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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

Our school has been a hive of activity over the last fortnight and now all classes are busily preparing for our upcoming Open Night.
We would like to welcome our 10 new students and their families to Parkfield. Thank you to staff, parents and volunteers that have supported our students through the Speak Up Awards, Book Week Parade, Father's Day Stalls, assemblies and Basketball Slam carnival. All these events have been successful because of the support of our Parkfield School community. All your efforts are greatly appreciated and make a difference to our children.

We still have a great deal of identified illness in the community with mainly Whooping Cough and COVID affecting a number of families. If your child feels unwell, please get them tested by a doctor and keep them home to help us try and break this cycle.

Hopefully we will have some fine weather break through soon as we start our 2025 Athletics events in the next few weeks. There will be a few changes in the carnival with flag races reappearing on the event list and the 800 metres will now contribute to championship points and not be a standalone event. Details of this term's events are in the newsletter with dates and approximate times.

Thank you, Parkfield P&C and Parkfield Community – Father's Day Stall 2025

Once again, we had very generous donations from many Parkfield Community members and businesses for our Father's Day stall, which made it fantastic for our students. Our talented and flexible P&C used the library again this year, and the stalls were filled with amazing gifts. A big shout out to Jodi Smith and Teegan MacLaughlin and their team of volunteers for their tremendous work in coordinating the whole event.

Thank you to all the people that gave up their valuable time to work the stalls and help our students select their gifts. Your time and effort is appreciated by everyone at Parkfield.

Speak Up Awards

Congratulations to Madeleine, Phoebe, Anabel and Ella who were selected to participate in the 2025 Speak Up Awards. These Year 6 students planned and delivered a speech on a topic of their choice, competing against students from other schools. Phoebe and Anabel were then selected to attend the Preliminary Final in Perth to compete against other finalists. Thank you also to Zoe and Eden who welcomed our guests on the day. We are very proud of them all!

School Photos

School Photos are being taken this week starting Wednesday. Parents, please make sure all students are in full school uniform not their **sports uniform.** Class rosters were sent home last week. Please check Seesaw for reminders.

Open Night Is Coming

One of the major events for the year is our Parkfield Open Night. It is a wonderful time for all families to come to school, observe their children's work and have a look around the school and see what other classes, particularly our specialist classes, are achieving.

Open Night is on **Wednesday 17th September 2025 from 5:30pm until 7:00pm.**

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

Book Week Dress-up

A huge thank you to all our students and families for making Book Week such a fun and memorable event! The fabulous costumes brought our favourite book characters to life — your creativity was amazing! Please see the back page for photos.

In the library, students enjoyed making Tooth Fairy houses, inspired by this year's story - Tooth Fairy by Briony Stewart. Throughout the term, classes have been completing their Book Week Passports and exploring a wide range of Book Week stories. Ask your child about their favourites – there have been some fantastic discussions and storytelling across all year levels. With Ms Astill in Art, students have been busy creating beautiful artworks based on the different Book Week books. These pieces are now on display in the library.

Don't forget to visit the library during Open Night to view our Book Week photo gallery and see the students' wonderful work on display. We can't wait to share it with you!

Happy Reading!

Ms Pullen - Library Officer

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award at the last assembly: Fionn McGarrell, Arlo Butler, Scarlett Symons, Jaxon Wauhop, Marcella Healy, Taj Jackson, Billie Hamilton, Jasmine Morrison, Luna Hinsbey, Piper McVittie, Hamish Aldersea-Fielder, Harley Bartlett, Liam Niznik, Marlie Silver, Harry Germon, Honore Berger, Lola Thurston, Isobel Watson, Hudson Shepherdson, Liam Boyd, Grace McGill, Lucas Stripe, Vera Papalia, Jamie Mac Carron, Lenny Duff, Aila Coombe, Isabelle White, Harper Smith, Amelia-Jade Morten, Marley Hounslow, Anakin Gee, Harry Grantham, Amelia Jeffreys, Avery Renton, Angus Evans, Nevaeh Parrington, Emmie Bregazzi, Poppie Hodgson, Ivy Everett-Asplin, Aizen Grover, Jace Wallrodt, Quinn Webber, Marnie Wilkinson, Taharoa Coyle-Lockey, Ember Hathaway-Pearce, George Wilkinson, Alys Heath, Grace Dobell, Oliver Aldersea-Fielder. Odin Davis, Annisa Ewen, Levi Edwards and Eli Bailye.

Specialist Awards – Science; Joel Turner and Luce Matsuura. **Measurement;** Liam Boyd and Everly Brandis. **Visual Arts**; Sophie Humble, Ellis Rowlands and Emily Gerritsen. **Music;** Cohen Stockwell and Isla Coventry. **Physical Education;** Raha Behzadian, Fionn McGarrell, Sataya Skelton and Liam Boyd.

Well done everyone.

Lost Property

The lost property box is overflowing! There are lots of clothes and drink bottles etc waiting to be claimed by their owners. Please take a moment to check and see if anything belongs to your child. A lot of items are not labelled with names, which makes it impossible to get items returned in a timely manner. All unclaimed lost property will be disposed of or given to the Uniform Shop at the end of the term. Thank you.

OPEN NIGHT

Next Wednesday 17TH September

Parkfield Primary School would like to invite students and families to our 2025 Open Night. Please mark this special event on your calendar. All classes from Kindy to Year 6 will be open from **5.30pm – 7pm** to allow you to view your child's learning environment. Don't miss this fun event!

