Thought of the Week
“Good teaching is one-fourth preparation and three fourths theatre.”
- Gail Godwin

Virtue of the Week
Our virtue of the week is rigour, the third of our five Rs. At Parkhurst State School, rigour is all about aiming for excellence and consistently displaying effort. Rigour is also about persevering, not giving up when things seem difficult being determined. At Parkhurst, rigour underpins all we do and believe in and we encourage all learners to give everything their very best. Please consider discussing rigour with your child/ren over the next week.

Principal’s Message
At Parkhurst State School we have developed a Parent and Community Engagement Framework that outlines how parents, carers and members of the wider community can contribute to and enhance learning in our school. Every month, our Parents and Citizens’ Association (P&C) hosts a meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to learn about what is happening in our school and community, provide feedback, assist to make decisions and determine ways to assist learning in our school.

On Tuesday evening, the first P&C meeting for the year was held and it was fantastic to see so many new faces around the table. Some great ideas were discussed and plans were made for the year ahead in terms of fundraising activities, special events and ways parents and parents can contribute to the school and their child/ren’s education. The next meeting is on Tuesday March 18th 2014 at the earlier time of 6:30 p.m. and will include the Annual General Meeting. Please consider bringing a friend and becoming involved.

Our schoolwide priorities this year centre around literacy and numeracy and it is impressive visiting classrooms to see high levels of engagement, quality book work, higher order thinking, exemplary effort and behaviour. We pride ourselves on having a good reputation in the school community and do not apologise for maintaining high expectations for our learners. Working together in partnership, our vision will be sustained and go to new heights. Well done everyone!

Until next time,
Lyle Walker
PRINCIPAL

Our P&C meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in Zone 2 1
**Stars of the Week**

Congratulations go out to the following students recognised as our ‘Parkhurst Stars’ for consistent achievement and effort across the areas of Spelling, Handwriting, Book Work, Behaviour and Reading. Well done everyone!

P/1K  Brodie Kime  
P/1T  Cooper Todman  
P/1J  Hailey Hepburn  
1WS  Brock Arnold  
2/3G  Logan Janson  
2/3K  Abby-Lee Pitcairn  
2/3M  Jasmine Goddard  
3/4H  Emily Bate  
4S  Tristan Wall  
4/5W  Teliah Pitcairn  
5/6F  Tom Davies  
6/7L  Alexis Webber  
6/7P  Lia Hiron

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**Happy Birthday**

Birthday greetings go out to the following students who will be celebrating their birthdays from today and up until next Thursday. We all hope you had a terrific day.

Liam Oddy  Jackson Kinsella  
Cooper Torr  Reece Humphries  
Karly Petersen  Seryah Phillips  
Keirah Rose  Joel O’Connor  
Caleb Smith  Stuart Goody

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**Well Done**

**4/5W**

Class of the Week!

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**Weekly Attendance Statistics**

Attendance and absenteeism continue to be our priority. Our aim for Term One is to reach 96% and have classes of ‘Every Day Counts’ Champions. Our current school wide daily attendance rate is 95.5%. The attendance rate of each class is listed below, with huge improvements noted, well done everyone!

- P/1J  96.82%  
- P/1K  **98%**  
- P/1T  92.58%  
- 1WS  88.16%  
- 2/3G  95.56%  
- 2/3K  95.5%  
- 2/3M  96.04%  
- 3/4H  92.88%  
- 4S  97.72%  
- 4/5W  97%  
- 5/6F  93.44%  
- 6/7L  96.56%  
- 6/7P  96.24%

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**School Banking**

All Parkhurst students have the opportunity to participate in the Commonwealth Bank’s **Student Banking Program** every Wednesday. For every deposit made, the school receives a small commission that soon adds up. **2014 Information Starter Packages** are available from the Office for collection if you would like your child/ren to begin banking.

