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The Parkmore Pulse



IMPORTANT DATES

April
22nd First day of Term 2

May
1st District Cross Country - qualified students
2nd District Cross Country back-up day
3rd Federal Election BBQ
19th School Council
22nd Open Day & Discovery Night - TBC
27th Hoop time Y3-4 - TBC

June
6th Curriculum Day - **no students**

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FOR TERM DATES.**



Principal's Report

Dear friends, families, staff and our whole school community,

As I prepare to take the next step in my journey, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the incredible week we've just had together and share my heartfelt thanks to this remarkable community.

This week has been filled with so much joy and laughter, and I am proud to have witnessed our students shine in so many ways. Our Athletics Day was a spectacular celebration of effort, teamwork, and sportsmanship. The energy was contagious as children pushed themselves to new heights, cheered on by their friends and teachers. I also can't forget the hilarious Chicken Chucking competition – what a fantastic event! It was a perfect blend of creativity, fun, and community spirit.

Another highlight was our Colour Run. It was truly something special to see the vibrant colours flying through the air and, even more so, the bright, smiling faces of our students, beaming with joy and pride as they crossed the finish line. The sense of excitement and unity was simply contagious, and it perfectly captured the spirit of our school.

As I reflect on my time here, I am overwhelmed with gratitude. This school community has been incredibly welcoming and warm from the very first day I arrived. The trust and kindness I have experienced here have meant the world to me, and I will carry those memories with me as I take on my new adventure leading the three primary schools across Mount Scopus College.

Whilst on my long service leave, I will be visiting the school next term to help Mr. Luu prepare our BEAP team for the World Championships, Ms. Raebel prepare our Sports Aerobics team for their upcoming competition, and of course, support Ms. Anni Smart as she transitions into our beautiful school.



Next Assembly

Wednesday April 23rd 9am
Please be seated prior to the start

IMPORTANT: *Students must attend class prior to assembly to have the roll marked*



Principal's Report - continued

It's the people here—the students, staff, and families—that have made my time so incredibly special. I will cherish these memories for a lifetime and always look back with a smile. You have all left a lasting impression on me, and I am so thankful for the opportunity to have been part of such an extraordinary community.

Thank you for the laughter, the support, and the countless memories that I will treasure as I move forward. I will miss you all, but I look forward to seeing the amazing things this school will continue to achieve.

With warmest wishes and deepest gratitude

Jodie



2025
Dates for Your Diary

Curriculum /Professional Practice Days 2025

Term 2: Friday June 6

Term 3: Monday July 21

Term 4: Monday November 3

Friday December 19

Term dates for 2025

TERM 1

Tuesday, January 28 (staff only)
Wednesday January 29 - students first day
Friday, April 4 - last day of term

TERM 2

Tuesday, April 22 - first day of term
Friday, July 4 - last day of term

TERM 3

Monday, July 21- (teachers only)
Tuesday, July 22 (students first day)
Friday, September 19 - last day of term

TERM 4

Monday, October 6- first day of term
Thursday, December 18 - last day of term
- for students
Friday, December 19 (staff only)

Public Holidays in 2025

TERM 1

Monday, March 10 - Labour Day

TERM 2

Monday, April 20 - Easter Monday
Friday, April 26 - ANZAC Day
Monday, June 9 - Labour Day

TERM 3

nil

TERM 4

Tuesday, November 4 - Melbourne Cup Day

School Captains Report

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This week has been a busy and action packed week, let's see what we have done

On Wednesday the 2nd of April we had our house athletics carnival. It was a beautiful sunny day with our senior and junior school participating in lots of running, throwing and jumping events! We also had a 'Which house was dressed the best competition' and after learning our new house chants we had a 'The loudest cheering house competition'. The winners got **20** house points! Overall the day was fun and exhausting.

On Thursday the 3rd, we had our colour run, we had so much fun and it got really messy! We wore our white shirts and got them very colourful and slimy! There was a sponge fruit battle, lots of colourful powder and slime flying through the air! Overall it was amazing to raise money for a great cause while having fun at the same time.

Joke of the Week!

This week's theme is..... **FOOD!**

Q: Why did the pie go to the dentist?

A: Because he needed a filling!

Overall, this week has been fantastic and we can't wait to see what happens next term.

School holidays will be from the 5th of April to the 22nd so don't show up to school because no one will be there.

We hope you have an amazing school holiday

Kind regards,

Sophia and Emily - your School Captains

Class Report

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Science!

This week in Science, we dove into the fascinating world of chemical reactions, with a spectacular color-changing milk experiment stealing the spotlight. We uncovered the science behind detergent, learning how it was ingeniously designed to seek out and latch onto fat molecules. The magic unfolded when we added food dye to the milk and then introduced the detergent, triggering a vibrant and mesmerizing reaction. The results were nothing short of amazing!



MATHS!

