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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

As this is the last newsletter of the year, I would like to thank all the staff, students and parents who have worked so hard to continue to make Parkfield an excellent school.

Education is a series of partnerships, and it does take a whole school community to educate a child. Parkfield has a wonderful culture because of the greater school community involvement. There is always something happening to provide enriching opportunities for students, of which we are proud.

Another key strength of our school is our wonderful Teaching and Allied Professional staff, I would like to sincerely thank them for their commitment, conscientiousness and resolve in 2023.

Farewell to Parkfield Staff

As we conclude the academic year, I would like to say farewell to the following staff members who are moving on to new challenges, taking long service leave, retirement or to the enjoyment of more personal and family time, and thank them for their contribution to Parkfield Primary School. All the very best for 2024 to Jenny Douch, Maria Hernandez, Christa Hovell, Abbey Taylor, Sanae Gale, Tia Murphy, Ryan Nurse, Jasmine Sullivan, and Breanne Jones.

Year Six Graduation

The Year Six Graduation Ceremony and Graduation Luncheon will be held on Thursday the 14th of December 2023. All invited parents and guests, please ensure you are seated by 8.50am for **commencement at 9.00am.** We anticipate the ceremony will finish at approximately 10.40am and will be followed by morning tea.

Graduation Lunch for students will be from 12.00pm – 2.30pm at the Leschenault Sports Association Pavilion. Students need to be back at school by **11.50am ready to catch the bus to the venue, at 12.00pm. Please meet in the covered area.**

Please note all students are required to travel by bus - no private transport. This is a student only function.

We hope the Year Six students enjoy their momentous day.

2024 Class Lists

Class lists will be placed on the noticeboard and office windows on **Monday 29th January 2024 at 4.00pm.** Please remember, these class placements are subject to change within the first two weeks. We will **not** be able to place the student lists on our Parkfield App due to the sensitivity of the whereabouts of some students in our school community and ask for parents not to post the lists online.

Parkfield School Grounds and Facilities

I would like to remind all students and parents that the **school buildings are totally out of bounds** after school hours and during the entire school holidays**.**

Please contact the Australind Police immediately on 9720 6200 if you see someone not using our facilities appropriately.

School Term Dates for Students 2024

Term 1: Wednesday 31st January 2024 – Thursday 28th March 2024.

Term 2: Tuesday 16th April 2024 – Friday 28th June 2024.

Term 3: Tuesday 16th July 2024 – Friday 20th September 2024.

Term 4: Tuesday 8th October 2024 – Thursday 12th December 2024.

I would like to wish the Parkfield School Community a very safe and enjoyable Christmas.

Thank you.
Charlie Serravite
Principal

STIRLING STREET ARTS CENTRE

Over 90 workshops for kids and adults over 9 days.

Uniform Shop Open Day

The Uniform Shop Open Day for 2024 will be held on Tuesday 30th January from 9am – 12pm. Pre orders are preferred via the Qkr! App and families are encouraged to purchase uniforms this way. However, purchases can also be made on the day with payment by EFT or cash.

Down in the Art Room....

A group of Year Five and Six students have been busy creating lanterns for the **Chinese New Year Festival**. Running from 6pm - 10pm on the evenings of Friday 12th and Saturday 13th January, the 2024 Bunbury Chinese Lantern Festival will be held at the International Friendship Garden on Cobblestone Drive. Over the holidays you might like to plan a visit to see the amazing display of lanterns and to participate in the events the committee will be running.

Starting at the beginning of Term One, 2024, the Bunbury Regional Art Gallery will be running a series of after school art classes for students. The classes are held on either a Wednesday or Thursday, depending on the age group, and will run for eight weeks. There is also a Friday morning session for parents, running from 11am - 1pm. Creche facilities are available for those parents with younger children. For more information about these classes, please visit www.brag.org.au

Julie Astill – Visual Arts Specialist

Chaplain's Chat with Mrs Campbell

Greetings to all our wonderful Parkfield Parents and Caregivers…

Well done everyone on making it through another great year at Parkfield Primary School. Your commitment, perseverance, purposefulness, and unity has been shown by you pushing on through and doing the best you can each day of another tough and challenging year.

Thank you again for taking care, connecting, and reaching out. Please keep doing this over the holiday break.

I do hope that you all have a very Merry Christmas, a very Happy New Year and a relaxed, refreshing, recharging, peaceful and safe holiday break.

I look forward to a great wrap up to this year; a very happy and memorable Graduation Day to our Year 6s, a super start to next year, and to catching up with, and meeting you in the New Year, especially on the first day!

All the very best always!

Until next year,

Jo Campbell 😊
Youth CARE Chaplain

Please Help Us Plan for 2024

If your children will not be attending Parkfield next year, or you know of children who are currently not enrolled for 2024 and plan to attend, please let the school know as soon as possible.

P&C Thank you

As the 2023 school year ends, I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the P&C during the year; from the committee members, the helpers and supporters at our events, the people who have donated prizes and those who have supported our fundraising endeavours, thank you.

I also want to thank Sharon and Veeta in the Galley and Sarah at the Uniform Shop, and their team of volunteers for providing such an amazing service for our school community on behalf of the P&C.

I know several past committee members, our Cash for Cans Coordinator and many other helpers are finishing their Parkfield journeys, and I wish to acknowledge their contributions to the P&C over the years and wish them all the best.

We would really love to welcome new helpers in 2024 and encourage you to come along to our meetings to hear about what is happening or get involved in our events.

Kathryn Macnish - President

Community Noticeboard

Better Health Program
Is your child, aged 6 – 12 years, above a healthy weight, in need of support to improve eating and activity habits? The Better Health Program is a free, 10-week healthy lifestyle program for you and your child. Weekly discussions include topics such as good nutrition, forming positive habits, becoming a healthier family and being physically active. The program is available in online and face-to-face formats. Both versions include a bunch of great freebies, and a reward at the end.
Sign up today at www.betterhealthprogram.org/wa or phone for further information 1300 822 953.
Government of WA – Department of Health

Summer in your Park, Eaton – Dardanup – Burekup
Free family friendly events coming to your local park this summer. December 2023 – February 2024. For more information, scan the QR code or visit dardanup.wa.gov.au.

School Holidays in the City – The City of Bunbury facilities have planned a heap of activities to keep young ones of all ages active and entertained. Bookings are now open for all ticketed events. Scan the QR code to view the latest school holidays newsletter.

Bunbury Tennis Academy – Multi-sport Holiday Tennis Clinic. 18th December 2023 – 22nd December 2023

One Hour Clinic: 9am-10am - $100 for 5 days or $25 per day
Half Day Clinic: 9am-12pm - $200 for 5 days or $45 per day
Full Day Clinic: 9am-3pm - $325 for 5 days or $75 per day

E-mail: tanya@bunburytennis.com.au or 0400 373 147
Web: play.tennis.com.au/bunburytennisacademy

Elevate Gymnastics Academy - a morning of fun gymnastics style games and activities, morning tea is provided. $45/session. Ages 6 -12 years. Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm. Monday 18th December through to Thursday 21st December 2023. Christmas drop 'n shop time.
Please email admin@elevategymnatics.au