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**Shirts**

Some changes have been made to the days when certain uniform shorts are to be worn to ensure consistency. The assistance of parents and carers is sought according to the information below …

- Mondays  Red or Black Shirts  
- Tuesdays  Red or Black Shirts  
- Wednesday  Sports House Shirts  
- Thursdays  Red, Black and Senior Shirts  
- Fridays  Red or Black Shirts

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**Senior Induction**

**Friday March 14th 2014**

at 9:15 a.m. in the AA  
Everyone Welcome!

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**Student Absence Line**

Parents and Carers are encouraged to report their child/ren’s absences on the dedicated **Student Absence Line** on 07 4924 6566.
Great Results Guarantee

The draft of our school’s Greater Results Guarantee Plan was shared at this week’s Parents and Citizens’ Association Meeting. This Plan comes with $65,000 in funding to support student learning, with an emphasis on assisting learners in the early years sector of our school. This funding will aim to increase the number of Teacher Aides in classrooms, purchase additional literacy and numeracy resources and provide professional development for staff to design and deliver quality programs, including intervention programs for identified students. It is anticipated once plans are endorsed and approved, funds will be available towards the end of the Term.

Casual Positions

In the near future, we may require additional staff in a casual or temporary capacity across a range of positions. If you are interested, please visit our school website, click on the Positions Vacant tab and download the Expression of Interest Form. Resumes are also welcome to accompany expressions of interest. As specific positions become vacant, they will be advertised in the school Newsletter.

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Parkhurst Tavern Raffles

The P&C’s Parkhurst Tavern Raffles are now once per fortnight. This very profitable and easy fundraiser achieved just over $11,000 for the P&C in 2013. There is currently a risk of losing this fundraiser to other community groups unless we can commit to regular Friday evenings. Everyone is welcome to come along this Friday night to learn more about conducting Raffles.

There is virtually nothing to do except turn up, sell tickets and conduct the draws. Volunteers are still sought every week to assist with the sale of tickets for some amazing prizes. If you are able to assist, please call Sandra Wingard on 04 3154 4073 to be added to the Raffle Roster, if only for one night this year. Income generated has and will continue to support YOUR students and their learning.

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.

Arrival in Assembly Area

All students are reminded of the expectation to remain seated in the Assembly Area until 8:30 a.m. Posters are around our school to outline the responsibilities and expectations. A copy is shown below.
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. For sales and information, please visit the Uniform Shop or contact me by telephone on 04 4738 3265 or by email at welfare@internode.on.net

Uniform Price List

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Sports Shirts in house colours are still available from the Uniform Shop

2014 Senior Induction Ceremony

This year’s Induction of Seniors and Leaders is scheduled for Friday March 14th 2014 at 9:15 a.m. in the Assembly Area. This special occasion is always greatly anticipated by Mums, Dads, staff and students. As in previous years, a number of special guests will be officiating at the special event. All Year Sixes and Sevens will be presented with their 2014 Senior Badges and Senior Shirts, as well as inducting our Year Sevens into their key leadership roles. Formal invitations were posted this week.

Our new Tuckshop Menu has proven popular amongst our students. Additional copies are available from our website, the Tuckshop and Office. Tuckshop helpers are always sought on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Just thirty minutes of your time would be a great help. The Tuckshop’s telephone number is (07) 4924 6535. If you are able to assist, please contact this number, call into the Tuckshop or complete the form below. A weekly Roster will soon be available.

Gina Ware
Tuckshop Convenor

Tuckshop News

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

Make Saturday Night ‘Nit Detection Night’ in your house!

Swimming
4-7s Mondays

Parkhurst Radio

www.soundcloud.com
Search ‘Parkhurst School Radio’

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School Banking on Wednesdays
2014 Cross Country and Fun Run

This week, all families would have received information regarding this year’s Cross Country and Fun Run to be held in the last week of this Term. This event is always popular and its amazing each year to see just how many Mums, Dads, Grandmas and Grandads take part as well. The event is also a profitable Fundraiser that provides additional sports equipment and resources that benefit all learners.

Cross Country and Fun Run
Thursday April 03rd 2014

Smart Moves Program

All Queensland schools are required to provide thirty minutes of daily, moderate physical activity. At Parkhurst State School, this commitment is delivered through our ‘Walk to Brisbane’ on the oval each morning at 8:45 a.m. in Term One and ‘Jump Jam’ at 11:45 a.m. in Terms Two and Three. It has been great to see so many parents and carers also taking part. So far we have managed to walk to the ‘new’ bridge. Well done one and all!

