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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

We have many staff and students very ill with influenza and testing positive to COVID-19. Classrooms will continue to be operational however it may be a different teacher to normal or a combined class group due to the low numbers.

I would like to acknowledge our wonderful relief teachers and our part time teachers that have stepped in at this crucial time of need. We are fortunate to have such loyal and committed staff members.

Parents and Carers can help by talking to their children about being resilient and coming to school with positive attitudes and giving their best regardless of who is teaching them. With an average of 130 students and 10 staff away each day, we need the remaining students to show their Parkfield Virtues all day every day.

Canteen Closed until further notice

Due to unforeseen circumstances the canteen will be closed for the next few days. We will alert our school community immediately once it is back in operation. Thank you for your patience and we apologise for the inconvenience.

Thank You Parkfield P&C

Once again our small but amazing group of P&C members organised another outstanding Mother's Day Stall. We had a wonderful response to our call out for donations and gifts and were able to give the students a smorgasbord of gifts to choose from.

We have ordered 8 new lunch benches for outside blocks 2,3, 4 and 5 courtesy of the P&C Fundraising Committee.

We are also looking at upgrading our curtains and paint in the undercover area and calling on any local businesses to give us a quote.

Parent and Carers are very welcome to join the P&C this year. All current executive positions are filled and we need many new people to carry on the excellent work of our current committees. Your time commitment is not large, one hour per month for meetings and a couple of hours per term for fundraising activities. Please join our wonderful P&C team.

Year Six Reconciliation Walk

On Thursday 26th of May, students from Block 6 will travel by bus to participate in the City of Bunbury Reconciliation Walk. They will travel to Koombana Bay and join other schools and community groups in walking along the footbridge to the Graham Bricknell Memorial Music Shell. We will be there for a flag raising ceremony, story sharing and activities all aimed at raising awareness and to educate around the importance of Reconciliation.

Reconciliation Week is a time for all of us to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how we can contribute to achieving Reconciliation.

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 per year 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.

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

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

Premier's Reading Challenge

Share the wonderful world of reading with your children!

The Premier's Reading Challenge returns in 2022 for all Western Australian students from Kindergarten to Year 10.

Students are challenged to read 12 books by the 9th September 2022.

Registering for the challenge is simple. Students sign up via the website, choose their own avatar and log all the books they read over the course of the Challenge.

Weekly prizes will be awarded to students who log a book that week, with major prizes drawn when the challenge ends.

The prizes are amazing and include kayaking off Rottnest Island and riding camels in Broome.

To register your child, visit the link below:

https://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au/parents-and-families

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 June 2nd,** 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. Students have been training before school, between 8:15am-8:30am, and it's been great to see classes out doing some training during the day as well.

Thank you.
Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher

Thank You

We would like to extend a big thank you to **Shane Bozanich** of **Boz Drafting Services** for his very generous donation of funds for use in our Kindy towards the purchase of shelving and storage containers.
The donation has enabled us to purchase sturdy shelving for use in our outdoor shed and storage containers for use in our storeroom.
Your donation has been greatly appreciated.

Kindy Staff

Australind Dental Therapy Centre – (The School Dentist). We would like to notify families that the clinic has moved location from Australind Senior High School to the grounds of the Australind Primary School. The clinic phone number is 9797 0266. Email: AustralindDTC@health.wa.gov.au

DRESS-UP DAY 25TH MAY 2022

Dress up to support National Simultaneous Storytime. The theme for the dress-up is **MY FAMILY.**

For your dress-up you might like to consider:
THINGS YOUR FAMILY LIKES TO DO TOGETHER
e.g. Camping, boating, sports, bush-walking, movie night, cycling, art…

PLACES YOUR FAMILY LIKES TO GO TOGETHER
e.g. The beach, the bush, shopping, specific destinations…

WHO YOUR FAMILY IS
e.g. Cultural heritage, clubs or groups you belong to…

Back for 2022!

We would love to give your child the opportunity to share their talent live on stage at our 2022 ***Parkfield's Got Talent*** competition.

Heats will be held at lunchtimes with the winner of each heat going into our ***Parkfield's Got Talent*** grand final.

We are looking for **individual** or **group** performances. So, if your child can sing, dance, play an instrument or has any other talent that they would like to share, entry forms are available from their class teacher. Please place the completed forms in the box outside Mr Brooks' office. Only one entry form is needed for group entries. Entries close on Thursday 2nd June.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Friday 20th May 2022

Let's Get Walking!

National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is on Friday 20th May 2022. Now in its 23rd year, the annual campaign encourages all primary school children, their parents and carers to walk safely and regularly to school.

