



The Parkmore Pulse

Important Dates

MAY

- 11TH WHOLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST
- 14TH ASSEMBLY
- 14TH NAPLAN
- 15TH NAPLAN
- 15TH BOOK GROUP
- 16TH PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING
- 18TH JUNIOR SCHOOL EXCURSION
- 21ST SCHOOL COUNCIL
- 21ST- 25TH Y5/6 CAMP BEECHWORTH
- 22ND RED CROSS MEETING
- 23RD CADBURY CHOCOLATE DRIVE
- 25TH WINTER SPORTS DAY Y3-6
- 28TH HOUSE ATHLETICS
- 29TH TENNIS INCURSION
- 31ST BIGGEST MORNING TEA

JUNE

- 1ST Y3/4 HISTORY EXCURSION
- 5TH TENNIS INCURSION
- 11TH QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
- 12TH TENNIS INCURSION
- 15TH WINTER SPORTS DAY Y3-6
- 18TH SCHOOL COUNCIL
- 23RD NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME
- 25TH ASSEMBLY
- 29TH ASSEMBLY 1.45PM
- 29TH DISMISSAL 2.30PM

CURRICULUM DAYS

- TERM 3 - JULY 16TH
- TERM 4 - OCTOBER 8TH

TERM DATES

- TERM 1 - 1 FEBRUARY TO 29 MARCH
- TERM 2 - 16 APRIL TO 29 JUNE
- TERM 3 - 16 JULY TO 21 SEPTEMBER
- TERM 4 - 8 OCTOBER TO 21 DECEMBER

From the Principal



The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2018

Differing views on NAPLAN has been in the news recently! Next week students at Parkmore P.S in Year 3 and 5 will undertake the tests. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in the annual NAPLAN tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

To give you an idea of what the tests look like, see example questions at: nap.edu.au/naplanexample

Students in Years 3 and 5 will complete 4 tests over 3 days (15 May to 17 May). We approach the tests with calm, perspective and mindfulness and we ensure we express how proud we are of every student. Teachers remind students all they need to do is their very best. We provide perspective and allay any potential anxiety by communicating a result on a piece of paper will not determine their success in the future! Please do not hesitate your child's teacher should you have further questions.

Professional Learning at Parkmore P.S

Parkmore teachers are currently participating in a number of Victorian Education initiatives. Our progressive work in the areas of Positive Education, Respectful Relationships and teacher collaboration has seen a number of visits to our school by a range of teachers, researchers and executives. Last week a team visited from Box Hill Senior Secondary to learn about our maths assessment and teaching cycles. Such visits evidence the quality of the work of our staff and I am so proud of their professionalism and diligence to achieving the best possible student learning outcomes.

Principal's Comments

Civics and Citizenship

On Monday 30 April I had the great pleasure of hearing both Julian Burnside, AO QC and Tim Costello, AO, speak on the importance of activating students to engage in civics and citizenship learning in their schools. Both speakers were highly engaging as they insisted that 'empathy' is critical to social justice and schools have a key role to play in building this to create and sustain more harmonious societies. Parkmore Primary School's Visible Wellbeing approach is deliberate in its cultivation of empathy and I was heartened to hear such influential and important Australians support emphasis on social education.



Student Voice - Year 5 and 6 express their opinions on the Gonski Report!

On Wednesday I had the great pleasure of reading the Year 5 and 6 students' Take Home Writing Task- an opinion piece on the recently released second Gonski Report. The children were required to make connections with their learning program at Parkmore P.S and the recommendations made in the Gonski Report. They were also required to make suggestions on improving Victoria's education system for the future. I was so impressed with their articulations and share with you some excerpts below:

“Parkmore helps students have a deeper understanding, but does not give students negative “you are in group one which is the lowest” feel.

“We could have role-play in the things we learn, hands on experience and allow primary students choose a specialised field to study”

“Parkmore focuses on ongoing growth which inspires students to be the best version of themselves”

I look forward to finding out more from the students and actioning some of their recommendations.

Principal's Comments

Mother's Day Stall – For all of those that support us

A big thank you to Kathryn Hay and parent volunteers on running this year's Mother's and Special Friend's Day Stall'. The children were very excited to purchase extra special gifts and I hope the Parkmore community take the opportunity to enjoy time with their families on Sunday.



In partnership,

Saraid Doherty
PRINCIPAL



School Captains Report

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Report 4



An extended School Captains Report will be in the next newsletter

***Mia and Ryker
School Captains***

Home Group P/1A & P/1B

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We LOVE reading!

We have been practising our 'Fergus the Frog' strategy in our reading sessions. Fergus keeps going when he doesn't understand, reading the rest of the sentence before hopping back to read the sentence again. He re-reads to fix up his mistakes and check his understandings.

