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Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

We have had a smooth start to Term 1 2026, and we greatly appreciate the efforts of parents, students, and staff in ensuring a happy transition to the beginning of the school year.

A warm welcome to the numerous new families and students to Parkfield Primary School. We are pleased that you have come to Parkfield and are confident that your time with us will be rewarding. Our school numbers are currently 664 students from Kindy to Year 6. We are all enjoying the fully airconditioned school thanks to the money raised at last year's Monty the Monstar Colour Fun Run.

Swimming lessons have begun with beautiful weather. A reminder to Year 5 and 6 parents that students cannot participate in the Parkfield Swimming Carnival unless they have been to Interm swimming lessons. Leschenault is a water paradise, and it is critical that students learn to be safe in their surroundings. Again, congratulations to the students as they display perseverance, commitment, and courage with their swimming lessons.

New Parkfield Staff

A special welcome to our new and returning 2026 staff members, Mrs Kaylee Mason, Mrs Emmalee Walton, Ms Ryan Jae Williams, Mrs Ally Bushell, Mrs Tiffany Murray, Ms Lusiana Kata, Mrs Abigael Pablo, Miss Amity Fucile, Mrs Marie Gethin and Miss Ava Forgione. We all look forward to working with all of you.

Thank You Parkfield PS Uniform Shop

Thank you to our P&C Uniform coordinator Mrs Amber Mickel and Mrs Petrina Dobson who came in to support our families before school started. Your volunteer work is greatly appreciated.

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*. All **$60** per child contributions are used to purchase much needed resources for our children. The $60 amount has not changed for nearly 20 years.

Last year we had 200 families that did not pay their $60 which meant the students missed on $12 000 of reading/maths materials. At $15 per term we believe students are provided with a very positive education.

Attendance is Critical Every Day!

Regular attendance at school is fundamental to student learning. Student achievement of academic and social outcomes depends on consistent attendance and participation. Every day at school matters because students can take advantage of ALL the educational opportunities available.

Children build on their knowledge and skills each day, each week and each year. We have a minimum target of 90% attendance for every child in 2026.

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, SMS response or via the Parkfield App. This is a legal requirement under the Education Act of WA.

Seesaw App

This year all classes at Parkfield will again be using the Seesaw App to communicate classroom happenings to families. This is a tool for teachers and parents to share the many successes that occur on a weekly basis at the school. However, Seesaw is not to take the place of the important face to face discussions that need to occur when personal situations arise.

Parkfield App

A reminder to families that the school has an App. To download, search for **"Parkfield Primary School"** in the App/Play Store. It is an important method of regular communication to parents.

Bus Bay

Parents, please don't park or drop students off in the Bus Bay at any time. Bus bays are for buses only. We must keep our students safe at all times.

Smith Family

We still have some Learning for Life Scholarships for any families on Healthcare Cards, Pensions, Centrelink, or grandparents having custody of their grandchildren. Our Smith Family Coordinator, Renee Giblett, looks forward to supporting our families and she is at school all day every second Monday, starting this week. Her phone number is 0466 946 003 or scan the QR code to express your interest in a scholarship.

As a school community we are always looking to improve in all areas and this week in the newsletter we have highlighted some habits where we can become a little better.

Before School Parent Supervision
Parents who come to school with their child before 8:30am can **sit** with them outside their classroom and are responsible for their child. *No playing* outside classrooms or in playgrounds please. Friends need to go to the undercover area or oval. Your support with this is appreciated.
Students who **need to** arrive at school before 8.15am must go straight to the undercover area with their bag and sit on the benches.

Breakfast Club begins at 8.00am. It is a free service, thanks to the generosity of Foodbank and our volunteers, including the Lions Club of Australind. We greatly appreciate any donations of Milo, milk, tinned spaghetti and baked beans.

If the weather is fine, students will be dismissed to the oval at 8.15am. We have teachers on duty in the undercover area and on the oval at the notated times

After School Routines

- All students to leave premises immediately after the bell.
- Parents that stay to watch their children play must closely watch their children. It is a Privilege, not a right, to use school grounds after hours.
- School rules still apply after school on school grounds e.g. no sword fights with sticks, no wrestling, no climbing trees and no sand fights.

Toilets are locked straight after school so our wonderful cleaners can get on with their important tasks safely and without interruption.

Footwear at School
It is most advisable that all students in Years 1 to 6 wear sneakers/joggers every day due to the specialist classes students participate in.

Congratulations to our new Authors – "Kaya Kondil "– Narelle Pickering and Lesley Jetta
After 18 months of very hard work and negotiations we would like to sincerely congratulate Mrs Narelle Pickering and Ms Lesley Jetta on getting their book Kaya Kondil published by Fremantle Press.

This is a huge occasion for any authors and the importance of retaining local Indigenous stories and words make this even more meritorious.

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

House Swimming Carnival Week 5, Friday March 6th

Year 5 and 6 students are heading to the **Harvey Swimming Pool** this term for our annual House Swimming Carnival.

- **Race Formats:** Students who nominate for the **50m championship events** will compete in championship swimming heats first up on the day, if more than 8 competitors nominate per event. All other students will participate in **25m races** and high-energy **fun relays**.
- **Documentation:** Permission slips will be distributed to students closer to the event.
- **Spectators:** Family and friends are encouraged to attend! Entry is **free**, and there is plenty of **shelter provided**. Your support makes a world of difference to the students' morale and the overall atmosphere.

