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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

Welcome back to what is an ever changing landscape in our lives and in education due to COVID-19. Thank you to all our school community members for adhering to government protocols.

We would like to especially welcome all our new families to Parkfield and congratulate all staff, students and parents on the smooth start to Term Two. We are very proud of our school and The Parkfield Way. Our expectations of ourselves and our students are high and we work together as a community to achieve the best outcomes possible for each student.

2022 Kindergarten Enrolments

Applications for enrolments for children entering Kindergarten in the 2022 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.

Little Learners

Our Little Learners program is full and we are now placing any enrolments received on a wait list. This is a non-compulsory, school funded program.

Year Six School Camp

I would like to sincerely thank all the Parkfield Staff that organised, supported and attended the Year Six Camp. There is an amazing amount of preparation that goes in to managing all our students' personal information, specific health and dietary issues, arranging daily camp programmes, travel to camp and still teach each day. Thank you again to all staff involved for your commitment to our students.

A big thank you to the wonderful parent helpers that added so much to the camp and to all the Year Six students for their participation, determination and enthusiasm to have a go.
We would also like to thank DARE Adventure camp for their excellent hospitality.

W.A. Day ~ Kids Art Competition

The Stirling St. Arts Centre is running an art competition for students in primary and secondary schools, to be held on the weekend of the W.A. Day long weekend. There is no fixed theme, and you can submit any drawing, painting or textile artwork that you have created. Entry forms and further information about the competition can be found on the Stirling St. Arts Centre website.

Aliens and Astronauts Day Wednesday 19th May

To celebrate the National Simultaneous Story Reading day, Parkfield is having an Aliens and Astronauts dress up day. Join in the fun, and come dressed up as a creature or an object from outer space or an astronaut ready for a space adventure.

Term Two Upcoming School Events

- Mother's Day Stalls 6th & 7th May
- NAPLAN 10th to 14th May
- National Simultaneous Story Day 19th May
- P&C Winter Raffle 20th to 28th May
- House Cross Country Years 3 to 6, 27th May
- Disco 17th June

Upcoming Term Three Highlights

- Junior School Colour Run 5th August
- Senior School Colour Run 6th August
- Father's Day Stall 2nd & 3rd September
- Open Night 15th September

Kind regards,

Charlie Serravite
Principal

Australian Early Development Census

In 2021, our school, along with thousands of others across the country will begin preparations for the fifth Australian Early Development Census (AEDC). The AEDC gives us a national picture of the development, health and wellbeing of children in their first year of full-time school. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and develop better policies to target support for children and families. Children don't miss any class time, and parents/carers don't need to supply schools with any new information for the census. The AEDC gives us data at a school and community level – it isn't an assessment of individual children. Participation in the AEDC is voluntary. Parents/carers don't need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census. To find out more about the census and how communities are using the data to help children and families visit the AEDC website: www.aedc.gov.au. If you have any questions, you can contact Deputy Principal, Rachael Harper on 9796 5900 or email parkfield.ps.admin@education.wa.edu.au

Thank you.

Sports Update

This term all students in Years 3-6 will be competing in the **House Cross Country**. **It will be held in Week 6 on Thursday 27th May**, commencing at 1:15pm on the school oval. The distance for the Year 3 and 4 students is about 1000m. The Year 5 and 6 course will be about 2000m.

There will be separate races for boys and girls and each year level. More information will follow closer to the event. In the meantime, I encourage all students to put in some training, to help build up their endurance and stamina.
Thank you.
Trevor Sleight – PE Teacher

Book Fair – Week 3

3rd May – 6th May

Dear Parents/Caregivers,
The Scholastic Book Fair is like having an exciting bookstore coming into our school. Each student is given a time to visit and explore the amazing books on offer.

