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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 great school community involvement. There is always something happening to provide enriching opportunities for students, of which we are proud.

The key strength of our school is our wonderful Teaching and Allied Professional staff, I would like to sincerely thank them for their commitment, diligence and determination in 2024.

Farewell to Parkfield Staff

As we conclude the academic year, I would like to say farewell to 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. Best wishes to Mrs Wendy Doherty, Mrs Neeshia Delaporte, Mrs Emma Lee, Mrs Alison Flemming, Mrs Amanda Newman and Mrs Rachel Sturtecky.

Year Six Graduation

The Year Six Graduation Ceremony and Graduation Luncheon will be held on Thursday the 12th of December 2024. 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.

Change of App for 2025

Our current App will no longer function after school has finished and we will be developing a new App to work on Android and IOS through a company called Digistorm. We hope this will be ready by the start of the school. More information will follow early in 2025.

2025 Class Lists

Class lists will be placed on the noticeboard and office windows on **Monday 3rd February 2025 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.

OSHClub is moving!

OSH is moving into T2 for 2025 and beyond.

School Term Dates for Students 2025

Term 1: Wednesday 5th February 2025 – Friday 11th April 2025.

Term 2: Tuesday 29th April 2025 – Friday 4th July 2025.

Term 3: Tuesday 22nd July 2025 – Friday 26th September 2025.

Term 4: Tuesday 14th October 2025 – Thursday 18th December 2025.

Thank you.
Charlie Serravite
Principal

An End of Year Update from the PLUS Crew Journalists

LITTERING

Lately, we have been finding loads of rubbish around our school. In fact, a few days ago, a couple of the PLUS Crew went around to the Block 4 and Block 5 classrooms to show how much rubbish Mrs D.S had collected from the bottom of the Block 4/5 steps in just one morning! Please DON'T litter so that we have a cleaner environment in our school.

Also, be careful with what you do with your Christmas treat wrappers (lollies, chocolate and candy canes), and dispose of them thoughtfully, because you could be harming unsuspecting animals if you don't!

By Aurora Rogers

DESIGNER'S AWARDS

The PLUS Crew Designers have been hard at work. They have been creating the 'Wonderful Waste-Wise Award', aka WWA, as well as raffle tickets.

Introducing the raffle tickets. You can earn a raffle ticket by being recognised for looking after our environment (picking up rubbish and sorting your lunch into the correct bins). Two raffle tickets per block will be drawn every fortnight. If you are picked out, you will receive a prize.

Both the WWA and raffle tickets will start next year, so keep an eye out for these in 2025!

By Ella Nagel

THE STRAWBERRY BOAT

The Strawberry Boat near OSH used to be filled with water. It was a safety hazard until Mr Jefferys had the idea to plant it with flowers instead, so it would look nice, smell pleasant and be better for our environment. To start with, Mr Jefferys cleaned the boat and added soil. Then he got some of the PLUS Crew from Year 5 and 6, as well as some Green Badge Leaders, to help plant marigolds, sunflowers and corn flowers to attract butterflies and bees. After we finished planting, we watered them in. The boat now looks amazing, as you would have seen in the last newsletter. Next year, we hope to plant it with strawberries.

Remember little things like planting can make our environment a better and cleaner place. We ask that if you happen to be passing the school grounds, please keep an eye out and report anything unusual, or anyone doing the wrong thing, to the Australind Police immediately on 9720 6200. Thank you.

By Anabel Maher

Have an AMAZING holiday, everyone! See you all next year.
From the Year 5 and 6 PLUS Crew

Musical Notes

Hello Families,

I would just like to say a massive thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas Singalong - Staff, Parents and Students. Everyone was enthusiastic and joyful, singing the songs and participating in the dances and performances.

It has been a truly wonderful first year at Parkfield and I am so grateful for everyone's enthusiasm and commitment to the music program here. The students have persevered - as have the parents and staff with the noise we all make - and their growth can be clearly heard over the year.

I am very excited to do it all again next year! Have a fantastic break and stay safe – and most importantly, keep playing music!
Happy Holidays!

Rachael Thompson – Music Specialist

P&C Thank you

As the 2024 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 wish to thank Sharon and Veeta in the Galley and Sarah in the Uniform Shop who is finishing in this role. Along with their team of volunteers, they have provided an amazing service for our school community on behalf of the P&C.

