

Parkhill Primary School Newsletter

"United through learning, we nurture success"

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PARKHILL
PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Nurturing Success'

Dear Parents/Carers,

Term 1 has been a fabulous and busy term! Earlier this week we interviewed for a Teacher Aide to join our Parkhill Team. I would like to congratulate Angelita Williams on her appointment. Angelita will be working in our Foundation classes and comes to us with years of experience in Education Support.



School photos will be delivered after the holidays – so look out for them coming home!

BUILDING UPDATE:

Great news – we will have a handover of keys for Learning Community One (our Foundation to Y2 building) on April 4!!! We will be coordinating the move into the building in the first few weeks of Term 2, so watch out for the dates - we may need your help!

Learning Community Two (our Y3/4 and Art room) will be a few weeks behind.

The landscaping works are starting soon too.

HOLIDAY FUN:

Follow the links below for some fun holiday activities :

https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/whatson/school_holidays/Pages/default.aspx

<https://www.vic.gov.au/about-victoria-tourism/holidays-daylight-saving/school-holidays/school-holiday-activities.html>

SCIENCE WEEK:

During Science Week, children participated in many different science experiments and learning activities.



ABSENCE HOTLINE:

Registering your child's absences at school

is super important. From **Term 2** 2018, the Department of Education have put new measures in place to ensure all students are accounted for every day. If a child is not registered as absent and does not come to school, an automatically generated email will be sent to you asking why your child is not in attendance. It is important that you register your child as absent **before 9:30am on the day of absence**. You can do this by phoning the school office (9807 2239) and leaving a voicemail, emailing (parkhill.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) or using the Flexi Buzz app.

Have a great holiday break,

Elaine Brady

Principal



Student of the Week		2018	Calendar of Curriculum Events
Term 1	Name	Monday April 16	Term 2 begins
FS	Harley G	Tuesday April 24	ANZAC Day Ceremony
		Friday May 4	House Cross Country
		Friday May 11	Mother's Day Stall
FT	Eleni A	Monday May 14	Curriculum Day
		Tuesday May 15 - Thursday May 17	NAPLAN
1B	Sarah G	Tuesday May 22 - Friday May 25	Y5/6 Camp
		Wednesday May 30	Open Day/Night
1HE	Charlotte J	Friday June 29	Term 2 ends
2C	Aaron S	IMPORTANT INFORMATION: EXCURSION/INCURSION/CAMP/SPORT NOTICES If your child is not attending an excursion/incursion, camp or sporting event, it is very important that you return the permission form stating this. Charges for these activities cannot be removed from your account unless we have a signed permission form stating that your child will not be attending the activity.	
2M	Samuel J		
3M	Nathan T		
3R	-		
4G	Odessa B-M	Administration Are you struggling to find \$5 before school to pay for an incursion that is due that day? Are you annoyed that there is no excursion/incursion levy anymore and that having to pay for EXCURSIONS/INCURSIONS as they arise is frustrating? Did you know that you can pay money on your account to be left in credit to pay for all the excursions/incursions during the year! The school allows approximately \$100 per student for excursions/incursions, so you are welcome to pay some money up front and this money in credit will be allocated to the excursion/incursion when we receive your permission notice. Just tick the box on the form that say "I will use the credit on my account for this event". It's that easy! If you require any more information, please contact Jo in the office.	
4N	-		
5D	Daniel P		
5H	Thomas R		
6CM	Oliver B	Reminder: PFA Fundraising and events cannot be paid by BPAY. Fundraising payments can be made by EFTPOS or CASH.	
6L	Yaqoob S		
		Hat Reminder All months of the year with an "R" in the name are the months that students must wear HATS. Uniform Shop Hours: Monday 3.00pm—4.00pm & Thursday 8.30am—10.00am Uniform orders with payment can be dropped at the office and Sam will have items delivered to your child/ren's classrooms.	

Foundation Learning Celebration

The Foundation classes celebrated the end of term with a "Learning Celebration". Families were invited to school to hear about all the exciting things the Foundation students have learnt during their first nine weeks of school.



THE SRC NEED YOU!

The SRC is currently organising our ANZAC Day Ceremony for 2018 on Tuesday 24 April at 3.00pm. The SRC committee would like to build on last year's ceremony and have a special guest share their own experiences of war or read a related story to students during the ceremony. If you are interested in participating in our ceremony please contact Andrea Crane by calling the office (9807 2239) or sending an email to crane.andrea.k@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Chaplain's Corner

I never met my maternal grandfather - he passed away well before I was born.

I wish I had met him. I like to think we'd have gotten along - singers, speakers, worriers, the pair of us. I have a feeling we are a lot alike. I have some of his possessions: tools, that were kept meticulously; an old book; a Christmas present from the family in the 1930s; treasures. What's even more of a treasure though are the stories, the words of wisdom passed on through my mother, about who he was, what he did, what he was like, until they almost become a part of me.

