



# Parkland Pride



The Newsletter of Parkland School  
Term 2 Week 1 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026

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Absences: Use the App



## OFFICE MESSAGES

Term 2: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

ANZAC Day observed Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April

MOE Teacher Only Days - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May (Maths) and Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May (Literacy)

King's Birthday Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June

**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY THURSDAY 30TH APRIL:** Order envelopes were sent home at the start of this week. Orders are due back next Tuesday (28th) after the long weekend. We intend to take all of our photos outside once again this year, however this will be dependent on the weather! Please check that your child is wearing the correct uniform, this also includes hair accessories. Please refer to the uniform page on our website for full details of the regulation items.

**LOST PROPERTY:** All of the unnamed polar fleeces that were left behind last term have been donated to our second hand supplies. Please see the Office if your child needs one, and we may be able to accommodate you.

There are however, a number of pairs of good quality shoes shoes (unnamed) that haven't yet been claimed. Is your child missing their school shoes? They are in the basket at the bottom of the Lost Property trolley. Please help yourself!

**PRODUCTION:** Our school production is scheduled for September 11<sup>th</sup>. In the coming months we will be asking our community for help with props, scenery, costumes and parent help in our classrooms. Please keep an eye out for more details coming soon!

## From the Principal's Desk...

Nga matua ma nga kaitiaki,  
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 2, and a special welcome if you have joined us this term.

It is going to be another busy one with lots of events happening this term. Today we have two teams competing in the Kids' Lit Quiz in Feilding, then on Saturday we have two of our Prefects representing Parkland as wreath layers at the Anzac Day civil service in the Square.

Our Senior Modules groups are working with PNCC in the coming weeks to plant the new swale (drain) alongside the field, we begin cross country training and our school photos are being taken next week.

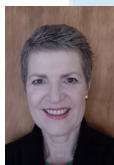
On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April we will be supporting Autism Awareness Month with 'Hoods Up, Volume Down Quiet Hour'. Children can wear a hoodie WITH their usual uniform. More information can be found on our Facebook page.

As you can see, the next two weeks are busy ones!

As always keep an eye out on the school calendar via your app, and our Facebook page for what's happening each week. If you notice something we haven't thought about, let us know.

Enjoy the long weekend, stay warm, and we will see you back next Tuesday.

Smiles,  
Sonia Mudgway  
Principal



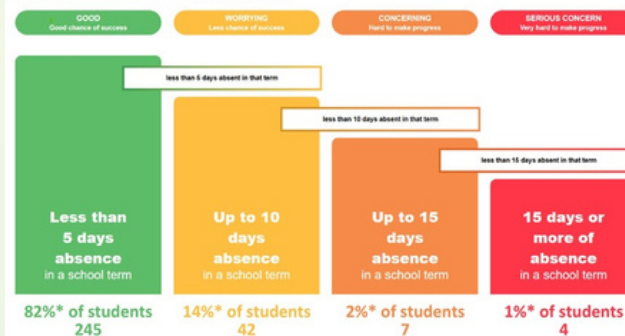
## ATTENDANCE MATTERS - EVERY DAY COUNTS

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### Stepped Attendance Response - STAR

Responding to all absences

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So far this year our attendance rate is 82%.

If a student misses one day of school every two weeks, they miss more than a whole year of school by 16 years of age.

As a parent or caregiver, you, alongside our school, play a key role in building strong habits of regular school attendance. Thank you for your support with this. Our Attendance Management Plan is now available on our website.

## Upcoming Dates:

### Term 2

Also check out the Parent Calendar on our website.