Get Set for Prep

Enrolments and Information Packages are now available for children who wish to commence Prep in 2014 and beyond. If your child turns five by June 30th 2014, they are eligible for Prep next year. The table below is a guide to assist families determine their child/ren’s Prep eligibility.

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Enrolments Welcome!

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We are a Sun Safe School

Parkhurst State School is proudly recognised as a Sun Safe School and have high expectations for all students and staff to practise sun safety at all times. Our Policy is strictly No Hat No Play and learners without hats have denied themselves an opportunity to participate in lunchtime play, outdoors health and physical education lessons and lunchtime access to Zone 21. Your assistance and support as parents and carers to ensure your child/ren always have their hat at school is greatly appreciated. This fortnight is our ‘Hat Blitz’!

Last week, an application for $2500 was submitted to the Queensland Cancer Council for additional portable shade structures for school events and activities, as a result of the school’s continued growth. Successful submissions will be announced in mid March this year.

Easter Raffle

Tickets will soon be on sale for the P&C’s annual Easter Goodie Raffle to be drawn on the last day of school at the Easter Hat Parade. First Prize will be a Barbeque, perfect for Easter entertaining. Donations are also being sought for Easter ‘goodies’ to make up prize baskets. One item from every family would provide over two hundred items. Donations can be left at the Office.

Band Workshops

The Capricornia Silver Band is conducting a Brass and Percussion Workshop for Year Five, Six and Seven students. This workshop will be run by the Musical Director on Saturday March 01st 2014. For more information, please contact Craig Holbeck by telephone on 04 0773 5702 or email at … president@capsilver.org.au

Make Every Day Count in 2014

Make 2014 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school. Research shows that students who have good patterns of attendance are more likely to achieve at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons. Check out the new Every Day Counts videos live on DETE TV at the following link … http://www.youtube.com/DETQueensland

Writers of the Week

Congratulations to the following learners who have demonstrated outstanding efforts in writing this week.

Ellie Bath
Blake Cassidy
Felicity Brereton
Charlee Willadsen
Jordan Cox
Bryley Ramsay
Maddison Stjernqvist

PARKHURST STATE SCHOOL

Hats Expectations

Hats are an important part of our school uniform
Wide brimmed hats must be worn for all outdoor activities including sport, HPE and play
No Hat means No Play!
Learners without hats remain in the C Block Courtyard and have no access to Zone 21
Hats must never be shared or borrowed!

Schools Clean Up Day

Our school will be involved in Schools Clean Up Day on Friday February 28th 2014. All classes have been allocated an area of our school to be responsible for.

There are also various community Clean Up activities being held on Sunday March 02nd 2014. The Clean Up Australia Day website lists the planned venues and activities. Visit … www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au/about/about-the-event/clean-up-australia-day

New Playground and Facilities

Work was completed yesterday on our new Prep and Year One Playground. The scope of works included a fantastic climbing frame and net, a musical instrument feature and a boat. This work was made possible as a result of a successful Community Benefit Gambling Fund submission in 2013. At the rate our school is growing, additional playground equipment may also be necessary in the future.

In a few weeks time, work will commence on our new building to be placed behind F Block for Year 4/5W and 5/6F. Representatives from Education Queensland’s Central Queensland and Brisbane Offices will be onsite during coming weeks to ‘master plan’ the school so the position of future buildings will be carefully considered and planned for. Recently the school acquired two blocks of additional land adjacent to the school for future expansion.
**PARKHURST STATE SCHOOL**

**Term One Calendar of Events**

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**Upcoming Events**

- February 14th: Valentine’s Day
- February 17th: Parent/Carer Information Sessions
- February 18th: Parent/Carer Information Sessions
- March 02nd: Clean Up Australia Day
- March 14th: Senior Induction Ceremony
- March 17th: St Patrick’s Day
- April 03rd: Fun Run and Cross Country
- April 04th: Easter Hat Parade
- Last Day of Term One