The stories are so important. Stories can tell us where we've come from, how we got here, who we are, why our family does things in a particular way; they help to form our identity and keep us connected to our family. In loss they are a comfort, a way of sharing the burden of grief but also the joy of what's gone before. One of our favourite activities as kids was to beg Grandma to tell us another story - we loved hearing about her life, and the olden days - and so with the holidays approaching I encourage you to use the time, maybe during a car trip or around the table at lunch, to keep on telling stories. Your stories, stories of dear ones that have passed and stories of the past - watch those stories and those people become a part of your children and, of course, enjoy making new stories together.

Happy Story Telling!

Suzanne Carmody
Chaplain

OSHClub News

It's been a great Term 1 at OSHClub! We've welcomed back lots of families and it's been lovely to have new families join us too. Children have settled into routines well, enjoying the provided activities and making new friends. Each week our themes have been chosen by the children and they have loved thinking of activities that we can do together. Some favourite themes have been 'STEM', 'Galaxy and Space', and 'Magic'. It's been great to have such wonderful weather and many afternoons have been spent outside playing games and enjoying the sunshine.

Although before and after school care finishes today for a break over the Easter weekend, we're back for the holiday program, which runs from the 3rd-16th April (excluding weekends). We're looking forward to exciting incursions, excursions, and fun activities!

If you want to know more about OSHClub, please feel free to drop by the hall before or after school, or give us a call on 0422 008 915. Have a lovely break!

Lizzy Taplin Mastoora Samad
Coordinator Assistant



District Athletics

On Friday 23 March, 54 selected students from Y4, Y5 and Y6 participated in our District Athletics competition at Bill Sewart Reserve. It was a brilliant day! Everyone tried their best and represented Parkhill with great sportsmanship. We received many ribbons and all rose to the challenge. Congratulations to all that participated - Parkhill placed third overall. It was an amazing achievement. Go Parkhill!!

Dora Handby
Y5/6 Sports Coordinator



Taste Sensations from our Garden

Late summer and early autumn have been a time of great abundance in our garden. The Y3 and Y4s have been busy harvesting zucchini, tomatoes, cucumbers, herbs and spaghetti squash. We have been enjoying some simple yet tasty dishes over the last few months.

Here are some of the recipes which you might like to try over the holidays:

Tomato Salsa

Chop tomatoes into small chunks and mix with olive oil, salt, pepper, crushed garlic and finely chopped basil. This delicious sauce can be served with hot pasta or piled onto crusty bread or toast.

Cucumber Dip

Grate a peeled, seeded cucumber and mix with olive oil, salt, pepper, a clove of crushed garlic and 1 cup of Greek yoghurt. Delicious with pita bread or spooned over veggies.

Spaghetti Squash

Cut the squash in half and remove the seeds. Sprinkle with pepper and salt and drizzle with olive oil. Cook in a hot oven for about 45 minutes. Use a fork to create strands like spaghetti. Top with garlic and herb butter.

Zoodles with Garlic and Herb Butter

Use a spiraliser to create 'zoodles' from the zucchini. Melt some butter in a pan and whilst bubbling add the garlic, herbs and zucchini. Cook quickly and then serve.

Many thanks to Mrs P (our very own master chef) for her great work with the children when they are in the kitchen. The dishes this term have been truly scrumptious.

Thanks also to Jenn and our parent helpers for delivering an outstanding Term 1 Kitchen Garden Program.

Anne McGregor
Y3/4 Garden Coordinator

Parkhill PFA Newsletter March 29, 2018

President: Vanessa Cowley

Vice President: Katrina Battle

Treasurer: Sumi Sundram

Secretary: Kylie Touloupis

Communications: Eva Conley

Committee Members:

Fiona Crellin, Jason Van Lint, Elle Delmee, Mark Havas, Lisa Jacobson, April Minniece, Anny Murray, Naomi Bishop & Wendy Douglas

Calendar of Events

Monday 23 April

Friday 11 May

Saturday 2 June

Wednesday 13 June

Thursday 28 June

Term 2

PFA Meeting @ 2.15pm, Parkhill Primary School Staff Room

Mother's Day Stall

Mother's Day Movie Night

Trivia Night

Cupcake Stall

School Disco

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL EASTER WRAPPING BEE HELPERS



(Thank you also to those not in the photo, you know who you are!)

We 'wrapped' up in record time and enjoyed warm banana bread, made by the lovely Janneke.

GOOD LUCK! THERE SURE ARE A LOT OF YUMMY PRIZES TO BE WON!

ENJOY A SAFE AND HAPPY EASTER HOLIDAY BREAK PARKHILL!

Thank you for supporting your PFA in Term 1.

Term 2 promises to be just as eventful, so make sure you keep an eye on the calendar of events and our Facebook page.



Search for us using the name
"Parkhill Primary School Community Page".

Then click the "join group" icon.

