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Dear Students, Teachers, Parents and Carers,

The school has been a hive of activity over the last fortnight with incursions, excursions and assemblies. Thank you to all our new families for embracing the Parkfield Way and helping their children settle into our school so well.

Performing Arts Assembly

A highlight already this term was our Performing Arts Assembly. On Friday 31st July we had an outstanding showcase of our Performing Arts groups. A huge congratulations to Rachael Thompson, Kelly Coppen and the IMMS teachers for preparing our groups so well and giving them the confidence to perform. Thank you to Mrs Knight for coordinating all the acts and making the assembly run so smoothly for that long period of time. The audience was excellent and sat through nearly two hours of performances. We are very proud of all our students.

Languages Week

Thank you to Gray Sensei for the amazing amount of work she did to involve the school in our first Languages Week. From family quizzes, Onigiri making classes, karaoke, mini flag making, painting gum leaves to hosting the Blue Dolphin International school from Osaka in Japan.

Speak Up Awards

Congratulations to Lacey Rodgers, Fern Amundsen, Charlie Brandis and Luella Baldock who travelled to Mandurah last week to represent Parkfield at the annual Speak Up Awards.

Each member of the Parkfield team showed outstanding commitment in preparing for the event and they all delivered their presentations with confidence and excellence.

Fantastic work team, and best of luck to those progressing to the semi-finals later this month.

2027 Kindergarten Enrolments CLOSING soon

Applications for enrolments for children entering Kindergarten in the 2027 school year are **closing soon.** We still have some spaces available.

Annual School Aeration Program

This Friday, our school grounds and oval will be aerated to get everything ready for Spring and Summer use. Can we please ask that all parents/cares, students and community members keep off the grassed areas until next week?

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.

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.

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.

Children build on their knowledge and skills each day, each week, and each year. We have a target of a minimum 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 or via the Parkfield App. This is a legal requirement under the Education Act of WA.

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

Sports Update

This Term Parkfield PS have two athletic events occurring in Week 10. The **800m** event will take place on Monday 21st of September at 2:00pm. This event will be for selected Year 3 – 6 students representing their house. **Throws** will take place on Tuesday 22nd of September with vortex/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.

A new form of **running club** will occur every Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 7:50am on the school oval. The focus will be on 100m, 200m, 400m and 800m sprints open to Year 3 – 6 students.

Kind regards,

Bryden Sumich - PE teacher

Thursday 13th August

Parkfield students, are you looking for a gift for yourself, a friend or a family member?
Well, we're excited to tell you that the Year 6 Market Day is nearly here!
Students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 are invited to come and browse the many amazing items for sale or test their talents at the side shows. Classes will visit the markets at a designated time.
Everything is handmade or personally designed by our creative Year 6 students.
Prices range from 50c to $20.

Looking forward to seeing you at Block 6!

Dress Yellow for Daffodil Day

Thursday 20th of August

Be creative from your head to your feet, all we ask is that you dress in YELLOW to show your support for Daffodil Day. A gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated. All money raised goes directly to the Cancer Council.
Thank you.

Ms Scibilia – Coordinator

P&C News

Father's Day Raffle Donations

The Parkfield P&C are requesting donations towards our upcoming Father's Day raffle which will be drawn on the 4th of September. We appreciate all donations, big or small, and are happy to take cash donations if you so wish. Your business/family will be advertised through our school newsletter and P&C Facebook page. All donations can be dropped at the front office any time before the 28th of August. We thank you for your support.

Father's Day Stall Volunteers

We are calling out for any parents or caregivers that may be able to volunteer at our upcoming Father's Day stall. We are requiring helpers for Thursday the 3rd of September and Friday the 4th of September between 8:45am to 1:00pm. This year we are trying something new and we are hoping to make it easier for everyone to sign up and choose the shift they would like to volunteer for. Please see the QR code which will send you straight to our new sign up program. **Signing up is as easy as** 1) Scan the QR Code, 2) Enter your email (no account is needed) and 3) Choose the shift that's right for you.

The Father's Day stall is a wonderful, fun and rewarding way to be a part of helping your child's school raise funds. The day is enjoyed by the students, teachers and all our volunteers. The smiles and joy on the children's faces are unforgettable.

Jodi Smith and Teegan MacLaughlin
Fundraising Executive Sub-Coordinators
Parkfield Primary School P&C
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Making & Keeping Friends Triple P Workshop

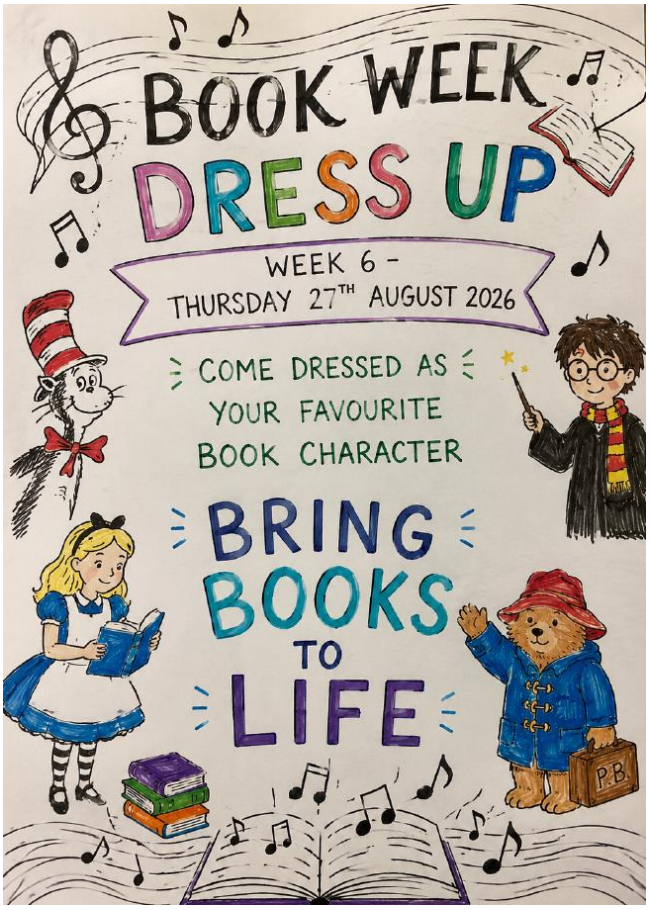
Friendships can be fun, rewarding … and sometimes tricky!