The success of our carnival truly depends on our parent volunteers as place judges. If you're able to lend a hand, please get in touch with the **school office** to let us know.

2026 brings another year of opportunities for Parkfield PS students to represent School Sports Western Australia (SSWA). A large range of team sports (including AFL, soccer, basketball, netball, cricket, hockey and cross country just to name a few) have trial dates commencing soon. Click the link below for more information.
https://www.schoolsportwa.com.au/interstate/

Kind regards,

Bryden Sumich - Physical Education

Keeping Kids in Mind

A FREE 5-session Program for Separated Parents
Co-Parenting while in Conflict

Would like some tools to help, make co-parenting easier, even when in conflict, then this is the program for you.

The course is designed to:

- Assist parents to see through their children's eyes the experience of parental separation
- Develop a greater understanding about how to support children following family separation
- Examine loss and grief after separation

Facilitators: Sue Riccelli & Deb Woods

Only ONE of the separated parents can attend.
Bookings essential. Walk-ins not accepted. Free morning tea.

Fridays 20 Feb - 20 March 2026 | 9.30am - 12noon
Child and Parent Centre - Carey Park
(inside Carey Park Primary School)
Bookings essential: https://bit.ly/48WZWte
Enquiries: 0408 927 555 | E: Southwest.PCWA@anglicarewa.org.au

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Child and Parent Centre Carey Park

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Settlers Playgroup is 30 - Let's Celebrate!!

Saturday 21st February from 9am – 12pm at Settlers Hall in Leschenault. We welcome past, current and prospective members to celebrate with a family friendly event with kids activities, a door prize and morning tea provided. Please RSVP via the Facebook event or to Telisse at 0415 922 585.

AUSTRALIND JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB OPEN DAY

Registration Support
Complementary food & drink
Junior Referee EOI

Saturday 21st February

9AM TO 1230PM

Leschenault Sporting Pavillion - Oval 6

visit us https://www.ajsc.org.au/

follow us https://www.facebook.com/ajscofficial

Registration is now open for the upcoming season

BUNBURY GIRLS CRICKET BLAST

Wednesdays - 25 Feb, 4, 11, 18 Mar

Time: 4:30pm-5:30pm

Where: Hay Park, Oval #3, Bunbury
Entry: FREE (participant pack included)
Ages: 5-12

Just come along in comfy clothes, sneakers and bring your water bottle and hat!

Come and try cricket in a fun, girls only environment with your friends. No equipment or experience is required!
Please register early through the QR code above or visit https://www.playhq.com/cricketaustralind/register/3d0914

Stirling Street Arts Centre

The Stirling Street Arts Centre in Bunbury offers a wide range of workshops for Adult, Teens and Kids. Please scan the QR code to see what is on offer for Term 1.

For more information
www.stirlingstreetarts.com.au

CAR WASH AND DOG WASH TOKENS FROM TITANIUM WASH ARE AVAILABLE NOW ON QKR!

Car wash tokens cost **$15.00** and Dog wash tokens cost **$8.00**. Thank you for supporting the P&C.

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.
EFTPOS is available at the Uniform Shop.
For any queries please ring Amber during shop hours on 0413 234 002. Thank you.

CHOOSE RESPECT

RESPECT IS TO TREAT WITH CARE AND CONSIDERATION

CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

Every member of our community is encouraged to **CHOOSE RESPECT**.

To **CHOOSE RESPECT** is to make a conscious effort to:

- Treat others with Respect, no matter how they treat you.
- Treat yourself with Respect.
- Forgive others who do not treat you with Respect.
- Resist your natural desire to pay back or take revenge.
- Apologise when you do not treat others with Respect.
- Support others who are not being treated with Respect.
- Ask for support when others do not treat you with Respect.

"Fostering a Culture of Respect in our community."

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Term One Planner 2026

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
1	2 Feb	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	9 Feb Interm Swimming Yrs 4 - 6	10 Newsletter Staff Meeting P&C Meeting	11	12	13	14	15
3	16 Feb Interm Swimming Yrs 4 - 6	17	18	19	20	21	22
4	23 Feb	24 Newsletter Staff Meeting	25	26	27	28	1 Mar
5	2 March Labour Day	3	4	5	6 Yr 5 & 6 Swimming Carnival	7	8
6	9 Mar Running Club begins	10 Newsletter Staff Meeting P&C Meeting	11 Yr 6 Camp NAPLAN Testing Yrs 3 & 5	12 Yr 6 Camp	13 Yr 6 Camp	14	15
7	16 Mar NAPLAN	17	18 School Board Meeting	19	20	21	22
8	23 Mar NAPLAN concludes	24 Newsletter Staff Meeting	25 **DISCO**	26	27 Year 6 Assembly	28	29
9	30 Mar	31	1 Apr	2	3 Good Friday	4	5
H	6 Apr Easter Monday	7	8	9	10	11	12
H	13 Apr	14	15	16	17	18	19

Start and End of Term **Public Holidays** **School Holidays (students)** **School Development Days**