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**30 May 2017** **#3 Term 2**

Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,
We would like to welcome Mr Shane Maher and Mr Gavin Knepscheld to our teaching staff and Parkfield community. Mr Maher and Mr Knepscheld will be sharing Room 13 Year 4/5 class.

We would like to sincerely congratulate all the students that were Parkfield School Award winners last Friday. It is inspiring to see so many students rewarded for upholding our Virtues and setting an excellent example for the rest of the school.

As winter sets upon us we move into an important phase in the school year where teachers are assessing and reporting on student progress for the mid semester report. Attendance is a critical component for students' school improvement and studies clearly show the link between excellent attendance and excellent school progress.

**Australind Senior High School (ASHS) Parent Information Evening for Parents of Year 5 and Year 6 Students.**
On Monday the **12th of June** in the **Parkfield Library** at **6:00 pm** we will be holding an *ASHS Parent Information* evening hosted by the Principal of ASHS, Mr Dominic Camera. This is an excellent opportunity for parents to come and hear about ASHS and the types of programs offered for children. This will be a lead in to the **ASHS Open Day** on **Thursday 22nd of June** where the school will be open to prospective parents and students from **11:00 am until 6:00 pm.** Please RSVP to the Parkfield front office on 97258135.

## Harvey Shire Request

The Harvey Shire has asked that all community members keep away from the new skate park until all the facilities have been completed in 6 weeks. It is still a construction site and not safe for the public to use.

## Crazy Hair/Hat Day

The Student Council will be running a fundraising activity on **this Friday June 2nd** to raise money for Abrar (a child in Sudan) and her community through Plan International.
Students are invited to design and make a crazy hat or style their hair in a crazy fashion. (Colouring products are not to come to school).
**A Gold coin donation from those participating would be appreciated.**

## 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 **enrolled** in 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 our current Kindergarten children must advise the office now, if your child is continuing on to Pre Primary at Parkfield in 2018.

## Western Australia Day Public Holiday

A reminder to all families that next Monday 5th of June is a Public Holiday. Western Australia Day (formerly known as Foundation Day) is a public holiday in Western Australia, celebrated on the first Monday in June each year to commemorate the founding of the Swan River Colony in 1829.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

***PRIDE* - 誇り** **RESPECT - 敬意** **INITIATIVE -自発**

## Notes" from the Music Room...

This is a reminder about 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.

Our Instrumental students have been busy practicing their flutes, clarinets and trumpets for their Semester 1 assessments.

Hopefully, if you have one of these students in your family, you've noticed how far they've progressed since the start of the year. You will be able to hear them play at the Performing Arts Assembly in Term 3, Week 2 during the usual assembly time.
The Choirs, Ukulele Band and D.R.U.M. groups will perform too. Some of Mrs Coppen's dance groups will also entertain us.
Last Friday we had a little sing-a-long session during the Whole School Assembly. It was fun to see many of the junior students playing instruments for one of our favourite songs "Maggalina Haggalina".

Happy Music Making.....Mrs Jodie Rogers

## SPORTS UPDATE

**HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY START TIME IS NOW 1:15pm**
This week on **Thursday June 1st**, we have our annual **House Cross Country** event, which involves all students in **Years 3 - 6**.
If your child is unable to participate for a certain reason, please provide a note to their classroom teacher. Students have already walked the track and please be aware that they will be leaving school grounds to run the cross country track. Teachers and adult supervisors will be positioned around the track to ensure the students' safety.

The Years 3-4 track is approximately 1000m and Years 5-6 track approximately 2000m. **The event will commence on the school oval at 1:15pm**, with Year 3 students running first.
Students finishing in the top five for their event will receive a place ribbon. The winner will also receive a championship medallion to proudly hang around their neck.
Best of luck to all students and remember to pace yourself.

*Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher*

## Canteen Helpers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to help in the canteen for the DISCO on Wednesday 7th June. Please contact Roz if you are able to assist on **0408 909 141.**

## Down in the Art Room with

There are several amazing new artworks on display around the school this week. Some very special students have had their work selected for display in the front office and the Art room and would love to have the opportunity of sharing it with you.
Please pop in for a look.

The Year One students have been busy creating class murals. Each class shared a different Dreamtime story, and then painted one of the characters from the story. The students also painted and collaged the background for the mural. Their efforts are impressive, and I encourage you to go and have a close look at the detail included in their paintings.

### Year One's Tree Planting Experience

On Tuesday 6th June all the Year One students will be participating in a "Tree Planting Experience". This activity aligns with World Environment Day and our whole school approach to sustainability education.
Classes will be involved with planting a variety of native plants from 2-3pm in the gardens near the administration block. Please be aware that the front carpark will be blocked off to ensure the safety of our students.

