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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

I hope everyone had an enjoyable long weekend.

Last week you were informed that we had a positive COVID-19 case in the school. I would like to sincerely thank Mrs Harper, Mr Brooks, Mrs Quinn and our Admin staff, Mrs Retzlaff and Mrs Anderson who immediately put our COVID-19 response plans into action for a smooth, calm outcome to this news. Thank you to all the parents in Room 6 Year 2 for their support, common sense and flexibility with the situation thrust upon them late in the afternoon. It won't be our last COVID isolation case, but we are confident that our plans and processes do work and we can adapt to any hiccups along the way.

We still have positive cases in the school community and will continue to notify parents/carers immediately if it affects your child's class.

A huge well done and thank you to the majority of Year 3 to 6 students and their families for adhering to the new mask mandate delivered by the State Government. While it may not be to everyone's liking, please remember that the school does not make these decisions. We have had unacceptable behaviour and abuse by a very small number of parents and this will not be tolerated. Police have been called and we will use the full force of the Education Act to keep this minority off our school site. Any poor behaviour whether face to face, by phone or on social media by parents'/caregivers will be taken seriously and followed up immediately.

As you may be aware, WA Health has updated the rules for close contacts of COVID-19 cases linked to schools, based on public health advice. Effective immediately, household members of **close contacts** are no longer required to quarantine along with the close contact.

We understand that a parent or carer may still need to care for a child quarantining, but the rest of the household, including siblings who have not been identified as close contacts, are not required to stay home. It is important that household members of close contacts take extra precautions, where possible with the following steps;

- minimise physical contact with the close contact
- sleep separately from the close contact
- use a separate bathroom from the close contact if possible
- wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser
- cover coughs and sneezes
- regularly clean all surfaces (such as table tops, doorknobs and bathroom fixtures) by using household disinfectant or diluted bleach solution
- wear a mask in shared areas or when caring for other members of the household.

It is important that members of the household monitor for COVID-19 symptoms, and if symptoms develop, get tested immediately. If a person living in the house tests positive to COVID-19, all household members are considered close contacts and will need to quarantine.

School Contributions

We would like to take this opportunity to encourage those families who still have contributions outstanding, to consider payment as soon as possible. Families who may experience difficulty with payment of contributions and charges, and are in receipt of any Centrelink payments, can arrange to complete a Centrepay Application, which is a free direct bill paying service. This form is available from the office.

All the **$60** per child contributions are used to purchase much needed resources for our children.

The Smith Family Scholarships

In 2019, Parkfield Primary School joined the *Learning for Life Program* sponsored by The Smith Family. Selected parents need to meet the criteria to be eligible for a Smith Family scholarship. If you have a Centrelink or Healthcare card, please contact the school to discuss your eligibility.

School Parking Common Sense

Bus bays are for buses only, Staff Carparks are for Parkfield Staff only and 'Kiss and Drop' is exactly as it says, pretty simple really. Thank you to the majority of our Parkfield Community that do the right thing **every day** and use their common sense to keep our students safe.

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite - Principal

Sports Update

This term, students in Years 6 will be participating in the **House Swimming Carnival**. Swim trials for the 50m championship events will take place on carnival day. All other students will compete in 25m events and various novelty events. Permission notes will go home this week.

DATE TO REMEMBER

- House Swimming Carnival Week 8, Friday 25th March.

The Swimming Carnival will be held at the Harvey Town Pool. We hope to see a good crowd at the Carnival, as it really adds to the atmosphere and certainly motivates and encourages the students. Entry is free for spectators and shaded areas are available.

PARENT HELPERS NEEDED

As with all Carnivals, parent help is vital to assist with the smooth running, or should I say swimming, of the event. We still need **four place judges** and a **place recorder**. If you are able to help out with the Swimming Carnival, please contact the school office and leave your name and contact number. Help will be greatly appreciated and is certainly needed.
Thank you.

Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher

Sporting Achievement

Well done Ben!

Ben Harper in Year 5, Room 16, represented the Australind Basketball Associations Under 12's Division 1 team on the weekend of the 5th and 6th of February. Bens team came away Champions after beating Geraldton in the Grand Final by 3 points. Ben is pictured with his GF medal. Ben also recently trialled for and was selected to represent the under 12's South West Slammers team in the up-coming 2022 season.

Cash for Containers

Parkfield is a collection point for the Containers for Change. Please look for the many deposit points around the school and help raise money for our P&C. We have our Containers for Change big green boxes, classroom bags and big blue sulo bins located near the canteen. **Our scheme number is C10313397** if you are depositing directly to vending machines. Please keep this number in a safe place.

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who recently received a Merit Award. Alix McNally, Thea Hodgkiss, Rylan Edwards, Daniel Baum, Harper Smith, Zara Rogers, William Hausen, Casey Vicary, Mikey Alvarado, Sophia Wigmore, Harriette Davies, Levi Fraser, Cleo Dagostino, Zavia Dashwood, Remi Cullen, Callum Willcox, Holly Read, Boston Coyle, Kayla Oliver, Theo Hausen, Josie Andeson, Lacey Rodgers, Cooper Matthews, Bonnie Rhodes, Flynn Adams, Joshua Fahey, Ava Richardson and Gibson Hastie.

Specialist Awards – Physical Education; Bonnie Rhodes and Olivia Rodgers. **Music;** Bonnie Rhodes, Alyssa Woods and Holly Bregazzi. **Visual Arts;** Thea Hodgkiss, Aoibheann Kallis and Monty Windsor. **Science;** Casey Vicary and Angus Bankier. **Measurement;** Xavier Lord and Harrison Stopps.

