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Current Notices				
Date sent home	Level	Notice	Date due back	Amount
July 09	All	DVD Order Form – The Lion, The Witch and the Walk-in Robe	28/08/09	\$15 ea
25/08/09	Lvl 3 & 4	Summer Interschool Sport	03/09/09	\$8 ea
Spare notices are available in the display stand in the foyer.				

Dates to Remember

AUGUST 2009

Mon 24th – Fri 28th Book Week
 Thursday 27th Special Food Day
 Friday 28th Parade – 9.00am
 Morning Tea – Library
 Book Club orders due
 DVD orders due

SEPTEMBER 2009

Tuesday 1st Parents Assoc. 2.30pm
 Wednesday 2nd 24 Competition at FHC
 Thursday 3rd Father's Day stall
 Friday 4th Father's Day stall
 Wednesday 16th Prep Transition - PE
 Thursday 17th Special Food Day
 Friday 18th End Term 3

Our grounds look marvellous, windows sparkling and the under-shelter area has had a large amount of tan bark removed to make this playing area much safer.

Other work completed included:

pruning roses, sweeping, weeding, cleaning out the back shed, removing goal posts, gluing down synthetic grass in the Serenity Garden, bringing out old desks from under the school.

The day finished with a sausage sizzle, which was more than welcome after all the hard work.

I would like to thank the wonderful people from Crossway and our parents for spending their Saturday morning improving our school grounds.

A huge thank you to Brett, Merryn, Lauren and Megan from Crossway for enabling this occasion to happen in such a grand way.

A special thank you to Jenny S. for assisting in the organisation of the day. This is tangible evidence of the church in action in the local community.



Glenda's News:

Working Bee

On Saturday morning, 84 people attended the Working Bee. A number of parents and members of Crossway worked tirelessly to complete a large list of tasks.



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Canstruction

A number of year six students will be participating in Canstruction at Monash University this Wednesday and Thursday.

The two teams have been working tirelessly on their projects.

One team has designed a map of Australia with the Aboriginal flag as the focus with two didgeridoos and a boomerang. This team's focus is set on the original landholders of Australia.

The other team developed their theme as the discovery of Australia by Captain Cook and the landing at Botany Bay. They have designed a model of the HMS Endeavour.

Both groups have had a number of team and individual challenges to complete. They have been assisted by two students from the Monash Engineering faculty.

Best wishes and every success to both teams for this week's competition.

HELP

We are in desperate need of host families for our teaching farms program. Ten students will be attending Parkmore for four days in the last week of this term.

So far I only have three families volunteering to host. Please contact me if you are able to assist in this program.

Book Week

This week is Book Week. Last week students read and voted for their favourite Early Childhood category to compare with the judges' results.

A graph of our favourites is in the Library. The judges' decision was "How to Heal a Broken Wing" with an honourable mention going to "Leaf".

This Friday we are having our Special Book Safari Parade. Students are encouraged to dress as their favourite character or in the safari theme. Our parade will commence at 9.10am.

Parents are invited to a special morning tea in the Library after the festivities.

TPL

Our Teacher Professional Leave team have been working this week with colleagues from Deakin and the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development continuing to investigate best practice and learning for writing.

FOR SALE

We have 12 old wooden school desks for sale at \$20 each. Please contact the office if you are interested.

DVD orders

All DVD orders for the The Lion, the Witch and the Walkin robe need to be finalised by Friday 28th August.

Glenda Prior
Principal

Uniform Shop

We have new "bucket" school hats in the Uniform Shop, selling for \$7 each.

Kidzart

Parkmore is holding an art show to display some of the work the students have been doing throughout the year. This will be on Sunday 18th October in the GP room, from 9am – 1pm. Come along and see all the fantastic work your child has been doing and why not stay awhile and pick up a bargain at our monthly Trash and Treasure Market.

Wine and Cheese Night

What better way to catch up with friends than to have a night like this! Saturday 17th October from 7.30pm onwards.

Everyone loves a wine and cheese tasting... and this one will be just as good as any you have ever been to! Sample some lovely cheese available for tasting, and wash it down with a lovely wine.

