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12 August 2025 #2 Term 3

Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

Last week was a mixture of joy and gloom with the Junior Colour Run going ahead in beautiful conditions and the Senior Colour Run for Friday being postponed due to torrential rain.

Thank you to all the students, parents, grandparents, staff, family, and community members that participated last Thursday in Monty's Junior Colour Fun Run. We hope to see many of you again this Friday, as you helped bring great joy and entertainment to the Colour Run.

Our amazing P&C Colour Fun Run coordinator Ms Maddy Olsen when teamed with our outstanding Deputy Principal Mr Mike Brooks assisted by Mr Danny Sullivan, make a formidable team and organised the events superbly.

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.

This week is also Science Week and there are many activities organised to celebrate our Science Program.

P&C Meeting Tuesday 12 August 2025

Parkfield P&C will be holding their meeting **tonight** at 7pm in the library. The P&C is a vital part of the school community. Please come along and hear what is planned for the year ahead and show your support.

Vandalism over the weekend

This weekend we had many school windows smashed by bricks. We also had bottles smashed on our basketball courts creating a very dangerous situation for our students. Thank you to all the community members that continue to support our school and call the police on 131 444 to report intruders and vandalism.

End of the school day expectations

It is an expectation that all students leave the school grounds on the last 3:00pm siren and make their way home immediately unless they are directly supervised by their parents. With over 650 students, it is impossible for the school staff to know what students are doing after school and we insist that families communicate better to avoid unnecessary stress on children's whereabouts after school.

Congratulations Lana Simpson Year 6

We are thrilled to announce that one of our Year 6 students, Lana Simpson, has made the Under 12 State Schoolgirls Soccer Team. Lana will be participating in Ballarat, Victoria during the 24th to the 30th of October 2025. It is an incredible achievement as there are only 14 girls in the squad selected from many hundred hopefuls. The many hours driving to and from Perth with her parents to train have paid off. We wish her all the very best on this great accomplishment.

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.

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.

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

National Science Week 2025

Science Week is 9th - 17th of August and Parkfield students will be participating in many activities across the week. The theme is ***Decoding the Universe – Exploring the unknown with nature's hidden language.***

'Kids Teaching Kids' involves Year 6 students helping younger students from the Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 classes to do a short Science activity and/or make something involving a science concept. This will be held on Tuesday 12th August.

Please keep a look out for the Week 6 newsletter with reports on all of the fun activities.

Judy Brooks – Science Specialist

Down in the Art Room

The students at Parkfield have been invited to participate in Zonta's 2025 "Respect" Art Calendar Competition. We have had many winning submissions in past years, and it would be lovely to see our students once again creating some beautiful artwork, whilst reflecting upon what Respect means to them.

Competition entry forms can be collected from class teachers, or Ms Astill in the Art Room. The entry form has a detailed list of the competition requirements. There are great prizes to be won across four categories, with submissions due by **Thursday, 11th September 2025.**

Another opportunity available to the students is the 2025 International Chemistry and Art Competition. Mrs Brooks will be talking with the students about this competition during Science, and all information can be found on the website https://www.raci.org.au/icaac. Entries are submitted online and are due by **Wednesday, 1st October 2025.**

Julie Astill – Arts Specialist

Sports Update

This Term Parkfield PS have two athletics events occurring in Week 10. The 800m event will take place on Monday 22nd September at 2:00pm. This event will be for selected Year 3 – 6 students representing their house. Throws will take place on Tuesday 23rd September with vortex and shotput events throughout the day. The vortex event will include selected Year 3 – 6 students and shotput selected Year 4 - 6 students representing their house.

Bryden Sumich - PE Teacher

Overflowing with Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property in the Lost Property Trolley which is located outside the Deputies office. We encourage parents and students to check the trolley if they have misplaced any uniforms, lunch boxes, hats or drink bottles etc. Thank you.

