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21 May 2024 #3 Term 2

Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

Deepest Sympathy
Our sincere condolences go to the Tann family on the loss of their husband and father Beau last week. Our thoughts go out to Emma, Molly and Rubin at this sad and difficult time.

House Cross Country Participation Thursday 23rd May
It is an expectation that all students in Years Three to Six will participate unless they have a medical certificate, and an obvious medical condition.
We encourage all students to do their **personal best** and be part of the whole senior school activity.

2025 Kindergarten Enrolments
Applications for enrolments for children entering Kindergarten in the 2025 school year are **now** being taken. If any of our Parkfield Community know 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. Please pass on this information to first time parents who may not be aware that they need to enrol now.

DISCO
Our Term 2 Disco is on next **Thursday, the 30th of May.**

- The Junior Disco (PP – Year 3) is from 5:00pm to 6:00pm. Entry is $4.
- The Senior Disco (Years 4 – 6) is from 6:15pm to 8:00pm. Entry is $5.

The Galley will have plenty of drinks and snacks on offer for sale.

Thank You Neighbours
A huge thank you to Shawnee, Ivan and Eli Pember for their help on Sunday night with some school vandalism. We are very fortunate to have caring Parkfield families living so close by. Thanks again!

WA Student Assistance Payment and 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.
If parents are having any trouble accessing their WA Student Assistance payment, we do have paper applications in the office as an alternative. Please be aware that applications are due in before 28th June 2024.

National Simultaneous Storytime
This Wednesday at 10:00am all students in Australia and New Zealand will be reading or listening to Bowerbird Blues by Aura Parker. Classes will be following up with literacy activities and discussions.
Parents are welcome to follow this national event live on YouTube or Facebook.

P&C Day WA Friday 24th May

This Friday we celebrate the marvellous work of the Parkfield P&C. Our P&C is a small band of incredible people that exemplify the Virtue of Service. This is quite unique now in public schools and we would like to say a huge thank you to our P&C executive and their amazing band of volunteers.

If you are able, please send them a positive message on their Facebook site or email a thank you. It will be greatly appreciated!

P&C Facebook Page
A reminder to families to follow the P&C Facebook page as community events and information for families are regularly posted on their page.

Year Six Reconciliation Walk
On Friday 31st of May, students from Year Six, 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.

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

Maths Matters

Partitioning numbers – Thinking of numbers as being made up of smaller numbers is a very important skill and is the key to calculating efficiently.

Counting is a basic way to solve simple maths problems, but it is not an efficient mental strategy with larger numbers. Partitioning numbers into smaller numbers and working with these smaller numbers is a more efficient method for calculating. To do this, students need to fully develop the understanding that **numbers can be partitioned in many ways, and this can be useful when calculating**. Below are some activities that you can do to help your child develop their understandings about partitioning.

Partitioning quantities – It is important to develop the idea that we can break up a quantity and move bits from one group to another without changing the overall quantity. Children need to be able to make fives in the early years, and then make tens and hundreds by moving parts of numbers around.

Knowing tens – Students need to develop recall of the facts for ten so that they can pull apart numbers and then quickly rebuild or "bridge" to make tens (working with tens is so much easier when calculating). Playing cards are a cheap resource that can be used to develop your child's recall of these facts - just remove the picture cards and tens and have aces as ones.

- What goes with --- to make ten? Turn over one card at a time and call out the matching number.
- Play "snap" by snapping on cards that make ten.
- Play concentration by finding pairs that make ten.
- Make the next ten – turn over two cards to make a number. Say what is needed to make the next ten.

Have you registered yet?

Premier's Reading Challenge 6th May to 6th September 2024

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program established in 2022. It aims to encourage students to read more books, enjoy reading and to improve literacy levels. **Anyone from Kindergarten to Year 10 can register to take part.**

By logging books, your child can be in the running to win fantastic weekly prizes. Parents can register their child/children online by selecting the 'Sign up' option, on the website www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au.

Let's see if we can log more books than our last year's total of 3031 books.

Join us on this reading journey.

Parkfield's Challenge Champions - Mrs Spaull and Mrs Howe.

