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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,
Parkfield Primary School was officially opened on November 26th 1993 by the Honourable Barry House MLC, Member for South West Region. Over the next 18 months we hope to celebrate all things Parkfield and acknowledge the wonderful students and staff over the years. In conjunction with the Parkfield P&C we would like to form a 25th Anniversary Committee. We already have six very keen Parkfield staff members and would like to have a similar number of parents/community volunteers to compliment the staff. If you are interested please contact the P&C or leave your name with the front office staff.

Canteen Help Needed Urgently
Parkfield is one of the few remaining schools that have a fulltime canteen operating but this is in jeopardy if we do not get parent helpers. All we ask is parents/caregivers commit to one day per year to support this important school service.

Students Messages
To guarantee messages for students are delivered to your child/children, please ensure the office is contacted **before 2.30pm** each day.

Contribution and Charges Due
Thank you to those parents who have already paid their $60 contributions for their children. We would like to take this opportunity to again encourage those families who still have contributions outstanding, to consider payment as soon as possible.

Contributions received up to the end of Term 1 – 2017 are as follows:

Kindergarten	71% paid
Pre Primary	54% paid
Primary Years 1 to 6	56% paid

We have $14,879 still to be collected from our families. This money will make a significant difference to our school resources.
We do understand people forget and circumstances may preclude some families.

House Cross Country Participation
It is an expectation that **all** students in Years Three to Six participate unless they have a medical certificate or **obvious** medical condition. We encourage all students to do their personal best and be part of the whole upper school activity.

Little Learners Pre Kindy Program 2017
Little Learners is a time where parents and children can enjoy playing together while doing similar activities to those in Kindergarten. It provides an opportunity for parents to get to know each other and for the children to become familiar with the school and meet other children. Little Learners is a terrific transition program to school and we highly recommend parents and students attend.

Little Learners will commence in Term 3. It will run fortnightly on a Tuesday and is suitable only for those children attending Kindergarten at Parkfield in 2018. Michelle Ridge and Megan Wood are the Coordinating Teachers. Please register your expression of interest to the office on 97258135 as soon as possible.

2018 Kindergarten Enrolments
Applications for enrolments for children entering Kindergarten in the 2018 school year are now being taken.
If any of our Parkfield Community knows of families that are eligible to enrol their children, please inform them to come to the school as soon as possible to fill in an application form. Boundaries ***do not*** apply to students enrolling in Kindergarten. Parents of current Kindergarten enrolled children must advise the office now, if your child is continuing on to Pre Primary at Parkfield in 2018.

AQWEST 2017 Photographic Competition
Aqwest is again holding a Photographic Competition with this year's theme being "Water Art". Competition entries are open on 1 May and close at 4pm on 30 June 2017. The competition promotes ongoing awareness of water conservation and is open to all customers served by Aqwest and all schools in the Greater Bunbury area.
Our very own Mia Powell from Year 6 was one of the winners for the 2016 competition.
Brochures can be obtained from the front office.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

Notes" from the Music Room...

I've received a few pamphlets for the "Bunbury Men of Song" singing group. They are offering opportunities to ***"school age"*** boys to audition to join their **'Boys'** choir. There is no age mentioned in the pamphlet, but judging by the photos, it appears that they are aiming this offer at upper primary and secondary students. If you are interested and want more information, you can get a pamphlet from me in the Music Room.

The term has already been really busy. The Year 3's have created some interesting "Tortoise" music. The older students are working hard on writing and performing their own songs and demonstrating their understanding of various music skills as they prepare for their Semester One Reports.

Congratulations to Whitney George and Jesse Stubbs who received Music Merit Awards at the last Senior Assembly.

Mrs Jodie Rogers

SPORTS UPDATE

Our **House Cross Country** will be taking place in Week 6, on **Thursday 1st June 2017** and will involve all students in Years 3-6. The event will start at **1:45pm** on the school oval, with the Year 3's running first.

In Week 2 some of our classes participated in rugby clinics. Thanks to Western Force Rugby for providing our students with the opportunity to learn new skills, while having fun and being physically active.

Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher

Down in the Art Room with Ms Astill

Lunchtime Art Club began last term with students from Year 6. They made the most delightful gnome homes from clay and are now waiting for them to come back to the art room in order for them to be painted.

Meanwhile, the incredibly enthusiastic Year 5 students have begun their term in Art Club. They are in the process of making the armature for their Modroc Covered Cacti. Chaos and creativity rule the Art Room on Tuesday lunchtime! We're looking forward to completing our different projects so that we can share them with you in the near future.

MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Awards at the last assembly: Ella Cooper, Tommy-Lee Lawrence, Amelia Hook, Kallen Mosaj, Kirralee Butt, Jordan Eddy, Jordan Gangur, Whitney George, Ashleigh Hankin, Jake Ingram, Tori South, Braydon Harford, Abbey Turbett, Tyrell Fraser, Jaxon Fuller, Aida Blackley, Darcy Mason, Emmett Mackean, Taia Wood, Brock Holden, Rose Jenkins, Rohan Hahn, William Andrews, Jade Dias, Ruby Williams, Seth Triscari, Darby Renton, Mia Ditchburn, Blake Hogan, Amelia Murphy, Ella Webb, Bryce Oakey, Leith McWhirter, Aaliyah Lubcke, Rohan Grout, Isaac Stevens, Layla Bernardi, Shakira Bennett, Samson Howkins-Thomas, Abby Stevens, Taya Larkman, Jaime Bell, Astrid Carroll.

Well done Mia!!

During the school holidays Mia Wagstaff in Year 6 competed in the WA Junior State Swimming Championships at HBF Stadium in Perth. She was one of 5 representatives from Golden West Dolphins Swimming Club.

She achieved qualifying times to race in 50m Breaststroke, 100m Breaststroke and 200m Breaststroke. She achieved a personal best time for the 50m Breastroke and earned another qualifying time to compete in next year's State Championships.

Bunbury Eisteddfod is seeking the assistance of FABULOUS volunteers to help us with our 59th EISTEDDFOD.

The season dates are:
Thursday 25th May through to Saturday 17th June
(no Sundays or the Public Holiday on the 5th June)

Session times are:-
Morning 9.00am- 12.30pm
Afternoon 1.30pm- 5.30pm
Evening 7.00pm – 10.00pm

We're Searching for Volunteers

Please email them or give them a call if you can assist on bunburyeisteddfod@bigpond.com
Office Telephone: 9791 2556

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

The students and teachers in Kindy 3 would like to express a big Thank You to the following people for their wonderful contribution to the development of our nature playground.

- John from West Coast Timbers for his generous donation of wooden logs.
- Jamie Andersen from J's Paving and Landscaping for excavating the site.
- Eva and Brian Hudson and family for the sourcing, preparation and landscaping of the wooden logs.

All of your contributions have been greatly appreciated and it has been fantastic to see the students enjoying their new playground.

Positive Parenting

Seminar Series Program /Bunbury District

For every parent of children 3-8 years

These 3 free sessions run over 3 weeks and introduce parents to:

- Key concepts of positive parenting
- Effective strategies to promote positive behaviour and development
- How to prevent and manage common child behaviour problems
- Positive strategies that encourage children to manage their emotions

Parents can choose or attend all sessions

Seminar One: Positive Parenting

Children of all ages need a safe, secure and loving environment to do well. Positive parenting is an effective approach to raising children that emphasises the positive. It involves creating a family environment that is loving, supporting and predictable. This is important in raising healthy, well-adjusted children who have the skills and confidence they need to succeed at school and in their relationships with others. Positive parenting reduces the stress of parenting and makes it more rewarding and enjoyable.

Seminar Two: Raising Confident Competent children

The values, skills and behaviours to encourage in children are the choice of every individual parent.

However, some core skills are important for everyone.

Children are more likely to be confident, succeed at school and get along with others when they develop certain life skills. These life skills include being respectful and considerate, communicating well with others, thinking positively and having healthy self-esteem, being a good problem solver and becoming independent and able to do things for themselves.

Seminar Three: Raising Resilient Children

One of the most important tasks of parenthood is helping children learn to deal with their emotions. All children experience periods of stress in their lives and need the emotional skills to deal with it. Children's emotional resilience, or ability to cope with their feelings, is important to their long-term happiness, wellbeing and success in life. Emotional resilience involves six key skills; recognising and accepting feelings, expressing feelings appropriately, having a positive outlook, developing effective ways of coping, being able to deal with negative feelings and being able to manage stressful life events.

Dates for Term 2

VENUE	DATE	TIME	BOOKINGS
Tuart Forest PS	Tuesdays 23rd/30th May and 6th June	8.45am to 10.15am	Creche available 9721 6991
Parkfield PS	**Tuesdays June 13th/20th/27th**	**1.15pm to 2.45pm**	**Creche available 9795 2888**

Our Congratulations

go to Josh Repacholi, Tyson Wallinger, Ella Webb, Sierraleone Simpson, and Imogen Soulos for being selected to play for the Slammers Western Australian Basketball League. This is an awesome achievement and we wish you all well.