This week in Maths, we've been mastering two key skills: rounding fractions to the nearest whole and adding fractions using an area model. Our teachers have been guiding students through these concepts together before giving them the opportunity to practice individually. The success rate has been impressively high, showcasing the exceptional quality of teaching and learning that has become the hallmark of Parkmore.

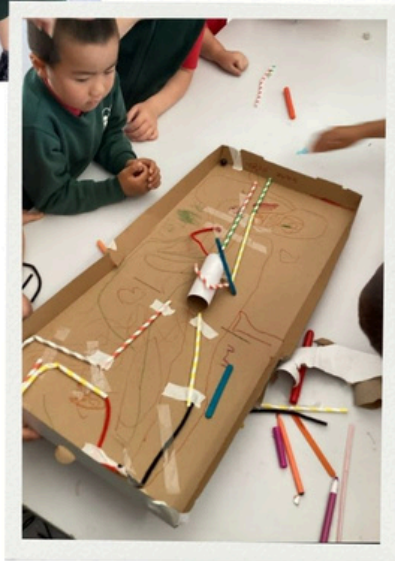
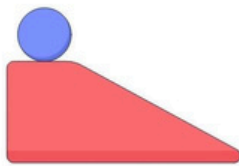


Junior Science

FIZZ KIDZ SCIENCE INCURSION

To support our Science learning this term,
Junior students enjoyed an afternoon of
science experiments with Fizz Kidz!

We learned about Air
Resistance – the force that acts
in the opposite direction to an
object moving through the air.



then we made a marble run!



*We turned a paper cup
into a parachute!*

**oh
wow**

P.E Report

PE NEWS with Mrs Raebel



Term 1 Activities

We have had a busy fortnight of events including:

- House Cross Country
- House Athletics Carnival
- Food Bank Food Fight

Food Bank Food Fight \$731 and counting



Well done to the Parkmore Primary Community for raising \$731 in funds for Food Bank. This supports the wonderful program by putting almost 800 meals on the table for those in need.



House Cross Country



Whole School Athletics

Place	House	Points
1 st	LANDY	288
2 nd	PATERSON	232
3 rd	LAW	226
4 th	MELBA	173

We had a fabulous day on Wednesday at BSAT. Our students had a go at High Jump, sprinting and Discus and Shot put events. Our Prep -2 students loved the rubber chicken throwing event.

Birthdays.....



April Birthdays

12th Sebastian K

15th Aadhau

16th Lani S

18th Auleen

19th Ian H

23rd Luna Q

30th James L



Wellbeing



Treehouse Program

Treehouse is an 8-week therapeutic program that supports children to build social skills, self-esteem, manage strong feelings and develop resilience.

WHO

Children in Grades 1 & 2

TIME

4pm-5:30pm Wednesdays from 30 April

WHERE

Crossway Baptist Church Burwood East

COST

FREE

Children explore personal strengths, worries and feelings while identifying strategies to develop emotional regulation.

Please register your interest by 21st March. To contact us or make a referral phone (03) 9886 3899 or email FVPrograms@crosswaylifecare.org.au

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Community

Autumn

School Holiday Program



The Mad Food Science Family Experience



Thursday 10 April, 10am - 11.30am

Want your kids to enjoy eating a wide variety of food? Join us for this exciting interactive event packed with loads of fun, and quirky experiments that will spark your kids' curiosity about food – all while learning important life skills in a way that they will love.

Parents rave about how much easier it is for their kids to pick up these habits when they discover them themselves.

Parents this workshop is not just for kids it creates a wonderful community occasion sparking conversations between families to build upon awareness and improvements to creating positive relationships with food in the home too.

Please select a minimum of 2 tickets per booking. \$30 for one adult and one child.
Additional participant \$15

For: Suitable for children 4- 12 years to attend with a parent.

Cost: \$30 for one adult and one child. Additional participant \$15

Bookings: <https://www.creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au/whats-on/mad-food-science-family-experience>

Location: 449-465 Springvale Road, Forest Hill, 3131

Email: strathdon@whitehorse.vic.gov.au



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**Strathdon House
and Orchard Precinct**

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Autumn School Holiday Program, 5 - 17 April 2025

Strathdon House & Orchard Precinct - 449-465 Springvale Road, Forest Hill, 3131

	Time	Age	Cost
Saturday 5 April			
Family Clay - Planter Pot	10am - 12pm	Family	\$50*
Wednesday 9 April			
Autumn Sprouts - Kids Edible Garden Workshop	10am - 11.30am	6- 9 years	\$25
Easter Fun Eco Sock Bunny Workshop	11.30am - 12.30pm	6- 12 years	\$21
Thursday 10 April			
The Mad Food Science Experiment	10am - 11.30am	4 - 12 years	\$30**
Mini Cooks - Hot Cross Buns	10.30am - 12pm	6-12 years	\$48
Easter Egg Dyeing and Decorating	12.45pm - 2.15pm	6 -12 years	\$48
Friday 11 April			
Creative Critters - A National Pet Day Art Adventure	9:30am - 3:15pm	6 - 12 years	\$89
Monday 14 April			
Make a Terrarium Garden	10am - 12pm	6 - 12 years	\$60
Tuesday 15 April			
Nature Play	9.30am - 11:30am	Family	\$36**
Wednesday 16 April			
Kindy Messy Play - Easter Fun!	10am - 11am	3 - 5 years	\$15
Kids Messy Play Slime Time	12pm - 1pm	6 - 12 years	\$20
*Family Clay - \$50 Price includes an adult and a child. Extra participant \$25 ** Mad Food Science Workshop - \$30 Price includes an adult and a child. Extra participant \$15 ***Nature Play \$36 for one adult and one child. Additional participant \$15 Under 1 year free of charge.			

