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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

After two very successful school House Athletic Carnivals in the last fortnight, 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 Trevor Sleight and Mrs Debbi Dyer 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. For a school of nearly 600 students, we only have a very small band of dedicated community members and parents that carry the weight. We would still like to see many more parents helping out in the future, even for an hour where possible.

Our successful students are now off to the Tuart Interschool Athletics Carnival.

Money stolen at Senior Sports Carnival

An abhorrent and disturbing theft of money occurred at the carnival in one of the spectator tents. We are very disappointed and heartbroken that a Parkfield parent would do such a thoughtless thing to another Parkfield community member. Police are investigating the issue. Thankfully this is a very rare occurrence and doesn't reflect the positive values of our Parkfield Community.

School Contributions

Thank you to the parents who have paid their school contributions. We would like to take this opportunity to encourage those families who still have not paid, to consider payment as soon as possible.

Contributions received to date:

Kindy	66.66%
Pre Primary	71.04%
Years 1 to 6	69.72%

New School Telephone Number

Due to the installation of our new telephone system our telephone number has changed to 9796 5900. Please update your contacts in your phone to reflect this change. Also please note our fax machine has been disconnected.

Class Placements for 2019

It is that time of the year where we seek information from parents to assist us in placing students in classes for 2019. The information that we are requiring is to assist us in making the best placements for all students. Issues such as student conflicts, parental conflicts in the community, extended family issues, twins, cousins etc. are all relevant.

Please note:

1. This is an opportunity for Parkfield parents to communicate with us appropriate requests and with it comes a responsibility. Please **do not** come and see us at the beginning of 2019 to question placements. You must take the opportunity to write to us now.

2. Teaching placements are subject to change for next year. Therefore naming individual teachers will not be acknowledged as this makes the complex task of placements unmanageable and will result in requests being disregarded.

3. Due to the confidential nature of the written requests, we will not be sharing the information. Therefore, a level of trust in our professional judgement is required.

4. Previous arrangements are null and void and parents **must reapply each year** as circumstances do change.

Parents are invited to submit written submissions only with respect to class placements. The submissions must be based on educational reasons, addressed to "The Principal" and marked "Confidential".
Submissions for 2019 will close **3:00pm Friday the 16th November 2017.**

New Sensory Path

A huge thank you to the Parkfield Education Assistants and Special Needs Assistants that have given up their personal time after school to design and paint a new sensory pathway for our students. Thank you very much ladies on behalf of the school community for your initiative and drive.

Thank you.
Charlie Serravite
Principal

Sports Update

HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVALS RESULTS

Junior House Carnival PP-3

1st – **Naturaliste** (442 pts)
2nd – Henton (319 pts)
3rd – Geographe (317 pts)
4th – Marshall (303 pts)

Senior House Carnival Yrs. 4-6

1st – **Naturaliste** (470.5 pts)
2nd – Marshall (430.5 pts)
3rd – Henton (388 pts)
4th – Geographe (315 pts)

The Champions

Year 4 Girls – **Shaylee Holden** (25pts) R/U **Cleo Beard** (23pts)
Year 4 Boys – **Ethan Eckersley** (20pts) R/U **Josh Manson** (18pts)
Year 5 Girls – **Abbey Turbett** (34pts) R/U **Mia Repacholi** (15pts)
Year 5 Boys – **Tyler Webb** (44pts) R/U **Elai Bennetts** (18pts)
Year 6 Girls – **Imogen Soulos** (28.5pts) R/U **Elektra Hogermeer** (15.5pts)
Year 6 Boys – **Jarrod Dickson** (31pts) R/U **Nelson Waters** (17pts)

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 many ways, 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 6th and the track and team games events at the **Bunbury Athletics Stadium**, Hay Park on Friday November 9th. All the best to our competitors involved in these events. Spectators are most welcome to attend and support our athletes.

Thank you.

Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher

Is your child currently enrolled in Kindy? Do you want your child to continue into Pre Primary at Parkfield in 2019?

Please call in or contact the office on 97258135 to advise of your intentions for next year. Places do fill quickly, with planning for Pre Primary 2019 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.

