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Dear Students, Teachers, Parents and Carers,

At Parkfield, we pride ourselves on staff and students showing the *Parkfield Way* whether at school or in the public arena. On Friday, our Year 6 students attended their 2026 Winter Carnival, and we witnessed all the virtues that we expect: Pride, Respect, Responsibility and Initiative. A heartfelt thank you to all the parent helpers and dedicated staff that contributed so positively for a memorable experience for our students.

A huge thank you to all the staff, parents/carers and students in Pre primary to Year 3 for the way you have embraced swimming lessons. We know it is not the most desirable time of the year but we do really appreciate everyone's willingness to be organised for the lessons. We have noticed that a few students have had difficulties changing their own clothes, this may be something to practise at home in the coming weeks to allow them to be more independent.

Good luck to all our Music ensemble groups that have been working very diligently to get ready for the Bunbury Eisteddfod late next week. A huge thank you to Mrs Thompson for all the personal time that she gives up to allow our students the opportunity to participate and perform at this level.

Attendance at School

Attendance is a key indicator of success and we have a Department of Education goal of all students attending over 90% of the school year.
Many students are falling below this target and families will be getting reminders in the next few weeks.

House Cross Country Participation - Compulsory

It is an expectation that all students in Years Three to Six will participate in the House Cross Country event next week unless they have a medical certificate or an obvious medical condition.
We encourage all students to do their **personal best** and be part of the whole senior school activity. Students attending school with no formal medical condition will be participating.

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.

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.

WA Day Long Weekend - Monday 1st June

WA Day (formerly Foundation Day) is a state public holiday in Western Australia held on the first Monday in June. In 2026, it falls on Monday, June 1. The day commemorates the founding of the Swan River Colony in 1829 and celebrates the culture, history, and achievements of all Western Australians.

To our neighbours, yes we will turn off the siren for the day too.

Ahlia's Kindness Day - Friday 5th June

Again this year, our school will join others in the local area in marking Friday 7th of June as Ahlia's Kindness Day. Ahlia was a Year One student from Eaton Primary school who passed away in 2020 from DIPG, an aggressive form of brain cancer. Ahlia's Mother and Uncle are both former Parkfield students.
We will be supporting the day and honouring Ahlia's memory in two ways:

- **Dress in Blue**. Friday 5th June will be Blue Day. We are asking for a **gold coin donation** from those who dress in or wear some blue, which will go towards the charity RUN DIPG.

- **Show some kindness**. We are encouraging all students to participate in sharing kindness with others

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Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

Dress-up for National Simultaneous Storytime

Wednesday 27th May

Parkfield will again be joining in with schools from around Australia to celebrate National Simultaneous Storytime. National Simultaneous Storytime is an annual event aimed at promoting a love of reading. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in hundreds of schools around the country. This year's book is **Luna Roo: The Kangaroo Baller**, written by Adam Jackson and Adrian Lloyd and illustrated by Jake Minton.

To celebrate the book and help add context to the story, we are holding a **dress-up day with a SPORTS theme**. Children can dress in a sports uniform or the colours of their favourite sports team on Wednesday 27th May.

Sports Update

This term, students in Years 3 – 6 will take part in the Parkfield Cross Country event. The carnival will be held in **Week 7 on Wednesday the 3rd of June beginning at 1:15pm** on the school oval.

Year 3 and 4 students will complete a course of approximately 1000m, while Year 5 and 6 students will run approximately 2000m**. Races will be conducted separately in the following order: Year 3 Boys, Year 3 Girls, Year 4 Boys, Year 4 Girls, Year 5 Boys, Year 5 Girls, Year 6 Boys, and Year 6 Girls.** Spectators are kindly asked to keep the footpath clear during events, as it forms a major part of the course.

Congratulations to all students who have participated in the Parkfield to Bunbury morning fitness run challenge and pushed themselves beyond expectations. The final day of the challenge will take place this Friday the 29th of May. Thank you to the Parkfield PS staff and members of the Parkfield community who have supported and assisted with the running program throughout the term.

