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## **Parent Opinion Survey**

Thank you to all the parents who have returned these surveys which were sent to a sample of families in the school. We have had a wonderful response. Please return any others by Thursday.

## **Celebrating National Literacy and Numeracy at Parkmore – August 31<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> September 2009**

Activities which develop skills in Literacy and Numeracy form the core of our teaching and learning at Parkmore Primary School. Each classroom integrates literacy and numeracy skills into all units of work, from studying 'Animals' in Levels 1 and 2, 'Gadgets and Machines' in Level 3 to 'Government' at Level 4 this term.

During the National Celebrations for Literacy and Numeracy Week, students at Parkmore will be participating in the '24 Challenge Maths Tournament'. Four students, Stephen and Dewansh from Year 6 and Michelle and Christina from Year 5. accompanied by Sabrina will travel to Forest Hill College on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September to represent our school in the Challenge.

## **Literacy and Numeracy Results Spelling Results in the ICAS**

Many students recently were involved in the ICAS competitions run by the University of NSW. Our Spelling results have been forwarded to the school. We gained 2 High Distinctions, 3 Distinctions and 5 Credit awards. The certificates will be presented at the next Assembly. Congratulations to all participants.

## **Sports**

Our Round Robin Summer carnival will be held on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September for all Years 3 to 6 students.

## **Canstruction**

Last Wednesday and Thursday 18 students from Year 6 at Parkmore participated in the 2009 Melbourne Canstruction project at Monash University along with teams from 27 other schools.

It was stunning to see the amazing work that the teams produced, the amount of cans that were collected and donated to the Salvation Army food banks and families in need across Melbourne and the sense of cooperation and community that permeated the room.

Explaining what a Canstruction project looks like to those who are new to the concept is a very difficult task! However everyone who entered the Cellar Rooms at Monash University viewed the work and then looked again through the camera lens. All were astonished at the ingenuity, creativity and skill of the participants. The naked eye could not do justice to the work and we look forward to many images and animations hitting the Net soon. In particular, I would like to commend the engineering mentors Peter and Wenda, the teams, Marion S., Nathan B., Glenn H. and the shared learning that took place leading up to and during the build.

To support Canstruction, I would ask that each of you (and your many friends on Facebook, Twitter or plain old email) get onto the Planet Give website [www.planetgive.com.au](http://www.planetgive.com.au) and register and vote for Canstruction. Our project needs more votes if it is to receive the \$1,000 in funding.

For Parkmore students this was the first time that they had built with cans, visited a University, worked with a skilled mentor, supported charitable work and designed with Sketchup. I look forward to Parkmore participating in next year's event!

A special thank you to Robyne B. for the enormous amount of time and effort she put into making this event such a success!

## **Michael Grose**

An evening with Australia's leading Parenting presenter Michael Grose has been organised in consultation with Mount Pleasant, Springview and Nunawading Primary Schools at the C3 Centre on Rooks Road Vermont on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September.

Childcare is available and a notice is attached to this newsletter. Please fill in the form and return it to Parkmore by Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September if you are attending this evening. Michael is a most entertaining presenter with many practical ideas and advice for positive parenting.

## **Glenda Prior Principal**



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## Library News

The Premier's Reading Challenge has now closed. Parkmore Primary School celebrates the registration of 100 students with 73% completing the Challenge. Our students read a total of **3,118 BOOKS!** Well done to all the participants.

"The Age" will print an honour roll and Certificates will be presented in Term 4

### BOOK WEEK

The final votes have been tallied. The favourite Early Childhood book voted for by Parkmore Primary School is '**PUFFLING**', written by Margaret Wild and illustrated by Julie Vivas.

### Book Week Activity Competition

Congratulations to all the students who participated. The winning entries selected from each grade are

- Prep – Noah
- 1/2G- Shaymus
- 1/2M - Harry
- 3/4C - Matthew
- 5/6C - Christina
- 5/6 M - Shannon

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Library Coordinator

## Kidzart

Parkmore is holding an art show to display some of the work the students have been doing

# Around the School

LAUNDRY ROSTER		CANTEEN COUNTER SALES ROSTER	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Evelyn L.	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Tamara S. Azar T. (lunch only)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Karyn M.	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Michelle B. Jenny H. (lunch only)

## 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!

throughout the year. This will be on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> 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!!!!!!

## Disco


The Kids Disco is going to be absolutely fantastic! Check out the attached invitation. Note to parents: **ALL CHILDREN MUST BE DROPPED AT THE DOOR OF THE GP ROOM AND PICKED UP FROM THE DOOR OF THE GP ROOM.** No child will be allowed to leave unattended by supervising adult. So get your permission slips and money in pronto! And start working out what you're going to wear!!



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Games to be played!  
Prizes to be won!!  
Maybe even a visit from that special someone!!! SHHHHHHHH  
So mark down in your diaries and calendar **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November!!!**  
Don't miss it....it's sure to be talked about for a while!!!!

Student of the Week		Week ending 28 <sup>th</sup> August 2009
Class	Student's Name	Reason
5/6C	Jason C. Young P.	For responsible class behaviour and cheerful demeanour. For settling into our classroom so beautifully and excellent work habits.
3/4CM	Rhys B. Tayla I.	Always working hard in all areas. For her amazingly descriptive language of scenes in Myst – Exile.
3/4J	Jonathan I. Henry Y.	Fantastic contributions and descriptions in Myst – Exile. For always working diligently and enthusiastically in class.
1/2G	Jessica H.	For always being kind, caring and gentle and trying so hard with her work in class.
1/2M	Ebony P.	For Bouncing Back during our Cricket Clinic activities.
Prep A.	Hannah S.	For always having a friendly smile and hug.

 <b>PARKMORE OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS PROGRAM</b> Activities for this week commencing 31 <sup>st</sup> August – 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2009	
<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	Sport sessions, indoor/outdoor games, art/craft, construction, cooking.
<b>HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK</b>	Monday – Father's Day Cards Tuesday – Hockey Clinic Wednesday – Father's Day Gifts Thursday – AFL Skills Friday – Finishing off our Father's Day Gifts
<b>O.S.H.C. NEWS</b>	Vacation Care forms are out and due back by the 26 <sup>th</sup> August. Be quick to avoid disappointment!
<b>Michele M. Co-ordinator</b> Monique M., Christine B., Hilda M., Lynette W., Rob R., Chantelle W., Nick H. <b>Assistants</b> <b>Telephone: 9894 3013 (Permanent &amp; Casual bookings available)      7.00 – 9.00am      3.00 – 6.00pm</b>	

### Uniform Policy

School Council have reviewed and endorsed Parkmore Primary's Uniform Policy at their last meeting.

*Our Parkmore Primary School Student Uniform Dress Code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Student Dress Code.*

Attached to this newsletter is the current Uniform Policy.



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