

# The Parkmore Pulse

## RETURN TO SCHOOL DATES FOR 2018

**Year 1 to Y6:** January 31, 2018

**Preps:** February 1, 2018



## From the Principal

### Important Dates

#### DECEMBER

**18TH** WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION - ACMI

**19TH** YEAR 6 GRADUATION ASSEMBLY

2.30-3.30PM

**20TH** YEAR 6 CELEBRATION DAY

**21ST** VOLUNTEERS MORNING - 11AM

(NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)

**21ST** CHRISTMAS CONCERT 5.30-7PM

**22ND** LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 2017 1.30PM

#### CURRICULUM DAYS

2018

29 JANUARY

30 JANUARY

16 JULY

8 OCTOBER

#### TERM DATES

**2017**

9 OCTOBER - 22 DECEMBER

**2018**

31 JANUARY - 29 MARCH

1 FEBRUARY (PREPS START)

16 APRIL - 29 JUNE

16 JULY - 21 SEPTEMBER

8 OCTOBER - 21 DECEMBER

### LAST DAY of school arrangements

Assembly: 12.45pm

Pick up: 1.30pm

### Grade 6 Graduation

On Monday 11 December we celebrated Grade 6 Graduation with a gorgeous dinner. This year, parents of grade 6 joined us for a sit down meal. It was a lovely evening with music, speeches and a dance performance that tugged at the heartstrings. The food was amazing too! This event would not have been possible without our community generously volunteering their time and resources.

At the risk of missing some people I'd like to especially acknowledge the following:

Mrs Baucke, Mr Schrodter, Mr B., Amy Schrodter, Manfre Family, Baker family, Evelyn Lowe and team (Mia, Emily, Faith, Mel, Caitlyn, Katherine, Jonte, Ryker, Shannyn, Stephanie, Zak and Helen G.).



### Big Childcare Family Fun Day

Last Saturday Big Childcare's Family Fun Day was held at Parkmore. This event, to promote Big Childcare's school holiday program was enjoyed by all and some members of our school community won some very impressive prizes. I encourage you to sign your children up for the program beginning on January 8 as the program looks very exciting and I have been very impressed by the level of care and enthusiasm shown by the team at 'Big'.

# Principal's Comments

## Christmas Concert

I am looking forward to seeing you all at our annual Christmas concert on Thursday December 21 at 5.30p.m. Bring a picnic and rug. Sausage sizzle and raffle also available for purchase.



## End of Year Activities Program

To celebrate the end of a successful school year students across the school will participate in an activities program from Tuesday 19 December to Friday 22 December. Activities include coding, craft and cooking. Keep an eye out on Class Dojo to see the fun and creativity!

## 2018 Student Free Days

Each year government schools are provided with four student-free days for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development, and student assessment and reporting purposes. Please find the School Council approved Student free days for 2018

**Term 1:** Monday 29 January and Tuesday 30 January

**Term 2:** NA

**Term 3:** Monday 16 July

**Term 4:** Monday 8 October

## Staffing Update

Last week we said farewell to Chelsey Hewitt as she began her maternity leave. Gayle Walsh is replacing Mrs. Hewitt for the remainder of the year. The following table outlines the current staffing arrangements for the beginning of the 2018 school year:

# Principal's Comments

## Staffing Update - continued

<b>Principal:</b>	Saraid Doherty	<b>Physical Education:</b>	Sam Besmehn-Burt
<b>F/1A:</b>	Simon McIntosh	<b>Performing Arts:</b>	Sam Besmehn-Burt
<b>F/1B:</b>	Clare Simmons	<b>Visual Arts:</b>	Helen Yang
<b>2A:</b>	Michelle Bamford	<b>Business: Manager:</b>	Pam Roberts
<b>3/4A:</b>	Cathy Gilbert	<b>Integration Aide:</b>	Anne Cahill
<b>3/4B:</b>	Sam Schrodter	<b>Integration Aide:</b>	Michelle Phillips
<b>5/6A:</b>	Adrienne Baucke	<b>Integration Aide:</b>	Kate Lawrence
<b>5/6B:</b>	Glenn Hallett	<b>Integration Aide:</b>	Jayden Somerville
<b>LOTE:</b>	Helen Yi	<b>Technician:</b>	Colin Zhi

On Wednesday 20 December all children returning to Parkmore will meet their home group teacher for 2018. This session will run from 2.45 to 3.25. If your child will be absent on this day you can contact the school following this date and time to receive confirmation of their 2018 home group.

As this is the last edition of the Parkmore Pulse for the 2017 school year, I wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday season. For many this means time with family and friends, food, gifts and perhaps time to relax and reflect.