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award at the last assemblies: Isla Germon, Indie Crosby, Lana Menz, Zya Grover, Caris MacLaughlin, Sophia Wigmore, Victor Mills, Levi Fraser, Owen Filipich, Zavia Dashwood, Maddison Jones, Flynn Connor, Ava Bogar, Legend Maaka, Ryley Cowcill, Archie Silver, Gibson Hastie, Riley Cope, Ellie Grantham, Harris Lever, Elarna Wheeler, Ava Richardson, Bonnie Rhodes, Edward Townsend, Fletcher McGill, Aadhya Arun, Brooklyn Evans, Emy Sala-Tenna, Mailey Cobby, Josie Tester, Jackson Burch, Anna Bickford, Seth Roberts, Evi Jennings, Ky Mitchell, Ava Dye, Charlotte Drury, Jett Allsep, Lucas Woods, Madeleine Butcher, Lana Simpson, Lily Tester, Toby Branchi, Jeremy George, Ben Townsend, Knox Tonkin, Lola Pola-Diplock, Mason Cook, Elquira Garlett, Taj Carbone, Marlee Bosustow, Lenny Duff, Cassidy Coghlan, Jamie Mac Carron, Joel Turner, Lily Waylen, Jaylen Mulholland, Harper Smith, Cohen Stockwell, Aria Hodgson, Glynn Kallis, Ariella Gorham, Kai-Lewis Anderson, Alys Heath, Ciaus Stoltenbarg, Savannah Butler, Elijah Bradshaw, Mason MacLaughlin, Luce Matsuura, Jaxon Kinnell, Hunter McVitte, Olive McCarthy, Agnes Rawson, Mia Wigmore, Taharoa Coyle-Lockey, Abigail Gaffney, Ivy Hansen, Seth O'Neill, Lachlan McLean, Alison Maxwell, Elle Ross, Thomas Brooks, Deagan Jones, Ashtyn Hitchcock, Harper Smith, Zoe Usher, Liam Wilkes, Sophie Cook, Quentin Marks, Bodhi Lamkin, Rylan Edwards, Rielyn Murphy, Toby McEvoy, Zara Rogers, Athol Hansen, Dominique Street, Willow Piggott, Kendall Mow and Noah Jones.

Specialist Awards – Science; Liam Trigg, Edward Townsend, Ava Dye, Mason Gordon, Quinn Tilbrook and Archer Ramsay. **Visual Arts;** Charlie Brandis, Tyreece Farrell, Everly Brandis and Cadence Thompson. **Music;** Lana Menz, Lacey Rodgers, Madeleine Butcher, Maya Westley, Malachi George, and Ivy Everett-Asplin. **Physical Education;** Kensi Treloar, Ethan Powell, Liam Wilkes and Bodhi Lamkin. **Japanese;** Vance Wallrodt, Flynn Adams and Zalia Luvis. **Measurement;** Evie Fantasia and William Hausen. Congratulations to all these students.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Open Mondays
8.30am – 9.00am
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.

Please ensure all uniforms are labelled clearly for easy return if misplaced. Thank you.

Sports Update

This week on **Thursday May 23rd**, we have our annual **House Cross Country** event, which involves all students in **Years 3 - 6**. Students have already walked the course. Please be aware that they will be leaving school grounds to run the cross country course. Teachers will be positioned around the course to ensure the students' safety.

The Year 3/4 course is approximately 1000m and the Year 5/6 course approximately 2000m. **The event will commence on the school oval at 1:15pm**, with Year 3 students running first. Students finishing in the top five for their event will receive a place ribbon. The winner will also receive a championship medallion to proudly hang around their neck. Best of luck to all students and remember to pace yourself.

Thank you.

Trevor Sleight - PE Teacher

Chaplain's Chat with Mrs Campbell

Hello everyone,

Another fortnight with three occasions that are a reminder of the honour and privilege it is to be a part of this great Parkfield Community: the Year 6 camp assembly, the Mother's Day Stall, and the Block 2 assembly. The unity, cooperation, flexibility, and care with each is something that brings me untold gratitude and pride. Thank you Year 6s for the honour and privilege to be able to attend the camp with you and for being able to be with you for your amazing, fun assembly!

Big thanks too, to our wonderful P&C Fundraising Committee for all your amazing time, care, love, and effort you poured into the stall once again over two days.

Here's to another wonderful fortnight ahead - being a part of, and choosing, THE PARKFIELD WAY! Until next time,

Jo Campbell - YouthCARE Chaplain

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday morning

Term Two Disco

Our Term Two disco will be held in Week 7 on **Thursday 30th May 2024.**

The **Junior Disco** (PP – Year 3) will be between 5:00pm and 6:00pm with entry just $4.00.

The **Senior Disco** (Year 4 - 6) will be between 6:15pm and 8:00pm with entry just $5.00.

The canteen will have plenty of drinks and snacks on offer.