20<sup>th</sup> April - Day 1 of Term 2 - Out-of-zone Enrolments open for Term 3

27<sup>th</sup> April - Anzac Day Holiday **SCHOOL CLOSED**

28<sup>th</sup> April - PTA Meeting 7pm (staffroom)

29<sup>th</sup> April - Hoods Up, Volume Down- Quiet Hour 10-11am (children can wear a hoodie with their uniform)

29<sup>th</sup> April - PNCC & Senior Modules Group Planting Project

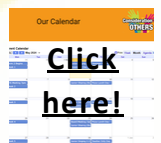
14<sup>th</sup> May - Board Meeting 7pm (staffroom)

15<sup>th</sup> May - Pink Shirt Day - let's celebrate diversity!

15<sup>th</sup> May - Out-of-zone Enrolments close for Term 3

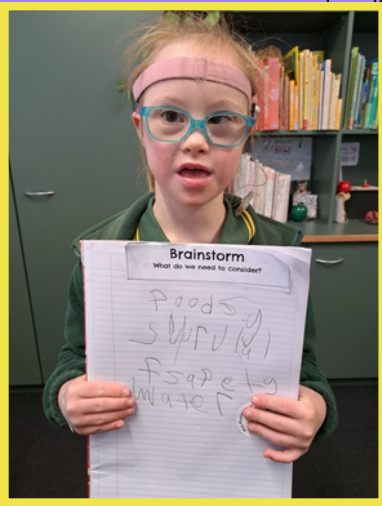
18<sup>th</sup> May - Teacher Only Day - Mathematics Curriculum (**school closed for students**)

20<sup>th</sup> May - School Cross Country (21<sup>st</sup> May Postponement Day)

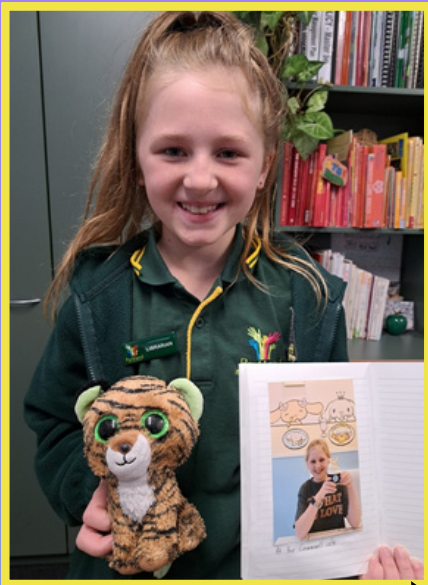


If your child is involved in something cool outside of school, let us know!

# STUDENT STARS

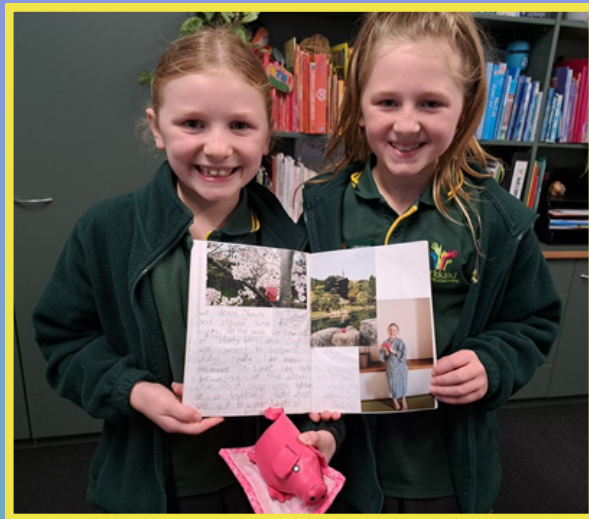


Kora did a fantastic job with her Term 2 Unit brainstorm, doing lots of her writing independently. Ka Rawe! Awesome job, Kora!



Not only did Parkland Pinky get a trip to Japan in the holidays, so too did Room 8's mascot, Tiggy.

What a Cool Cat, Tiggy! Thanks for taking good care of Tiggy for your class, Hadleigh.



During the holidays, Willa and Hadleigh took Parkland Pinky on a trip to Japan! She had amazing adventures amongst blossom trees, beautiful scenery and inside cute cafes. You can read Pinky's diary and check out some of the amazing photos the girls took of Pinky, in Pinky's travel log in the foyer. Tino pai! Thank you for taking such good care of Pinky.