Calling for Father's Day Donations

Our Father's Day Stall and Raffle is coming up in Week 7 of Term 3, so we are asking now for your consideration of donations to our raffle and stall. If you can donate, or know of any business that can, please get in contact with us or drop donations off to the front office.

Many thanks from the Fundraising Committee

parkfieldpandcfundraising@gmail.com

Junior Swimming Lessons

Pre - Primary, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3

Swimming lessons commence **next Monday 18th August** for two weeks**.** Please return any late enrolment forms and payments as soon as possible.

Please ensure your child comes with all the necessary items such as bathers, towel, goggles and extra underwear. Thank you.

Daffodil Day 2025

Thursday 21st of August – Dress in Yellow Day

Once again, Parkfield Primary School will be supporting Daffodil Day by having a 'Dress Yellow' day on Thursday the 21st of August. Be creative, have fun, but most importantly BE YELLOW.

A gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated.

If students are attending swimming lessons, please do not put any colour dye in their hair as it may come out in the pools. Thank you.

Frances Scibilia - Coordinator

Book Week is Coming!

The school is excited to celebrate Book Week in Week 7 this term, and we have some fun activities planned to inspire a love of reading across the school!

Dress - Up Day: Week 7, Tuesday 2nd September

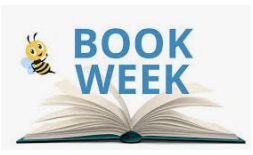
All students are invited to come dressed as their **favourite book character** on **Tuesday of Week 7**. This year's theme is "Book an Adventure", but don't worry - costumes don't need to match the theme. Any book character is welcome!

Library Fun!

Throughout the term, students will have the chance to explore our Book Week books and enjoy a range of activities and displays throughout the school celebrating the adventures we go on through storytelling and imagination.

I can't wait to see everyone's costumes and to share the joy of reading together!

Ms Pullen - Library Officer



Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following students who were recently awarded Special Achievement Certificates for being the top readers in their Year level at Parkfield during the Premier's Reading Challenge. An extra special mention to Luce Matsuura in Year 2 for recording the most books of any student at Parkfield. Amazing commitment everyone!

Juniors
Kindy: Parker Gambie, Ava Spaull, Evie Heath, Micah Heath.
Pre-primary: Connor Spaull, Jack Sheahan, Kristian McCaughan.
Year 1: Jade Mortley, Callum Tuppen, Isla Hill, Marley Hounslow, Harry Hounslow.
Year 2: Alys Heath, Bryce Mulcahy, Nevaya-Faye McCaughan, Luce Matsuura.

Seniors
Year 3: Liam Wilkes, Estelle Patterson, Ryleigh Hill.
Year 4: Xavier Lord, Willow Piggott, Jake Pedder.
Year 5: Aiden Wilkes, Bonnie Smith-Cook, Sophie Dobson.
Year 6: Ethan Berkshire, Anabel Maher, Madeleine Butcher.

Monty's Colour Fun Run

Congratulations to the junior school on a fabulous run on Thursday. Non-stop running and so much fun! Due to the weather the senior school colour fun run will be this Friday 15th August at 2pm. Don't forget to wear your white shirts.
Donations are still welcome until midnight 15th August. Prize opening will start on the 16th of August, and you have one week to complete your order online as that will close on the 22nd of August at midnight. Parents who wish to participate please jump on Qkr and pay for a Parent Participation Fee of $5.00. This helps cover the cost of purchasing extra powder.

We have several incentive prizes up for grabs. You have two chances to win a **Nintendo Switch Lite** or **HD Sports Action Camera** by raising $50. Raise $20 and go into the draw to now win **Electronic Air Hockey Game** one for the junior school and one for senior. Unfortunately as originally offered the Electronic Basketball game is no longer available. Students who raise $100 will receive a Monty Hand Ball. The highest fundraising student in each year level will win a Mini Monty Speaker and the highest fundraising student at Parkfield will win a Monty Showbag.

