Current Enrolments
Our current effective enrolment is 362 as per the breakdown below. A warm welcome is extended to our 95 new learners and their families who have recently joined us. Our current enrolment is seven more than our prediction. A slight rearrangement was necessary prior to Day Eight to ensure all classes met the minimum class size targets of twenty five learners in all P-3 classes and twenty eight learners in all Year 4-6 classes. Despite bringing classes back to under these targets, we are now at or slightly above these targets in our Year 2/3 Neighbourhood.

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Staffing
This year, we welcomed many new faces to the Parkhurst State School Staff, including a Deputy Principal and our new Reading Coach position. We are still awaiting our final staffing allocations for the year based on our Day Eight enrolments. A list of the new staff members and their roles joining us in 2016 are outlined below …

- Mr Glenn Olive - Deputy Principal
- Ms Dianne Stace - Reading Coach
- Ms Larissa - Guidance Officer
- Mrs Alison Worthington - Local Relief Teacher
- Ms Shannon Eyles - P/1E Class Teacher
- Ms Georgia Coonan - P/1C Class Teacher
- Mr Iain MacRae - Year 4/5M Class Teacher
- Ms Rhiannon McDougall - Year 6M Class Teacher
- Ms Tracey Hopkins - English as a Language or Dialect Support Teacher

We also welcomed back Ms Jessica Galbraith to Year 2/3G following twelve months Maternity Leave. At the end of this Term, Ms Kath Warcon and Mrs Heather Stovold officially retire from Parkhurst State School and the Department of Education and Training. The P&C Association might like to consider recognising the valued contributions of both ladies as they enter retirement.

2016 Strategic Planning
Our new Assistant Regional Director, Mr Paul Wood visited on the second day of school to meet with the school’s Leadership Team. During the visit, Mr Wood approved, the school’s Annual Implementation Plan (AIP), Explicit Improvement Agenda (EIA) and Investing for Success Strategy (I4S). We also shared a length the progress the school has made in a very short time to action its School review Action Plan with much success. Copies of these documents have been provided this evening for the P&C Association’s records.
**Model Constitution**
Each year, Parent and Citizens’ Associations are asked to update their Model Constitutions in light of changes that occur. A 2016 copy of the Constitution is tabled this evening for adoption at our Annual General Meeting (AGM) in March. The mandated changes, including those made in 2015 have been made.

**Investing for Success**
All Queensland State Schools receive funding each year to make a difference to the learning of learners. Schools are asked to submit an ‘Investing for Success’ Agreement each year, detailing the how the funding will be used, strategies that will be put in place and a statement as to how student outcomes will be achieved. In previous years, this was referred to as the ‘Great Results Guarantee’. A copy of Parkhurst State School’s 2016 ‘Investing for Success’ Plan is tabled this evening for the P&C Association’s records.

In 2016, this Plan will reemploy Teacher Aides to ensure every learner in Prep and Year One is read to, read with and listened to every day. Ms Dianne Stace and Mrs Alana Fitchen are currently overseeing the Recruitment and Selection Process for the five advertised positions. The program will partly fund the school’s Reading Coach Position, provide teacher release time for planning, professional development and resourcing.

**Resourcing**
With our increase by two classrooms this year, two additional refrigerators were purchased prior to the commencement of school to accommodate this growth. The school also recently purchased and received an additional thirty two computers to upgrade our Computer Centre in Zone 21 as part of the school’s Asset Replacement Schedule. The computers being replaced have been redistributed to classrooms to increase learner access to technologies as part of their learning.

**Wireless Upgrade Program (WUP) and Broadband Upgrade**
Work will soon take place upgrading the school’s Technology Infrastructure. This work will include the replacement of a number of cabinets and switches, the relocation of the school’s Centre of Network and the installation of wireless data points in every learning space across the school. This program is part of a on off program made available to schools. Thanks again to the P&C’s contribution of $20,000 towards this major project that will benefit the learning of every child. The school was also advised that work will soon be undertaken to upgrade the school’s broadband service will soon be increased from 1.5Mbps to 10Mbps as part of the Department of Education and Training’s contractual negotiations with Telstra.

**Facilities**
Discussions are currently underway with the Region’s Facilities Manager, Mr Bill McMillan and his Team regarding the future facilities needs of Parkhurst State School for this year and beyond, given our growth. The school is now at capacity with no classroom spaces remaining apart from those designated for specific programs. To date, no information has been received regarding my specific questions around …

- master planning for future growth
- additional classroom spaces to accommodate projected growth
- current Workplace Health and Safety issues related to our existing Administration Building
- ongoing traffic and parking issues
- the potential refurbishment of A Block
- providing a larger Tuckshop
- increasing the size of the School’s Assembly Area or the provision of a Hall
- additional Toilet facilities to accommodate growth
Parent/Carer/Teacher Information Sessions
This week, all parents and carers were invited and encouraged to attend Parent/Carer/Teacher Information Sessions facilitated by Neighbourhood Teams and individual Class Teachers. These sessions aim to share information regarding each classroom’s expectations, routines, curriculum coverage, homework, assessment, reading programs and ways parents and carers can be involved in the classroom.

All parents and carers will be invited to attend face to face interviews with their child/ren’s class teachers in Weeks 8 and 9 of this Term. In 2016, we are hoping to achieve a 95% or higher attendance rate.

Smart Choices Changes
Recent changes have been made to the Smart Choices Ready Reckoner regarding the foods and drinks supplied in schools. Schools have also been asked to align these changes to every day events and activities. This includes the provision of birthday cakes. A copy of the Director General’s letter and revised Ready Reckoner is provided this evening for the P&C’s reference and action.

Upcoming Events and Activities
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<td>Clean Up Parkhurst Day</td>
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<td>Induction of Seniors and Student Leaders at 9:15 a.m.</td>
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Financial Statement
The most current Financial Report is attached for this period.

Lyle Walker
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