

Parkland PRIDE

The Newsletter of
Parkland School

Term 1 - Week 11 of 11
11th April 2024

Rise to the Challenge
Whāia te iti Kahurangi



STUDENT STARS



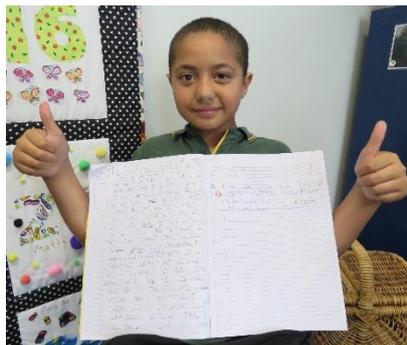
Parker – awesome Achievements at the Ashhurst Athletic & Harrier Club Champs!



Emmett – super Achievements at the Ashhurst Athletic & Harrier Club Champs!



Anika – Fabulous Legend Writing!



Daniel – Super Writing!



Kyan – Great Writing!

Nga matua ma nga kaitiaki, Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It's hard to believe that we are at the end of the first term! It feels like just yesterday I stood at the crossing for the first time, yet everyone has made me feel so welcome. I appreciate the many kind words as I have been learning 300+ names!

Next term sees many exciting changes, one of them is us having an Out-of-School care provider onsite. Thank you for your feedback to our recent survey about this. We can now confirm that aPlus will be operating onsite from 29th April, offering before and after school care. Included in this newsletter you will find all of the details. We welcome aPlus to the Parkland Whanau!

Another change is our fortnightly newsletter. From next term, the newsletter will not be sent home as a paper copy. It will be only be emailed and sent via the app and added to our website (as it is now). However, should you wish to have a paper copy, please contact Aimee or Kath in the Office. We will have a few paper copies available at the Office, but we are trying to cut down on costs and wastage. We are also updating the format of the newsletter. Going digital means that we can add more pages when we need to, and include lots more features. The Parkland Pride Puzzler will still be running, but children will need to write the answer (and their name and room number) on a piece of paper at home before placing in the PPP Letterbox. Look out for the new-look newsletter in Week 1!

Next term also sees us setting up a school Facebook page. This will allow friends and extended family members to stay connected with the amazing things happening here, and we can celebrate our students' achievements more widely. If there are any changes to the ICT permissions that you gave on enrolment (ie; publishing images), please get in touch.

Have a restful break, and we may see some of you at the Civil Service in the Square on Anzac Day. We have two of our Prefects laying a wreath on our behalf. Lest we forget.

Smiles,
Sonia Mudgway
Principal



Room 14 did the most amazing playground designs!



The Kids' Lit Quiz

Excerpt from a report written by Harlow

If you are wondering, the Kids' Lit Quiz is a literary competition where two teams from each school go to Feilding. Every team has 4 people, they sit together with a clipboard. The clipboard has the answer sheets where you put your answers. In the Kids' Lit Quiz there are 100 questions, each 10 questions have one topic. The first topic was on birds. Our teams were going good for the first half although the questions were all very hard. The second half started with gods, legends and deities. There was a projector where they put pictures of deities. The winners were... 3rd Ross Intermediate A 2nd Faith City A 1st Masterton Intermediate A. Sadly we didn't get into the top three, maybe we will do better next year.

SPORTS NEWS

Cross Country training - Term 2 Next term the whole school will be training for cross country. Our event will be held in week 4, information about the event will be sent out closer to the time.

Training days will be Monday through to Thursday. Children may choose to bring sports shoes to run in and senior children can bring a change of clothes. All students need to bring a drink bottle to school. The first training day will be held on Tuesday 30th May.

Summer Sport Summer sport is nearly over for the term. A massive thank you to all our coaches and managers, we really appreciate your support. We hope that you enjoyed seeing your team learn from one another and have fun playing sport.

Winter Sport The winter sport teams will be up by the end of the week. There will be a link on the sports page via the school website. We are still looking for a basketball coach/ref for the Year 3 & 4 team. Please if you are interested or know of anyone who might be contact Hollie ASAP.

Please make sure your registration fees are paid before the start of the first game.

Hockey - Sunday 5th May

Table Tennis - Tuesday 14th May

Basketball - Thursday 2nd May

Netball - Monday 6th May

Uniforms and notices will be sent home early next term. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the following teachers:

Hockey & Table Tennis - Caro Hacking

c.hacking@parkland.school.nz

Basketball & netball - Hollie Patete

h.patete@parkland.school.nz



Congratulations to our Parkland Teeball team. You have displayed all our values each week and grown in skills and confidence throughout the season. Many thanks to Matt Rennie for being an amazing coach and mentor!

ADMIN MESSAGES

Uniform We are noticing many children wearing incorrect uniform items. Please remember that only PLAIN stud earrings are to be worn, Headbands / Ribbons / Hair ties must be plain Black, Yellow/Gold or

Bottle Green, and cargo shorts must be the regulation ones with the school logo on them. The current Uniform Policy (available on our website) is in the final stages of review and will be available early next term.

Free School counselling We are pleased to announce that we have a free play-based counselling service on school site, each Monday during term 2. Please contact your child's classroom teacher or our learning support coordinator Heidi, h.boyer@parkland.school.nz for further information.

After School Pick Up We are seeing more and more children being collected late at the end of the school day, creating issues for us in order to supervise these children. School closes at 2:55pm and we expect all children off-site by 3:15pm when meetings start, and teachers are prepping for the next day. Staff need time to be ready for meetings to start promptly. Some children are not being collected until 3:20pm or later. This includes by After School Care services. Therefore after 3:10pm you will now need to come to the red wall by the office to collect your child. They will be unable to wait at the pick-up zone unsupervised.