A group administrator will confirm your association with the school and approve your request.



Do you like to shop?

Enjoy the thrill of finding a bargain?

Then the Parkhill PFA needs you!

*Keep your eye on Parkhill's Facebook Page over
the coming weeks and watch this space to find out more!*



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

EVERY SESSION INCLUDES:

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

Location: Parkhill Primary School Performing Arts Room
Date: Monday 16th April 2018 – Monday 29th June 2018
(No Class Monday 11th June)
Time: 4:00pm – 4:45pm
Grades: Foundation – Grade 6 (Girls & Boys Welcome)
Price: 10 weeks for \$110 (cash only)

For more information: Please call Fran Ditton 0417 323 273 or email fditton@icloud.com

Choi Kwang Do Self Defense



Learn real-life, practical self defence skills in a fun and energetic way through games and exercises. Also learn how to defend yourself from attacks, and fight back with powerful, effective techniques. CKD has a progressive system from White belt to Black belt and is designed for people of all skill levels aged from 7 to 100.

Come and try for free at any of the following sessions:

- Tuesday 8.00 to 8.45am (Junior and Senior class)
- Wednesday 3.45pm to 4.45pm (Junior class)
- Thursday 6.30 to 7.30pm (Junior and Senior class)
- Thursday 7.45 to 8.45pm (Senior class adults and secondary school students only)

Sessions held at Parkhill Primary School Hall and are \$15 per class or \$25 for two.

For more information or to book into a session please call Janine Brewster on 0415 199 105.

April Holiday Program

3 – 13 April
 Come tinker, build, imagine,
 play and create these
 school holidays!

Our holiday program is suitable for children who attend primary school and are aged 5 to 12 years. Children under 12 years of age must be supervised by an adult.

Some activities are free while others incur charges. Prices include GST and ticket fees. No refunds on ticket fees.

Bookings are required and open at 10am on 1 March. Book online through our website or phone any Stonnington library.

FOR CHILDREN

Lego® WeDo Robots

Children will design and build a working robot model then code and test their solutions using LEGO® WeDo 'drag and drop' pictorial programming software. Presented by Bricks 4 Kidz®. Suitable for children aged 7 to 8 years.

\$5 plus booking fee

Wednesday 4 April Phoenix Park Library 10.30am – 11.30am

Wednesday 4 April Prahran Library 2pm – 3pm

MINECRAFT® Build-off

Calling all Minecraft builders! Come show off your Minecraft skills and compete in teams to construct the greatest Minecraft structure you can build. Spot prizes will be awarded to the structures judged best on the day. Suitable for children 8+ years.

Free

Thursday 5 April Malvern Library 1pm – 3pm

Heroes and Villains Comics Workshop

Learn the tips and techniques used by professional comic book artists to produce your favourite super action heroes and villains. Suitable for children aged 7+ years.

\$5 plus booking fee

Monday 9 April Malvern Library 11.30am – 1pm

Monday 9 April Prahran Library 2pm – 3.30pm

Go: Imagine, Play, Create

Free-form fun with construction toys. Children get to create using a variety of construction toys in this fun open-play session. Presented in partnership with the Stonnington Toy Library. All ages welcome.

Free

Tuesday 10 April Phoenix Park Library 2pm – 4pm

Crafty Construction Challenges

A hands-on construction challenge where participants can work collaboratively to build several structures, including a marble run track, the world's tallest building and more, out of newspapers and other general household items. All ages welcome.

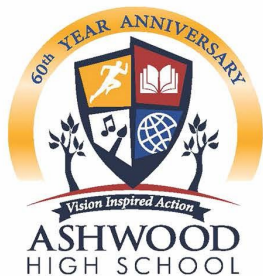
Free

Wednesday 11 April Phoenix Park Library 2pm – 4pm



OPEN DAY 2018

TUESDAY 24 APRIL



Location:

Ashwood High School
Vannam Drive Ashwood

Tours & Information Sessions:

- 9:15am School Tour
- 10:15am Principal's Address
- 11:15am School Tour
- 4:30pm School Tour
- 5:00pm School Tour
- 5:30pm School Tour
- 6:00pm Express Tour
- 6:30pm Principal's Address

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Mount Waverley Secondary College
warmly invite you to join us for our

OPEN DAY

Thursday 26 April — 4.00pm to 7.30pm

Open Night Information Session & Tours

Junior Campus tours offered from 4.00pm
College Principal's address at 6.00pm
Interactive displays, student-led tours and more.
These sessions held at the Junior Campus only.

Open Morning Tours — Bookings are required and can
be made by visiting our website at www.mwsc.vic.edu.au

Junior Campus: 9.15am & 11.15am

Senior Campus: 9.15am & 11.15am

JUNIOR CAMPUS

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MOUNT WAVERLEY

SENIOR CAMPUS

LECHTE ROAD
MOUNT WAVERLEY