Workshop Information

Nature Play - Families

Connect kids to nature through fun activities and unstructured play. Sessions include bush craft, music, and sensory activities.

Family Clay - Flower Planter Pot

Families work together to shape and decorate a clay flower planter pot. Get creative together and craft a unique piece for your home.

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**Strathdon House
and Orchard Precinct**

Autumn Sprouts - Kids Edible Garden Workshop

Dig into nature and learn basic skills in this fun gardening workshop! Plant seeds, make seed pots, explore insects and investigate soil.

Easter Fun Eco Sock Bunny Workshop

Kids will upcycle socks into adorable bunnies while learning about sustainability and creativity.

Mini Master Cooks - Hot Cross Buns

Hands-on baking adventure where kids will learn to make Hot Cross Buns from scratch! Mix, knead, and fill with fruit, spices, chocolate, or caramel.

Easter Egg Dyeing and Decorating

Join our fun Egg Dyeing Workshop! Use natural dyes and crayons to decorate eggs to eat or hang as ornaments. Creative, colourful Easter fun!

Make a Terrarium Garden

Create a mini garden in a glass jar with plants, soil, stones and decorations. Learn about how mini ecosystems work, and how plants grow.

All Day Art Day Creative Critters Friday 11 April 2025

Celebrate National Pet Day with a furry-filled art adventure! Enjoy pet-themed crafts, from clay pinch pots to fun and quirky pet artworks.

Please bring a snack, lunch, water bottle, hat, sunscreen and a smock

Kindy Easter Messy Art Play

Little ones will explore colours, textures and creativity through hands-on messy and fun art activities! Guardians stay at the venue for the duration of the class.

Kids Messy Play - Slime Time

Get creative and messy in our art and slime-making workshop! Explore fun art techniques and make squishy, colourful slime.

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Forest Hill College Open Day

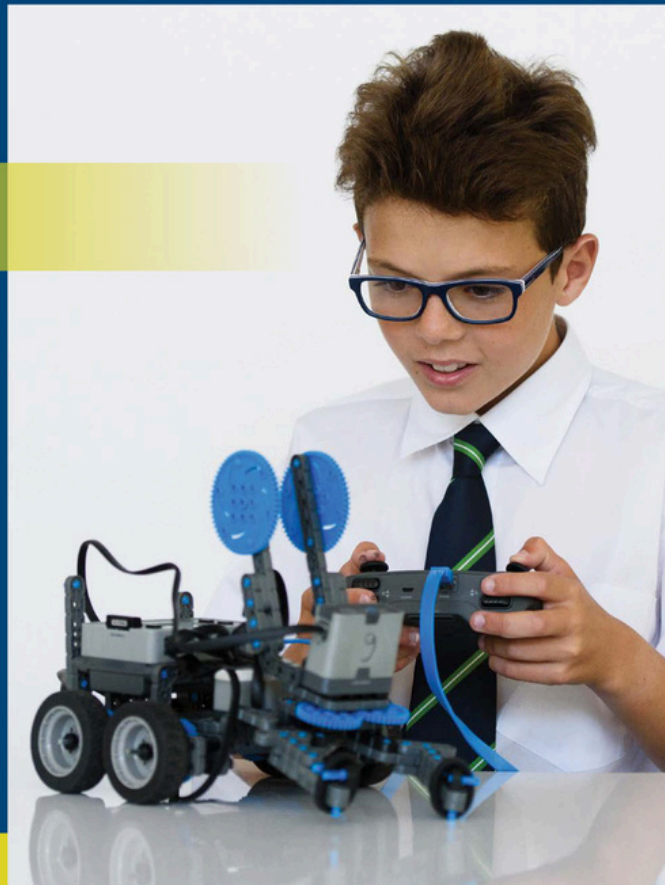
Thursday, 1 May 2025, 9am – 4.45pm



Book an Open Day Tour now!
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Connect with our Principal,
Explore with our teachers,
Aspire with our students.

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**FOREST HILL
COLLEGE**

Community

Easter Family Night



Bunnings Vermont South



Thursday 10th of April
5:00pm – 7:00pm

Activities and fun for the whole family

Come along for a great evening filled with fun
for the whole family.

We will have Go Karts, Pony rides, Petting zoo,
Reptile display, Mini golf, Kids craft, and lots
more.

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