We will also be open before and after school for families to come into the Library and browse.
All sales from our Fair will assist us to purchase new books for the Library collection for your children to borrow! Please come and support our Fair and discover a galaxy of books. You can also purchase online or use the wish list payment form on the back of the brochure that your child will be bringing home next week. Looking forward to seeing you all at our Book Fair.
Many thanks.
Mrs Moran and the Library Team

Be fitter, healthier and happier!

Is your child……Aged 7-13 years old?
Above a healthy weight?
In need of support to improve eating and activity habits?
The Better Health Program is a free, 10-week online program for children and families. There are weekly online sessions, free resources and weekly coaching calls with a trained and qualified health coach to help keep you on track. To register or find out more please phone 1300 822 953.

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P&C Fundraising

The P&C would like to thank everyone who has supported us so far this year. All money raised is going towards our long term goal of resurfacing the undercover area flooring. We have a very busy term with our upcoming Mother's Day stall and our Winter Raffle, so if anyone can help us in any way please get in touch.

Easter

Thank you to everyone who donated Easter items for our Easter Raffle. It was a huge success and we raised a whopping **$2411.00**. Congratulations to the 65 lucky winners, we hope you enjoyed your prizes.

We would like to again thank **Bakers Delight Bunbury Forum** for donating back to the P&C $2.00 from every hot cross bun pack purchased. We sold 121 packs and raised **$242.00.**

Mother's Day

It's that time again, we are holding our Mother's Day Stall in Week 3. Kindy 1 and Kindy 2 will attend the stall on Thursday 6th May while Kindy 3, Pre-primary to Year 6 attend on Friday the 7th May. Gift prices range from $2.00 - $8.00. There will also be 50 cent chocolates and raffle tickets. We are fortunate enough to have some local businesses donate to the raffle, **Australind Beauty Works, Australind Florist & Benesse Australind**. Check out our Facebook page next week to see these gifts.

Down in the Art Room.....

There will be several new displays of artwork to see in the coming weeks.

In the office we have the Year Two and Four efforts on view. The Year Two students have created some eye-popping 3D hot air balloons, whilst the Year Four students have painted royal portraits as a part of their Art History unit of study.

In the library you will be able to see what the Pre-Primary students were learning about in Visual Arts during Term One. Lines! Lots and lots of lines! The students explored lines through drawing, painting, printmaking and sculpture activities. There will also be a selection of "Curious Creatures" on display, which have been made by the students in Rooms 20, 21 and 22. After weeks of weaving, planning, sculpting and construction, these extraordinary looking creatures have finally escaped from the Art Room.

Cardboard Tube Request

Later in the term the Pre-Primary students will be requiring cardboard tubes to create a sculpture with. The most suitable tubes to use are those that are found in paper towel rolls, as these are soft enough to be cut up. If you are able to collect these over the coming weeks, could you please drop them off at the Art Room?

Julie Astill – Arts Specialist

GARFIELDS LEARNAVERSITY CHILDCARE CENTRE

"Embrace Difference" Autism Awareness Fundraising Fete

Saturday 1st May 2021

10am – 2.00pm

28 Garfield Drive Australind.

Prices range from: $1.00 - $10.00.

Food – sausage sizzle, Indonesian taste testing, sweets stand (cakes, slices etc.)

Activities – face painting, glitter tattoos, colouring in competitions, bubbles, create your own bracelet. $50 note raffle, jellybean guess and lots more. See you at the fete!

JAPANESE VIRTUAL EXCHANGE 2021

After a lot of planning and organising, I am very happy to announce that Parkfield Primary School has its own Exchange School in Japan. The school is called Shimojima Elementary School which is located in Osaka, Japan.

Due to obvious travel restrictions, we are unable to visit the school at this stage, so we have set up a virtual exchange program. Last term, Ms Brown's Year 5 class was fortunate enough to be involved in a live, real-time Zoom call with a Japanese class in Japan.

We started the session together as one class where students from each school gave a short introduction in Japanese and English then we were able to use breakout rooms where students could interact with each other in smaller groups using the iPads. Students from both schools introduced themselves and asked and answered several pre-planned questions in the target language.