We would like to thank our amazing Parkfield community, so far we have raised a whopping $50780.00 before costs are deducted. This wouldn't have been possible without your support. Thank you.

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award at the last two assemblies: Asha Lee, Oliver Zylberlicht, Samuel Miller, Aubrey Read, Connor Spaull, Travis Booth, Mackenzie Hart, Henry Rodgers, Chloe Farnell, Jake Raven, Ava Kilmartin, Graycen Whitwell, Jackson Perks, Naa Quartey, Scarlett Nixon, Charlie Dorant, Kinsley Clark, Callum Tuppen, Ellis Rowlands, Hailee Reely, Dylan Harrison, Akapusi Kata, Hunter McEvoy, Alyaa Muhammad Dzikri Irsyad, Harry Hounslow, Caleb Jones, Ayla Carter, Hudson Scott, Elias Goodhand, Jack Semmens, Lily Waylen, Emily Gerritsen, Grayson Pullen, Mason MacLaughlin, Fionn Geoghegan, Elizabeth Read, Louell Robinson, Lachlan Trott, Casey Turner, Millie Lee, Maize Hastie, Chase Chapman, Mia Wigmore, Riley Pianta, Kyson Woodley, Blaire Niznik, Niklas Menz, Huxley Renton, Patricia Mullaney, Lincoln Fenemor, Quentin Marks, Ezerah Zuiderwyk, Ashtyn Hitchcock, Harper Smith, Zara Rogers, Reilyn Murphy, Bodhi Lamkin, Cooper Fowler, Dylan Hasard, Sadie Clark, Evelyn Cochrane, Khyra Carmichael, Jackson Pianta, Cohan Hansen, Muhammad Naveed, Zoey Smart, Logan Bullock, Lachie Dyer, Cleo Dagostino, Neiv Davis, Matilda Harris, Wyatt Maher, Ethan Powell, Ella Dent, Zya Grover, Evie Jones, Sophie Dobson, Hudson Mas, Hildie Menz, Matilda Branchi, Jai Crosby, Sienna Dagostino, Tucker Elrick, Edward Townsend, Mailey Cobby, Archer Fry, Flynn Adams, Aiden Gale, Phoebe Baum, Kensi Treloar, Elara Gould, Madeleine Butcher, Evi Jennings, Aurora Rogers, Eden Amundsen, Jace Rawson, Sophie Gerritsen, Josie Tester and Alexis Gibbs.

Specialist Awards – Science; Vera Papalia, Thomas Brooks, Rylan Edwards, Ella Dent, Charlie Brandis and Harley Ramsay. **Measurement;** Ruby Hodgkiss and Emmie Bregazzi. **Visual Arts**; Marlie Silver, Caleb Jones, Jaxon Kinnell, Leighton Moxon, Theo Hausen and Zerena-Aipana Puafisi. **Japanese;** Liam Hitchcock, Tanner Russell and Charlie Brandis. **Music;** Elizabeth Read, Nev Cobby, Sarah Puafisi, Rubi Jackson, Elarna Wheeler and Anna Bickford. **Physical Education;** Hunter McEvoy, Quinn Tilbrook, Scarlet Hannagan, Billie Hamilton, Uriah Gaffney and William Butcher.

Specialist Clubs

Term 3 Specialist Clubs are as follows:
Monday Recess - Irish Dance
Tuesday Recess - Jazz. Lunch - Tap Dance
Wednesday Lunch - Japanese Club Year 1 to Year 6
Thursday Lunch - Art Club: Year 5 & 6
Friday Lunch - Music Club Year 1 to Year 6

Thank you to the Specialist Teachers who run these clubs to provide our students with an amazing variety of activities, opportunities and experiences.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Open Mondays
8.30am – 9.00am
Thursday
2.45pm – 3.15pm

Orders can be placed via the Qkr! app and are delivered to your child's classroom.

