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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

After two very successful school House Athletic Carnivals, I would like to thank all the staff, students, parents and community members for their participation on these wonderful days.

We would like to sincerely thank Mr Sleight and Mrs Rebecca Campbell for their thorough organisation of the events.

Once again the students showed outstanding sportsmanship and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Thank you to our hardworking staff, parents and P&C members who kept the two days ticking over so smoothly. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone involved.

Our students are now off to the Tuart Interschool Athletics Carnival. On the 8th November 2016 the jumps, vortex, shot put and 800m events will be held at Bunbury Primary School and the track and team events will be held at the Athletics Stadium, Hay Park on Friday 11th November 2016.

Early Arrivals
Some students have been arriving at school at 7:30am. This is a very concerning practice as no parents/caregivers are supervising these students. So a reminder to all parents/caregivers that students are **not expected** at school before 8.30am. If students do arrive early (**definitely** not before 8:15), they are to go to the undercover area for breakfast club which is supervised by the Administration Team or to the oval to be supervised by Mr Sleight or Mrs Campbell. Students who arrive early with parents may sit outside the classroom with their parents supervising them.

2017 Enrolments
If any families are considering moving out of our Parkfield School area for 2017, could you please inform the school as soon as possible? Planning for the 2017 school year is currently underway. This information will greatly assist us to have an accurate overview of how many students we need to cater for and how many staff will be needed. Thank you in anticipation of your timely response.

Attendance at School
Every day at school counts towards your child's future. Regular school attendance not only ensures that your child is having access to vital learning opportunities but also sets up regular patterns and expectations about school and ultimately work attendance. If your child **is unable to attend,** please notify the school through one of the following means:

- Ring **97258135** during office hours;
- Email Parkfield.ps@education.wa.edu.au;
- Send an absentee notification through the Parkfield App

PALS Award Winners
Parkfield Primary School was recently notified that they had been awarded first place in the PALS awards in the Health and Well Being category. PALS is a project initiated by the Department of Aboriginal Affairs and is an acronym for *Partnership, Acceptance, Learning and Sharing*. Our school participates in their annual competition. Room 16 and T6 worked together, and organised a Bush Tucker Trail which involved the students researching, designing and planting a native garden with a focus on the plants that can be used as food. The background to this was the students learning about local aboriginal culture and the use of bush tucker to meet nutritional needs. They also organised a parent working bee on a Saturday to help the students with soil preparation and planting the flora. Mrs Jan Sullivan and Mrs Sarah Dunbar-Stuart will be formally receiving the award at Parliament House on Friday the 18th November. Congratulations to everyone involved in this special project.

Thank you.

Zena Dyer
Deputy Principal

PALS
Partnership Acceptance Learning Sharing

SPORTS UPDATE

HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVALS RESULTS

Junior House Carnival PP-3
1st – Naturaliste (272 pts)
2nd – Marshall (266 pts)
3rd – Geographe (184 pts)
4th – Henton (179 pts)

Senior House Carnival Yrs 4-6
1st – Marshall (464.5 pts)
2nd – Geographe/Henton (414 pts)
3rd – Naturaliste (306.5 pts)

The Champions
Year 4 Girls – **Hayley Garner** (23pts)
R/U **Imogen Soulos** (15pts)
Year 4 Boys – **Jarrod Dickson** (28pts)
R/U **John Manuel** (15pts)
Year 5 Girls – **Ella Webb** (33pts)
R/U **Freya Howe** (27pts)
Year 5 Boys – **Tane Paul** (21pts)
R/U **Isaac Stevens/Hamish Melvin** (17pts)
Year 6 Girls – **Indianna Ta-Murton** (25.5pts)
R/U **Mikayla Williams** (22pts)
Year 6 Boys – **Bryce Facey** (22pts)
R/U **Taj Timewell** (16pts)

Congratulations and well done to all competitors for the great sportsmanship and enthusiasm that you displayed on the carnival days.
A HUGE THANK YOU to all parents, staff members and Year 6 student leaders that assisted in some way to make the carnivals run so smoothly and successfully. Thank you to the crowd of spectators that came along to cheer on our students. It certainly added to the atmosphere.
In Week 5, selected students from Years 4-6 will be competing in the **Tuart Interschool Athletics Carnival**. The jumps, vortex, shot put and 800m events will be held at Bunbury Primary on Tuesday November 8th and the track and team games events at the Bunbury Athletics Stadium, Hay Park on Friday November 11th. All the best to our competitors involved in these events. Parents are most welcome to attend and cheer on our students.