Sports Update

Our Senior Athletics events will get underway on Monday 22nd September in Week 10. Selected students in Years 3 – 6 will compete in the 800m event, which will commence at 2:00pm. Students competing are encouraged to wear their House shirts. All the best to those competing. Events will occur in the following order:

Year 6 Girls, Year 6 Boys, Year 5 Girls, Year 5 Boys, Year 4 Girls, Year 4 Boys, Year 3 Girls and Year 3 Boys.

On Tuesday 23rd September selected students from Years 4 - 6 will compete in shot put. Selected Year 3 students will also be involved in the vortex event this year.

Time	Vortex	Shot -Put
9:15am	Year 4 Girls	Year 4 Boys
9:50am	Year 5 Boys	Year 5 Girls
10:25am	Year 6 Girls	Year 6 Boys
11:20am	Year 5 Girls	Year 5 Boys
11:55am	Year 4 Boys	Year 4 Girls
12:30pm	Year 6 Boys	Year 6 Girls
2:05pm	Year 3 Boys & Year 3 Girls	

* Parents please beware that these times are a guide and cannot be guaranteed. Please allow 15 minutes each way. Thank you.

Let's Play Cricket

P&C Fundraising News

On behalf of the P&C Fundraising Committee, we would like to thank all the wonderful children and teachers who visited our Father's Day stall. Thank you to the parents and volunteers, it wouldn't be able to run smoothly without all your help. And of course, all the lovely donations that we received.
We sold a total of 1378 tickets for our raffle and made an amazing profit total of $4088.88 to go towards resources for our school.

We hope everyone had an amazing Sunday spending time with the special people in their lives.

The Prize Winners:

1st - Nevaya M – Rm 6
2nd – Jack M – Rm 6
3rd – Lily T – Rm 21
4th – Emily G – Rm 4
5th – Alys H – Rm T4
6th – Lincoln G – Rm 22
7th – Harper S – Rm 3
8th – Jaxon W – PP1
9th – Annissa E – Rm T5
10th – Keiji D – PP3

Donating Businesses & Individuals

We would like to thank all the wonderful people and businesses who donated to our Father's Day stall and raffle – Hoyts Bunbury, Treendale Farm Hotel, Bunbury Ten Pin Bowling, Integrity Auto Electrics, Little Jade Designs, Adrift Brewery, MESH Automotive, Sanctuary Golf Resort, HTC Welding, the Adams Family and a couple of anonymous donations.
Thank you everyone!

Jodi Smith
Fundraising Executive Sub-Coordinator

South West Basketball Slam

On Friday the 5th of September, Parkfield PS took three teams to the South West Basketball Slam. All teams played six games throughout the day.

One girls team made it to the semifinals going down by one point in overtime. All students are to be praised for their high levels of commitment and sportsmanship.

Well done, Team Parkfield!!

The Parkfield Garden

We are delighted to share that our Parkfield Garden has received a wonderful makeover, made possible through a generous grant from Lotterywest and Healthway. This support has enabled us to expand our growing spaces, providing fresh produce for the Canteen and for student's cooking classes.

A huge thank you goes to all of the students who helped out with the upgrades over the last year, our ever-reliable gardener Mark Bradley, Christie from Australind Bunnings, and of course Lotterywest and Healthway for making this project possible.

We look forward to seeing the garden continue to thrive and to sharing more delicious learning opportunities with our students. Below are some photos of the garden's transformation and how the grant has been put to use.

Book Week Costumes

Australind Basketball Association

2025 Junior Bouncers Registrations are now open for 2018 & 2019 born players only. This great 8 week program encompasses the importance of early skill development at every session, plus also having fun and interactive gameplay every week.
JB's will be played on a Monday afternoon from 3.45pm - 4.45pm. For more information please head to their Facebook page Australind Basketball Association Inc. or website https://australindbasketball.com.au/

Australind Library News

Book Buddies Children's Book Club is held at the Library every Wednesday from 3:30pm – 4:30pm.
Kids Connect is a weekly session where children can discover the wonders of STEM concepts through fun and engaging activities. This program is suitable for 8 – 11year olds and is run on a Thursday from 3:30pm – 4:30pm. Please contact the library on 9797 4590 for further information.

Virtue For The Fortnight - Helpfulness

HELPFULNESS is being of service. It is doing useful things for people, such as things they cannot do for themselves, something they do not have time to do, or just little things that make life easier. It is important to be **HELPFUL** to ourselves too, by taking care of our bodies. There are times when we need help from others. That is a good time to ask for help. We all need help sometimes. We need people to teach us, and people to give us their strength or ideas. Sometimes we just need a friend to talk to. If there were no **HELPFULNESS**, there would be no cooperation. When we practice **HELPFULNESS** we get more done. We make each other's lives easier. When you are **HELPFUL**, you care about others. You don't wait to be asked. You notice what needs to be done and just do it. If you cannot figure out what someone needs, ask them "How can I help?" or "What do you need?" Remember to help yourself by eating healthy foods, exercising and getting plenty of rest. And remember to ask for help when you need it.

What would Helpfulness like if…

- A friend is carrying a whole pile of books?
- It is time for dinner and your mother could use help?
- You notice that a friend looks sad?
- Your best friend asks you if he can copy your homework?
- An older person just slipped and fell?

Signs of Success are when you…

- Notice when someone needs help
- Do a service without being asked
- Give people what they need, not always what they want
- Listen to someone who needs to talk
- Care for your own needs
- Ask for help when you need it

Affirmation: *I am helpful. I look for ways to be of service. I care for others and myself. I look for helpful ways to make a difference.*