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Dear Students, Teachers, Parents and Carers,

As we near the end of term it is a great opportunity to reflect on all of the successful activities and events that have made the term so fulfilling but also demanding.

Every week is a big week at Parkfield!
From the Parkfield's Got Talent heats and finals, Performance Arts Assembly, Father's Day, Book Week Parade, Science Week, Languages Week, Speak Up Awards, Yellow Day, South West Slam, Year 3 excursion to the Mangroves, School Photos, Leschenault Cricket sessions, Eagles, AFL visits, Dockers AFL Webex, Open Night, 800 metres, throws and this week's upcoming Disco we have had an amazing term!

Thank you also to all the staff that voluntarily run their lunch time clubs and umpire sporting games. These "extras" make a huge positive difference to our students and are appreciated by us all.

Open Night

Thank you to everyone that came along to our annual Open Night last Wednesday. It was wonderful to see so many Parkfield families and community members come together to appreciate the hard work that the staff and students have completed. We finally had beautiful weather which greatly enhanced the night for everyone there.

I would like to personally congratulate all the Parkfield staff on their very diligent efforts to maintain quality teaching and learning programs this year. The classrooms and Year blocks reflected this effort splendidly.

Thank you to Sharon Turner, Veeta McGrath, and the Baum family for their outstanding work on the night with managing the very busy sausage sizzle. They are all volunteers and parents and still gave up their evening to cook over 600 sausage sizzles for all of us. The Virtue of Service on full display.

We have much to celebrate at Parkfield and our students again have shone in many areas and facets of their schooling.

Disco Rules

Reminder to all students and parents that the grassed area and benches outside the Under Cover Area are not part of the disco, even if the student's parents are sitting there. Students need to be in the UCA **at all times** and should only leave to go to the toilet.
Students must have a 'peg pass' to go to the toilet and will have to wait if all the pegs are being used.

The Disco is a school event and mobile phones/smart watches **are not allowed**. All students must be picked up in person near the canteen double doors at the end of the Disco. Students will not be released if an appropriate adult is not there. Only enrolled Parkfield students with good standing can attend.

Athletics Carnivals Term Four Help Needed

The Athletics Carnivals are fast approaching. The Junior Carnival for students in Pre-primary to Year 2 is on Friday 23rd of October 2026, and the Senior Carnival for students in Year 3 to Year 6 is on Friday the 30th of October 2026. Due to student numbers, the Year 3 students will again participate in the Senior Carnival this year but will change back next year.

We will need many helpers to make the two carnivals successful. Please consider helping out on one of the two days. You can also contact the P&C via Facebook or email at parkfieldpandcfundraising@gmail.com

Special Group Photos

Information will be provided to families when the special group photos are available to be purchased online.

Term Four Dates

School will be closed for two weeks for Spring Holidays, from Friday 25th of September 2026.
Students will resume school on Tuesday 13th of October 2026.

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

Sports Update

During Week 8 this term, Parkfield Primary School proudly took three basketball teams to compete at the Eaton Basketball Slam. Congratulations to our Boys A Team, who had an outstanding tournament and finished as runners-up. Our Girls Team also performed strongly throughout the day, finishing in third place**,** while our Boys B Team showed great determination and teamwork to win their crossover final game to finish 5th**.** A special mention goes to all three teams for displaying excellent sportsmanship throughout the tournament**.** Students represented Parkfield Primary School with enthusiasm, respect and a positive attitude, supporting their teammates and showing respect to their opponents.

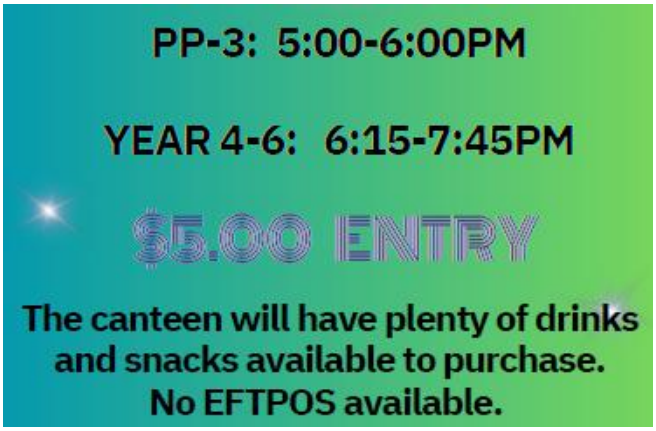
Well done to all students who competed — it was fantastic to see so many students giving their best and representing our school so proudly!

As Term 4 approaches we draw closer to our Athletics Carnivals for 2026. Community assistance is crucial for the success of our carnivals. If you are able to help with ribbon allocation roles, please contact the office with your details or see myself. Your support would be greatly valued. We also encourage everyone to attend, as a good crowd significantly improves the atmosphere and boosts student motivation.

