Thought of the Week
“Take what you can use and let the rest go by.”  
- Ken Kesey

Virtue of the Week
Our virtue of the week is generosity. Generosity is giving and sharing. It is giving freely because you want to, not with the idea of receiving a reward or a gift in return. Generosity is being aware that there is plenty for everyone. It is also seeing a chance to give what you have and then giving just for the joy of giving to others. It is one of the best ways to express love and friendship. Please consider discussing generosity with your child/ren this week.

Principal’s Message
Today is Tuckshop Day, the one day each year set aside to acknowledge the amazing work of our Tuckshop Convenor, Cassandra Bohan and the wonderful helpers who support this great service within our school community. Tuckshop Day also highlights the important role Tuckshops play in school life by providing nutritious food and drinks so families can have one less task to worry about at the start of their day. It also helps students to concentrate and learn well in class. On behalf of everyone at Parkhurst, thank you Cassandra and all the volunteers who have and continue to assist.

On Monday, I was notified that our substantive Head of Curriculum, Ms Moira Mackenzie had been promoted to the Principalship of Keppel Sands State School. This is the exciting and challenging next step of Moira’s career as she has the opportunity to work with a school community to achieve great things for learners. On behalf of everyone at Parkhurst State School, I would like to extend my personal congratulations to Moira and acknowledge her work over the many years she was at Parkhurst. Moira’s appointment has created the substantive, permanent vacancy of Deputy Principal, which is currently advertised for recruitment, with the successful applicant commencing in 2016.

Earlier this week, the Minister of Education announced a new start date for the 2016 Queensland School year, which will see students return on Wednesday January 27th 2016, following the Australia Day Public holiday. Monday January 25th 2016 is now an additional flexible Staff Professional Development day.

Until next week,

Lyle Walker
PRINCIPAL
Upcoming Birthdays
Birthday greetings go out this week to the following children celebrating their birthdays from today until next Thursday. We hope you all have a terrific day.

Spencer Robinson  Samantha Barsby
Riley Mower

Our Weekly Attendance Statistics
Attendance is our priority in 2015 at Parkhurst State School. Our target this year is to reach 96% and have all classes as ‘Every Day Counts’ Champions. This week our school attendance rate is 91.8%. Individual attendance rates for each class are listed below.

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<td>5/6P</td>
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Our Stars of the Week
Congratulations go out to the following students recognised as our ‘Parkhurst Stars’ for consistent achievement and effort. Well done everyone, you are all glowing!

P/1J  Angela Kelly
P/1K  Isobell Liebich-Keen
P/1S  Brooklyn Eldridge
P/1T  Mackenzie Millar
1/2B  Summer Norway-Hardy
2/3E  Tahlia Dern
2/3L  Rorie-Lee Elliott
2/3S  William Chalmers
4/5M  Charlotte Stephensen
4/5G  Lucy Neaton
4/5H  Blake Hanley
5/6L  Josiah Lowe
5/6P  Margaret Whitton

Awesome Team Worker Awards
The following learners are acknowledged this week for demonstrating awesome team work and collaboration with others. Well done!

Mikaela Burrows  David Smith
Elia-Jane Boulton  Gabby Bray
Mac Watts  Aya Houston
Brady Callaghan  Zaleaha Morrissey
Charlee McGree  Nathan Jose
Tyeson Mower  Tasha Mantz
Teliah Pitcairn  Stuart Howkins

Every Day Counts at Parkhurst!
The following is a current breakdown of attendance this week by Year Level.

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<td>Year Six</td>
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Student Absence Line
Parents and Carers are encouraged to use the school’s Student Absence line to report their child/ren’s absences on 07 4924 6566.
2016 Class Placements

Information is being sought from parents and carers to assist in the placement of learners to classes in 2016. This is not an opportunity for parents and carers to request specific teachers. It is however an opportunity for parents and carers to provide specific information that will assist our Teacher Team to make informed decisions that will assist us to cater for all learner needs. A special template is included with this Newsletter or from the Office for those families wishing to provide such information.

Proposed 2016 Class Structure

Outlined below is our proposed class structure for 2016 based on our current predicted enrolments. It can be challenging developing class groups, with variances between the numbers of learners across year levels. At Parkhurst State School, we continue to pride ourselves on the range of classroom environments we are able to provide to ensure every child is placed according to their individual needs. We hope to be in a position by the last week of school to advise our learners, parents and carers of class teachers for 2016.

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Icy Cup Fridays

The Student Council are selling Icy Cups for 60 cents every Friday from the Neighbourhood Centre at First Break for Bus Students and after 3:00 p.m. for Non Bus Students.