Give a Damn Give a Can

Donations are now being taken for the **Give a Damn Give a Can Appeal.** We encourage you to participate in supporting this worthwhile cause.

Please bring your donation of food cans, packets of pasta or other non-perishable food items to the front office and place in bins provided.

The appeal runs until Wednesday 24th May.

Thank you.

ARE YOU IN YEAR 6 or 7?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO VISIT JAPAN?

During the September school holidays this year, the City of Bunbury will send up to 16 Year 6 and 7 students and up to 4 parents on an 11 day visit to Setagaya, Tokyo.

Applications available at www.bunbury.wa.gov.au/pages/International-Relationships.aspx

Approximate cost $3,800

Information Night: *Thursday 11 May at 5:30pm Council Function Centre, 4 Stephen Street, Bunbury.*

Applications Close 4pm 19 May 2017
Interviews held on Saturday 27 May from 9:00am to 1:00pm

For further information, please contact:
Carol McDowall
Phone: (08) 9792 7075 or email:
cmcdowall@bunbury.wa.gov.au

Junior Youth

Primary School Years 3 to 6

*Fun *Games *Outings

Every Friday of the school term
4.30pm to 6pm
@ 19 Sweny Drive
Australind

Contact Mr Geoff Harrison
(Parkfield School Chaplain)
On geoff180abc@gmail.com or at school for more information

P&C NEWS

Dear Parents and Caregivers

A huge thank you to Cindy Bernardi and her team of helpers with our Mother's Day Stall. I hope all the mothers had a special day with loved ones on Sunday. Thank you to Jodie Wheat and Candice Bennetts for offering to take over the Father's and Mother's Day stalls in the future.

Please take the time to read the P&C insert in this week's school Newsletter. There was just too much to write this week. There are lots of events and activities planned for the near future to read about and get involved in.

Follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with P&C events. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Kind Regards,
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Find us on Facebook

Classroom Roster for Canteen Volunteers Term 2

Please check to see if your class is rostered to help this term. Please call **Roz** on **0408 909 141.**

Week 4:
Monday 15/5/17 to Friday 19/5/17 **Room 8**
Week 5
Monday 22/5/17 to Friday 26/5/17 **Room T6**
Week 6
Monday 29/5/17 to Friday 2/6/17 **Room 6**

OSHClub Before & After School Care

This fortnight at OSHClub we have been busy Making Mother's Day crafts and enjoying our natural environment. We have been on nature walks and bug searches as well as picking and tasting our very first vegetables out of the OSHClub veggie garden. If you have any enquires regarding OSH Club please don't hesitate to contact me.

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

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Open Mondays
8.45am - 9.30am
and Wednesdays
2.45pm - 3.15pm
Room 11, Block 4

Old style sports polos are available at a super low price of $5.00. These are still classed as school uniform or great for team sports.
Danielle can be contacted on 0408 027 709.

Virtue For The Fortnight – Diligence

DILIGENCE is working hard and doing the best job you possibly can. When you are **DILIGENT**, you take special care to do things step by step. You think and move carefully to make sure things will turn out right. Being **DILIGENT** is being industrious, giving all you have to give to whatever you do. Without **DILIGENCE**, people act lazy and don't get much done. They act as if what they do doesn't count, rush through it or just do the least amount possible. **DILIGENCE** helps you to get things done with excellence and enthusiasm. **DILIGENCE** leads to success. When you are **DILIGENT** about the things you do, people rely on you and trust you to give your best effort. You practice **DILIGENCE** by deciding what you can do and then giving it all you have to give. You treat each action as important and do things carefully, one step at a time. You don't rush through things. You give them your full attention. **DILIGENCE** takes patience. When you work hard, you can accomplish wonderful things.

What would Diligence look like if…

- You are washing the dishes for your family?
- You are doing an assignment you find boring?
- You want to be a musician?
- Some friends ask you to come out when you have a job to do?
- You feel like taking a break in the middle of a job?
- You have an idea for something you want to build?

Signs of Success are when you…

- Pay attention to what you are doing
- Do things carefully, step by step
- Practice to the point of excellence
- Give your absolute best to what you do
- Work hard

Don't give up

Affirmation: *I am diligent. I work hard. I work carefully. I give my best to whatever I do.*