Term 4 Important Dates

- Friday 23rd October Junior Athletics Carnival (PP – Year 2)
- Tuesday 27th October Senior Athletics Jumps day (Year 3 - 6)
- Friday 30th October Senior Athletics Carnival (Year 3 - 6)
- Tuesday 10th November Tuart Interschool Athletics Jump & Throws / 800m (Year 4 – 6)
- Friday 13th November Tuart Interschool Carnival (Year 4 – 6)

Bryden Sumich - Physical Education



Speak Up Awards

Congratulations to Luella Baldock and Charlie Brandis, from Year 6, who represented Parkfield at the Grand Final of the Speak Up Awards in Perth on Friday evening, 18th September.

Reaching the Grand Final is an outstanding achievement. Both students successfully progressed through several previous rounds, to earn their places in the final 12 speakers, out of more than 150 entrants.

Well done to Luella and Charlie on this impressive achievement and on representing Parkfield Primary so well.

Don’t Miss Out
WA Student Assistance Payment

Claims must be received by Friday 25 September 2026.

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.

Visit wa.gov.au/WASAP2026 for eligibility information and how to claim.

Parkfield Learning and Understanding Sustainability (PLUS) Update

Waste Warriors:

We are very fortunate at Parkfield Primary School to have a dedicated team of Year 4 - 5 students who commit one of their lunchtimes each week to assist the rest of the school with correctly separating their waste into the appropriate waste stream so that organic waste and recyclable items are diverted from landfill. Organic items are placed in the school's FOGO (Food Organics Garden Organics) bin or fed to our school's worms. Some students choose to provide this service for one term only, while others choose to do so repeatedly. Their efforts inspire 'new crew' each term.

We greatly appreciate the efforts of our Waste Warriors, and their assistance with our environmental endeavours, and are proud of the leadership they show by taking on this role. Many of our Waste Warriors have since gone on to become either House Captains, Student Councillors or Green Badge leaders, as this initiative prepares them well for the responsibilities required of these roles.

The Waste Warriors are often surprised, and somewhat dismayed, by the uneaten food that ends up in the Waste Warriors' crates, items such as whole sandwiches, uneaten fruit and lunch orders. Purchased drinks are often tipped away too. While it is preferable that these items become compost rather than landfill, it is sad to see good food wasted! Our Waste Warriors continue to suggest to their peers that they take uneaten food and/or unopened drinks home to enjoy for afternoon tea!

Still on lunches, it is wonderful to continue to see the large number of students eating **waste free lunches** or lunches that contain very little single use plastic. Soon, we hope to recommence Waste Free Wednesdays once again.

Please consider utilising **Parkfield's Community Recycling Station** (located outside of the front office) if you have any of the following items: aluminium cans, batteries, mobile phones (including batteries and accessories) or ink cartridges.

We are also a collection point for ***Containers for Change.*** Please look for the **Containers for Change bags** in the car park area and help raise money for our school. **Our scheme number is: C10313397** if you are depositing directly to vending machines. Since July this year, there have been additions made to the containers that are accepted, with more items being included. More information regarding these additional eligible items will be in next term's newsletter.

Sarah Dunbar-Stuart – Coordinator

Lost and Found - A gold signet ring has been handed into the front office.

Brunswick Show Colouring Competition

The 2026 Brunswick Show Colouring Competition is now open. Please visit https://www.brunswickshow.com.au/colouring-competition

This year's colouring sheet celebrates the Show theme, Showcasing Working Dogs, and we'd love to see plenty of colourful creations from kids across the community. There are four competition categories:

- 0 – 4 years
- 5 – 8 years
- 8+ years
- Additional Needs

One winner from each category will receive a Family Pass to the 2026 Brunswick Show, held on Saturday 24th of October 2026.

All completed colouring competition entries MUST be submitted as a physical copy. Digital or emailed entries will not be accepted. Completed entries can be posted to Colouring Competition, PO Box 70 Brunswick Junction WA 6224 or dropped off at the Eaton Library**. Entries close** at 5pm on Wednesday 21st October 2026 with winners notified on Thursday the 22nd of October 2026.

Parkfield's Got Talent

Congratulations to all the students who took part in this years Parkfield's Got Talent. There was an amazing array of performances to enjoy. Well done everyone!!

PGT Junior Finalists

PGT Senior Finalists

Virtue For The Fortnight - Cleanliness

Cleanliness helps us stay healthy, happy and proud of our surroundings. Washing our hands regularly and keeping our school environment clean, tidy and free from litter are all ways we can show the Virtue of Cleanliness. Room 22 designed eye-catching posters that remind us all to make cleanliness a daily habit!