From the Principal

School Fair
The Fair is fast approaching! Thank you for the many, generous donations that were received last Friday on Free Dress Day. The winner of the armband draw at Monday’s Assembly was Amy Yi from Grade 2H. Congratulations Amy! Another draw will be held on Friday.

Notes were sent home last week asking for parents to volunteer to help on stalls at the Fair. It would be greatly appreciated if all parents could volunteer their assistance and return these notes as soon as possible. Much help is also required for set up on Saturday and pack up after the Fair.

Don’t forget to get your entries in for Principal for the Day – you have to be in it to win it!

Visit by Secondary College Students
On Tuesday the senior school students were lucky enough to be paid a visit by two former students - Steph McKie and Lochie Sargeant. Steph and Lochie, along with a teacher from Parkdale Secondary College, talked to the students about their Transition to Secondary School and they capably answered the many questions that were posed to them.

Shade Sails
The shade sails are now back after some much needed repairs.

Easter Morning Tea
On Wednesday 23rd March the PPA will be running an Easter Morning tea. Notes were sent home last week. Please make sure orders are returned to school by Friday 18th March. No late orders will be accepted.

Grade 6 Windcheaters
The Grade 6 windcheaters have arrived and they look great. Some of our students were so keen to wear them that they had to be reminded of the temperature yesterday! The windcheaters can be collected from the office upon payment.

Tracy Richards
Assistant Principal

CALENDAR

MARCH

Monday 14th
Labour Day
Public Holiday

Tuesday 15th
Prep Pet Ownership Incursion
School Council AGM
7.00pm

Thursday 17th
2nd Hand Uniform Sale
2:45pm - 3:30pm

Sunday 20th March
School Fair

Wednesday 23rd
Easter Morning Tea

Thursday 24th March
Term 1 Ends
2.30pm Finish

General Information
Banking Day - Tuesday
WHAT’S HAPPENING?

PREP
Last week we started our mini unit on the ‘Senses’. Over the next few weeks each grade will rotate to different Prep teachers to explore each ‘Sense’.

This week we have been learning about the letter ‘p’. Next week will be revision week. We are very impressed with how many children have learnt the words and phrases on their take home list - please keep up the practice!

Just a reminder if you arrive late, please make sure you sign your child in at the office. We also have sign in whiteboards/lists outside our room for parent helpers to sign in.

We hope everyone has a fun and safe long weekend!

GRADE 1
We had a great time at today’s toy incursion! The children loved the opportunity to play with all types of toys and observe the changes in toys over time.

This week you may have noticed the parent helper sign in sheets near the front of all classrooms. Please ensure you remember to sign in and out whenever you are helping in the classroom. We have really appreciated all of your help so far with Traffic Light Reading and hope that you can continue to do so throughout the year!

This week children will be bringing home notices looking for literacy group helpers! Please check your grades specified day and let us know if you are able to help out as soon as possible, so that we can create a parent helper roster.

Finally we hope you all have a lovely long weekend!

GRADE 2
Our CAFÉ focus this week is Comprehension: ‘Predict what will happen then confirm’. This strategy helps readers make connections to the text, think ahead, and become more engaged with what they’re reading.

We completed our Addition topic in Maths this week. We encourage students to continue using Mathletics and other websites/applications to practise using known strategies and develop fluency with addition facts.

A notice was sent home today with information about our Grade 2 Dress up Day on the last Wednesday of Term. Please ensure you read this information carefully. It will be a fun day!

GRADE 3
Welcome to Week 7!

Our ACMI excursion is fast approaching and notices went home last week. This included a permission form from Parkdale Primary School and an ACMI Child Participation and Licence Agreement. Both forms must be returned by Friday 11th March. We are still looking for 2 parent helpers from each class to assist us on the day. Could you please let your child’s teacher know or indicate on the form if you are to assist on this day.

This week our CAFÉ focus was on: Interesting words. Students have been on the look out for ‘Wow Words’ and recording these in the classroom, along with their meaning. At home, when you read with your child or listen to them read, look out for interesting words and discuss what they mean and how we can use the word in a sentence.

Children have very enthusiastically started working with their partners on their ‘Melbourne’ projects in class this week and are looking forward to presenting their posters.

In Maths we are finishing up the topic of ‘Addition Concepts and Strategies’ and moving on to ‘Subtraction Concepts and Strategies’. At home, assist your child use addition to help with subtraction problems.


