank you to everyone who baked cakes, sizzled sausages, and helped out in any way at the Faction Carnival. A special thanks goes to Shireen Pivac, Belinda Carey, Sharon West and Colin Rea. It was a great day and all help was very much appreciated.

Many thanks to Liz Rowe from Bakers Delight Kalamunda for donating rolls for our Sausage Sizzle, as well as many tasty treats from Bakers Delight for our Cake Stall.

Thanks to Market City Meats & Woolworths for giving us great prices for the items we purchased.

We are still desperately seeking playdough donations for the Zig Zag Festival.

Halloween Disco tickets go on sale tomorrow morning; remember your permission form! If parents are free to help decorate, we start Monday in the old Library.

P&C Meeting Wed 29th Oct 7pm.
Faction Athletics Carnival
The Faction Athletics Carnival was held yesterday on a perfect spring day. It was lovely to see so many parents and families at the carnival supporting the students again. Congratulations to all our students who participated, for their effort and behaviour to help make it such a great day. A big thank you to the parents and staff who help set up, pack away, run the cake/sausage sizzle stall and those who raked and measured the jumps and throws events. Your help and dedication really does help to make the day a successful event. Thank you to Kath Wilson who kept the juniors busy with the circuit events.
Mr Levy
Phys-Ed Specialist
Merit Awards

Congratulations to these students

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Community News

After School Arts News

Vacancies exist in all classes of Pottery, Painting and Drawing and Hooked on Hessian. Classes commence October 23rd from 4-6pm, Thurs. afternoons for 8 weeks. You can also visit us at the Zig Zag festival on the 26th Oct. in Stirk Park Kalamunda where there will be lots of free activities for children. Pls ph Norma 9293 4486 with bookings and enquiries. Ages from 6yrs up.

Pre-primary Camp Out

As it was the Great Australian Camp Out on the 11th October, we decided to have a Pre-primary Camp Out in the first week back at school. Children were invited to camp overnight in a tent with a parent in the pre-primary playground. Rain and a possible thunderstorm was forecast but the camp out proceeded as planned. Twelve pre-primary children set up camp with their parents, shared a meal and had a sausage sizzle. We played a few games, went for a walk by torchlight in the bush surrounding the school, toasted marshmallows and had hot chocolate. The children had story time by torchlight and retired happily to bed. The rain came down very conveniently once the children were in bed and stopped before they woke the next morning. The children were sharing breakfast by 6.15am. Tents were dismantled and the playground returned to normal by 7.15am. It was a memorable experience for children, parents and staff! The children are eager to repeat the experience!

Mrs Westphal