Electronic Newsletter List

If you wish to receive an email notification each week, please email the.principal@parkhurstss.eq.edu.au with ‘Electronic Newsletter’ in the subject field.

Like us on FaceBook
‘ParkhurstSS’

Follow us on Twitter
‘ParkhurstSS’

Follow us on Instagram
“Parkhurst_SS”

Help protect our school.
If you see any suspicious behaviour, please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000

Parkhurst Idol Is Coming!

Parkhurst Idol is soon on its way and thanks again to everyone who has nominated to perform. This popular event on the annual school calendar is in its eleventh year and the talent goes from strength to strength each year. The heats start in coming weeks and everyone is welcome to attend and cheer competitors on. Thanks again to Mr David St Henry for his coordination.

Prepare
Explore
Discover
Acquire
Build
Apply
Lead
Transition

Leaving Us or Joining Us?

We are currently working with our Regional Human Resource Team to accurately determine our required staffing for 2016 based on our predicted student enrolments. If you are leaving Parkhurst State School at the end of the year or know someone who is intending on enrolling with us, we need to know as soon as possible so this information can be taken into account.

Student Banking Program

Our Student Banking Program operates every Friday for all students. For every deposit made, the school receives a small commission that soon adds up. Extra Banking Packs are available from the Office.

Aluminium Can Collection

Empty aluminium cans may be left in the wired collection point at the front of the school for recycling. Every can means money for Parkhurst.

Parkhurst Radio

www.soundcloud.com
Listen and download today!

Consider making Saturday Night ‘Nit Detection Night’ in your house!

School Disco

Friday November 06th
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
‘Fantasy Theme’
Tickets now on sale
Get Set for Prep in 2016

Enrolment and Information Packages are available for children who wish to commence Prep this year and in 2016. If your child turns five by June 30th, they are eligible for Prep. Last year, changes were made regarding Prep, with Principals having the discretion to enrol students who turn five by July 31st. Prior to decisions being made, a detailed enrolment interview will take place to determine his/her suitability and readiness. The table below is a guide to assist families determine their child/ren’s Prep eligibility.

For more information, please visit our website at www.parkhurstss.eq.edu.au and click on the Enrolment Tab to download the Enrolment Form. For more information please call the school on 07 4924 6555

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Get Set for Prep at Parkhurst

If your child turns five by June 2016, enrol now!

Parkhurst Tavern Raffles

The P&C’s Parkhurst Tavern Raffles are conducted fortnightly and everyone is encouraged to assist with this highly profitable fundraiser. Every fortnight, volunteers are sought to sell tickets for some amazing prizes. If you are able to assist, please consider contacting a P&C Member to be added to the Raffle Roster. All profits generated have and will continue to support YOUR children.

Drakes’ IGA Glenmore

Don’t forget to flash your special key tags at the checkout at the Glenmore Supa IGA. Extra tags are available at the Office.

P&C Uniform Shop

The P&C’s Uniform Shop opens every Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Uniform Sales are by CASH or CHEQUE only. A full Pricelist of all items is outlined below. A collection of second hand items is available and more are always sought. For sales and information, please visit the Uniform Shop or contact Michelle Welfare by telephone on 04 4738 3265 or by email at welfare@internode.on.net. EFTPOS is on its way!

Uniform Price List

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<td>Skorts</td>
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<td>Fleecy Pants</td>
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Sports Shirts available from the Uniform Shop

Worn on Wednesdays!

Thermomix Raffle

The P&C’s Thermomix Raffle is well underway and the response for tickets has been amazing. Additional books of tickets are available at the Office for collection. Thanks again to Mrs Joanne Watterson for coordinating this fundraiser.
Tuckshop News

Our Tuckshop operates on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you are new to our school and can spare some time to volunteer, I would love to hear from you by dropping in to say, ‘hello’ or calling the Tuckshop directly on 4924 6535. Look out for our new Tuckshop Menu, which will include weekly ‘Meal Deals’ and specials. The new Menu can be accessed via our Website. Look out for the ‘Specials’ Board on an easel outside the Tuckshop. Ordering is via our ‘brown bag’ system remains.

Cass Bohan
Tuckshop Convenor

Parkhurst State School P&C

Tuesday November 17th
at 6:30 p.m. in Zone 21
Everyone Welcome!

Student Banking
every Friday
Every deposit counts!

