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2 July 2019 #5 Term 2

Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,
We have come to the end of a really busy and fruitful term for Parkfield Primary School. Thank you to all the Parkfield community that have contributed in any way this term to make it a success.
I hope all families take the opportunity to rest and get their health back to normal after this unique period of illness in our community.

Cyber Safety and appropriate use of Social Media
Every year we have parents bring concerns about other parents and students inappropriately using Social Media. It is very important that parents model and use Social Media appropriately but also know the appropriate age for their children to be using Social Media and apps. All Year 5 and Year 6 students will get an Age Guide to Social Media today from the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner in Canberra.

Is there an age limit for Kids on Social Media?

- The answer is clearly YES. Most media and apps require users to be a minimum of 13 years old.

Why is it 13?

- This is to comply with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998, a US law preventing the collection and storage of personal information from a child under 12.

A great deal of Social Media use by children can start out harmless but may eventually result in online exclusion or abuse.
A recent example of this is the online social media platform Tik Tok. We have students at Parkfield using this even though it is intended for people over the age of 16. Its terms of service specify that it will terminate users accounts if it learns that they are under 16 years old. However, the app doesn't ask the users age on signing up.

We are hopeful that all parents will continue to monitor their children's Social Media sites as well as not using them themselves inappropriately to make ill-informed comments.
The website https://www.esafety.gov.au/ is an outstanding resource, a must see for all parents and highly recommended.

School Reports
On Wednesday afternoon, the 3rd of July 2019 you will receive your child's Semester One Report.

If your child receives **Excellent** (Years PP-2)**/A** (Years 3-6) or **High Achievement** (Years PP-2)**/B** (Years 3-6) for a learning area, it means that they are doing extraordinarily well within their year level across the state.

If your child receives **Satisfactory** (Years PP-2) or **C** (Years 3-6) for a learning area, then this is considered competent achievement for their year level across the state. **Most** students in a class and across the state will achieve Satisfactory or a C. It is the expected standard for that year level.

The scale below is used to describe your child's progress in attitude, behaviour and effort.

Consistently: Means your child is **always** showing that behaviour or effort.

Often: means your child is **frequently** showing that behaviour or effort

Sometimes: means your child is **occasionally** showing that behaviour or effort

Seldom: means your child is **rarely** showing that behaviour or effort

If you have any concerns about your child's achievement or effort level, please discuss it with their classroom teacher.

School Buildings out of bounds
A reminder to all parents and students that the school buildings are out of bounds during the school holidays. Please use the oval and basketball courts but keep away from the buildings.

Term 3 commences for students on Tuesday 23rd July 2019.

Thank you.
Charlie Serravite
Principal

Down in the Art Room.....

NAIDOC Week runs from the first to the second Sunday of July, and this year the theme is "Voice, Treaty, Truth". The acronym NAIDOC stands for "National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee", and has become the title for the week of celebrations, observances and activities. In recognition of this week, the Australind Public Library is planning a display of children's artwork which celebrates our Indigenous culture. Several of our Year Four students will have their "Sand Symbols" work on display at the library over the holidays and I encourage you to pop in for a visit to view their lovely artwork.

VOICE TREATY TRUTH 07 - 14 JULY 2019 Let's work together for a shared future.

Julie Astill –Arts Specialist

Music Notes

with Mrs Luke

Congratulations to **Braydon Harford** in Year 6 and **Amelia Bakker** in Year 5 who have joined the Parkfield Concert Band. You are very welcome.
D.R.U.M, Ukulele and the two Choirs are working hard for the Performing Arts Assembly next term. We are very excited!

Classroom Cash Promotion, We Won

A big thank you again to everyone who helped out with this competition. The school was successful in winning one of the random draw prizes of **$750.00**.

MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Awards at the last assembly;
Max Thorpe, Tahlia Johnson, Ryan Biddle, Amelia Gjengsto, Jessica Andrews, Jade Yorath, Darby Philpott, Bree Wood, Kate Shackleton, Kezia Trimmings, Seth Adams, Kobe Penman, Oliver Gorham, Jacob Birch, Ethan McLoughlin, Blake Kimber, Wil Thiecke, Mia Gjengsto, Ariana Meads, Mitchell Bowles, Jayden Oliver, Holly McKenzie, Jacob Allan, Oscar Yeates, Maya Van de Berg, Indi McMullen, Piper Briggs, Tia Walton, Holly Stubbs, Charlotte Eames, Jordan Gangur, Ella Melvin, Emmett Mackean and Buster Turner.
Specialist Awards – Japanese: Charlotte Eames, Natasha Page, Lily Cresswell, Benn Hammersley. **Visual Arts:** Tess Rosenhart, Ben Moloney. **Physical Education:** Tia Walton, Blake Kimber. **Science:** Alice Jenkins, Mitchell Bowles, Jordanna Stokes. **Music:** Garreth Bernardi, Taje Whitelaw, Natasha Page.