**2014 Term Dates**

- January 28th 2014: Term One 2014 Commences
- April 05th to April 21st: Autumn Vacation
- Tuesday April 22nd: Term Two Commences
- June 28th to July 13th: Winter Vacation
- Monday July 14th: Term Three Commences
- Sept 20th to Oct 06th: Spring Vacation
- Tuesday October 07th: Term Four Commences
- December 12th: Summer Vacation
- January 27th 2014: Term One 2015 Commences

“We Leap to Lead!”
PARKHURST STATE SCHOOL
2014 TUCKSHOP MENU
Full Menu available on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

© Green (Everyday Items)
© Amber (Sometimes Items)
© Red (Special Occasion items)

SORRY NO CREDIT AVAILABLE

FIRST BREAK ONLY 11:00 a.m.
SANDWICHES/WRAPs
- Ham $4.00
- Ham and Salad $4.50
- Chicken $4.00
- Chicken and Salad $4.50
- Egg and Lettuce $3.00
- Vegemite or Jam $2.50
- Salad (lettuce/tomatato/carrot/beetroot/cheese) $4.00
- Chicken Caesar Wrap $4.50
- Chicken Wrap (lettuce, bacon, dressing, mayonnaise) $4.00
- Chicken Snack Wrap (lettuce, cheese and mayonnaise) $3.00

BOWLS (Plates add additional $1.00)
- Salad Bowl (includes a dinner roll) $4.00
- With egg $4.50
- With chicken $4.50
- With ham $4.50
- With chicken and egg $5.50

EXTRAS
- Boiled egg $0.50
- Cheese $0.50
- Toasted $0.50
- Bread Roll $0.50
- Wrap $0.50

HOT FOODS
- Chicken Fingers (7) $4.00
- Fried Rice (Home Baked) $3.50
- Hot Dog $3.50
- Hot Dog and Cheese $4.00
- Meat Pie $4.00
- Sausage Roll $3.00
- Spaghetti Bolognaise (Home Baked) $3.50
- Chicken Burger (lettuce/mayonnaise) $5.00
- Beef Burger (with basic salad) $5.00

AFTERNOON TEA 1:30 p.m.
- Dinosaur Snacks/Chicken Nuggets (3) $2.50
- Mini Sausage Rolls $2.00
- Mini Hot Dogs $2.00
- Mini Pie $2.00
- Chicken Fingers (7) $4.00

AFTERNOON TEA SNACKS 1:30 p.m.
- Tuckshop Baked Muffins (Chocolate, Blueberry or Banana) $1.50
- Fresh Pikelets (Plain or with Jam/Butter) $1.50
- Funky Fruit Kebabs (Fruits in season) $1.50
- Custard Fruit Cups $2.00
- Custard Cups $2.00
- Corn/Rice Thins (Cheese/Sour Cream or Chives/Sweet Chilli) $1.00
- Jelly Cups $1.50

DRINKS (Available at Both Breaks)
- Bottled Water $2.50
- Breaka 300ml (Strawberry, Chocolate) $3.00
- Calcyum Milk 200ml (Strawberry, Choc) $3.00
- Slush Puppies (Limit of two per day) $3.00
- LOLs (Blackcurrant, Raspberry, Tropical, Mandarin) $3.00
- Poppers (Assorted flavours) $2.50

OCCASIONAL ITEMS (Tuckshop Baked)
- Chocolate Slice (Substituted with muffin if not available) $1.50

OVER THE COUNTER ITEMS
- Bag of Popcorn $1.00
- Bag of Mini Choc Chip Biscuits $1.50
- Bag of Rice Snacks (Cheese/Chicken) $1.50
- Assorted Ice Blocks from $0.50 to $1.50

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 Convenor on 07 4924 6535 or drop into the Tuckshop and say hello.

ALLERGIES AND FOOD INTEGRALTANCES
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.

Every Parkhurst learner is literate, numerate, safe, happy and learning every day.
Parkhurst State School provides learners with Smart Moves and Smart Choices