Glenmore State High School

Enrollment Interviews Open
Transitions Desk
23 October 2015: Enrolment Applications Close
31 October 2015: AGTSO Applications Close
5 November 2015: Closed Down
23 November 2015: First Day of School
30 November 2015: Last Day of School
1 December 2015: School holiday
3 January 2016: School Reopens
12 January 2016: First Day of School
31 January 2016: School Reopens

Girls Come and Try Football

The Rockhampton Regional Council is currently undertaking survey and all community members are encouraged to participate and provide feedback regarding the draft ‘Kershaw Gardens’ Concept Master Plan. There are many aspects to this plan that are focused on the Region’s youth including play areas, playgrounds, water features, etc. It is important for us to understand if this Concept Master Plan is appropriate for our younger residents. The link to the survey is https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/kershawgardens and provides an overview of the proposed Master Plan. The survey is short and takes an average of three to five minutes to complete.

Holiday Fun and Games

The Victoria Park Gymnastic and Trampoline Club is offering its very popular Holiday Fun and Games at the Gym during the Christmas Vacation.
Mental Computation Strategies

Over the next few weeks, we will be revisiting a number of key mental computation strategies introduced this year. This week is **chunking for division**. Chunking for division involves breaking up each factor into separate place values and rearranging these parts. For example, \(36 \div 4\), we first chunk the number 36 into parts that are familiar to us and can be divided by 4, \(20 + 16\). Then we divide the two components we chunked by 4, \(20 \div 4\) and \(16 \div 4\), which gives us 5 and 4. The final step is to add these two numbers together to arrive at 9, our final answer. This same process can be applied to three digit numbers too.

**CHUNKING AND DIVISION**

Sometimes, a division problem can be made much easier by chunking (or number splitting).

To divide 36 by 4, first chunk the number 36 into two parts that are familiar:

\[
\begin{align*}
36 & \div 4 \\
20 & + 16 \\
5 & + 4 \\
9 & 
\end{align*}
\]

The number to be divided can be chunked in different ways:

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\begin{align*}
72 & \div 6 \\
60 & + 12
\end{align*}
\]

How would this division be completed?

**Prep Orientation Days**

All parents and carers of 2016 Prep learners have been invited to attend one of our two Prep Orientation Mornings on either **Thursday November 19th** or **Thursday November 26th 2015**. The purpose of these sessions is to familiarise learners with the school, particularly classrooms, playgrounds, activities and their class teachers. All learners are asked to bring with them a snack for Morning Tea, a water bottle and hat.

As in previous years, the **2016 Book List** will be available and the Uniform Shop will be open for the purchase of Uniforms, including Sports Shirts and coloured Bucket Hats. A big thank you goes out to our current P/1 Neighbourhood Team of Teachers and Teacher Aides who have coordinated our Information Sessions and Orientation Days with the assistance of Mrs Alana Fitchen and Mrs Vanessa Flint. Well done team!

**2016 School Concert**

The Parkhurst State School Staff have proposed a change in the timing of our annual School Concert from an afternoon to morning format, due to the heat and available space to accommodate learners and spectators. At Parkhurst State School, our annual Concert has a focus on maximising the participation of all learners as class groups. The theme this year is ‘Australiana’. The Concert is scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. on **Wednesday December 09th 2015**.

**Are YOU a Parkhurst Star?**

**Leaving Us or Joining Us?**

If your child/ren are leaving Parkhurst State School at the end of 2015, we would love to hear from you so we can accurately determine our staffing requirements and class structures. Likewise, if you know of families who are considering joining us in 2016, we would also love to hear from them as soon as possible. Planning has started this week developing class groups for 2016 and your assistance in ensuring accurate predictions is appreciated.
PARKHURST STATE SCHOOL
2016 Class Placements

Parkhurst State School proudly offers a range of classroom structures with a clear goal to place all learners in environments that best suit their individual learning needs. Class structures are determined by the number of learners in a Year Level, the ability to provide capacity for enrolment growth and meeting the class size targets of twenty five students in Prep to Year Three classes and twenty eight students in Years Four to Six. It is envisaged that our 2016 Class Structure will be communicated towards the end of this year.

The purpose of this form is to provide all parents and carers with an opportunity to outline any specific information regarding their child/ren that will assist in their placement in classes in 2016. This form should not be used to submit specific requests or preferences. Forms returned with a request for a specific teacher will not be considered.