Robert's team recently played in the Palmerston North United Football Tournament and they came first!

Tino pai! Well done!

## WELCOME

Special welcome to these children, and their whanau, who started with us recently.

Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kura o Papa Whenua. Welcome to Parkland School.

We hope you enjoy your time here.



Kairo Rm10



Ava Rm9



Indee R14



Sadie Rm3



Cyrus Rm13



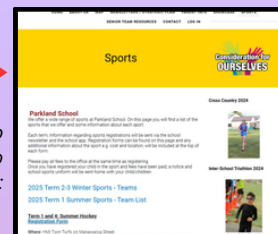
Remi Rm9



Charlotte Rm9



Abbas Rm10



Please go to the school website to register. Please see the 'Sports' tab or click the link here:

## Replay

REPLAY is a New Zealand charity that collects pre-loved sports gear and gives them to other families and community groups that need them. The whole idea is to get more people participating in sports and we need your help.

If you have any old sports gear at home that your family no longer uses, please bring it to school and place it in the yellow bin. Once it is full, we will pass the gear to the people at Replay and they will give it to families who really need it.

The yellow bin will be placed next to the lost property rack during school hours. The poster on the front reminds everyone what kinds of sports equipment can go inside.



## Winter Sports

The winter sports teams can be viewed on the school website. Click on the link which can be found on the sports page.

### Season Dates

- Hockey - Sunday 3rd May - Sunday 9th August
- Table Tennis - Tues 5th May - Tues 23rd June
- Basketball - Thurs 23rd April - Thurs 2nd July
- Flippaball - TBC

## Cross Country Training

The whole school will start their cross country training next week on Tuesday. **Training** days will be **Monday, Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. Students are encouraged to wear shoes that are suitable for running in. If the weather interrupts the scheduled days, Thursday or Friday may be used.

The children will run around the block to build up their fitness in preparation for our **school cross country event**, which will be held on **Wednesday 20th May** at the Palmerston North Golf Course. Information regarding this event will be out closer to the date.

## Futsal



On the 1st of April, a group of our girls proudly represented our school at the Girls Only Futsal Tournament. Competing in a Year 5 & 6 grade, despite being Year 4 and 5 students, they showed outstanding determination and skill. Over the course of six games, the team played with great effort, supported one another, and continued to grow in confidence and teamwork throughout the day. We are incredibly proud of the way they represented our school.

# Wellbeing Wall

You have been my friend.  
That in itself has been a  
tremedous thing.

E.B. White

## Easter Colouring Competition Winners



Junior  
Ella J Rm 6



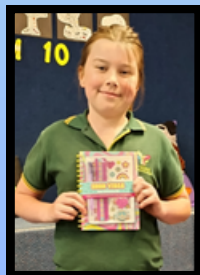
Middle  
Omita Rm 14



Senior  
Hannah Rm 12

## Guess the number of Easter Eggs Competition Winner

Rosie Rm 12



# OUR SCHOOL BOARD:

Our 2026 Board Members and their contact details:

Bryan Ousey - Presiding Member  
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*Please remember that the minutes of our Board meetings are available in the Office. Please see Aimee.*

*Our 2026 Attendance Plan and updated Strategic Plan are both available on our school website.*

*Our next meeting is on 14th May at 7pm in the staffroom.*

# PTA

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## Fresh, Easy Lunches

Delivered to School!



Our new Kindo App-based lunch system starts this week! See the separate notice that was emailed home last term, or you can find a copy on our website or Facebook page.

Note: Only cookies are available to buy before school each Friday. ALL other lunch orders MUST go via the Kindo App.

## Parkland Puzzler

Qu: Why is school closed on Monday  
27th April?



## Parkland Puzzler

Write the answer, along with your name and room number, on a piece of paper and post it into the mailbox outside Mrs Mudgway's office.