I'd personally like to thank everyone for your support over the past year through your participation in our wonderful school and I would particularly like to extend my gratitude to all volunteers – your contribution means so much to us all.

In partnership,

*Saraid Doherty*  
**PRINCIPAL**

Happy  
Holidays!

# School Captains Report & Santa for a Senior

## School Captains Report

We can't believe this is our last report for the newsletter! On Monday night we enjoyed an amazing graduation dinner. Next week we will go to JumpDeck for our Celebration day. School Captains for 2018 will be announced at assembly next week. We know the 2018 School Captains will learn so much from this student leadership role. It's been an honour and privilege to be Parkmore P.S School Captains and we wish all the students, parents and teachers a very happy Christmas and holiday.

## Final Report



## Santa for a Senior

We have been involved in the 'Santa for a Senior' project this year where all students have written Christmas cards for seniors who may be alone this Christmas. The students used their gratitude and empathy to write cards that showed an understanding of what it might be like for someone living alone at Christmas.

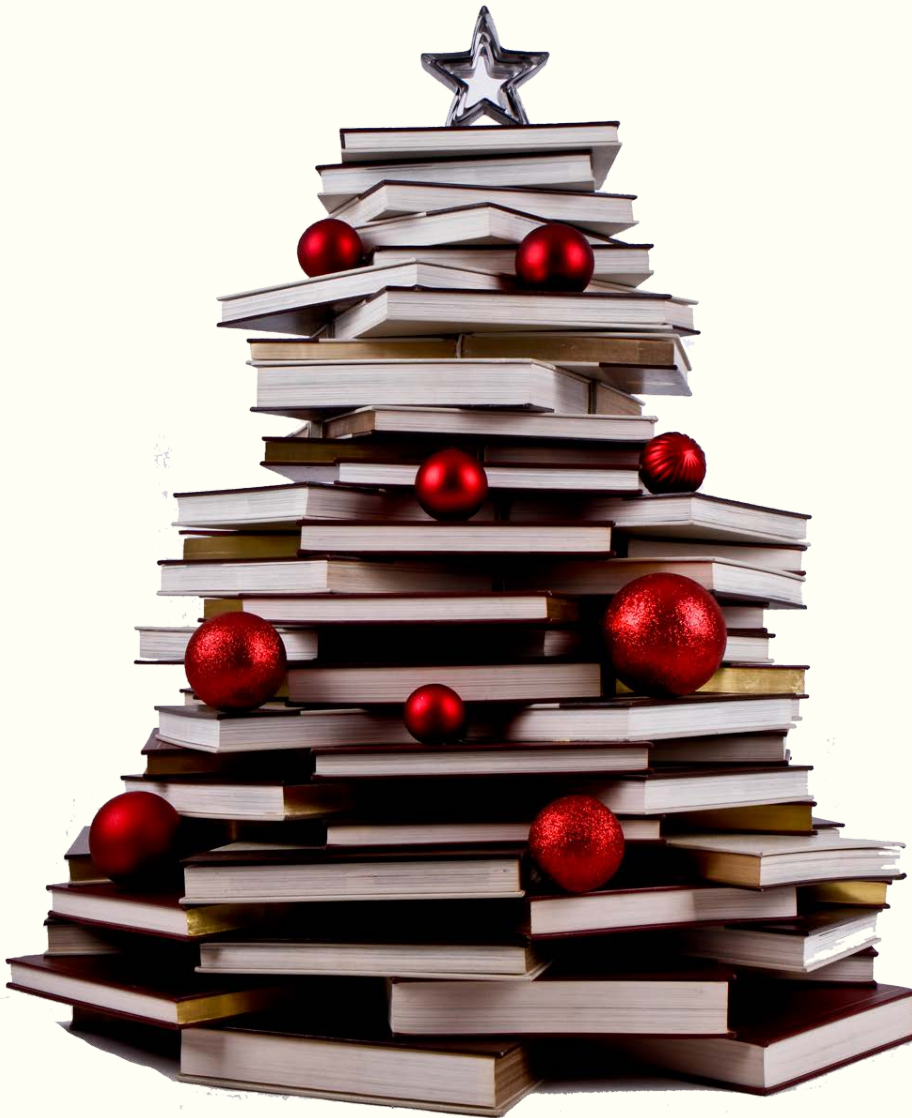
Today Felix, Zoe and Sami were taken to the Forest Hill Nursing Home to present cards and have photos taken by the Herald Sun. We are hoping to see an article with the students featured over the next few days.

On Monday we have some students being filmed by 'Channel 10 Eyewitness News' as part of the same project. The students will be filmed distributing cards at the Templestowe Manor Nursing home. Watch channel 10 news to see our students showcased.