Musical Notes

Newcomers are still welcome to join the **ensembles** and **choirs**. Year 1 students are welcome to join the Junior Choir for the remainder of 2025, and into 2026 if they wish. If your children would love to join us in our ensembles, they just need to come along at the following times (these are also listed on the Music Room door).

Monday: Percussion Ensemble (Year 3 - 6) 3:00pm-3:45pm
Wednesday: Junior Choir (Year 1 - 3) 8:00am - 8:40am
Wednesday: Ukulele Ensemble (Year 4 - 6) 3:00pm - 3:45pm
Thursday: Senior Choir (Year 4 - 6) 8:00am - 8:40am

Recorder ensemble has begun on Tuesdays at Lunch time from 1:15pm – 1:55pm. This is for students from Year 4 - 6.

Busking - Any students wanting to perform in our busking on Wednesday at lunch time, please come and see me. It's a great opportunity to share music in a casual setting. We welcome Year 1 - 6 students that learn an instrument inside or outside of school and would like to play for other students.

Recorders – All students from Year 4 - 6 require their own recorder. These were on the booklist, and we still have some students across these year levels that do not have one. Please contact the school if you have any questions about this.

Thank you as always for your support of our music program.

Rachael Thompson – Music Specialist

Chaplain Chat

Hello there everyone,

How has your last fortnight been? Just a quick focus this time on how wonderful it was to be a part of another one of our many school events and activities, the Junior Colour Run last Thursday. It was so great to have another opportunity to see the whole school approaches of The Parkfield Way, The Virtues Project and The Zones of Regulation in action… participants, spectators and support crew included!
A big thank you to all who came and were a part of it. An extra thank you to all involved it putting it on, running it and packing it away. All the best for another great Colour Run for our Seniors this Friday🤗

Until next time, take care and go well.

Jo 🤗 (Mrs Campbell)
YouthCARE Chaplain
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Host a Japanese Student

Japanese students will arrive on the 10th September and will stay for 3 nights with their host family. Host families receive a support payment to assist with costs. This is a wonderful opportunity for your family to learn about new cultures. For further information please visit
https://goldeducationaltours.com.au/referral/

Information on the Community Noticeboard

Steelers Softball Club Teeball, Junior & Senior teams. Come and try day at Eaton Softball Grounds – 16/08/25 from 3pm to 5pm. Teeball and Junior softball inquiries please contact Michelle Jones on 0488 596 594 or email steelerssoftballclub@outlook.com

Wanderers Softball Club – Teeball, Junior & Senior Teams. For more information please email Wanderssoftballclub1@gmail.com

Virtue For The Fortnight – Caring

CARING is giving love and attention to people and things that matter to you. When you **CARE** about people, you help them. When you do a careful job, you give it your very best effort. You treat people and things gently and respectfully. Without **CARING**, nothing and no one matters. If someone is hurt or sick, no one will help them. When people have an "I don't care" attitude, they do a sloppy or incomplete job. Things break and people are hurt. **CARING** people help others feel less alone. Because they **CARE**, others trust them. **CARING** makes the world a better and safer place. You **CARE** for others when you show love and concern by doing kind things for them. Ask them how they are and what they think. When they are sad, ask "How can I help?" You handle things with control and gentleness. You give your best to everything you do. When you take **CARE** of yourself, you treat your body with respect. You keep yourself clean and healthy. You take **CARE** of your needs.

What would Caring like if…

- You are doing a chore for your family?
- You notice that one of your friends looks sad?
- You come home after school and start
- talking to your mother?
- It is your job to take care of a pet?
- You feel upset about something that is hard to talk about?

Signs of Success are when you…

- Treat others, yourself and the earth with care
- Look at people and listen closely
- Handle things carefully
- Are gentle and loving with anyone or anything placed in your care
- Treat your body with respect
- Work with enthusiasm and excellence

Affirmation: I care for others and myself. I pay loving attention to the needs of people and animals. I give my best to every job.