

WELCOME
BACK!

Parkland Pride

The Newsletter of Parkland School



Term 1 Week 3 19th February 2026

From the Principal's Desk...

Nga matua ma nga kaihiaki,
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We had a great response to our Connecting 2026 sessions, and were amazed at the wonderful variety of taonga children brought to share. We certainly connected with whanau in a way we haven't before. Thank you for your support with this. Thanks also to Aplus for providing free supervision for our earlier closure, providing much-needed support for our families.

I made a whoopsie last week with the PTA Friday lunches....I failed to delete the information from our 'What's Happening?' on Facebook, after plans changed. My apologies! PTA had intended to start with a sausage sizzle, but were unable to find helpers for the morning ordering. However, thanks to new parents at the recent PTA meeting offering to help, we are now able to offer Sausage Sizzle lunches for the rest of this term EVERY Friday. So Sausage Sizzle lunches will start this Friday (20th February) and continue for the next six weeks. (There will be NO PTA lunch in Week 9 as it's a short week.)

As a Board we are reviewing three policies currently, one of them being our Sun Protection Policy. We would love your input. You can be part of this process by going to our SchoolDocs site here:

<https://parkland.schooldocs.co.nz/>

(Username: parkland Password: rise) and clicking on 'Current Review'. This particular policy is part of our commitment to sun safety, and our Sunsmart Accreditation with the Cancer Society.

Smiles,
Sonia Mudgway
Principal



OFFICE MESSAGES

LOST PROPERTY PLEASE check the Lost Property rack! There were lots of shoes and jerseys left behind on the last day. The rack is located by the red doors near the Library courtyard (or next to the flagpole if fine). Thanks for your help with this!

REMINDER – Our ASB Bank Account Information! In 2025 we made the decision to change banks. We are no longer banking with Westpac. Parkland School is now banking with ASB Palmerston North.

If you make any automatic or online payments to us for your school payments, we will need you to update our details so that your payment reaches our new account.

Our new account number is: 12-3143-0459808-01

with the account name: PARKLAND SCHOOL (P NORTH) BOARD

Please update your banking details for your payments into our new ASB account.

HELP OUR TEACHERS – Please remember that teachers are not available during class time, therefore please send all messages during this time through the Office. Thank you for your support with this.

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE - aPlus operate from our hall before and after school. Enrol online at www.aplus.kiwi.nz. A copy of the available times and prices can be found on the outdoor noticeboard, or pick up a copy at the Office. If you have any questions please phone 0800 423 400 or email: admin@aplus.kiwi.nz

UNIFORM - Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform as per our uniform policy. A copy of which can be found on our School Docs site <https://parkland.schooldocs.co.nz> Username: parkland p/w: rise (and the guidelines are also on our website). Sunhats are compulsory during Term 1 and need to be brought to school every day. Please name all uniform items!

Upcoming Dates

19th Feb – Board Meeting

20th Feb – Enrolments Close for Term 2 for Out of Zone pupils

20th Feb – PTA Sausage Sizzle Lunch – order before school, cash only **Prices are:** sausage/bread \$2, large cookie \$2, small cookie \$1.

26th Feb – Vision and Hearing Testers here

27th Feb Ballot held (if required) for OOOZ pupils



Remember... Sausages and cookies are available every Friday starting tomorrow, until Week 8. Term 2 will see some exciting changes to the PTA lunches! Stay tuned!

sports news

Caro Hacking & Hollie Patete
Sports Coordinators

Information for all sport currently offered, can be found on the [Sports page](#) of the Parkland School website.



Summer Hockey

Summer hockey team lists for Term 1 are available to view on the [sports page](#), on our school website.

Year 0-2 - Tuesday 24th February - 31st March

Year 5-6 - Wednesday 25th February - 1st April

Thank you so much to the parents and caregivers who have volunteered their time to coach a team. Coaches will be in contact with their team before the first game. If you cannot make a game, please contact the coach so they are aware.

Year 0-2 Teams - We are looking for 1-2 more players for our Year 0-2 teams. If you are keen to play, please contact Caro Hacking - c.hacking@parkland.school.nz.

TABLE TENNIS ● **MANAWATŪ**

Table Tennis Manawatu is celebrating International Women's Day 2026 in the best way possible! With exciting free Have-A-Go sessions across the country. Designed for women and girls of all ages and abilities!

Bring your besties, come with family, or rock up solo and leave with new friends. Feeling competitive? Stick around for a game with our experienced players!

From total beginners to seasoned pros, everyone is welcome. Meet amazing people, laugh a lot, and have an absolute blast.

All equipment is provided - just bring your positive vibes and get ready to enjoy yourself

We're pleased to invite you to our FREE Women's & Girls Have-A-Go session:

- Saturday 7th March 2026
- 10am to 1pm
- Tornado Table tennis Palmerston North - 552A Main Street Palmerston North
- Contacts: Chrys Podjursky- cpodjursky@gmail.com
- Register via <https://tabletennis.org.nz/tournaments/national-tournament-calendar/women-and-girls-have-go>

Futsal

Our Futsal teams started last week and were oozing with Parkland spirit. Thank you to the parents who have stepped up to coach. Our teams took to the courts with manners and enthusiasm and the scores were amazing! Keep it up teams!

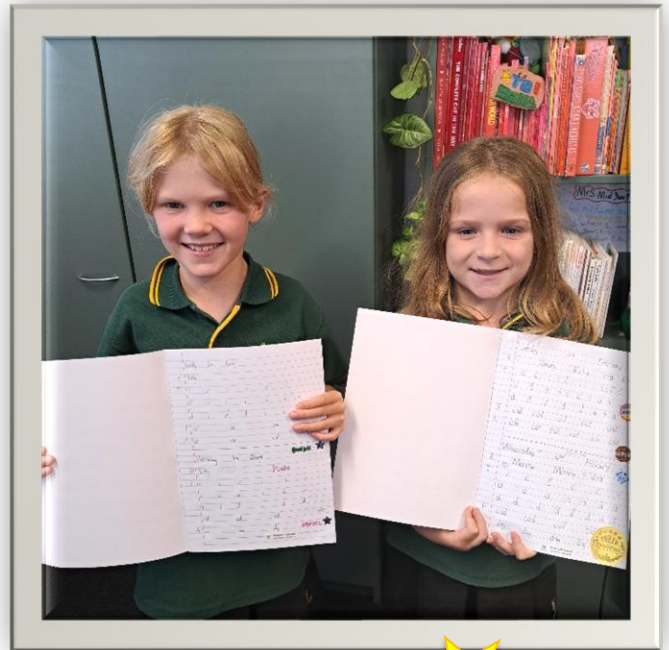
Pictured: 9th Grade Futsal



STUDENT STARS!



Our school cat, Kevin, enjoying his scratches. He has loved all the attention now that school is back!



Keeley & Maisey did an incredible job with their Structured Literacy lesson! Tino Pai!



Parker's Baseball Team placed 1st in the Mid-Summer Blast Tournament in Levin, and he competed in the Colgate Games in Tauranga and placed 1st in Shotput (out of 75 in his age group). Ka Rawe! That's awesome!



Tom competed in the recent Swimming Manawatu Age Group Championship, coming 2nd in 100m Freestyle and 3rd in the 50m Freestyle! Ka Rawe!

Awesome achievement, Tom!



TOMORROW (Friday 20th) IS OUR FIRST PTA SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH FOR 2026 - Please order before school (between 8:30-8:50am) at the table outside the office - CASH only please.

Prices are: sausage/bread \$2, large cookie \$2, small cookie \$1.

Parkland Puzzler

What can you order before school on a Friday, for the next six Fridays?



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.