Current Enrolments
Our current effective enrolment stands at **315** as per the breakdown below.

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Staffing Update
As a part of the **Great Results Guarantee**, three additional Teacher Aides have been employed in a casual capacity to support students in the areas of literacy and numeracy. We welcome **Tracey Pike, Tom Dalton** and **Maxine McGaun** to our Teacher Aide Team. The response to our Expression of Interest last term seeking additional Teacher Aides was overwhelming.

School Facilities
G Block was officially handed over from the Building Contractors in Week One. This week, **Year 4/5W** and **Year 5/6F** will become the proud new occupants of this fantastic new facility. Furniture is scheduled to arrive this Thursday. Additional refrigerators are also required to complete this space. On Friday, **Mrs Anne Kerley** will relocate her **P/1Ks** to C Block, which allows for our entire Early Years and Middle Years Sectors to be located in the same areas of the school.

Two weeks ago, a full condition assessment was conducted of the school to identify any works required to be undertaken. The provision of yellow line markings to indicate possible trip hazards and the clearing of guttering and rooves were two major priorities. The relocation of the shade structure and concreting adjacent to the Assembly Area is scheduled to occur prior to the Winter Vacation. Sometime this Term, Facilities representatives from Central Office in Brisbane will commence the master planning of the school so future facilities are planned for.

2014 School Improvement
**Reading, Writing, Numeracy, Vocabulary, Attendance and Explicit Instruction** continue to be Parkhurst State School’s priorities for 2014. This year, we have already seen much improvement across all areas, particularly in students’ writing abilities. This year’s NAPLAN Writing Task required students in Years 3, 5 and 7 to compose a persuasive text, which was completed with confidence. When NAPLAN results are returned in September, we hope our energies and efforts with writing are reflected in the data.

At Parkhurst State School, we firmly believe that ‘every day counts’. Attendance at our school, like all in the state is a major priority. Research has shown explicit links between regular school attendance and success at school. Each week, the attendance percentages of every class is celebrated alongside the school’s overall percentage. By the end of 2014, our official attendance target is 96%. At the current time, we are achieving 93.6%. Towards the end of every Term, telephone calls are made and official letters are sent home to families where attendance is deemed unsatisfactory.
Strategic Planning
On Monday, official notification was received from Regional Office that our 2014 Strategic Planning documents had been endorsed. Feedback from our Assistant Regional Director indicated that they were all of a high standard and were aligned well to current Education Queensland and Regional priorities.

Teaching, Learning and Discipline Audits
On **Tuesday June 03rd 2014**, Parkhurst State School will undertake two audits to determine the school is performing in order to inform school planning processes. Such audits are undertaken once every four years or on the appointment of a new Principal to a school. Within fifteen days of completion, the school will receive a detailed report of key findings and recommendations. Parents and Carers will also be interviewed as part of the audit process to provide their perspective on current school strategies and practices.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Every year, all Queensland schools are encouraged to participate in the Premier’s Reading Challenge, designed to motivate students to read. Last year at Parkhurst, 90% of all students participated with Year 5/6F and Year 1WS being the first classes to all submit their completed forms. In recognition of this achievement, both classes were rewarded with a Restaurant Lunch. A similar reward is on offer once again this year. Forms were sent home last week and we encourage all parents and carers to inspire their children to participate.

P&C Day
P&C Day is held each year during State Education Week to celebrate the important work undertaken in State Schools by Parents and Citizens’ Associations. This year, P&C Day is being held on **Friday May 23rd 2014**. All State Schools are encouraged to hold an event that acknowledges the valuable contributions that P&Cs make in assisting our schools deliver quality educational outcomes. As a school, we will acknowledge our P&C

Upcoming Events and Activities
- **Tuesday May 20th 2014**: P&C Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- **Friday May 23rd 2014**: P&C Day
- **Tuesday June 03rd 2014**: Teaching and Learning Audit
  Discipline Audit
  Sports Day
  Under Eights’ Activity Morning
  Rockhampton Show Day Holiday
- **Friday June 06th**: Queensland Day
- **Friday June 13th**: School Disco
- **Tuesday June 17th**: P&C Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday June 24th**: Semester One Report Cards released
- **Friday June 27th**: Assembly of Excellence
  Final Day of Term Two

Financial Statement
The most current Bank Reconciliation Report is attached for this period.

Lyle Walker
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