The event seeks to promote road safety, health, public transport and the environment.

The objectives are:

- To encourage parents and carers to walk regularly with their children, all or part of the way to school
- To promote the health benefits of walking and create regular walking habits
- To help children develop vital road crossing skills and ensure children up to the age of 10 years hold an adult's hand when crossing the road
- To reduce care dependency and traffic congestion, especially around schools
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles
- To promote the use of public transport

P&C Fundraising Update

Mother's Day

Our Mother's Day stall was a huge success raising over **$4100** for the school. This would not have been possible without the help of the P&C, the volunteers on the stall days, the generous businesses who donated to the raffle and of course the kids.

We sold a whopping 1781 raffle tickets. Congratulations to the following winners:

1st - Kacey PP2
2nd - Savannah Rm 12
3rd - Jerome Rm 18
4th - Darnell Rm 1
5th - Harper Rm 20

We also sold 27 Mother's Day Posies from the Australind Florist.

We hope all mums, caregivers, special women in your lives and dads had a great day on Mother's Day.

We thank you for all your support in this event.

Maddy – Fundraising Coordinator

Lost Property – Please ensure all school belongings are clearly labelled. This assists with returning misplaced items to their rightful owners.

A pair of reading glasses with clear frames have been handed into the office and are waiting to be claimed.

FREE 2 hour Parenting Online Workshop

"Dealing with Disobedience"

For parents/carers of children aged 3 to 8 years. Come along to this parent online session to find out reasons children misbehave and discuss ways that encourage positive behaviour and cooperation in children.

Date: Tuesday 31st May, 2022
Time: 9:30am – 11:30am
Facilitators: Suzanne & Ruth, Child Health Nurses, WACHS-SW
Where: Online Session by MS Teams, internet required

To book for more information please phone 9795 2888 or visit website, www.childhealth.health.wa.gov.au

Chaplain's Chat

Greetings lovely Parkfield community,

I'm hoping this finds you all as happy and well as you can be. It seems another time of challenge is upon us; a big acknowledgment to all who have been making thoughtful, wise choices, showing flexibility and understanding and looking out for one another with wisdom and care.

A huge shout out to all involved with NAPLAN too for your purposefulness, perseverance and resilience.

Have a fantastic fortnight everyone. Looking forward to more lovely catch ups…

Until next time.

Jo Campbell

Chaplain

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

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.

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.

School Holiday Athletics Clinic for boys and girls aged 8 to 16 years. Tues 5th and Wed 6th July 2022 at the WA Athletics Stadium, Perth. 9am-3pm. $95 per day. Or $170 for both days. Includes a T-Shirt or Shoe Bag or Cap and also a certificate. CHOOSE ANY 4 EVENTS PER DAY! More Info: http://sprintingfast.com/

ACTIVE KIDS ARE SMARTER KIDS

FRIDAY 20 MAY 2022

Until they're ten, children must always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road

WALK.COM.AU

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: Understanding

UNDERSTANDING is thinking clearly. It is using your mind so that you can see the truth about things. It is paying careful attention and thinking about things in order to see their meaning. **UNDERSTANDING** is also having empathy and showing compassion. **UNDERSTANDING** gives us the power to think and learn and also to care. Without an **UNDERSTANDING** mind, there would be no learning. People who don't practice **UNDERSTANDING** don't use their minds fully. Life is dull and boring because they just do the least amount of learning or thinking. People who use their heads to **UNDERSTAND** and solve problems, have great insights and wonderful ideas. People who use their hearts to **UNDERSTAND** show compassion and forgive people for their mistakes. To practice **UNDERSTANDING**, you pay close attention. Look, listen and think. When faced with a difficult problem, you reflect and reason it out until the answer becomes clear. You resist distractions. You concentrate your mind to help you see the whole picture and to **UNDERSTAND** the meaning of what you see. You open your heart to **UNDERSTAND** how people feel and put yourself in their shoes. You **UNDERSTAND** that we all make mistakes. You are willing to be forgiving.

What would Understanding look like if…

- You are listening to a story?
- You have a difficult math problem?
- Your teacher is explaining how to do something new?
- You are trying to do your homework and watch TV at the same time?
- Your mother has been irritable for a week?
- Your friend forgets to meet you after school?

Signs of Success are when you…

- Concentrate and pay close attention
- Reflect on the meaning of things
- See the whole pictu5re
- Resist distractions
- Put yourself in other people's shoes
- Forgive others and yourself when you make mistakes

Affirmation: I have an understanding mind. I concentrate and pay attention so that I can think clearly.
I have an understanding hear. I have empathy for other peoples' feelings.