Lost Property

We have several pairs of glasses in our lost property box in the front office, along with a child's watch.

Sports Update

Interschool Cross Country
The Interschool Cross Country which was cancelled last week due to possible storms, will be held this Wednesday. Our 32 Parkfield students from Years 3-6 will be competing in the annual **Bunbury Districts Interschool Cross Country,** which will be held at Adam Road Primary. The races commence at 10:00am and the distances range from 1800m to 2300m. There will be around 25 other schools competing, so there may be up to 100 competitors in each race. Well done to all the competitors that have been braving the cold mornings for training. Your commitment is appreciated and we wish you all the best in your race. Spectators are most welcome to attend and support our students.
Thank you.
Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher

Gifted Students and Motivation

Gifted children are often intrinsically motivated, that is, their motivation for learning comes from within. They learn best when they have an intrinsic desire to learn or to do something. In fact, of all the words used to describe gifted children, *intense* would be the most common.
Intense passions, intense emotions, intense sense of justice, intense reactions and an intense need to know. If given the opportunity, these children will follow their passions with an intense and obsessive interest. Parents can provide valuable opportunities to allow gifted students to follow their own interests. Drafting a simple research project for your child can be an exciting adventure. It gives students, for example, opportunities to write simple research question, to develop note taking skills and to develop communication skills. Why not send the end result of such research to school for sharing?
Maree Quinn – PEAC Coordinator

P&C DAY WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Join us to celebrate P&C Day WA, the one day dedicated to recognising what our P&C does every day.

When: Friday 26th July 2019
Where: Parkfield Assembly Area
Time: 2.00pm – 3.00pm

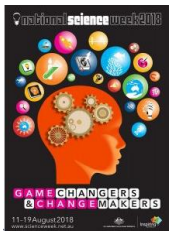
Come and enjoy an afternoon tea celebrating the achievements of the Parkfield P&C.

Footy Colours Day on Friday

Due to the Fremantle and West Coast Derby next Saturday, students can wear the colours of their favourite winter sporting code on Friday. It can be AFL, soccer, netball, rugby etc. This **is not** a day where we will be collecting any money.

Science Snippets from Mrs Brooks

Science week is Week 4 of Term 3 and there will be various activities throughout the week for students to participate in. The Year 6 students will be running science activity rotations for Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 classes on Wednesday the 14th August 2019.



Science Week Competitions for students in Year 4 and Year 5.
What? – Make a Science diorama (a 3D display) or a poster (A3 or A4) that shows some Science learning that they have done this year or in previous years. Some examples of big learning ideas covered - forces, light energy, heat energy, water in our world, changes to our Earth. (Mrs Brooks will provide more details to these students this week including the prizes for each year level.)
When? – Dioramas need to be completed and brought to school on the morning of Monday 12th August 2019 and delivered to Mrs Brooks in the Undercover area. Entries will be on display during Science week.

We successfully applied to be involved in the *Western Power Circuit Breakers* STEM project. We have received 35 micro:bit mini computers to use for simple coding and programming activities. Mr Sullivan's Year 5 students in Room 17 will trial the activities next term. Stay tuned for updates.

P&C News

A huge thank you to everyone who purchased tickets in our wood raffle. We had a wonderful response. A huge thank you again to Mauretta Scanlan and Brenton Myles for our wonderful trailer load of wood. Congratulations to our winners. They were: **1st Prize - Lachlan Willcox, 2nd Prize - Jo.**

Penny War in Week 3 Next Term

We are running a Penny War in Week 3 starting Monday 5th – Friday 9th August in the Undercover area from 8.15am - 8.45am. It's more of a strategy game than the 5 cent challenge. We are still running that as normal for the Kindys and Pre Primary rooms. Each class in Years 1 – 6 will have their own container to collect coins. **Add points** to your class by adding 5c coins and gold coins to your class's container. **Subtract points** from other class totals by adding silver coins to their class's container.

POINTS

Adding
5c coin (+5 points)
$1 coin (+100 points)
$2 coin (+200 points)

Subtracting
10c coin (-10 points)
20c coin (-20 points)
50c coin (-50 points)

There is a prize for the class with the most points and another for the class with the most $$ raised.

Uniform Donations Needed

Do you have any uniforms that your children have out grown and are taking up valuable space? Please consider donating these back to the Uniform Shop to sell to other Parkfield families. We only have a very small supply of second hand uniforms available and in particular, need additional smaller sized items. Please drop any donations off at the front office. Thank you.

Chaplain's Chat

This fortnight, we're looking at helping your kids feel unconditionally loved.