A huge congratulations also goes to our Year 6 students for the outstanding way they displayed the Parkfield Virtues during the 2026 Winter Carnival last week. Parkfield PS was proudly represented by three netball teams, two soccer teams, and two football teams. The positive feedback regarding the students' sportsmanship, teamwork, and fair play was exceptional across all teams. Thank you to all Parkfield parent volunteers and staff whose support helped make the carnival such a successful and memorable experience for our Year 6 students.

Important dates

Parkfield Cross Country 3rd June (Year 3 – Year 6)
Interschool Cross Country 19th June (Year 3 – Year 6)

Kind regards,
Bryden Sumich - Physical Education

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit award at the last assembly: Alvey Wallrodt, Sienna Alexander, Arlo Brooks, Isla Fantasia, Xander Combes, Max Coghlan, Evie Heath, Eden Cavallaro, Alicia Heron, James Filipich, Elijah Mowday, Gabe De Pledge, Kanwar Khatra, Naomi George, Archie O'Donoghue, Elira Robson, Lucas Semmens, Fionn McGarrell, Jackson Perks, Logan Brooks, Raha Behzadian, Antoinette Golden, Asha Lee, Jack Wicks, Kohen Nisbet, Yassin Ahmed, Logan Fitzgerald, Ariella Gorham, Keeley-Jayne Perks, Anthony Jones, Vera Papalia, Arlo Horton, Enid Sawyer, Elias Goodhand, Isla Hill, Annalies Offer, Harry Hounslow, Henry Fenton, Malakai Dick, Harrison Grantham, Ellis Rowlands and Abigail Miles.

Specialist Awards – Science; Cruz Gordon. **Music;** Otis Edwards and David Dogaru. **Visual Arts;** Nazare Henderson and Amelia Jeffreys. **Physical Education;** Lucas Stripe, Jayde Hansen, Kai Beerling, Kai Brown and Lilah Mills. **Measurement;** Alfie Moloney and Grace McGill.

Musical Notes

Dear Families,

"Music is not just what you play; it's what you make others feel." - Unknown

Live music creates a feeling you just don't get from listening through the radio and there are plenty of ways to experience this. We provide some of these opportunities, but there are many others out in the community and the next big event is the Bunbury Eisteddfod.

Seventy seven of our Parkfield students have been working hard towards their performances coming up at the Bunbury Eisteddfod in two weeks time. Five of our ensembles will be performing - Senior Choir on the 5th of June at 6pm, and the others 8th of June at 5pm. We would love for you to come and support us in the audience, as well as seeing some other local talent on the nights as well!

Tickets are available here:
https://www.bunburyentertainment.com/whats-on/
(Select stage one section, and the times that I mentioned above)

The program is available to view here:
http://www.eisteddfodwa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/2026-Program-Vocal-Instrumental-V1.pdf

Big thanks to all of the students, parents, carers and teachers that have been a part of our preparation or offered their support and understanding in this busy time!

Warm Regards,

Rachael Thompson – Music Specialist

Road Safety Brochure

Have you noticed the recent changes around the Parkfield boundary? The Shire of Harvey have been working hard to help make it safer for our students and families when crossing the road.

We have also partnered with *Your Move* and *the Department of Transport*, who have created an information brochure for all students, a copy of which has been given to every Kindy to Year 3 student. To view the brochure please visit the Parkfield PS website. The brochure highlights popular walking and cycling routes to Parkfield, as well as locations where crossings have been made safer.

How to get to Parkfield Primary School

We encourage every family to discuss these routes with your child so they become familiar with the safest ways to travel to and from school.
Thank you.

Katheryn Perks – Road Safety Coordinator

Book Fair - Thank you!

A huge thank you to our wonderful families for coming along and supporting our Book Fair! Every purchase helps grow our school library for all students to enjoy. It was fantastic to see so many families visiting the Library, sharing their love of reading, and choosing books to take home.
Happy Reading!!

