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3 November 2026 **#2 Term 4**

Dear Students, Teachers, Parents and Carers,

After two very successful school House Athletic Carnivals in the last fortnight, I would like to thank all the staff, students, parents, and community members for their participation on these great days.

We would like to sincerely thank Mr Sumich, Mrs Dyer, Mrs Knight and Mrs Trigwell for their comprehensive organisation of the events.

On both days our Parkfield students showed outstanding sportsmanship and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you also to all our enthusiastic spectators who made the atmosphere so positive.

Thank you to our amazing, hardworking staff, parents, and P&C staff and volunteers who kept the two days ticking over so efficiently. Thank you everyone.

Final Week of Amazing P&C Raffle

I encourage all our school community to get on board and purchase a ticket for our 2026 Raffle. All proceeds will go to paying off our upgraded Kindy playground, Canteen air conditioning and ongoing support of keeping our canteen available to our school community **every** day of the week.

2027 Swimming Lessons

We have been notified that swimming lessons will be very early next year for our **Year Three** to Six students. They will start in Week 3 the 15th of February 2027.

2027 Student Council and House Captain Elections

Over the next fortnight our students will be electing new Student Councillors and House Captains for 2027. We are very proud of all our nominees, and we would like to acknowledge the leadership they have already shown to be eligible to apply.

Smith Family Learning For Life Scholarships

Parkfield Primary School is a partner with The Smith Family foundation. We can offer a number of Learning for Life scholarships for any families in possession of a Health Care Concession Card or a Pension Concession Card for grandparents caring for their grandchildren.

If you are eligible and are committed to education (i.e. children attend school regularly) please contact the Parkfield PS front office or Renae Giblett on 0466 946 003 for an application form as soon as possible.

Class Placements for 2027

It is that time for parents to assist us in placing students in classes for 2027.

The information that we are requiring is to help us in making the best placements for all students. This is a difficult and complex process for 670 students. Issues such as student conflicts, parental conflicts in the community, extended family issues, twins, court orders etc. are all relevant.

Please note:

1. This is an opportunity for Parkfield parents to communicate with us their appropriate requests and with it comes a responsibility. **Please do not come and see us at the beginning of 2027 to question placements.** You must take the opportunity to write to us now.

2. Teaching placements are subject to change for next year. Therefore, naming individual teachers **will not** be acknowledged as this makes the complex task of placements unmanageable and will result in requests being disregarded.

3. Due to the confidential nature of the written requests, we will not be sharing the information. Therefore, a level of trust in our professional judgement is required. Requests will not be replied to.

4. Previous arrangements are null and void and **parents must reapply each year** as circumstances do change.

Parents are invited to submit written submissions only with respect to class placements. The submissions must be based on educational reasons, addressed to **"The Principal" and marked "Confidential", or via email to Parkfield.ps.admin@education.wa.edu.au** Submissions for 2027 will close **3:00pm Monday the 16th of November 2026.**

Late submissions will not be considered.

Thank you.

Charlie Serravite
Principal

The Smith Family
Learn today, change tomorrow.

Sports Update

A big congratulations and thank you to all our competitors for displaying fantastic sportsmanship and energy throughout both Athletics Carnivals! We are deeply grateful to our Parkfield staff, Year 5 helpers, Year 6 student leaders, and families for helping everything run seamlessly. Special thanks to the parent volunteers who stepped up as place judges, as well as all the spectators whose energetic cheering created such a wonderful atmosphere!

Congratulations to Marshall - Junior Athletic Carnival winners for 2026!

- 1st - Marshall 166
- 2nd - Geographe 161
- 3rd - Naturaliste 142
- 4th - Henton 124

Congratulations to Marshall – Senior Athletics Carnival winners for 2026!

- 1st - Marshall 640
- 2nd - Naturaliste 564.5
- 3rd - Henton 435.5
- 4th - Geographe 406

THE CHAMPIONS

- **Year 3 Girls** – Millie Lee
  R/U – Aivah Foreman
- **Year 3 Boys** – Alfie Tomlinson
  R/U – George Wilkinson

- **Year 4 Girls** – Ivy Baldock
  R/U – Savannah Gibbons
- **Year 4 Boys** – Daniel Baum
  R/U – Parker O'Brien

- **Year 5 Girls** – Tayla Diable
  R/U – Holly Read
- **Year 5 Boys** – Vance Wallrodt
  R/U – Logan Bullock

- **Year 6 Girls** – Lacey Rodgers
  R/U – Alyssa Woods
- **Year 6 Boys** – Elijah Borellini
  R/U – Jai Crosby

Term 4 - Important dates

Tuesday 10th November - Tuart Interschool Athletics Jump & Throws / 800m (Year 4 – 6)
Friday 13th November - Tuart Interschool Carnival (Year 4 – 6). Both events are to be held at Hay Park, Bunbury & Districts Little Athletics Centre, Bunbury.

Kind regards,
Bryden Sumich - Physical Education

Uniform Shop Opening Hours

Thursday 8:00am – 8:30am
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 Kat during shop hours on 0413 234 002. Thank you.

Musical Notes

Dear Families,

We are off to a rolling start this term, working on our creativity, independence, and initiative. All students in all classes were given a task to create a piece of music using certain instruments and with no help from their peers or myself.

They then had to teach this to someone else before reflecting on "HOW" they created their music. This was a learning curve for many children as they worked on their confidence, perseverance and patience - they needed to be reminded that they could not make a mistake as it had never been created before, and that they needed to continuously reflect on what they were doing. The reflection was difficult for many as it required them to think deeply about what they actually did and why - it's great to be challenged! These are very important problem-solving skills that are necessary for learning, friendships, work, and hobbies etc.