# *Library*



**The library is now closed for stocktake.**

**Books not returned will be invoiced for this week.**

**Have a great holiday break, read lots of books and have fun.**

**Looking forward to seeing you in 2018 for another fun packed year in  
the library,**

## Birthdays & Student of the Week

### December Birthdays

19 Zander C  
22 Hien T  
22 Audrey T  
22 Isabella W  
27 Joshua K  
28 Harvie B  
29 Isabella H  
30 Wendy L



### January Birthdays

12 Hailey Mc  
18 Valerie G  
19 Niksa J  
21 Cadell V  
22 Liam K  
22 Jonte S  
23 Wael R  
27 Zak H



## Student of the Week

F/1 A - Nicoletta K for **Justice**

F/1 A - Zander C for **Transcendence**

F/1 B - Priya A for **Love of Learning**

F/1 B - Isla W for **Kindness**

2 A - Zoe P for **Humour**

3/4 A - Liam K for **Perserverance**

3/4 B - Faith D for **Appreciation of Beauty & Excellence**

Visual Arts - Misha for **Humour**

Physical Education - Levi D for **Kindness**

# Camp Australia



## GREAT FUN

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



## Registering With Camp Australia

Have you registered with Camp Australia yet? Even if you do not plan on using the OSHC program at your school there are many benefits for your family.

### What Are The Benefits Of Registering?

Some of the benefits to registering with Camp Australia are:

- ✓ A stress-free back up plan for “just in case”
- ✓ Flexible access to our programs
- ✓ Will ensure we have all the information for your kids to ensure they have the best time possible

### How Do I Register?

Registration is simple and hassle free! To register visit [www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au).

### How Do I Find Out More About The OSHC Service At My School?

To find out more about our program as well as view and fees, please visit [www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au) and search for your school on the homepage.

Otherwise, feel free to come visit the program and see what it is all about.

We look forward to seeing you and your family in soon.

The Camp Australia Team.

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# Holiday Program



## A Big HELLO TO YOU ALL!

We are very excited to provide Holiday Care at your wonderful school.

Starting on Monday 8 January 2018, we will be running numerous excursions including a visit to Werribee Zoo, Science Works, Adventure Park and a visit to the movies.

Our incursion days are themed and activities are dependent on the interests of the children. We do lots of cooking, arts & craft and group games. We will be holding in-house days like a Hawaiian Day, Mexican Fiesta Day and Ice Cream Factory Day, just to name a few...

**All primary aged children are welcome and do not have to attend Parkmore Primary School to come along and join in the fun.**

For the chance to experience the amazing activities we have planned, we only need a completed enrolment and school holiday booking form. The fastest and most efficient process for enrolment is online, through the Big Childcare website at <http://bigchildcare.com/howto/> where you can just follow the prompts.

If you are experiencing any difficulties with the enrolment portal we have hard copies of the enrolment forms available at the school office, which need to be completed and handed into the school office, along with the school holiday booking form. Alternatively, parents can scan and return back the forms to us at [parkmore@bigchildcare.com](mailto:parkmore@bigchildcare.com)

Feel free to invite all your families and friends to come and be part of the fun!



For any enquiries related to the Holiday Care Program at your school, you are welcome to call the centre mobile on 0435 757 429 or call our friendly Head Office team on 03 8682 9400



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# Community Noticeboard

## **BASKETBALL** CAMPS

### **BASKETBALL BASICS**

WEDNESDAY 24 & THURSDAY 25 JANUARY 9:30-3:30PM  
1x DAY \$55 - 2x DAYS \$100 / BEGINNERS

### **FUTURE STARS**

THURSDAY 18 & FRIDAY 19 JANUARY 9:30-3:30PM  
1x DAY \$60 - 2x DAYS \$110 / DOMESTIC LEVEL PLAYERS

### **PRO CAMP**

TUESDAY 16 JANUARY 9:30AM-3:30PM  
\$80 PER PLAYER / REPRESENTATIVE LEVEL PLAYERS

### **SHOOTING CAMP**

WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY 12:00PM-3:30PM  
\$60 PER PLAYER / DOMESTIC & REP LEVEL PLAYERS

### **INDIVIDUAL OFFENSE**

MONDAY 22 JANUARY 9:30AM-3:30PM  
\$70 PER PLAYER / DOMESTIC & REP LEVEL PLAYERS

### **GIRLS CAMP**

TUESDAY 23 JANUARY 9:30AM-3:30PM  
\$70 PER PLAYER / DOMESTIC & REP LEVEL PLAYERS



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