Join us for a practical Triple P workshop **adapted for parents and carers of middle to upper primary students**. Learn simple, positive strategies to help your child build confidence, make and maintain friendships, navigate disagreements, and manage the ups and downs of social relationships.
Practical strategies. Stronger social skills. More confident kids.

Where - online via Teams. Link sent after registering your interest by emailing yvonne.dwyer@education.wa.edu.au

When - Thursday the 20th of August 2026 from 7.30 - 9.15pm

Who - Workshop presented by Maree Dwyer (School Psychologist, South Bunbury Primary School)



Cricket Blast in Term 4

Government of Western Australia
WA Country Health Service

Circle of Security Program

FREE 8 week parenting program for caregivers of children aged 0-6 years.

Circle of Security Parenting is a highly researched parenting program that helps caregivers connect with your children, strengthen your relationship with your child and help develop their self esteem. This program helps caregivers understand their child's behaviour and respond to their needs.

When: Tuesday evenings, 6:00pm-8:00pm
Dates: Tuesday 20th October - 8th December 2026
Where: Child Health & Immunisation Clinic
Djoodiny and Yongka, Albert Lane Bunbury WA

Registration is required - please call 1800 457 949

Registrations close on Monday 5th October

www.childhealth.health.wa.gov.au

WA Student Assistance Payment

The WA Student Assistance Payment helps parents and carers with cost-of-living pressures associated with sending their children to school. You can claim **$150** for each Kindergarten and Primary student and **$250** for each Secondary student.

Claim now through the Service WA app, online or by post.
Claims must be received by Friday 25 September 2026.
Visit wa.gov.au/WASAP2026 for eligibility information and how to claim.

P&C Facebook Page

A reminder to families to please follow the P&C Facebook page as community events and information for families are regularly posted on their page. Thank you.

Free Counselling at Lifeline WA

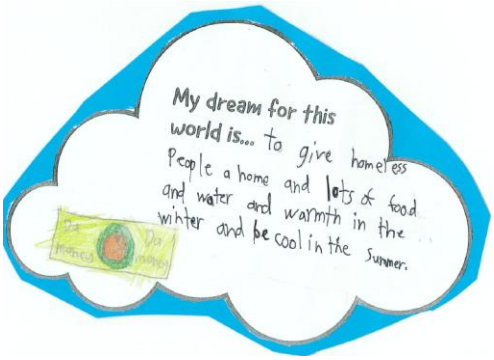
"Around 1 in 4 children will experience parental divorce or permanent separation before the age of 18, and 1 in 20 will experience the death of a parent." (ABS,2011)

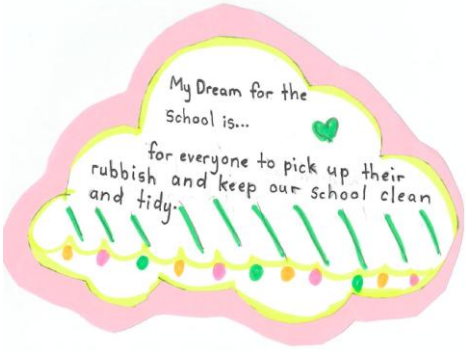
Family separation and bereavement can bring forth many different types of emotions for both parents and children. Feelings of loss, anger, anxiety and confusion may come and go during this challenging transition. It can be even harder if the circumstances surrounding the separation or bereavement were unexpected or traumatic.

The Lifeline WA Counselling service is free and available across Western Australia. Counselling sessions are available face to face at our Subiaco office, or via Zoom or phone. **We provide individual support of up to 12 counselling sessions over a maximum of 12 months for children, young people, and parents** impacted by separation or bereavement. Visit the Lifeline counselling website for further information.

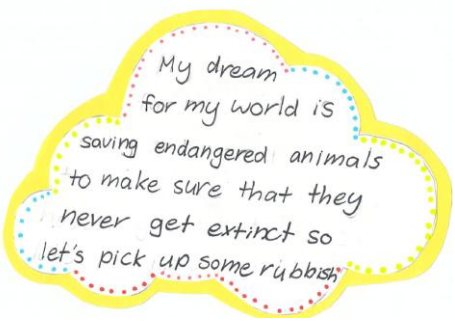
Change of Details

Please inform the front office if you have changed your address or mobile phone numbers – crucial information to have in case of an emergency at home or at school.





Idealism

Idealism is having beliefs that mean something to you, and you follow them. When you practise idealism, you don't just accept things the way they are, you want to make a difference. Idealists dare to have big dreams and then act as if they are possible.

Room 16 reflected on Martin Luther King's 'I Have a Dream' speech and John Lennon's song 'Imagine' and dared to dream big dreams for themselves, our school, community and the world. They have done a wonderful job sharing their understanding of the virtue of Idealism by representing their dreams on their 'I Have a Dream' mobiles. Their thoughtful reflections and fantastic ideas provide us with a wonderful opportunity to better understand this important virtue.