The information provided is confidential and should be returned attention ‘The Principal’ no later than Friday November 13th 2015. Consideration is given to all information provided by parents and carers; however, it is not always possible to accommodate all information provided. If you have specific concerns that you feel cannot be addressed on this form, please contact the Office on (07) 4924 6555 to make an appointment or speak with the Principal. Likewise you can also email the Principal at the following address the.principal@parkhurstss.eq.edu.au

Specific information may include …
- learning needs
- behavioural needs
- special needs
- social needs
- work habits
- friendship groupings
- level of independence
- special interests and talents
- physical access issues
- medical issues and concerns
- family considerations (eg; siblings)
- academic strengths
- placement with particular students
- identified areas of concern

Student Name __________________________  Current Year Level __________________________
Parent/Carer __________________________  Contact Telephone __________________________

Specific Information …

__________________________________________
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Parent/Carer Signature __________________________
# PARKHURST STATE SCHOOL
## 2015 TUCKSHOP MENU

Full Menu available on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

- **Green (Everyday Items)**
- **Amber (Sometimes Items)**
- **Red (Special Occasion Items)**

### SORRY NO CREDIT AVAILABLE
### $5 LUNCH SPECIALS

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<th>WEDNESDAYS</th>
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<td>Chicken and Gravy Roll and a Popper</td>
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<td>Keppel Pup, Muffin and a Popper</td>
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### SANDWICHES, WRAPS AND BOWLS
- **Ham**
- **Ham and Salad**
- **Chicken**
- **Chicken and Salad**
- **Egg and Lettuce**
- **Vegetable or Jam**
- **Salad (Lettuce/tomato/carrot/cestool/cheese)**
- **Chicken Caesar Wrap**
  - (Chicken, lettuce, cheese, bacon and dressing)
- **Chicken Wrap**
  - (Chicken, lettuce, cheese and mayonnaise)
- **Chicken Sandwich Wrap**
  - (Chicken, lettuce, cheese and mayonnaise)
- **Salad Bowl (includes a mini roll)**
  - With egg
  - With chicken
  - With ham
  - With chicken and egg

**BOWLS** (Plates add additional $1.00)

### TOASTED SANDWICHES
- **Chicken, Cheese and Mayonnaise**
- **Ham and Cheese**
- **Ham, Cheese and Tomato**

### HOT FOODS
- **Chicken Fingers (7)**
- **Hot Dog**
- **Hot Dog and Cheese**
- **Meat Pie**
- **Sausage Roll**
- **Chicken Burger (Lettuce/Mayonnaise)**
- **Beef Burger (with basic salad)**
- **Dinosaur Snacks/Chicken Nuggets (3)**
- **Mini Sausage Rolls**
- **Mini Hot Dogs**
- **Mini Pie**

### SNACKS
- **Tuckshop Baked Vanilla Muffins**
- **Chocolate Slice**
- **Fresh Pikelets (Plain or with Jam/Butter)**
- **Fruit Cups**
- **Custard Fruit Cups**
- **Custard Cups**
- **Jelly Cups**
- **Jelly and Custard Cup**
- **Bag of Popcorn**
- **Bag of Mini Choc Chip Biscuits**
- **Bag of Rice Snacks (Cheese/Chicken)**

### DRINKS (Available at Both Breaks)
- **Bottled Water**
- **Biscuit 300ml (Strawberry, Chocolate)**
- **Calvaneo Milk 200ml (Strawberry, Choc)**
- **Slush Puppies (Limit of two per day)**
- **Poppers (Assorted Flavours)**
- **Glee**
  - Strawberry, Blackcurrant, Berry and Bubblegum

### ICEBLOCKS AND ICECREAMS (First Break Only)
- Assorted Ice Blocks from $0.50 to $2.00

### ORDERS need to be on a paper bag for each break and handed in by 9:00 a.m. Printed bags are available for purchase at the Tuckshop.

- **Paper Bags (each)**: $0.10
- **Paper Bags (pack of 50)**: $3.00

### ARE YOU AVAILABLE TO ASSIST?
Volunteers are always sought. If you can spare any time or have questions, please contact our Convener, Cassandra Bohan on 07 4924 6535 or drop into the Tuckshop and say hello.

### ALLERGIES AND FOOD INTOLERANCES
Please let us know of any allergies or intolerances that your child/ren may have and we will do our very best to provide suitable items specifically for them.

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Every Parkhurst learner is literate, numerate, safe, happy and learning every day.
Parkhurst State School provides learners with Smart Moves and Smart Choices.
# Term Four Calendar of Events

## Upcoming Events and Activities

- **November 06**th: School Disco
- **November 11**th: Remembrance Day

## 2015 School Calendar Dates

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<td>Autumn Vacation Commences</td>
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We Leap to Lead!
The following local businesses are proudly owned and operated by parents, carers and partners of our school.

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Our Parents and Citizens’ Association meet on the third Tuesday each month at 6:30 p.m.