Chaplain's Chat

Why parents should talk less

Yes, good parenting does involve plenty of talking. We talk with our kids about their day, their dreams, their friends and their concerns. But in the areas of parenting that involve training, discipline and correction, less talking really is better. If you find that you repeat yourself on a point of training or discipline, then it's clear that what you're saying isn't working. Teaching kids through the consequences of their choices is highly effective. There is a good reason for this: Words that threaten or warn may create shame and frustration, but a clear consequence leads to change.

How children really learn

Many loving parents have developed a habit of talking to their children as part of their commitment to being present and available. They want to convey to their child, "I'm here, I'm watching, and I love you." This is normal and healthy in many areas of parenting, but when it comes to correction and discipline, the over-talking needs to stop. Research has consistently shown that children learn about eight times better from primary experiences than they do from secondary experiences. A primary experience is something that happens to us, (being booked for speeding) and a secondary experience is something we hear about. (Police are out in force this weekend) The ticket that costs something will prompt actual change.

Omit needless words

So how do we help kids have more primary experiences so they learn how to make good decisions? Start by eliminating counterproductive words. One of the biggest discipline errors parents make is to repeatedly use reminders, threats and warnings: "Don't forget to take out the trash." Threats, warnings and reminders all tell our children that they have failed in the past, are failing in the present or will fail in the future. This doesn't help kids grow up. If their mistakes don't cost they are unlikely to learn. Why do we interfere with children paying the cost of choices they have made? We are robbing our kids of their chance to mature.

A reasonable cost

Kids learn best from brief and costly consequences that aren't excessive or dangerous. There are two kinds of consequences: natural and rule-based. A natural consequence is when a child who rejects his mother's advice to carry an umbrella on a rainy day gets wet. A rule-based consequence is one where a child who doesn't complete her chores loses time playing video games.

Is it really that simple?

Geoff Harrison
Chaplain.

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DOWN IN THE ART ROOM.....

Stirling Street Arts Centre has just released its program for the **2019 Bunbury Summer School**. Running from the 7th - 20th January 2019 it encompasses history, culture, music, dance, drama, and most importantly, an impressive array of visual arts classes. Brochures are available from the Arts Centre, or can be viewed online. I've been attending Summer School since its inception and have found the classes to be a lot of fun and very worthwhile.

Jacksons Drawing Supplies are running a colouring competition that is open to all ages. Twelve Faber-Castell prize packs valued at over $95 will be presented to the lucky winners. The colouring sheet and the terms and conditions for the competition can be obtained from Ms Astill in the Art Room on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays.

OSHClub
Before & After School Care

Welcome back to Term 4!

We had a nice surprise when we came back to Term 4 with a new room layout, it gives us more space and freedom to play more effectively.

Here at OSHClub we have been extremely busy learning about Spring. As part of this, we have completed the following activities - Spring banner, Spring display table, planting and gardening, pressing flowers, map of local birds and bird feeders to promote bird visits in our natural environment. We even accessed our wonderful school library to borrow resources to learn more about our theme.

We continued our interest in Minecraft with some role playing activities. We loved using sand for some sensory play and we created some spring wall hangers by using wool and sticks.

Finally, we have some exciting news. OSHClub has joined the virtual world with a Facebook account. Please follow to ensure you can keep up with specials and updates.
Looking forward to another amazing term!

Kind Regards,
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PLEASE HELP US PLAN FOR 2019

If your children will not be attending Parkfield next year, or you know of children who are currently not enrolled for 2019 and plan to attend, please let the school know as soon as possible.

BOOK FAIR – Week 5

Dear Parents,
A Scholastic Book Fair is a fun event at our school that will enable a hands-on experience where our students can discover a love of books and ignite a life-long passion for reading.
After all, children read more, understand more, and are more likely to continue reading when they have access to many books and have the opportunity to choose what they read.
A huge selection of Australian authors and illustrators are available - look for the map of Australia icon!

Our theme for this terms Book Fair is –
To the Book Fair and Beyond!

Reading is out of this World! So let's celebrate a whole galaxy of books to be discovered at the Fair!
See you at the Library for a wonderful November Book Fair!!

Mrs Moran and the Library Team
PS - Every purchase you make earns rewards for our School!