- Tell your kids that your love does not depend upon their performance at school or sport. Tell them too, that it doesn't depend on their music, friends, beliefs or behaviour.
- Make a clear distinction between not loving a particular one of their actions versus not loving them.
- Don't confuse unconditional love with trying to be their 'pal' rather than their parent.
- Surprise them by doing spontaneous kind acts for them.
- Avoid saying "I love you, but...", try to let the phrase stand alone to show that your love doesn't depend on any other factor.

Geoff Harrison - Chaplain

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Circle of Security Parenting Series

This group program is an 8 week course facilitated by qualified professionals. The program is offered **free** to parents/carers of children 0 to 5 years, who want to: Understand their child's emotional world by learning to read the emotional needs, support their child's ability to successfully manage emotions and enhance the development of their child's self-esteem.

Dates: Wednesdays 31st July to 18th September (8 weeks). **Time:** 9.30am to 11.30am. **Location:** Leschenault Leisure Centre, Australind. Onsite crèche is available, bookings are essential.

For expressions of interest please email:
Claire.philipps@health.wa.gov.au
Presented by Claire Philipps and Meg Armstrong, Child Health Nurses.

Government of Western Australia
WA Country Health Service

Tickets: $30 on sale via
www.bunburyentertainment.com .

What's On the Noticeboard?

Garfield's Learnaversity – July Vacation Care Program. Lots of exciting activities over the 2 weeks. Book early to avoid disappointment. Phone: 9725 8251.

Parkfield Galley

Thank you to the volunteers who helped in the canteen during Term 2. Your time was greatly appreciated. Please see the new roster for Term 3 and contact Eryn on 0406 425 560 to book in a time slot.

Week 2 Monday 29/7/19 – Friday 2/8/19 **Room PP3**
Week 3 Monday 5/8/19 – Friday 9/8/19 **Room PP2**
Week 4 Monday 12/8/19 – Friday 16/8/19 **Room PP1**

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Open Mondays
8.45am - 9.15am
and Wednesdays
2.45pm - 3.15pm
Room 11, Block 4

EFTPOS is now available with minimum limit of $10.00. No PayPass. Danielle can be contacted on 0408 027 709. Thank you.

OSHClub

Before & After School Care

This fortnight at OSHClub we have been focusing on family feedback and child suggestions to plan our program and curriculum. This has meant the learning experiences and resources are specifically planned with children's strengths and interests in mind, leading to a very engaging program for the OSH children.

Our sustainability project is still going strong with our children using boxes and many other different recycled materials to build, design and express themselves creatively. This has included sock puppets, box transformers, box boats, newspaper hats, box unicorns and houses. We also trialled making our own glue (using just flour and water) which was a huge success meaning we are saving money and being sustainable at the same time.

We were lucky enough to have an incursion with Janine from the Water Corporation on Thursday 27th June. This gave us great water saving tips and we got to explore and experiment how much water different sponges could hold. Janine also gave us all a little gift before she left - egg timers so we can all practise saving water at home by having 4 minute showers.

Wishing all our families a safe and happy holidays. Thank you for supporting Parkfield OSHClub.
We look forward to seeing you all in Term 3
Please remember to be water wise!!!!

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OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

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.

Virtue For The Fortnight - Respect

RESPECT is an attitude of caring about people and treating them with dignity**. RESPECT** is valuing ourselves and others. We show **RESPECT** by speaking and acting with courtesy. When we are **RESPECTFUL** we treat others as we want to be treated**. RESPECT** includes honouring the rules of our family or school which make life more orderly and peaceful. It is knowing that every man, woman and child deserves **RESPECT**, including you. Without **RESPECT** for rules, we would have confusion. People would treat each other rudely and violate each other's privacy and other rights. **RESPECT** helps people to feel valued. Elders deserve special **RESPECT** because they have lived longer and learned many of life's lessons. **SELF–RESPECT** is making sure no one hurts you or abuses you, even an elder. When you **RESPECT** yourself, others **RESPECT** you too. Think about how you would like others to treat you and treat them with the same dignity. How would you like others to speak to you, treat your belongings, and your right to privacy? If you want to use someone else's things, ask, and then take good care of them. Express even your strongest feeling in a peaceful way. Treat yourself as you feel others deserve to be treated. You deserve it too!

What would Respect look like if...

- You want to use your friend's bike but they are not around to ask?
- Your grandparents come over and start giving you advice?
- You find yourself talking back to a teacher?

Signs of Success are when…

- Treat others as you want to be treated
- Speak courteously to everyone
- Take special care of other people's belongings
- Are receptive to the wisdom of elders
- Honour the rules of your family, school and nation

Affirmation: I am respectful. I treat others and myself as we deserve to be treated. I show courtesy to others.