GRADE 4
The children have been working diligently on their in-class Melbourne Landmark projects and are almost ready to begin construction of their 3D models.

Over the next two weeks the children will be visiting ACMI to participate in a workshop entitled “Back to the Past” which explores Melbourne’s history.

Information regarding the Grade 4 camp will be sent home over the next fortnight. Keep your eyes open for this important information.

Grade 4M is still looking for a Parent Rep. Pop in and see Nerida if you are keen. Thanks.

Congratulations to the recipients of AR Certificates for this week: Annie W, Lukah W, Finn G, Grace S, Oscar L, Alex I, Lucy W, Molly S, Xavier H, Lucy A and Rebecca W.
GRADE 5/6
The Grade 6 children are very excited to be getting their windcheaters. They are available for pick up at the office. Cost $43.

We have been extremely pleased with the great sportsmanship shown by all the children during Inter-school sports.

The class projects are coming along well. Your child may be bringing home their checked drafts to type up as we are limited with computers at school. Later in the term they will need to rehearse their presentation before they present to the class.

This week they had an informal visit from Parkdale Secondary College. This gave the children an opportunity to ask questions about the school and to hear of all the activities that are offered by the secondary college.

Fun activities on the horizon are the Fair and the Easter Morning Tea. Please return the morning tea forms ASAP.

2016 FAMILY FUN FAIR - KIDS DAY OUT
If you have any medium sized jars that could be donated to the Lucky Jar Stall they would be greatly appreciated. They need to be clean and without labels.

We have items to put into the jars to increase our stock for the day.

Please drop your donations into the school office.

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PARKDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION (PPA)
Thank you to everyone who attended the AGM last week. It was great to have so many members there. Your PPA Committee for this year are as follows: President, Samm Hughes, Vice President, Julia Broadbent, Treasurer, Paula Fleming, Secretary, Kate Ashley and School Council Rep Paula Boyd. Thank you to those who have volunteered and put their hand up for the year, your commitment is much appreciated.

Remember to have your PPA membership details up to date and paid as this is how you will receive copies of meeting minutes and be aware of events happening in the school. The membership year starts from March so if you are not signed up you will no longer be receiving the emails as of this month. Forms are available at the school office, on the school website and they will be available at the Canteen during the Fair. Everybody is most welcome to join and be a part of it all.

The flyer for the Easter Hot Cross Bun morning tea went home yesterday. Please remember to put your order in by Friday 18th March so that we can cater for all who would like them. Our preferred method of ordering this year is via QKR!, but if necessary you can still hand it in to the PPA box in the Resource Room.

There will be a Second Hand Uniform Sale this term. It will be held on Thursday 17th March, 2:45pm - 3:30pm. Please note the stall will only be open in the afternoon on this day. Thank you to the ladies who run the stall, your work is appreciated.

Any questions please don't hesitate to give me a call on 0414 927 205 or see me in the school yard.

Samm Hughes President, Julia Broadbent Vice President, Paula Fleming Treasurer and Kate Ashley Secretary.
Do you want to be Principal for the Day?

Activities may include:
- Morning tea in the staffroom (a friend can come).
- Going out for important meetings at a Café with Ms Bradney.
- Handing out stickers in the Grades.
- Running Assembly.
- Lounging in the Principal's office.
- Writing the newsletter.
- A call to mum and dad.

Casual clothes, no classes for the day and definitely NO HOMEWORK.
Every Principal needs an Assistant Principal, so you can choose a friend to join you for the day.

Tickets $2 per entry or 6 for $10

* Only students from PPS are eligible to enter.
* The winner will be drawn at Assembly the Monday after the Fair.
* Write your name and grade on the tickets below.
* Enclose the tickets and money in an envelope and place in the box in the Resource Room labelled Principal For The Day.
RIDES ARMBAND ORDER FORM

Pre-purchase your ride armbands NOW!

$35 prior to Fair Day or $40 on Fair Day

Dear Parents,
As you are aware our Family Fun Fair is being held on Sunday March 20, 2016. We would like to offer our school the chance to pre-purchase armbands for unlimited rides at the price of $35 per band. You can also purchase armbands for your friends and family who do not attend Parkdale Primary School. Ride armbands will also be available on the day of the Fair for $40. Individual tickets can be purchased from the ticket box for $2.00 each. This year we will be selling ride tickets and the rides will require an amount of tickets to ride. So why not avoid the ticket queues, make a saving and let your children have unlimited fun on the day by buying before the fun starts!!!