Thank you.
Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher

PLEASE HELP US PLAN FOR 2017

If your children will not be attending Parkfield next year, or you know of children who are currently not enrolled for 2017
and plan to attend, please let the school know as soon as possible. Thank you.

LOST AND FOUND

Several keys have been handed into the office .

Summer School Enrolments are Now Open

The Bunbury Summer School will be once again running for a fortnight during January 2017. The range of courses available is even more extensive this year, catering to a wide range of interests and ages. Full details can be found on the Stirling Street Arts Centre website and all enrolments completed before the Christmas Fair, on November 27th, will receive a 10% discount. Enrol the kids, enrol yourself, or even give a voucher for a class to someone as a Christmas present. Having attended many classes over the last few years, I can recommend it as a lovely way to learn something new in a friendly and relaxed setting.

Julie Astill
Visual Arts Specialist

7th – 10th November in our School Library!

Dear Parents and Families:

Reading for pleasure inside and outside of school has real and long-lasting benefits. It unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in the home. Update this collection routinely to keep pace with changing tastes and reading skills.
- Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings to school the books kids want to read. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

Book Fair dates:
Monday Nov 7th – Thursday Nov 10th
Shopping hours: 8.30 – 9.00am / Lunchtimes / 3.00 – 4.00pm
Where: School Library

EFTPOS facilities are now available!
We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair!
Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Many thanks – Mrs Moran and the Library Team

BOOK CLUB NEWS

Our Parkfield families have supported Book Club extremely well this year! Our sales so far have exceeded our total sales for the whole of last year. This means that the rewards have been converted to extra resources for our students to use to enjoy reading and enhance their learning.

Parkfield Primary School is in the top 10 Book Club schools for the South West. A huge achievement! Thank you very much!

We would like to say a huge thank you to Katherine Bovell. Katherine has been managing Book Club superbly and has now retired from this very busy role! We will be thanking Katherine at our School Assembly on Friday, November 11th. Well done to you, Katherine, and thank you for your years of dedication to Book Club. Good luck for your future endeavours.

We would like to welcome Rebecca Dias and Yolanda Taylor to the helm of Book Club. These two ladies will be taking over Book Club from this term onwards. We thank them for giving their time and energy to take over this very important task for our school.

Again – many thanks for your generosity and support.

Mrs Moran and the Library Team

Uniform Shop Open Day 2017

Want to get ready for next year?

The uniform shop has plenty of stock of all uniform items for next year. The uniform shop will be open on Monday 30th January from 9.00 am to 11 am in addition to normal trading days.

Danielle Butt
Uniform Shop Coordinator
on 0408 027 709

BRING HOME A BIG BROTHER OR SISTER AND BRING FRENCH CULTURE TO LIFE !

Why not volunteer to host an international student from France next year? We have a small group of delightful French students coming to Australia for 10 weeks to immerse in local Australian culture, experience our High schools, sports, environment and lifestyle. All the French students are around 15 years old, speak excellent English, have their own spending money, cover all school expenses ,and we arrange all aspects of their program. They are looking forward to joining an Australian family for a short term. It's fun and interesting to help these young people achieve their Australian dream. If you'd like know more, please email your interest to Rob at Inter Cultural Management on rl@scce.com.au

Department of Education Gifted and Talented Secondary Programs

Children with exceptional academic ability and creative talent thrive in the Gifted and Talented Programs. These unique academic, arts and languages programs provide a challenging curriculum designed to bring out the very best in your child.

Applications are open from Monday 10 October 2016 to Monday 6 February 2017.

If your child has exceptional academic ability, you can find out more at a parent information session at Bunbury Senior High School on Thursday, 10 November 2016. Bookings are essential, visit the website to confirm your attendance: http://bit.ly/2dIogmy

VACSWIM SUMMER 2017

Give your child the opportunity to learn vital swimming and water safety skills. Enrolments are now open for children from five to 17 years old. Simply select a program and enrol online.