P&C Fundraising News

Mother's Day Stall and Raffle

Our recent Mother's Day Stall was a great success, raising **$6163** for our school. Thank you to everyone that participated and helped. A special thanks to those who volunteered their time to help at the stall.

We'd like to give our thanks to the following people and businesses that generously donated towards the raffle and stall.

Big Coffee Van, Bullock's Bellys, Australind Beauty Works, Work Clobber, Whitey's Tackle and Camping, Blossom Queen, Gommes Shoes, House of Qi, Zen Within Mind Body and Soul, Sweeten Thy Soul Candles, Sanctuary on Wildflower, Kia Gorham Thermomix, Kristie Bartlett Divine Scents by Kristie, Elaine Goodlad @elainag.art, Kaylee Castafaro Tupperware Consultant, Shakira Oxby Chemwise Pharmacy, Alicia Patterson and Lesley Mills, Sarah Bosustow, Barbara Miller, Teegan MacLaughlin, Joy Hinkley, Clint Massingham and Maggy Angi.

Mother's Day Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the following winners:

Zharlee Rm 8
Alys T1
Callum Rm 21
Sophie (Norma) Rm 19
Wynny – Little Learners
Chevie-Lee Rm 1
Lexi Rm 8
Lucas PP3
Travis Kindy 1

Thank you from the P&C and Fundraising Committee

Parkfield's Community Recyling Station

Please consider utilising **Parkfield's Community Recycling Station** (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 and 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.

https://watchyourwaste.wa.gov.au

Thank you to everyone who braved the threatening rain clouds and participated in Walk Safely to School Day 2024. Thank you to Mr Sleight and our Year 6 Student Leaders for your assistance on the day.

What makes strong families?

Providing a strong foundation of safety and security, followed by consistent warmth, care and attention strengthens family bonds. When there are challenges to be faced, overcoming them will only reinforce the foundation, rather than destroy it.

So, what are the practical steps to reinforcing your family's wellbeing and ability to weather the storms?

Communication – make time for each family member to discuss their daily lives and their feelings.
Support – show your family you are there for them when they need you.
Spend time together as a family and one-on-one.
Family Time Rituals –regular family activities are a great way to reinforce the family foundations.

Family Time Rituals

Family time is a ritual of getting the family together on a regular basis to spend valuable time connecting and having fun. Whether it be Sunday breakfast, Friday game night, picnics or an exercise routine, the aim is to bring everyone closer together, to share, communicate and bond.

Top Tips for Family Time

- **Establish a regular family time** when everyone is available to focus on the family.
- **Family time can include fun family activities** that everyone chooses together. i.e. board game time, family movie night, Sunday breakfast, etc
- **Allow everyone in the family to contribute ideas for family time.**
- **Block out this family time**. Don't schedule other activities during that time. Keep it as a sacred time.

Families

- We feel strongly connected to each other.
- We allow each other to be ourselves.
- We enjoy simple inexpensive family activities.
- It is easy to share our values and ideas with each other.
- We love one another.
- We often laugh with each other.
- We enjoy helping each other.

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Virtue For The Fortnight - Humility

When you are humble you don't act as if you are more important than other people. You are happy to serve others and think other people's needs are important. You don't expect others or yourself to be perfect. You don't criticize others or yourself. You admit mistakes and learn from them. Sometimes mistakes are our best teachers. Without **HUMILITY**, people act as if what they have to say and do is much more important than what anyone else is saying or doing. With **HUMILITY**, instead of comparing ourselves to others, we are grateful for what we can do. **HUMILITY** helps you to keep learning. It helps you to treat others as equals, different yet equal. **HUMILITY** can keep you free from prejudice. To practice **HUMILITY**, don't worry about impressing other people. Just be yourself and do your best. Instead of worrying over failures or mistakes, be eager to learn from them. Ask for help when you need it. When you are wrong, admit it, and then change your behaviour. Strive to be a little better today than you were yesterday. When you do something wonderful, **HUMILITY** reminds you to be thankful instead of boastful.

What would Humility look like if…
You notice that you can run much faster than your friends?
You notice that your friend usually gets better marks than you?
You make a big mistake and hurt someone's feelings?
Your brother does a chore, and you think he could have done a better job?
You have a problem that you cannot solve?

Signs of Success are when you…
Consider the needs of others as important as your own.
Apologize and make amends when you hurt others.
Learn from your mistakes and keep changing for the better
Ask for help when you need it.
Are doing your best just to do it, not to impress anyone.
Are grateful instead of boastful.

Affirmation: I am humble. I learn from my mistakes. I do not judge others or myself. I value my ability to keep growing and learning.