We would really love to welcome new helpers in 2025 and encourage you to come along to our meetings to hear about what is happening or get involved in our events.

Kathryn Macnish - President

End of year wind up

Chaplain Chat

Greetings lovely Parkfield Community,

Woo hoo! Well done to you all.
Another great year at Parkfield Primary School completed; and another big, tough, challenging one at that! Once again, I see your commitment, unity, steadfastness, perseverance, purposefulness and resilience in pushing on through, bouncing back, aiming for, and doing the best you can.

THANK YOU to all our Parkfield community - for another great year, and for a great start to those who have recently joined us… I am so grateful and thankful for all our Parkfield community. Thank you for being a part of our 'Parkfield Way', our whole school approaches of The Virtues Project and the Zones of Regulation to name a couple; and for taking care, connecting and reaching out when needed.

Special thank you to the wonderful Parkfield P & C and all the sub - committees, for their amazing continued support and resourcing in so many ways again - a big THANK YOU to those in the 'frontline' and all the helpers in the background too. You and your efforts are great appreciated.

I am looking forward to a great finish to the year on Thursday for you, and Friday for our great Staff, and with the special wrap up for our Year Sixes at their Graduation.

I hope you all have a wonderful, relaxed, peaceful, safe, and gratitude filled Christmas, New Year and holiday break. I will be thinking of you all and I will be looking forward to catching up with and meeting you at the start of our 2025 school year - especially on the first day!

Again, WELL DONE Team Parkfield!
All the very best always…
Until next year,

Jo Campbell 😊
YouthCARE Chaplain

Uniform Shop Open Day 2025

Pre Order Pickups Only - Uniform pre orders made via the Qkr! App need to be submitted by **Friday 31st January 2025** to be ready for collection on **Monday 3rd February 2025** between 10am – 1pm from the Uniform Shop.

Tuesday 4th February 2025 is the Uniform Shop Open Day and will be open for all other purchases made via cash or EFT between 2pm – 5pm. Qkr! pre orders can be collected also.

If you have any queries, please contact the Uniform Shop Coordinator Sarah on 0400 716 544.

Please be aware the Uniform Shop days will be changing in the new year to **Monday** 8.30am - 9am and **Thursday** 2.45pm – 3.15pm.

Shire of Harvey
Voices of Youth Survey

This survey is open to students between Year 3 and Year 12. There is an iPhone 15 to be won along with 15 other cool prizes.

What is involved?
The Shire of Harvey has launched a survey to find out how young people feel about living in the Harvey Region. It's only 11 quick questions!

How do you win?
If you fill out the survey, you will go in a prize draw. You could win:

- An iPhone
- Airpods
- Headphones
- $30 giftcard

Where is this survey?
Scan the QR code to fill out the survey or visit haveyoursay.harvey.wa.gov.au

Prize winners will be announced at the 14 December Sunset Festival. Connect with the Shire of Harvey on Facebook or Instagram for more info.

SHIRE OF HARVEY

Bunbury Tennis Academy Tennis/Multi-Sport Holiday Clinics

- One Hour Clinic: 9am - 10am - $25/day
- Half Full Day Clinic: 9am - 12pm - $45/day
- Full Day Clinic: 9am - 3pm - $75/day

Dates: 16 - 19 December 2024, 13 – 17 January 2025, and 28 – 31 January 2025.

With modified equipment to suit all age groups, our holiday clinics are open for players of all abilities, providing lots of hits and stacks of fun. Just bring your hat, water bottle & snacks / packed lunch.

To enrol: Go to play.tennis.com.au/bunburytennisacademy or contact Tanya on 0400 373 147.

Sky Careers School Holiday Workshops

A unique opportunity for young learners to dive into the dynamic world of aviation through the **Sky Careers School Holiday Workshops**. These hands-on workshops are tailored to captivate and inspire **students aged 7-17 years** with a blend of science, technology, and aviation insights that encourage curiosity and exploration.

These workshops are not just specific to STEM skills, students with all interests are very welcome. The workshops are conducted at Jandakot Airport. Please scan the QR code for all the details.