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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

What an amazing week we had last week with torrential rain on Wednesday followed by two sunny days for our 2023 Colour Explosion Fun Run.

A huge thank you to the Parkfield Primary School community for your generous support and involvement in making the two Colour Explosion days wonderful fun and very successful.

Our amazing P&C Colour Explosion coordinator Ms Maddy Olsen when teamed with our outstanding Deputy Principal Mr Mike Brooks make a formidable pair and organised the events superbly.
Thank you to all the students, parents, grandparents, staff, family, and community members that participated on the two days. You helped bring great joy and entertainment to the Colour Explosion.

A big thank you to Ms Kay Fry and past teacher Mr Lance Butcher for their very generous donation of hay bales to construct the hay bale obstacle at our Colour Explosion last week. Lance attended on both days to construct and deconstruct the obstacle. Thank you to Mr Brett Thompson from Brunswick Bridgestone for the donation of tyres for the obstacle course as well.

Thank you to all the Parkfield staff that assisted in setting up the course each day and refilling all the colour bottles after the Junior event. Your efforts are also much appreciated.

Common Sense - Is it that Common?

A big thank you all the parents and community members that understand that teachers don't work 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and can't answer every request, no matter how big or small, immediately. With the advent of social media and instant messaging like Seesaw we tend to raise our expectations that we require responses immediately or even outside of normal work hours. This is where I believe good "old" common sense comes in to play.

Responding in a timely manner doesn't always mean now, and in good faith is what we must respect. It will happen. If it doesn't, please follow up.

Attendance is Critical Every Day!

Regular attendance at school is fundamental to student learning. Student achievement of academic and social outcomes depend on consistent attendance and participation. Every day at school matters because students can take advantage of ALL the educational opportunities available.

Children build on their knowledge and skills each day, each week, and each year. We have a target of a minimum of 90% attendance for every child in 2023.

What happens if my child is absent from school?
All absences from school must be explained **within three days** of your child being away, whether in writing, by phone or via the Parkfield App. This is a legal requirement under the Education Act of WA.

Parkfield App - Sorry

We do sincerely apologize for the hold up with the Parkfield App working again. The issues have been with the developer changing platforms and it has been very untimely and a nuisance for everyone.

2024 Australind Senior High School Enrolments

Australind Senior High School are currently finalising enrolments for Year 7/2024 and would like to remind families to submit their enrolment documents to ASHS as soon as possible.
ASHS will also be conducting another testing day for the **Maths and Philosophy Program**. The date is scheduled for **Wednesday 30th August 2023**. Please contact the high school on 9797 4400 if you need further information.
Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

Parkfield Primary is supporting HBL Junior Football Club in their community event 'Sockit 2 Cancer'.

Freaky Footwear Day

When – Thursday 17th August

What – wear odd socks, crazy socks, colourful laces or crazy shoes

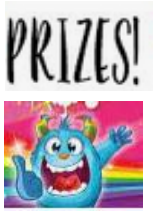
Why – to raise funds for 'Sockit 2 Cancer' and support research into Cancer treatments.

A gold coin donation would be appreciated!

Colour Explosion Fun Run

Wow!! Go Parkfield. We smashed it out of the park. **Your generosity is amazing, raising $47,633.00**. We now hold the 2023 WA fundraising record for this year, and we still hold the WA state record for most money raised ever. We cannot thank our school community enough for all the donations made. These funds will go a long way in providing more educational resources for the school.

The P&C had the pleasure of working with the school and staff for our Colour Explosion to produce two amazing colour run days for the kids. We'd like to thank Mr Brooks and Mrs Harper for setting up and running the event over the two days.



Prize ordering closes this Friday 11th August at 10pm. Please log onto your child's profile and select your prizes. **If you don't do this, then you will miss out.**

Thank you to the parents who paid to participate in the event. We sold over 200 wristbands. I know you had just as much fun as the kids. It's great to see so many parents getting involved. To all the kids at school you should be proud of your achievement, and we hope you had heaps of fun running.
Thank you very much.
Maddy & Sam – P&C Fundraising

Sports Update

We have two sporting events happening this term. The 800m events will take place on Tuesday August 29th (Week 7) at 2:00pm and the vortex/shotput events on Tuesday September 19th (Week 10) throughout the day. These events involve selected students from Years 4-6 representing their House. Selected Year 3 students will also compete in the vortex event this year.