Program 1 40 minute lessons 3/1/17 – 13/1/17
Enrolments close 28/11/16

Program 2 45 minute lessons 16/1/17 – 25/1/17
Enrolments close 5/12/16

Short Program 35 minute lessons
9/1/17 – 13/1/17
Enrolments close 28/11/16

Early Start Program 45 minute lesson
17/12/16 – 23/12/16
Enrolments close 14/11/16

Enrol online at
education.wa.edu.au/swimming
or phone 9402 6412

PRE PRIMARY ENROLMENTS 2017

Is your child currently enrolled in Kindy?
Do you want your child to continue into Pre Primary at Parkfield?

We have several families still to advise the office of their plans for next year. Places are filling quickly, with planning for Pre Primary 2017 currently underway. **If your child has had further immunisations carried out since enrolling in Kindy,** please bring in their Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR) History Statement, so their records can be updated. Thank you.

P&C News

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Congratulations to all raffle winners from both the junior and senior carnivals. These were the lucky winners:-

Junior Carnival	**Senior Carnival**
1st – Kiran Gercama	1st – Marie Gethin
2nd – Ryan Turner	2nd – Kelly Paul
3rd – Jo Pippin	3rd - Jennifer Bell
4th – Bev Chapman	4th - Danielle Smith
5th – Lily Chapman	5th – Amy Manson
	6th – Allan Hall

Thank you to all our sponsors for donating prizes for the raffles.

Adventure World	Pete's Chop Shop
Sacred Soul and Beauty	Gravity
Alyson's Beauty Therapy	Hog's Breath Café

A big THANK YOU also to Titanium Car Wash at Pelican Point, for donating ice for both events.
The generosity shown from all of you was amazing and greatly appreciated.

There were many special people who lent a hand in one way or another. Without all of you, the P&C could not run these events and our school would not gain the benefits. So please accept our sincere THANK YOU and know that your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support.
The next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 8th November 2016 at 7pm in the staffroom.

The Parkfield P&C committee
parkfieldpandc@gmail.com

Classroom Roster for Canteen Volunteers Term 4

Thank you to the families who have helped in the canteen this term. Your time is greatly appreciated. Please check to see if your class is rostered to help next term. Please call **Roz** on **0408 909 141** to pick the day that best suits you.

Week 5: Monday 7/11/16 to Friday 11/11/16 **Rooms 4, 5 , 6 &T6**.

Week 6: Monday 14/11/16 to Friday 18/11/16 **Rooms 1, 2 & 3**. Thank you.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Open Monday's
8.45 am - 9.30 am
and Wednesday's
2.45 pm - 3.15 pm
Room 11, Block 4

The uniform shop is no longer collecting the old style Parkfield shirts for the orphanage. Thank you for your donations.

Danielle Butt is the coordinator. Danielle can be contacted on 0408 027 709. Thank you

OSHClub Before & After School Care

Operating Hours: 6:45 am-8:45 am and 2:30 pm – 6:00 pm
Location: T3 Transportable
Coordinator: Charine Barlow
Phone: 0478 079 262
E-mail: oshclub.parkfield@gmail.com

VIRTUE FOR THE FORTNIGHT - TACT

TACT is telling the truth kindly, with consideration for how your words will affect others. It is knowing what to say and what is better left unsaid. **TACT** is thinking before you speak. When you are tactful, you don't tease or point out people's differences to embarrass them. You are as careful about others' feelings as you would like them to be of yours. When people do not practice **TACT**, they are rude and blunt. They go around saying whatever pops into their heads. They may tell the truth, but they do it in a way that hurts or embarrasses others. People get mad. You can lose friends if you forget to act with **TACT**. When you are tactful, others find it easier to hear what you have to say. **TACT** builds bridges. You practice **TACT** by being kind when you tell the truth. Stop and think before you speak. Don't react – act with **TACT**! **TACT** is especially important when you feel angry or upset. Rather than just shouting out your feelings, take time to calm down, and them share your feelings diplomatically. With **TACT**, you can tell people almost anything and they will be thankful to hear it.

What would **TACT** look like if……..

- You meet someone who has a handicap?
- You feel really mad at your brother about something?
- You get upset when your teacher does something you think is unfair?
- Your friend asks you if you like her strange haircut?
- You are hugging your father and notice he has bad breath?

Signs of Success are when you……..

- Think before you speak
- Often keep unpleasant or critical thoughts to yourself
- Become sensitive to other people's feelings
- Tell the truth kindly and gently
- Treat people who look different as you would treat anyone

Affirmation : *I act with tact. I think before I speak. I am considerate of other people's feelings. I tell the truth kindly and gently.*