And, of course, it wouldn't be a night put together by us if there wasn't great conversation and lots of laughs with other Parents of Parkmore Primary. There will be more details to follow!!!!!!



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Parent Opinion Surveys

The use of opinion data to monitor school performance is a very important step towards making our school the best it can possibly be.

In recent years, we have conducted annual and anonymous opinion surveys for staff, children and parents and we use the information gained to drive school improvements.

On Monday, 40 randomly selected families received a parent opinion survey and we ask that these families return the completed surveys to school by Friday 28th August. Thanks!

Greetings from the United States!

Hello! My name is Nate Brown and I am so happy to be spending some time at Parkmore Primary School. I am a student from the University of Eau, Claire, Wisconsin in the United States.

For ten weeks I will be observing and teaching in Mrs Withers first and second grade composite classroom, as well as helping out with the older grades' softball team. It is a pleasure to be in Australia and see how this country's schools operate.

I look forward to working with all of the students and staff at Parkmore, and appreciate all of the support and welcoming they have already shown me.

Special Lunch Day Orders

Just a small note to advise that, due to the nature of special lunch day, supplies are purchased in just for the occasion. Therefore it is necessary that the orders are received in enough time for this to take place. Unfortunately, orders received after the due date will be returned to the student.

We thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Library-Book Week

We celebrate Book Week this week and the theme is 'BOOK SAFARI'. Students are asked to come along on Friday dressed relating to the theme.

Parents are welcome to join us for the parade at Friday's assembly and morning tea in the library afterward.

The winner of the Children's Book Council Book of the Year for each category is: YOUNGER READER - Glenda Millard, Perry Angel's suitcase; PICTURE BOOK - Kylie Dunstan, Collecting Colour; EARLY CHILDHOOD - Bob Graham, How to Heal a Broken Wing; NON-FICTION - Lindon Hall, Alive in the Death Zone.

Last week each student at Parkmore Primary School voted for their favourite book in the Early Childhood category - the votes are in and tallying is still underway. Look for the results in the library this week!

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Library Coordinator.


Around the School

LAUNDRY ROSTER		CANTEEN COUNTER SALES ROSTER	
Friday 28 th August	Celestina D.	Friday 28 th August	Emmeline F. Nickie H.
Friday 11 th September	Evelyn L.	Tuesday 1 st September	Sandra B. Karyn M. (lunch order)



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Student of the Week		Week ending 21 st August 2009
Class	Student's Name	Reason
5/6M	Michelle H.	Dedication and hard work in everything she is involved in.
5/6C	Brigitte M. Yazen N.	For displaying high level independent work skills. For cheerfulness and computer consultancy skills.
1/2G	Jackson R.	Listening carefully in class and learning to calm down and bounce back in times of stress.
1/2M	Ty D.	For demonstrating excellent skills when crossing the road.
Prep A.	Rebekah S. Jeremy L.	For always working diligently. For working enthusiastically in class.

 PARKMORE OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS PROGRAM Activities for this week commencing 24 th August – 28 st August 2009	
ACTIVITIES	Sport sessions, indoor/outdoor games, art/craft, construction, cooking.
HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK	Monday – Father's Day Cards Tuesday – Hockey Clinic Wednesday – Father's Day Gifts Thursday – AFL Skills Friday – Finishing off our Father's Day Gifts
O.S.H.C. NEWS	Vacation Care forms are out and due back by the 26 th August. Be quick to avoid disappointment!
<p><i>Michele M. Co-ordinator Monique M., Christine B., Hilda M., Lynette W., Rob R., Chantelle W., Nick H. Assistants</i> Telephone: 9894 3013 (Permanent & Casual bookings available) 7.00 – 9.00am 3.00 – 6.00pm</p>	

FAMILY FUN DAY!!!!

Wow can you believe Kate and Lisa are at it again, this time fun for the whole family!

Lots of things have been planned for this amazing and exciting event!

There will be a Car Rally!

Lots of Challenges!

Picnic Lunch!

Games to be played!

Prizes to be won!!

Maybe even a visit from that special someone!!! SHHHHHHH

So mark down in your diaries and calendar **Sunday 29th November!!!**

Don't miss it....it's sure to be talked about for a while!!!!



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