Winter Carnival

All students in Block 6 will be participating in the **Tuart Winter Carnival** next **Friday August 18th**, to be held at the Leschenault Sporting Grounds. We will be competing with Kingston, Treendale and Glen Huon. The sports being played are football, netball and soccer. The day is about fun and participation, with students playing a sport they enjoy for the whole day. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Education Minister's Running Challenge

Join the Education Minister's Running Challenge and embark on an exciting fitness journey. Complete a weekly fitness challenge for your chance to win weekly prizes. The challenge commences on August 7th, 2023. Information has also been sent home via Seesaw.
Sign up at www.emrc.perthrunningfestival.com.au to start your fitness journey.
Thank you.
Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher

Book Week Dress Up Day

Thursday 24th August (Week 6)

To celebrate Book Week, Parkfield is having a dress up day. We invite all students to dress up as a book character. This year's theme is 'Read, Grow, Inspire.' Our aim is to inspire a love of reading and make every child a reader and Book Week is the perfect time to celebrate this goal.

Daffodil Day 2023

Thursday 31st of August

Once again, Parkfield Primary School will be supporting the Cancer Foundation by selling fresh daffodils. They are available for $15 a bunch. Orders must be placed by ***Monday 14th of August.***

To support the 'yellow' theme for Daffodil Day, Thursday the ***31st of August*** *is* ***'Dress Yellow' day.*** *Be creative, have fun, but most importantly BE YELLOW. A gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated.*
Thank you.
Frances Scibilia - Coordinator

VacSwim

Vacswim programs give children across Western Australia the skills to stay safe and build their confidence in the water. VacSwim offer a variety of programs for children aged 5 to 17 years during the October and summer school holidays. Lessons are conducted at pools and beach locations across WA.
Enrolments are open now for the October and summer programs. The most convenient way to enrol is online. Concessions are available for families with eligible concession cards.
If you require any further information, please visit education.wa.edu.au/vacswim or phone 9402 6412.

Pre Primary Enrolments - 2024

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

Please call in or contact the office on 9796 5900 to advise of your intentions for next year. Places do fill quickly, with planning for Pre-Primary 2024 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.

National Science Week

Next week is National Science Week, and here at Parkfield we are holding a special event "Kids Teaching Kids" on **Tuesday 15th August** in the undercover area. The Year 6s are being organised into small teams and they will conduct a science activity with small groups of junior students from the Years 1, 2 or 3 classes. The groups of students will rotate through three activities in their allocated time.

The year 6s are busy collecting recyclable materials to reuse in their activities, including small clean boxes e.g. muesli bar boxes. If you have a few please send them to the Science room this week.

Time	Yr 6 class	Junior year group
10:00 – 10:55	Rm 20	Year 2s – Rm 4, 5, 6 and T2
11:20 – 12:15	Rm 22	Year 1s – Rm 1, 2 and 3
12:20 – 1:15	Rm 21	Year 3s – Rm 8, 9, 10, and 19

There will also be a number of science activities happening at lunchtimes. A montage of photos of the event will be on display in the Science Room during open night.

Judy Brooks – Specialist Science Teacher

WA Primary School Cross Country

Students **Madeleine Butcher** (Year 4), **Rylee Howlett** (Year 5), **Lucy Nell** (Year 6) and **James Butcher** (Year 6) represented Parkfield Primary School by competing in the WA Primary School Cross Country event held in Perth on Thursday the 3rd of August. With over 300 competitors in each race, our students performed extremely well and positively represented Parkfield. Well done.

James Butcher, Madeleine Butcher and Lucy Nell

Rylee Howlett

Brunswick Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service

The Brunswick VFRS will be gearing up for another excellent season of competition. Training is open to everyone aged between 11 and 16. Signing up is completely free and a team jersey is provided by the brigade. Afternoon training will commence on the **17th of August at 4:30pm** and will continue until the state championships in November. Training is held across the road from the Brunswick Junction Primary School.

If you have any questions regarding the Brunswick VFRS, please contact David Burgoyne who is the Junior/Sub-Junior Team Coach on 0476 884 567.

MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award at the last assembly: Emmie Bregazzi, Levi Edwards, Luce Matsuura, Abigail Gaffney, Oscar Dorant, Kai-Lewis Anderson, Isabella Taylor, Fionn Geoghegan, Caspian Young, Harrison Shipley, Lachlan Trott, Sienna Vigar, Aurora Nixon, Havana Coyle, Quinn Tilbrook, Hunter McVittie, Millee Mezger, Kayla Oliver, Estelle Patterson, Parker O'Brien, Georgina Shaw, Malachi George, Natahlia Holding, Archer Ramsay, Zoe Usher, Uriah Gaffney, Deagan Jones, Zara Rogers, Lincoln Walton, Lachie Dyer, Cooper Hamersley, Logan Knight, Indie Crosby, Thomas McCarthy, Evelyn Cochrane, Stevie Grantham, Remi Cullen, Evelia Alvarado, Harris Lever and Cohan Hansen.