Ms Pullen - Library Officer

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is almost at the finish line with 16 days left to go! Keep logging your books and make every page count before the challenge ends on the 12th of June.

A huge congratulations to our state award winners Mikey A and Luce M - what an incredible achievement! Thank you to Mrs Pullen for partnering up with us and awarding the following students with Book Fair vouchers: Ruben H, Henry H, Connor S, Jade M, Sophie C, Maize H, Elsie-Joy M, Evie C and Aiden W.

Parkfield's Challenge Champions
Mrs Howe and Mrs Spaull

BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM

Want to prepare your kids for a healthier future?

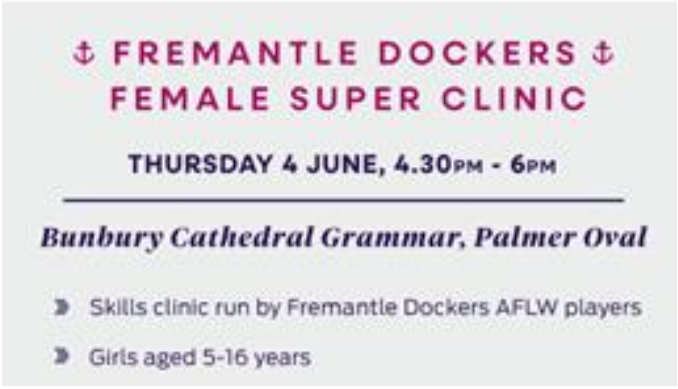
Is your child…...

- 6 -12 years old?
- Above a healthy weight?
- In need of support to improve eating and activity habits?

The Better Health Program is a free, flexible healthy lifestyle program for you and your child. Meet regularly with a personal health coach to cover topics such as good nutrition, forming positive habits, becoming a healthier family and being physically active.

The program is available in online and face-to-face formats. Both versions, include a bunch of great freebies, and a reward at the end!

The Fremantle Dockers are coming to the South West!



Spots are limited. Please register early to avoid disappointment.
For further information please contact **Graham Mills**, FFC Regional Engagement Manager, graham.mills@fremantlefc.com.au or **Nathan Douch**, WA Football Regional Development Specialist ndouch@wafootball.com.au

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Mondays
8:30am to 9:00am
Thursdays
2:45pm to 3:15pm
Located Block 4

Please note we are EFTPOS only.
Qkr! orders will be delivered to classrooms on these days. Please note: Thursday deliveries are completed after 3:15pm, so orders will go home with students on Friday.
For any queries please ring Amber during shop hours on 0413 234 002. Thank you.

Stirling Street Arts Centre

The Stirling Street Arts Centre in Bunbury offers a wide range of workshops for Adults, Teens and Kids. Please scan the QR code to see what is on offer for Term 2.

For more information

www.stirlingstreetarts.com.au

Lost Property - Please take a moment to check the lost property located outside the deputies' office. The items are not labelled, which makes it impossible to return them to their owner. All unclaimed lost property will be disposed of or given to the Uniform Shop at the end of the term. Thank you.

Parkfield Alumni Success

We are very proud of our former students and recently we had two of them represent our state in the West Australian Football League Interstate matches.

Lauren Quaife was Head Girl and female sports award recipient in 2014. Lauren has excelled in West Australian Women's Football League for Swan Districts recently.

Ethan Hughes was Parkfield's male sports award recipient in 2006 and then played for Peel Thunder and the Fremantle Dockers.

We would love to Congratulate our former Parkfield students.

COMPASSION

Compassion is understanding and caring when someone is hurt or troubled, even if you don't know them. It is wanting to help, even if all you can do is listen and say kind words. You forgive mistakes. You are a friend when someone needs a friend.

Room 17 have done a wonderful job sharing their understanding of the virtue of Compassion by creating a beautiful Compassion Tree in their classroom. Their thoughtful work highlights how kindness, helpfulness and caring for others can make a positive difference every day. We would like to acknowledge Room 17 for demonstrating that compassion helps create a supportive, welcoming and happy school community for everyone.