

PARKHURST STATE SCHOOL

Parents and Citizens' Association PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – 19/03/2019

Current Enrolments

The current effective student enrolment stands at **434** as outlined in the table below. This figure determines our staffing allocation and funding for the year. Some additional families will be joining us after the Autumn Vacation.

Prep	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
65	67	59	51	65	66	61	434

Staffing Update

Mr Glenn Olive accepted an Acting Principalship at Cawarral State School three weeks ago until the end of Semester One. A statewide Recruitment and Selection process was undertaken as an Expression of Interest and **Mrs Wendy Dowling**, the current substantive principal of Dingo State School was the successful applicant. It is anticipated that Mrs Dowling will commence at Parkhurst State School in Week Nine.

Mrs Alana Fitchen has been appointed the Acting Principal Education Officer: Student Services, based in the Rockhampton Regional Office until the end of Semester One, with a possibility of extension. Mrs Fitchen's current role of Head of Inclusion is currently being advertised statewide for recruitment and the successful applicant should be appointed immediately following the closing date of March 20th 2019. The impact of Mrs Fitchen's work is testament to her strong vision for inclusion and ensuring curriculum and teaching is aligned to the needs of every learner.

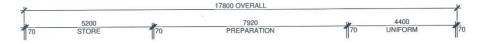
Next Term, we farewell **Ms Dianne Stace** for the remainder of 2019 as she commences special leave. Mrs Stace's Head of Reading Role will be assumed by **Mrs Lyn O'Farrell**, who has been undertaking coaching work with Teachers in the area of writing. A new teacher has been sought for Mrs O'Farrell's Year 2/30 Class and will commence by the end of this Term to make the transition smooth for learners.

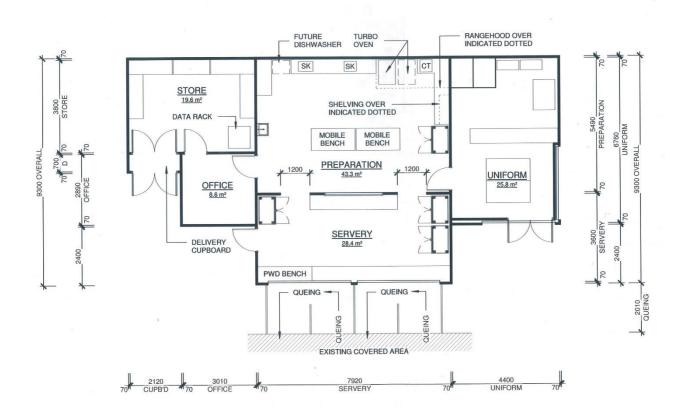
Other staffing changes may occur as a result of the Head Of Inclusion Recruitment and Selection process. These changes will be communicated to all families.

Grounds, Facilities and Infrastructure

Every fortnight, representatives from the School and Department of Education meet with **DesignTek** and **GHD** who been engaged as the local companies collaborating with us to plan and design the new Administration Building, Tuckshop and General Learning Area Building (GLA). Plans for the new Administration Building and Tuckshop have been completed, with the proposed layout included with this report. For work to commence, the removal of six, dangerously tall gum trees will require removal. The Department of Education has provided the required form, to be signed off by the school and P&C to have this work completed. Much lead up work is also underway to provide a temporary building for a Staff Room and Staff Toilets, the decantering of spaces and the refitting of the Theatre as the temporary Reception and Administration Areas and the Seminar Rooms as the Principal's and Deputy Principal's Offices. Six dangerous gum trees will require removal for the Tuckshop proposal to commence. The required forms are submitted for signing by the P&C.

Tuckshop Proposal





PROPOSED FLOOR PLAN

Strategic Planning

All Queensland State Schools are required to submit an **Annual Improvement Plan**, an **Explicit Improvement Agenda**, an **Investing for Success Agreement** and a **Budget** by the end of February each year. In 2018, Parkhurst State School undertook a School Review that identified the areas of commendation and key improvement strategies to inform our work over the next four years. This formed the basis of our new School Plan that has been developed and submitted. A range of other documents, including a **Workforce Plan** and **Professional Learning Plan** are also required as a part of the annual strategic planning process.

Hard copies of the draft School Plan, Annual Implementation Plan (AIP), Investing for Success Agreement and Explicit Improvement Agenda are available as part of the Principal's Report. These documents have been submitted to the Assistant Regional Director for endorsement. Unfortunately, as there was not a quorum for the last P&C Meeting, the draft documents could not be tabled for input and feedback prior to the submission date.

In 2019, our **Explicit Improvement Agenda** is **Reading**, promotes every learner's success around the four key areas of:

- 1. The Australian Curriculum
- 2. Quality Teaching
- 3. Capacity Building
- 4. Collaboration

In 2019, all parents and carers will again have an opportunity to engage in information sessions and training around supporting reading in the home. An electronic survey will be soon be circulated to determine what this program may look like to meet specific needs.

Below is a <u>DRAFT</u> of the school's 2019 Explicit Improvement Agenda which will be further enhanced over coming weeks.



Investing for Success Agreement

The Queensland Department of Education (DoE) requires all schools to submit an **Investing for Success Agreement** (I4S) at the beginning of each year to determine how funding will be used to achieve quality learning outcomes for all learners. In 2019, Parkhurst State School will anticipate around \$150 000 as part of this funding program. In 2019, I4S funding has been targeted to ...

- 1. purchase a range of curriculum resources
- 2. fund curriculum release time for our four Curriculum Leaders (Mayors)
- 3. provide Staff professional development and training
- 4. resource the PAWS Reading Incentives Program
- 5. employ casual Teacher Aides so every P/1 learner can read to and is read to by an adult
- 6. fund any gaps in staffing allocations

Six casual Teacher Aides have commenced. A big thankyou is extended to **Mrs Alana Fitchen** and **Ms Dianne Stace** who oversaw the recruitment and selection process.

Aussie of the Month

In 2019, as part of our schoolwide Citizenship theme, a well known program, called 'Aussie of the Month' will be introduced. 'Aussie of the Month' is a twenty year primary school recognition program outside of academic or sporting achievement, recognising learners for their active demonstration of good citizenship in line with Australian values of a Fair Go, Mateship, Respect and Inclusion.

Fun Run and Cross Country

Our annual Cross Country and Fun Run is scheduled for Wednesday Aprl 03rd 2019. This event is one for all learners and their participation is strongly encouraged. There is a fundraising aspect to this event to support the provision of physical education resources. The fantastic work of **Mr David Johnson** is recognised in preparring for this popular, annual event.

Term One Upcoming Events and Activities

Monday March 18th Good News Week Starts

Tuesday March 19th P&C Annual General Meeting and AGM at 6:30 p.m. Friday March 22nd Senior and Leaders' Induction Ceremony at 8:45 a.m.

Monday March 25th Face to Face Reporting Starts

Wednesday April 03rd Cross Country and Fun Run at 8:45 a.m.

Thursday April 04th PAWS Pop Up Shop

Friday April 05th Term One Assembly of Excellence at 8:45 a.m.

Easter Hat Parade at 2:00 p.m. Final Day of Learning for Term One

Financial Statement

The most current Budget Overview Report and Financial Snapshot Report is attached for minuting.

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