Specialist Awards – Science; Natahlia Holding and Ava Ross. **Measurement;** Riley Cope and Rylan Edwards. **Visual Arts;** Emmie Bregazzi, Will Hausen, and Austin Smith. **Drama;** Arli Irving. **Physical Education;** Lyla Russell and Kairee Maxwell. Congratulations to all these students.

Chaplain's Chat with Mrs Campbell

Greetings to you all,

How lovely it was to finish off our virtue focus fortnight on **'Friendliness'** with two wonderful 'Parkfield's Got Talent' heats, another great assembly and our two fantastic community unity-based Colour Explosions! I am hoping you all had as much fun as we did. Thank goodness the weather turned around for us 😊.

As we go into our virtue focus this fortnight of **'Determination'**, be encouraged to persevere to push on and work through any obstacles as you aim to achieve your goal, and to reach out if you would like a listening ear and support. They say **determination** is like climbing a mountain. You have to know what you want to achieve, then put one foot in front of the other until you reach the top. That's what we aim to do here at Parkfield; although for us it would be like putting on your life jacket and using your GPS to navigate the best, safest course and sail on over the rough seas!

Have a fantastic fortnight everyone.

Until next time,

Jo 😊
YouthCARE Chaplain
Parkfield Primary school
97965900
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning

Contact Information – Keep us informed

Parents, please ensure that the school is kept well informed of any changes of address and telephone numbers – home, work and mobile. Thank you.

Lost Property

Please ensure that you label ALL your child's belongings. We have a huge amount of lost unnamed property and therefore we are unable to return it to its owner. Any items that remain at the end of each term will be disposed of.

On The Community Noticeboard

Relationships Australia – Dads and Daughters

This workshop will be held online via Zoom on Wednesday **20th September 2023** from **6.30pm to 9.00pm.** The cost is $30 per person. For further information please phone 6164 0200 or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

Parkfield's Community Recycling Station

Please consider utilising Parkfield's Community Recycling Station which is located outside of the front office if you have any of the following items:

*Aluminium cans
*Batteries
*Mobile phones including batteries and accessories
*Ink cartridges
*Newspapers (collected by the P&C to be sold and used as hydro mulch)

We are also a collection point for ***Containers for Change.*** Please look for the **blue sulo bins** in the car park area and help raise money for our P&C. **Our scheme number is: C10313397** if you are depositing directly to vending machines.

Thank you to the P&C volunteers for returning the collected containers to the refund point at Stanley Road Regional Waste Management Facility.

https://watchyourwaste.wa.gov.au

Uniform Shop Hours

Mondays **8.30am – 9.00am**
Wednesday 2.45pm – 3.15pm
Orders can also be made via the QKR! App
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 - Determination

DETERMINATION is focusing your energy and efforts on a task and then sticking with it until it is finished. **DETERMINATION** is using your will power to do something when it isn't easy. You are **DETERMINED** to meet your goals. Even when it is really hard, or you are being tested, you still keep going. Without **DETERMINATION**, things don't get done. People give up easily and don't ask for help when they need it. With **DETERMINATION**, even the hardest task becomes a challenge we are willing to accept. We do things that matter in the world. With **DETERMINATION**, we can make our dreams come true. Decide what is important to you. Then use your will power to make it happen. Finish what you start. If obstacles come up, deal with them, and get back on track. If you get discouraged or distracted, remember your goal. Ask yourself "What do I need?" Then start again. It feels good to meet your goals.

What would Determination look like if…

- You are trying to learn to ride a bike?
- You are doing a really hard homework assignment and it is due tomorrow?
- You are building a model for your dad's birthday, and it gets complicated?
- You want to become good at a sport or art?
- You are doing a job for your mother and TV distracts you?

Signs of Success are when you…

- Believe what you are doing is important
- Set goals for yourself
- Focus your attention on what you are doing
- Resist being distracted
- Keep going if it gets difficult
- Ask for help when you need it
- Finish what you start

Affirmation: I am determined. I set goals and keep going until I achieve them. I get things done. I stay on purpose