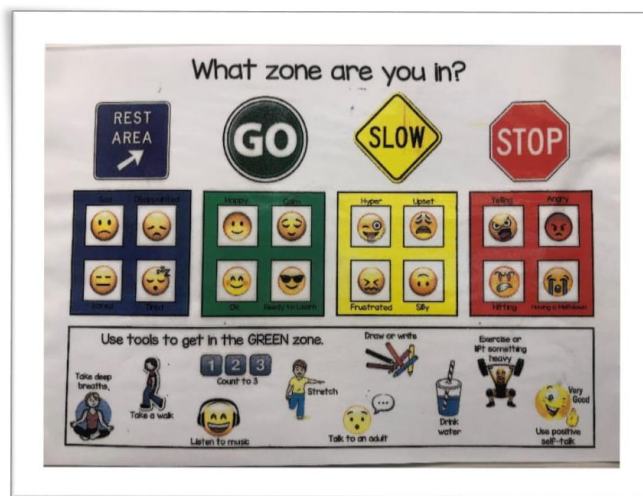


Home Group P1/A & P1/B



We have also been learning about recognising emotions, within ourselves and when shown by other people.

We have learnt about body language - and how different facial expressions and body movements can express how that person is feeling to the outside world.



We are creating some quiet mindfulness places in the Junior School shared space which reflect our Zones of Regulation. We will use these spaces to help students to start self-regulating their emotions.

If you have any spare puzzles, yoga mats, exercise bikes, indoor plants, MP3 players, art supplies etc, we will gladly accept any donations! 😊

Library



The National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is an annually event held by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country.

Now in its 18th successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that promotes the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6.

This years books is *Hickory Dickory Dash* written by Tony Wilson and illustrated by Laura Wood.

Parkmore Primary School will be participating on **Wednesday 23 May 2018 at 11.00am.**

For more information take a look at the website at www.alia.org.au/events/15918/national-simultaneous-storytime-2018



Australian Library and
Information Association

Student of the Week & Birthdays

May Birthdays

2nd Lily G

4th Lei C

7th Abigail C

8th Connor H

9th Priya A

10th C.J F

14th Ella P

14th Zoe P

16th Rafferty S

22nd Jasper E

23rd Billy Z

23rd Levi C

26th Lucas G

27th Kohan M



Student of the Week - 30th April

P/1A - Max W for Love of Learning

P/1B - Zander C for Self Regulation

2A - Isaiah K for Leadership

3/4A - Brenden H for Leadership

3/4B - Jason L for Perseverance

5/6A - Bela W for Social Intelligence

5/6B - Jamie K for Creativity

Performing Arts - Mihajlo J for Bravery

Physical Education - Jessica A for Love of Learning



Courage: Honesty, Bravery, Perseverance, Zest

Temperance: Forgiveness, Humility, Prudence, Self-Regulation

Humanity: Kindness, love, Social Intelligence

Justice: Fairness, Leadership, Teamwork

Transcendence: Appreciation of beauty & Excellence, Gratitude, Hope, Humour, Spirituality

Wisdom & Knowledge: Creativity, Curiosity, Judgement, Love of Learning, Perspective

Parents and Friends

Next P&F Meeting

Wednesday 16th May
7.30pm
MP Room
All welcome

Cadbury Chocolate Drive

Our annual Cadbury Chocolate fundraising drive will commence soon. Watch out for the notice coming home on Friday 11th May.



Entertainment Books

You can now purchase your 2018/19 Entertainment Book or Digital Membership! Not only will you receive 25 to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for the best restaurants, hotels and attractions in your area but our school receives \$15 for every membership sold.

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Refer to the Flexibuzz post for purchasing options.

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Book Group

Currently Reading: Hidden Figures

Next Meeting
Tuesday 15th May
8pm in the school library
Refreshments supplied

ALL WELCOME



PARKMORE PARENTS

Walking Group

Grab your walking shoes and join us on Monday mornings.
Meet outside the MP room at 9am or after Assembly.
All welcome.

Parents and Friends Notice Board

Check out our noticeboard, it has information regarding all upcoming events, regular activities and our fundraising goals.

Camp Australia



GREAT FUN

- ★ Outdoor games and sports
- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



OSHC and what it means to Camp Australia

Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) can be a vitally important program for children and families who need affordable care. OSHC makes it possible for parents to work or attend to other commitments, secure in the knowledge that their children are being cared for by qualified educators in a safe and supportive environment.

All OSHC services must meet the stringent requirements set out in the Education and Care Services National Act and Regulations, as well as the National Quality Standard. This ensures that the OSHC curriculum enhances learning and development outcomes for each child, specifically in relation to their identity, connection with community, wellbeing, confidence as learners and effectiveness as communicators.

But that doesn't mean that every activity or program should be scheduled. Having already spent the day in a classroom, kids need some space to explore their own interests – sports, craft or cooking – rather than being taught more information (unless there's homework your child needs help with!).

At Camp Australia, we know that the time spent at OSHC is a time for possibilities. Every session is guided by the children's interests and reflects their dreams and imagination.

It's a time to form friendships outside their immediate classmates, to grow and learn, or to try something new. All the programs at Camp Australia are offered onsite, so your kids can leave the classroom and be playing soccer, eating a healthy snack or learning how to play a board game within minutes of the bell ringing.

Our program also promotes cooperation, support and respect. The stakes may not feel as high as they do in school. As a result, they may be more willing to try new things or start a conversation.



Program details

We're here to make Outside School Hours Care the best experience possible for your child.

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit www.campastralia.com.au

From the Team at Camp Australia

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