LPA ANNUAL COMMUNITY DAY

SATURDAY 10TH NOV 2018
3pm-6pm
Settlers Hall
Marine Dr Leschenault

HARVEY LIONS TRAIN, FACE PAINTING, BOUNCY CASTLE
LIVE MUSIC, LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUP STALLS
BRING A PICNIC ALONG TO ENJOY SOME LIVE MUSIC WITH YOUR FAMILY OR;
GET A ROAST BEEF AND GRAVY ROLLS FOR $5.00 OR WITH DRINK $6.00
TEA, COFFEE, SOFT DRINKS AND WATER AVAILABLE FOR $2.00
TO BOOK A STALL OR FOR MORE INFO
PLEASE CONTACT EVA HUDSON: 0449 227 475

What's on the Noticeboard?

Lunar Circus Summer School and International Training Project will be held from the 7th – 17th January 2019 at Karridale, Margaret River. Circus classes all day. Flying trapeze, acrobatics, aerials and more. Onsite camping, restaurant and café. Please visit www.lunarcircus.com for further information.

WA Aerial Fitness Studio located at Unit 3, 14 Rose Street Bunbury. Offer school holiday programs, birthday parties, acrobatics and circus school. Phone 0414 899 295.

The Athlete's Foot located at the Bunbury Forum Shopping Centre. Every time you buy a pair of shoes from the Athlete's Foot **$5.00** will be donated back to Parkfield PS. This applies to the whole family.
*Visit www.theathletesfoot.com.au/school-rewards for more details.

Thank you Bunnings Treendale

Thank you to the wonderful Bunnings Treendale staff that came to Parkfield to seal our 25th Anniversary brick pavers. They look amazing and we very much appreciate the support.

Southwest Indian Group (SWIG)

You are invited to the Bunbury Diwali 2018 – Festival of Lights**.** To be held on the **17th November 2018**, 4.00pm onwards at the Italian Club, 13 White St. Bunbury. Indian Buffet Dinner, Stalls, Indian fashion parade, Bollywood fusion, Fire dancers, Henna, Indian dances and more…….. Please visit www.swig.org.au for more information and tickets.

Classroom Roster for Canteen Volunteers

Term 4

Week 5 Monday 05/11 – Friday 09/11 **Room 10**
Week 6 Monday 12/11 – Friday 16/11 **Room 9**
Week 7 Monday 19/11 – Friday 23/11 **Room 8**

Please contact Eryn in the Galley to book a suitable day. Any help in greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Parkfield Primary School P&C

ECOEZI Shopping Wallets ($15)

Contains 10 re-usable bags
You will always remember your shopping bags if you purchase an ECOEZIShopping Wallet.

The wallet is:

Compact and lightweight, small enough to fit in your glove box or handbag.
Stores 10 re-usable bags
Completely machine washable and quick drying
Extremely strong and durable, each bag can hold approx. 12kg.
Available to purchase from the Front Office (cash only) or Uniform Shop.

Bike, skateboard and scooters – where can they play?

For most children, riding on their bike, skateboard or scooter with their friends is a great past time. Quiet streets and driveways have been popular choices in the past. However, these are designed for cars and not as play areas. Here are some places you can suggest your children play on their bikes, skateboards and scooters:

- Backyard
- Oval or park
- Bike training tracks/facilities
- Bike paths

Maree Quinn
Road Safety Coordinator

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.

Virtue For The Fortnight - Compassion

COMPASSION is having kind feelings toward someone who is hurt or troubled. It is caring deeply and wanting to help, even if you don't know them. It is being kind and forgiving to someone who has hurt you. When people feel hurt or in trouble, they often feel alone. Feeling alone can make things even worse. Without **COMPASSION** the world is a hard and lonely place. Being **COMPASSIONATE** helps us to feel less alone. **COMPASSION** helps us to be understanding of others and ourselves. **COMPASSION** begins by noticing when someone seems sad or troubled. Put yourself in their place and ask how you would feel if it were happening to you. Think about how you can help. Take time to listen, and say kind things like "What are you sad about?" and "How can I help?" Be forgiving when others make mistakes. Be a friend when someone needs a friend.

What would Compassion look like if...

- Your dog is caught up in his leash?
- A friend is confused about what the teacher said?
- Your mother is sick in the hospital?
- A new student is lonely and feels left out?
- Your father seems really tired after work?
- Your brother's best friend just moved away?

Signs of Success are when….

- Notice when someone is hurt or needs a friend
- Imagine how they must be feeling
- Take time to show that you care
- Ask how they are and listen patiently
- Forgive others when they make mistakes

Affirmation: I have compassion. I notice when someone is hurt or needs my help. I take the time to show that I care.