

# newsletter

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## Welcome to 2017!



### Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 8 February

Our staff are looking forward to seeing you all at our **Parent Information Evening next Wednesday 8 February commencing at 6pm. Please note the following time for each class levels:**

**6.00pm – 6.30pm: Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2**

**6.35pm – 7.05pm: Year 3 and Year 4**

**7.10pm – 7.40pm: Year 5 and Year 6**

### Sessions will be held in the following classrooms:

Foundation in Mrs Tuck's Classroom; Year 1 in Ms Schlack's classroom; Year 2 in Ms Mansbridge's classroom; Year 3 in Mrs Hunt's classroom; Year 4 in Mrs Moorhouse's classroom, Year 5 in Mrs Handby's classroom and Year 6 in Ms Smith's classroom.

I commend this evening to all our families and strongly recommend you attend to meet and hear from your child's class teacher. Simply attend your child's level classroom indicated above at the allotted time and receive your copy of your class **Information Booklet** that outlines the curriculum and classroom routines specific to your Year Level.

### Absences:

A reminder that it is vital that all families contact our Office by 9.15am to let us know when your child is away so that we can ensure our records are accurate and that we know where your child is at all times. If your child is away and you haven't contacted the office by phone, a handwritten and signed note is required upon returning to school for our records. Please note that Tiqbiz can also be used to inform us of absences.

### School Pick Up:

To avoid potential anxiety and stress, as well as calls to the police! please ensure that if friends or partners are picking up your child after school that everyone is aware of the details. It would also help if you let your class teacher know what the arrangements are so that we avoid unnecessary confusion.

### After School Chinese classes:

Mandarin Chinese classes will commence early in Term 1. If you are interested in hearing more about these classes or if you would like to trial a class session before signing up for a term, simply contact Winnie on 0433 205 631 or pick up a flier from our Reception.

### Newsletter:

In 2017 we will continue to provide a Newsletter each week. We are interested in hearing from our community about the type of information that you would like to see in each edition. Please use our Tiqbiz communication App to contact us with your ideas.

## **Parent Helpers:**

All parent helpers are required to complete a '**Working with Children Check**'. All parents who volunteer to assist with excursions, swimming, overnight camps, or work in the classrooms will need to have a check completed prior to working with our students.

***Confidentiality is paramount when working in classrooms or on excursions and parents must not discuss individual students.***

## **Assemblies:**

Assemblies will continue to be held on Fridays at 3.00pm; commencing this Friday. Next Friday 10 February will be our Badge Assembly where we will present our 2017 leaders badges to our Year 6 students. I invite all our parents to attend this special assembly.

**2017 Term Dates:** **Term 1** Jan 31—March 31, **Term 2** April 18—June 30, **Term 3** July 17—Sept 22, **Term 4** Oct 9—Dec 22.

## **Curriculum Days 2017:**

Monday 30 January, Tuesday 18 April, Monday 17 July, Monday 6 November

## **Administration:**



**Reminder Tiqbiz is our main form of communication for events and happenings at Parkhill.**

Thank you to those who have made the necessary changes to their child\ren's details for Tiqbiz and Canteen Orders. To keep up to date with classroom & school activities you must have the correct Year level\ls chosen.

- 'Tick' the correct Year on Tiqbiz for your child/ren's 2017 classes.
- Change your child/ren's Year on Flexi Schools & Classroom Cuisine.

Icy poles are on sale from 3.30pm every Friday this term from the canteen. Only 50 cents each. All proceeds from sales goes towards the 2017 Year 6 Graduation Fund.

Flexi Schools & Classroom Cuisine Lunch Orders are now available for ordering.

Reminder: Annual School Payments are due on or before Friday February 17th.

## **2nd Hand Uniform Sales:**

We are looking for all uniform items as all stock is low. Please drop any unused items into the donations box directly in the foyer.

Thanking all who have donated and those to come.