Students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and can't wait to do it again.

During Term Two, we plan to organise more live Zoom interactions with other Japanese classes at Parkfield PS. Also, exchange videos of our school, school celebrations and events as well as a possible art project or photographic swap between the two schools.

Sensei Gray – Japanese Teacher

What's on the Noticeboard

Grasshopper Soccer - Soccer fun for girls and boys aged 2 to 12 years. Starting from the 1st May 2021. Call now to book your place on 0404 806 620. facebook.com/grasshoppersoccerbunbury

Bunbury and Setagaya Sister Cities – Calendar of upcoming events to be held over the year. Visit Facebook pages, bunburysistercities and swfestivalofjapan to find out even more.

Chaplain's Chat

Hello everyone,
Welcome back for Term 2.
How wonderful it was to be back at school swapping holiday catch up stories last week. It has been an extra special start of term for me with the opportunity to be a part of the Year 6 camp. First, I had a day here to welcome back students, staff and parents for Term 2 and then I spent the second half of the week in lovely Dwellingup on camp. It was great to try new things and challenge myself while having lots of fun. The weather was absolutely glorious and to top it off, we had a long weekend upon our return.
Hoping you have all had as great a start to the term as me, if not, I hope it turns around quickly for you. Looking forward to what the next fortnight brings.
Until next time,

Warm regards always

Jo Campbell

Chaplain Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

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

EFTPOS is available with minimum limit of $10.00. There is No PayPass. Vanessa can be contacted on 0409 991 408. Thank you

TUNING IN TO TEENS
Parenting Workshop

A free six session parenting program for parents and carers of children aged 10 -16

Would you like to learn how to:

• Communicate with your teen more effectively?
• Help your teen develop coping skills and resilience?
• Learn how to emotion coach your teen through those difficult emotions?
• Understand why your teen behaves as they do?
• Help your teen develop emotional intelligence?

Research has shown that adolescents with higher emotional intelligence:

• Have better concentration at school
• Are more able to cope when upset or angry
• Have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
• Have more stable and satisfying relationships

Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

Where: Lot 208 Youth Inc, Mulgara Street, Australind (Behind Australind shops)
When: Every Tuesday from 25th May – 29th June 2021 (Availability to attend each session is required).
Time: 6pm – 8.30 pm
Cost: FREE
Facilitator: Deb Woods
Phone: 0405 116 553 or **Email:** Parentingways.education@gmail.com

Virtue For The Fortnight - Responsibility

Being **RESPONSIBLE** means that others can depend on you. You are willing to be accountable for your actions. When things go wrong and you make a mistake, you make amends instead of excuses. When you are **RESPONSIBLE**, you keep your agreements. You give your best to any job. **RESPONSIBILITY** is the ability to respond ably. It is a sign of growing up. When you take **RESPONSIBILITY** for your own actions, others can trust you. When people are not **RESPONSIBLE**, they break their promises, fail to do what they said they would do and let people down. People who make excuses instead of amends keep making the same mistakes. When you are **RESPONSIBLE,** you get things done with excellence. When you agree to do something, like homework, watching a younger child, or a job around the house, you take it as your **RESPONSIBILITY**. You don't agree to do things which are too hard, or that you don't really have time for. When you make a mistake, you don't get defensive. You learn from it and you fix it. You are ready and willing to clear up misunderstandings.

What would Responsibility look like if...

- You have a regular job at home and you would rather watch TV or read?
- You have a lot of homework to do but a friend just came to play?
- You just broke something in your friend's house but no one saw you?
- You promised a friend you would get together after school, but then remembered you have another commitment?

Signs of Success are when….

- Take your agreements seriously
- Respond ably by doing things to the best of your ability
- Are willing to do your part
- Admit mistakes without making excuses
- Are willing to make amends
- Give your best to whatever you do

Affirmation: I am *responsible. I give my best to all that I do and keep my agreements. I learn from my mistakes. I am willing to make amends.*