- Bad Boys 2 - 4 tickets
- Rock Wall - 4 tickets
- Giant Slide - 2 tickets
- Hanted House Maze - 3 tickets
- Inflatable Fun Slide - 2 tickets
- Chair-o-Plane - 2 tickets
- Jumping Castle - 2 tickets
- Sponge Bob - 2 tickets

Please return the slip below in an envelope marked “Armbands” to the Fair Box in the school office by Wednesday 16 March. Payment may be cash or cheque made payable to “Parkdale Primary School.” Please Note: For 3 or more siblings in the one family $35 for the first two family members and then $15 per family member thereafter.

**Armbands can be collected on Fair Day from 10.45am at the Ride Ticket Tent.**

Our preferred method of payment is online via the Qkr app!

For further information please contact our Rides Convenor Jo Sherriff 0411 260 620

Please return to Fair Box in the office with payment by Wednesday 16th March, 2016

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Names for Extra Armbands Required (for friends, cousins, etc..) $35.00 $35.00 $35.00

Total Amount Enclosed $
For quicker, hassle-free purchase of 2016 Fair Armbands, try Qkr! today.

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Step 1 Download Qkr!
on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app.

Step 2 Register
Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia', and follow the steps to register.

Step 3 Find our school
Scan the QR code or search for our school name. Our school will also appear in "Locations Nearby" if you are within 4kms of the school.

Step 4 Register your children
When first accessing your school menu, you will be prompted to register your child. This allows you to make school orders on their behalf.

Now you're ready to order and pay for meals and other items...

Scan QR code provided by your school

Or search for our school name

If within 4kms of the school, you can select from "Locations Nearby".
## STARS OF THE WEEK

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<td>For wonderful work in the Art Room.</td>
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<td>For keeping her table organised and helping others.</td>
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<td>Ben S. Illias E.</td>
<td>For being a very kind friend and fantastic helper. Awesome work.</td>
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<td>For keeping his cool in tricky situations. Well done.</td>
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<td>For a fantastic effort sounding out words when writing.</td>
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<td>For such a great effort playing and working with friends.</td>
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<td>For wonderful concentration during all activities.</td>
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<td>Thomas T.</td>
<td>For working with great focus and effort during writing activities.</td>
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<td>Magnolia H.</td>
<td>For being a kind class member and always listening.</td>
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<td>Gabrielle N. Lucy B.</td>
<td>For always being thoroughly engaged during morning reading sessions. For always producing beautiful work. Well done.</td>
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<td>Amelia P.</td>
<td>For being a cool calm kid during our school emergency drill.</td>
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<td>Chiara P.</td>
<td>For being a very resilient student.</td>
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<td>Nathan B.</td>
<td>For his enthusiastic approach to learning.</td>
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<td>Gabriel H.</td>
<td>For being a diligent and conscientious worker in class. Well done.</td>
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<td>Eva L.</td>
<td>For such an amazing presentation. Well done.</td>
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<td>Cade W.</td>
<td>For writing an outstanding 'sizzling start' in his persuasive text.</td>
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<td>Curtis B.</td>
<td>For an awesome week. Keep it up.</td>
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<td>Alice F.</td>
<td>For working hard and listening in class. Keep it up.</td>
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<td>Stella W.</td>
<td>For reaching her AR Term 1 target. Wow.</td>
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<td>Darcy F.</td>
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<td>Cooper W.</td>
<td>For always thinking of others and displaying a positive attitude to all classroom activities.</td>
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<td>Fin B.</td>
<td>For his kind and helpful nature and enthusiasm towards all set tasks.</td>
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<td>Tilly F.</td>
<td>For outstanding effort in writing.</td>
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<td>Otto D.</td>
<td>For using class time productively, especially during literacy and project sessions.</td>
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<td>Steven N.</td>
<td>For a good effort with his creative writing, using some great descriptive words.</td>
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<td>Chris B.</td>
<td>For displaying great leadership skills both inside and outside the classroom.</td>
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<td>Alex S.</td>
<td>For her great writing in Narrative Sizzling Stories and her stupendous Newcombe ball skills.</td>
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<td>Oliver L-R.</td>
<td>For wonderful effort with his word study. Great work.</td>
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- Hawthorn Footy Camp
  7th & 8th April

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