We understand that sometimes things happen and you are unable to get here before 3:10pm. If you find yourself in this position, please phone the Office so that we know (and can reassure your child as to your whereabouts). Thanks for your cooperation with this.

PTA UPDATE

The top sellers in our recent Hot Cross Bun fundraiser were: 1st Lani, 2nd Lincoln and 3rd Marshall.

Look out for the Grocery Hamper Raffle next term...



Parkland PRIDE PUZZLER

for Week 11

Question: What date does aPlus Out of School Care start at Parkland School?

Answer:

Name:

Room:

Drop your entry in the black letterbox outside Mrs M's office!

Parkland School Learner Profile Parent Guide 2024

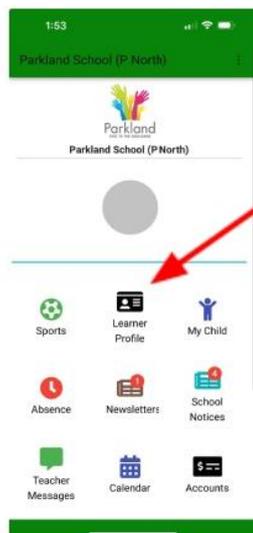


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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

We are making changes to the Learner Profile and our school-wide assessment and reporting this year. Below is an outline of what you can expect to see during the year.

You can find your Learner Profile by going to the @school app



Click here to see your child's Learner Profile

Our Learner Profile is part of the bigger picture of sharing information about your child's learning achievement and progress. We have our formal face to face meeting early in Term 3, as well as informal catch ups, meetings or other communication on an 'as needed basis'.

We also have the beginning of the year sharing with family and whānau through our 'whanaungatanga' surveys and our 'Connecting' event.

Our Learner Profile is a place for teachers to record the achievement and progress of each child. We also use Seesaw schoolwide which provides a platform for sharing work samples and celebrating achievement and progress. Seesaw is also valuable as a space for parent comment, and communication with classroom teachers.

In Term 1 you will see:

1. General Comment - The purpose is to make a brief statement of how well your child has started the year. It may also include a comment related to our school Values and Key Competencies.
2. Support Summary - This will include any support that your child is receiving in addition to the classroom programme.
3. School Involvement / Extension Summary - This will include any additional events & opportunities over and above the classroom programme that your child was involved in.
4. Key Competencies grid - updated throughout the year as appropriate.

NB: There will be no General Comment for Room 9 & 10. These children will have their New Entrant Report in their second term of school, if they haven't already had one.

We will provide a summary of what to expect in Term 2 within your child's Learner Profile, at the end of next term. Please get in touch with the Office if you need help with the app, or with one of us if you have any questions.

Smiles,

Sonia Mudgway & Carolyn Jones

aPlus Out of School Care at Parkland School.

Dear Parkland School Families,

We are delighted to extend a warm welcome to the Parkland School community from aPlus Out of School Care, now providing out of school care at Parkland School! At aPlus, we are thrilled to be a part of your school's extended family and are committed to providing a nurturing and enriching environment for your children.

Getting to Know Your Children: We understand that every child is unique, and using an adaptation of the Principle of Individuality, we take the time to get to know each and every one of them. Building strong relationships with your children is our top priority, ensuring they feel safe, valued, and supported throughout their time with us.

Fun-Filled Activities: Our program is designed to be full of excitement and creativity! From engaging games to imaginative arts and crafts projects, there's never a dull moment at aPlus. We believe in the power of play to foster learning and development in a stimulating and enjoyable way.

Homework Club: Education is important to us, which is why we offer a Homework Club where children can complete their assignments with support from our staff. As an added incentive, children earn points for completion, which can be exchanged for rewards of their choice, encouraging a sense of accomplishment and responsibility.

Respectful Environment: At aPlus, we believe in mutual respect between staff and children. We model this by using gentle faces, soft voices, encouragement, and caring gestures. We expect the same level of respect from the children, creating a positive and inclusive atmosphere for everyone.

Nutritious Snacks: We understand the importance of healthy eating habits, which is why we provide nutritious breakfast and afternoon tea options, as well as a snack at 5pm to keep children energised until dinner time. Occasionally, in school holidays we may even embark on a fun trip to the supermarket together!

Trained and Certified Staff: Your child's safety and well-being are our top priorities. Our staff members hold first aid certificates and undergo rigorous training in all aspects of childcare to ensure they are equipped to handle any situation with professionalism and care.

We are thrilled to embark on this journey with your family and look forward to creating lasting memories with your children at aPlus.

From the Staff at aPlus Out of School Care



Join Us at Parkland School Hall!

We're delighted to share the exciting news that Parkland School Hall will swing its doors open on Monday, April 29th, heralding the start of Term 2. and the start of aPlus Out of School Care at Parkland. As we gear up for a new term, we extend a warm invitation to all parents and guardians to secure a spot for Morning and/or Afternoon Care, by booking at www.aplus.kiwi.nz, from April 13th, 2024. Reserve your place and ensure your child's seamless transition into the new term!

Session Times:

Before School - 7:00am to 8:30am - includes breakfast \$6.00

After School - 3:00pm to 6:00pm - includes afternoon tea

⇒ Pick up at 4pm \$12.50

⇒ Pick up at 5pm \$18.50

⇒ Pick up at 6pm \$24.00

School holiday programmes are currently run from

Hokowhitu School in Albert Street.

Inclusions:

- ⇒ Homework Club with support from our staff
- ⇒ Nutritious breakfast, afternoon tea, and @5pm afternoon snack

Enrol Online at www.aplus.kiwi.nz

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or would like to learn more about our program.

Phone: 0800 423 400

Email: admin@aplus.kiwi.nz

