

1. Don't forget to mark your calendars for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of Walpole this Thursday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 7:30 pm at Raffael's. This annual event features local restaurants offering samples of some of their favorite and popular dishes. Don't miss this chance to fill your bellies for only a suggested \$5 donation per person.

2. Check out our Walpole Recreation Department podcasts on the Website, [www.BlackburnHall.com](http://www.BlackburnHall.com). This is a great way to get the latest information on our upcoming programs. These podcasts were just made available through iTunes. Recent podcasts highlight our February activities, the Taste of Walpole, the Winter Brochure and the Juicebox Concert.

3. Our next 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance is this Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 10pm at Blackburn Hall. Any 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grader that wants to attend needs to have a membership card. If you don't have a card, come to Blackburn Hall with a parent to have a picture taken and fill out the application form. Application for the dance card is \$30 per child for the card and then each dance will cost \$5 to get in. If any parents are interested in chaperoning, please call us at 508-660-7353 or email to [recreation@walpole-ma.gov](mailto:recreation@walpole-ma.gov).

4. Due to the success of our Dog Rock Coffeehouse series, we are hosting our first ever "Juicebox" concert for kids and families this Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 5pm featuring Alastair Mook. Come and enjoy the music and the atmosphere for only \$10 a family. Register now at [www.walpolerec.com](http://www.walpolerec.com).

5. The Walpole Recreation is hosting another Half Day Cafe this Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 – 3:00PM at Blackburn Hall for all 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. The children can be dropped off at Blackburn Hall to play, hang out with friends and make new ones from other schools, listen to the DJ spin their favorite music, play games in the auditorium or Playstation and Wii. Pizza, snacks and drinks will be available for all to purchase and the cost of admittance is \$5. All of the activities will be monitored by trained recreation staff. You can sign up ahead of time at [www.walpolerec.com](http://www.walpolerec.com) or when you arrive.

6. Information and registrations is available now for Rebel Hoop, Extra Bases and Field Hockey and also our Recreation t-ball program, for children 3-7, via our website, [www.walpolerec.com](http://www.walpolerec.com).

7. The deadline to register for Session II of Recreation Basketball is Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up now as spaces are filling up.

8. Our popular Parents at Leisure program has space available for kids ages 3-6 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. As an added incentive, if you bring a friend to a class, you will receive half-off the next Parents at Leisure class you sign up for! This class is for kids who need a bit of help with separation anxiety, as well as those who just want to get out during the winter months. Each week, the kids will make arts and crafts, play games, read stories, make snacks, do ooey-goey science fun and other surprises. Each class will have structure, as well as free play.

9. Please visit our “Adult Education” section for upcoming programs – there is still plenty of time to register for the following programs – listed with their start dates: Kaplan SAT Test Prep Course (Mar. 15), Basic Life Support (Feb. 17), College Admission & Financial Aid (April 7), Couponing 101 (Feb. 10), Cruisin’ Cooking Classes (Feb.8, Mar. 8), Estate Planning (Mar.1), Get Debt-Free (Feb. 10), Let’s Laugh for the Health of It (April 8), Starting the College Search (Mar. 24), Real Estate 101 (Feb.25), Basic Training (Mar.1, Mar. 29), Full-Moon XC Ski (Feb. 27), CPR & AED (Mar.18), Ladies’ Snowshoe Trek (Mar.4, Mar.6), Hypnosis for Health (Feb.22, Mar.15), Paint...En Plein Air (Mar.15), Kettlebell Training (Feb.3), Antidote to Stress (Mar.17), Voice Lessons (Feb.3), Beginning Guitar (Feb.4), & Safe Driving for Elders (Feb.22), plus a whole page of Senior Trips!