We will now be moving back to our partnership practise and performance of "Heart and Soul" which you may hear referred to as "Play that song" (a song by Train using the same tune). Students are developing skills in note reading, rhythm reading, leadership, cooperation, timing, and the skills of playing a duet together. Different year levels will use different instruments such as recorders, glockenspiels and ukuleles. They are really enjoying the song!

Instrumental Music offers have been sent out to the Year 4 students and are rolling back in the door. Thanks so much for your promptness with this!
If your child is interested in music, or you are interested in music for them, please contact me anytime and we can discuss some options we have here at Parkfield.

The **Christmas Singalong** is fast approaching in Week 9 and as a school these songs often challenge our pitch, so we are working on singing in unison and using our head voice to blend with the voices. I am going to rotate and change some of the songs in and out every year. The songs we will be singing this year are:

Jingle Bells, Six White Boomers, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer, Good King Wenceslas, Jingle Bell Rock, Feliz Navidad

The following music students will perform either in their ensemble or in combined groups.

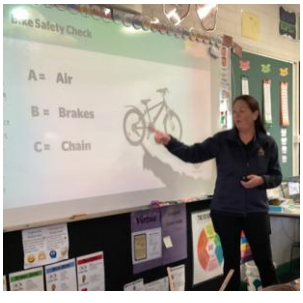
Petite Voices (Junior Choir), Vocal Motion (Senior Choir), Parkfield Percussion Collective, Resonant Recorders, Strum Squad, IMSS, and Parkfield Power Beats.

If you have any questions or would like to get in touch, please feel free to reach out.

Kind regards,
Rachael Thompson – Music Specialist

Year 3 RAC Incursion

On Wednesday the 21st of October, Year Three classes were visited by Michelle from the R.A.C. She came to help us learn about bicycle safety. Students considered human brain function and the importance of protecting it from damage. We explored different types of protective clothing, bicycle safety like the 2,4,1 prompts and maintenance. Michelle also helped us improve our understanding of pedestrian and passenger safety while developing skills that will help to keep us safe around the roads.



P & C News

Major Term 4 Raffle

This term the P&C is holding a major raffle with some amazing prizes. It is one you don't want to miss. **Tickets are $10 each** and are available at the front office (cash only) or on Qkr! **Tickets are on sale now and close at 6pm Thursday 5th November.** The draw will take place at the whole school assembly on Friday 6th November. Please note the tickets will be in the parent/caregivers name through Qkr! as tickets can only be sold to 16 year olds and up.

A massive thank you to our sponsors Halifax Lunch Supply, Team Ned – L J Hooker Property South West, HTC Welding, MESH Automotive, Team Triplett – Summit Realty South West, Integrity Auto Electrics & Binningup Premium Meats.

Prizes

1st prize - $1,000 Crown Voucher
2nd prize - $400 Accor Voucher and Family Pass to Adventure World
3rd prize - $300 Voucher to Mesh Automotive
4th prize - $250 cash
5th Prize - $200 Coles Voucher
6th Prize - $100 Voucher to Binningup Premium Meats

Sports Carnival

The Parkfield Primary P&C would like to say a massive thank you to all the volunteers that helped at our sports carnival stall. Without your help this stall would not be possible, so thank you. We would also like to thank the families who brought in delicious baked goods. We are looking forward to seeing all our helpers again next year for another successful sports carnival.

Leavers Shirts

The white signing leavers shirts are now available through Qkr! Names/Nicknames are available on the back, just type it in the name section when ordering. Orders must be in by 20th of November and distribution date is the 14th of December. Shirts are $25 each with $5 from each shirt going back to our P&C. Sizes are available in Kids size 8 to 2XL.

Thank you.

Jodi Smith & Teegan MacLaughlin
Fundraising Executive Sub-Coordinators
Parkfield Primary School P & C
parkfieldpandcfundraising@gmail.com

Tickets can be purchased from the Qkr! app or from the school office (cash only) until the 5/11/26

Lost Property Box

Please take a moment to check the lost property located outside the deputies' office. There is way too many unclaimed items!

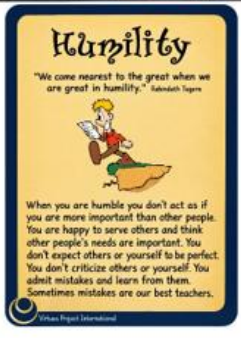
Walk for Reconciliation

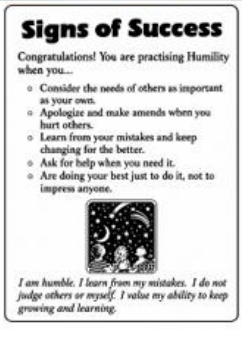
Year 4 students taking part in the Walk for Reconciliation held in Bunbury on Thursday 22nd October 2026.

Please Help Us Plan for 2027

If your children will not be attending Parkfield Primary School next year, or you know of children who are currently not enrolled for 2027 and plan to attend, please let the school know as soon as possible.

The Virtue of Humility in Room 12



Students in Room 12 recently participated in a lesson focused on the virtue of humility. The lesson began with a period of mindfulness, where students spent time meditating and reflecting on their own personal strengths and the challenges they face in everyday life. Following this, students completed a reflection worksheet, encouraging them to think deeply about their personal qualities, growth areas and experiences. Students then enjoyed expressing their ideas creatively through colouring and personalising their work.

To finish the lesson, students reflected on the positive qualities of their classmates, taking the opportunity to recognise and write about the strengths they see in others. This meaningful activity helped foster self-awareness, gratitude and appreciation for the unique gifts and talents within our classroom community.