Frances Scibilia and Jasman Anderson

## Australind Senior High School

*"Growing Remarkable People"*

## OPEN DAY

**Thursday 22 June**
**11am – 6pm**

- Meet your child's teachers
- Collect your child's report
- Careers information and advice
- Year 10 information sessions: What does ASHS offer for Years 11 and 12?
- Displays and performances
- Live music
- Refreshments available

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Stay connected on the ASHS app available free from the APP store

And on the web @ www.australind.wa.edu.au

And on Facebook

All enquiries to the school
**9797 4400**

# Parkfield Primary School's
## Positive Parenting Seminar
***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 |
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| **Parkfield PS** | **Tuesdays June 13th/20th/27th** | **1.15pm to 2.45pm** | **Creche available 9795 2888** |

# Book Fair - May 2017

A huge thank you to all our wonderful families at Parkfield for your support. We had a successful Book Fair and now have extra funds to buy more books for our children to read and enjoy!

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.

It is so important to encourage children to enjoy reading and our Book Fairs are the perfect place to do just that!

Mrs Moran and the Library Team

Thank you so much to the community of Parkfield Primary for so generously supporting Justine's medical movie fundraiser of Beauty and the Beast. Justine is soon to receive the help she needs. Thank you for your kindness.
Justine and Robyn

# Chaplain's Chat

## TIPS FOR GOOD BEHAVIOUR

### Get Down To Your Child's Level.

When you get close to your children you can tune in to what they might be feeling or thinking. Being close also helps them focus on what you're saying about their behaviour. If you're close to your children and have their attention, you don't need to make them look at you.

It is so important to build a good relationship with your children early. Building a good parent/child relationship now will serve you well in the future. Children will be more likely to seek out your guidance as they grow up, if you have built a good relationship with them.

*Geoff Harrison*
*Chaplain.*

# 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
We have had a wonderful response from the community offering to help with the busy bee and with the 25th Birthday Committee. We are excited to say that Bunnings Treendale have offered to come on board to help us achieve our goal of revitalizing the floor art and four-squares around the school.

We raised $650.00 in the wood raffle. Many thanks to the wonderful helpers with this fundraiser.

We are still on the lookout for a fundraising coordinator. Please contact us if you would like further information.

Our canteen is looking for someone that may be able to do pick-ups from the Foodbank in Halifax once a week. If you are able to assist please contact Roz in the canteen.

Kind Regards
Catherine Stevens
parkfieldpandc@gmail.com
0439973969

Find us on Facebook

# OSHClub

Before & After School Care

This fortnight at OSHClub we have been busy watching puppet shows performed by the OSHClub children as well as icing and decorating biscuits, which looked and tasted amazing. On Thursday 25th May we were lucky enough to have our first incursion. Nathan Douch from the Leschenault Cricket Club kindly visited to teach us some cricket skills.

The children really enjoyed getting active and learning new skills.

If you have any enquiries regarding OSHClub 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

## 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 6**:
Monday 29/5/17 to Friday 2/6/17 **Room 6**
**Week 7:**
Tuesday 6/6/17 to Friday 9/6/17 **Room 5**
**Week 8:**
Monday 12/6/17 to Friday 16/6/17 **Room 4**

Helping Hands

**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 - PATIENCE

**PATIENCE** is being calm and tolerant when difficult things happen. It means showing acceptance when you or others make mistakes. **PATIENCE** is doing something now so that later it will bear fruit, like planting a seed and waiting for it to grow. **PATIENCE** is a commitment to the future. Without **PATIENCE** people want everything NOW. They complain when unpleasant things cannot be helped. They act mad when things don't go their way. When people practice **PATIENCE**, they can wait without complaining. They forgive others and themselves for mistakes. They make the world a kinder, gentler place. Practicing **PATIENCE** is accepting things you cannot control, like the way other people act, or even an illness or handicap you have to live with. **PATIENCE** is waiting without complaining. When you are patient, you show gentleness when you or others make mistakes. You set goals and persevere until your goals are won. You picture the end in the beginning. You know that good things take time.

**What would PATIENCE look like if…..**

- Your mother is very late picking you up?
- You decide you want to be a lawyer when you grow up?
- You want to grow some vegetables?
- You have an illness that keeps you from playing sport?
- You start to get annoyed when your sister forgets to put back something she borrowed?

**Signs of Success are when you:**

- Calmly tolerate a delay or confusion
- Are willing to wait for things you want
- Set goals and stick with them until they are finished
- Accept things you cannot change with humour and grace
- Are tolerant when mistakes are made

**Affirmation:** I am patient. I am gentle with others and myself when we make mistakes. I wait calmly. I trust that things will turn out right.