Rod McKinlay

Principi

# 2017 Photo Day

## Envelope and Order Instructions

Dear parents and students,

**Parkhill Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 16-Feb-17**

School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

**ONLINE ORDERING** Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school

#### 4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Step 1: [Easy Access Link: Click Here](#) - Click on this link if you are using a supported device  
- OR - Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [957 YWB B8Z]  
Step 2: Enter your student's details  
Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)  
Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)  
Please Note: Late fees will apply once orders are closed (5 days after photo day)

**FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS** No envelope required if ordering online

#### 4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [957 YWB B8Z]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on **14/02/2017**
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with cash or cheque enclosed

### ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE

**ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE**

- Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.  
Please use black or blue pen.  
Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.  
Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.  
Credit Card – Online Only at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au)  
Cash – Please enclose correct money – no change is given under any circumstances  
Cheque – Make payable to Advancedlife Photography with your name & address on the back of cheque  
Please allow 60 days for your cheque to be finalised - a \$25 fee will apply to any dishonored cheque payments

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries  
in regards to your child's school photo order.  
[info@advancedlifevic.com.au](mailto:info@advancedlifevic.com.au) or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team

Suzanne Carmody is our Chaplain she spends time with children, parents and staff, one on one and in groups. She also runs programs in our school through the year some of these programs include morning teas, social skills groups and cooking programs. If you want more information please drop by and have a chat, she is at school on Mondays and Thursdays.

### **Chaplain's Corner**

I look at my son in his new uniform. Shiny black lace up school shoes, supportive but stiff and he walks a bit funny in them, not used to the way they feel. Parts of his uniform are a few sizes too big, hopefully it will last a bit longer that way. Before I know it the bus has whisked him away on an adventure, off to his new school without needing his Mum to hold his hand anymore (well at least not when anyone is looking!)

Being new is many things, but I don't think easy is one of them. There is plenty of nervous energy, excitement, hope and expectation. It can also be a bit intimidating and leave us feeling vulnerable, awkward or even frustrated especially at things we don't understand. Then there are the questions. Lots of questions! Where do I go for new uniform? What about second hand uniform? How do I get to know people? Can I get involved? How do I get involved? Will my child be accepted? Will they make friends? What will they be learning?

Whilst you are still trying to work out which way is up, everyone around you seems to know what's going on, which can feel a bit lonely.

But we were all new once, I can look back and I know as a family we all survived his first day at primary school and settled in to become comfortable there. It will happen again. If you are new it will happen for you too!

So if you have questions please don't be afraid to ask, come to the information night next week, ask your child's teacher questions, you can always make an appointment to see them if you need to and indeed ask if you can help (if you want to that is!) Ask at the office if you don't know where things are and about how administrative things work. Ask Mrs Brady, the Assistant Principal, about our curriculum or any wellbeing concerns, you can ask me about wellbeing questions too I'd be very happy to help you (I'm here Mondays and Thursdays and my office is in the main office block.) Ask Mr McKinlay about anything, he's pretty knowledgeable, especially if you want to know about the new buildings and also the Richmond Football Club!! Ask the parent class rep for your child's grade. Ask the other parents in our community.

If you are an old hand at this you can help too (as I'm sure many of you are already!) by looking out for new families, for people looking a little lost, alone or awkward and helping them to feel, well, not quite so new!

Welcome and welcome back to Parkhill Primary School, I hope you have a fantastic year.

Suzanne Carmody  
Chaplain

## Birthdays January

Olivia G  
Giorgis A  
Kara D  
Naacer S  
Nyaduoth K  
Nyaboth K  
William R  
Joel R  
Sarah R  
Evelyn F  
Joel M  
Penelope R  
Jackson M  
Isaac brown  
Daniel P  
Madison G  
Aaron D  
Alexis H  
Sophie O  
Ella J  
Lloyd V  
Kayla L  
Sarita V  
Edison X  
Zachariah C  
Georgia K  
James M  
Oliver B  
Alexander B



**Reminder canteen orders from Classroom Cuisine are cold lunches.**

Below you will find a link to the website which explains the process of ordering and also their current menu options.