Chaplain's Chat

Hello lovely Parkfield Community,

How are you holding up with the extra challenges with the impact of the borders opening and masks for Year 3 – 6? How timely is it that our Virtue of the fortnight is Cooperation? With Cooperation being: working together for the good of everyone, and having a willingness to respect others and to follow rules which keep everyone safe and happy.

Hoping you are all managing and are able to choose and show your cooperation. If you need support with this, you know where I am.
Until next time.
Warm regards always,

Jo Campbell ☺
Chaplain

Odd weeks: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
Even weeks: Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday

Procedures for collecting students during the school day, Kindy to Year 6

When parents/carers need to collect children from school during school hours for any reason, you are required to stop in at the office and complete a yellow "Student Release Form".
The form is then presented to the class teacher who will then release your child into your care. If you are collecting a child during **recess** or **lunchtime**, the form is still required. Once you have found your child in the playground, the form must be handed to the teacher on duty or returned to the office so the class teacher can be advised. Please do not place the form on the teacher's desk in the child's room.
Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Eaton Eagles Hockey Club is chasing Year 5-6 players, old and new to join our fun and awesome club. Please visit https://www.revolutionise.com.au/eatoneagles/
The season commences the first weekend of Term 2. Further information is on the school noticeboard or please phone Stacey Hart on 0406 948 688.

P&C Peg Fundraiser

Thank you Parkfield!

WE SOLD 146 BAGS OF PEGS AND RAISED $1,168 FOR OUR SCHOOL!!

Pegs were delivered to your child's classroom last Friday 4th March.

Laundry Day has just got a little more exciting!

The P&C would like to thank ezy-Fundraising, a local business located in Waroona for their assistance.

2023 Kindergarten Enrolments

Applications for enrolments for children entering Kindergarten in the 2023 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 collect an enrolment package. Boundaries do not apply to students enrolling in Kindergarten.

Little Learners Pre Kindy Program 2022

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 is highly recommended.

Little Learners will commence in Term 3, 2022. Only children **enrolled** in Kindergarten at Parkfield for 2023 will be eligible to apply for this programme.

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

KS KIDSPORT

Connect children with community sport with up to$150 from KidSport.

Did you know children between 5 and 18 years who are named on a valid Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card may be eligible to receive up to $150 per calendar year towards club fees for approved KidSport Clubs?

The KidSport online application process is quick and easy, allowing more children the opportunity to experience the physical, social and emotional benefits of joining a club and participating in community sport.

KidSport is delivered by the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries in partnership with Local Governments throughout Western Australia and is supported by Lotterywest. Visit www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/kidsport or call on 08 9492 9911 for more information.

Car Wash and Dog Wash Tokens

This is an ongoing P&C Fundraiser.

Don't forget to purchase your discounted **Extreme Car Wash Tokens** at **$12 each** or wash the pooch with a **K9000 Dog Wash Token** at **$8.00 each.** What a great saving! Tokens can only be purchased through the Qkr! App and will be delivered to your child's class.

Sun Smart – No Hat Play in the Shade

We are a Sun Safe school, therefore broad brim hats are a necessity. It is very important for students to wear the correct broad brimmed hat to fully protect themselves from the sun. Our Uniform Shop has these in stock.

Contact Information

Please ensure the school is kept up-to-date of any changes of address and telephone numbers - home, work and mobile. Thank you.

OSHClub

Families must be enrolled to attend the program. Please create a free account online at www.oshclub.com.au All bookings and cancellations can be managed via your online account or kidsoft app. For on the day bookings, please contact the coordinator direct on 0478 079 262.

The Lost Property Box

There are many lost items in the lost property box which is located outside the Deputies Office. Please check if your child has misplaced any items. Thank you.

Information on the Community Noticeboard

- **Eaton Eagles Hockey Club** – Chasing Year 5 – 6 players. Contact Stacey Hart on 0406 948 688.
- **Harvey Brunswick Leschenault Junior Football Council** – 2022 Online registrations are now open.
- **Australind Junior Soccer Club** – Online registrations are now being taken.
- **Albemarle Fun Run** – 19th March 2022
- **Busselton Festival Triathlon** – 1 May 2022
- **Relationships Australia Workshops & Courses**

Please see the community noticeboard located outside the school office for further information.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Open Mondays
8.15am – 8.45am
Wednesday
2.45pm – 3.15pm

EFTPOS is available with minimum limit of $10.00. There is no PayPass. Sarah can be contacted on 0400 716 544.

Virtue For The Fortnight: Cooperation

COOPERATION is working together for the good of everyone. It is a willingness to respect others and to follow rules which keep everyone safe and happy. **COOPERATION** is being helpful to one another, sharing the load. It is joining others in order to do something that cannot be done alone. Without **COOPERATION**, people disturb others. They don't care about the rules, and they don't seem to care about others. When we work together, we can often accomplish more than each of us could do alone. When we **COOPERATE**, we can do great things. Being **COOPERATIVE** is being willing to go along in order to get along. We are respectful of the rules. We consider other people's needs. We look for ways to be helpful, and we ask for help when we need it. **COOPERATION** helps us bring together the ideas of many so that a new idea can come to light. Working together, we can make any place a safe and happy one.

What would Cooperation look like if…

- You have a project to do for school and don't have all the information you need?
- You need to move something heavy?
- You don't agree with something your teacher has asked the class to do?
- You are asked to participate in a group discussion?

Signs of Success are when you…

- Work well with others
- Freely offer your help and ideas
- Follow the rules
- Do your part to keep a safe, happy environment
- When you disagree, do it peacefully
- Ask for help when you need it

Affirmation: *I am cooperative. I work and play well with others. I respect the rules. I keep myself and others safe.*