<https://www.classroomcuisine.com.au/menu.php>

### Flexischool Canteen Orders

#### Hot food options

#### Online Ordering

- Available 24/7, Convenient for parents, Remove paper orders and cash
- FREE registration

#### Easy online registration

- Go to [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)
- **Or you can find them in the APP Store!**

2016	Calendar of Curriculum events
Wednesday February 8	Parent Information Sessions from 6.00pm
Wednesday February 8	District Swimming—qualifying students
Thursday February 16	Y4 & 5 Cartooning Incursion
Thursday February 16	School Photo Day—envelopes to come home shortly
Friday February 17	Y5 & 6 Round Robin—Jells Park
Friday March 3	Y4 Excursion (TBC)
Monday 20 March	School Nurse visit
Tuesday March 21	Twilight Sports (TBC)
Friday March 24	District Athletics Y4, 5 & 6
Tuesday March 28	Foundation Learning Celebration
Tuesday April 18	Curriculum Day—No School

## Icy Pole Sales are back!!

Friday afternoons

.50cents each.



Sales are made from the Roger Beech Hall.

Regards,

Parents & Friends Association.

## Uniform Shop Opening hours

**Monday afternoon 3.00 –4.00pm**

**&**

**Thursday morning 8.30-10.00am**





**The Foundation students and their parents had a great start to school on Tuesday. Thank you Kerrie, Pippa and Suzanne for organising the special parent survival kits!**



# ANNUAL SCHOOL PAYMENT– 2017



Please forward payment to the school office on or before  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Surname	Child's Name	2017 Year Level

Description of Payments	Per Child	1 <sup>st</sup> Child	2 <sup>nd</sup> Child	3 <sup>rd</sup> Child	Total
<b>Essential Education Items</b>					
Essential Education Items	\$300.00				
Year 6 Graduation Levy ( <i>year 6 only</i> )	\$35.00				
<b>Optional Education Items</b>					
Special Religious Instruction	\$10.00				

<b>Voluntary Financial Contributions</b>	<i>Please circle your choice</i>				<b>Amount</b>
Welfare & Special Learning Needs	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	Other \$.....	
Fundraising	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	Other \$.....	
Computer & Resources	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	Other \$.....	
Grounds Development	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	Other \$.....	
Building Fund - Tax Deductible	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	Other \$.....	
Library Fund - Tax Deductible	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	Other \$.....	

<b>TOTAL PAYMENT FOR 2017:</b>	<b>\$</b>
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## CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

### Parent/legal guardian details

Surname

First name

Address

Town/suburb  State  Postcode

Contact number

Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card number (CRN)

-  -  -  OR

☐ Foster parent\* OR ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

\*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

### Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
  - this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
  - I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
  - If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
  - Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and/or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.
- You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant

Date  /  /



# LAUGH *dance* MOVE *PLAY* PURE *FUN*

## EVERY SESSION INCLUDES:

- Dance Technique
- Fitness Games
- End of Session Performance
- Fun With Friends
- New Music Mixes
- So Much More
- Relay Races

**Location:** Parkhill Primary School Performing Arts Room

**Date:** Monday 13th February 2017 – Monday 27th March 2017

**No Class On First full week of Term 1 along with No Class on Labour  
Day 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**Time:** 4:00pm – 4:45pm

**Grades:** Prep – Grade 6 (Girls & Boys Welcome)

**Price:** 6 weeks for \$60 (cash only)

**For more information:** Please call Fran Ditton 0417 323 273 or email [fditton@icloud.com](mailto:fditton@icloud.com)



**SEASON 2017 - BE A PART OF IT**

**BOYS: UNDER 8 – 17 YEARS**  
**GIRLS: UNDER 11 – 18 YEARS**

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