



PARKHURST STATE SCHOOL

Parents and Citizens' Association

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – 12/11/2019

Current Enrolments

The current effective student enrolment is **432** as outlined in the table below. Five new learners commenced with us after the Spring Vacation and three families departed.

Prep	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
65	67	58	53	64	65	60	432

2020 Class Structures and Staffing

Much time and thought has been invested into the development of our 2020 Class Structures and the allocation of Class Teachers. For the first time in many years, the total enrolments in each year level provide opportunities to create single draft classes. The draft and proposed Class Structure outlined below based on our predicted enrolments. Parkhurst State School's Enrolment Management Plan has enabled steady in catchment growth to maintain consistent enrolment totals across most year levels.

Developing a school wide Class Structure is a challenging undertaking often calling upon accurate predictions and the consideration of a range of information including :

- meeting the school's staffing allocation to avoid 'over staffing'
- predicted enrolments in each year level
- ensuring maximum class size targets are met
- the individual and group needs of learners
- teacher experience and expertise
- available facilities and infrastructure
- ensuring fairness, equity and inclusive practices
- ensuring space for future annual growth
- the flexibility to place individual learners in the most appropriate setting
- providing opportunities for Class Teachers to collaborate in teams

In 2020, the following model is proposed.

PL	Georgia Leyshon	4G	George Grant
PM	Heidi Martin-Sanders	4H	Krystal Hardin
PO	Natasha O'Leary	5B	Tanisha Bickey
1JE	Jackie Egan and Roslyn Black	5W	Alison Worthington
1K	Anne Kerley	5/6J	Sarah Jones
1M	Emma McInnes	6D	Dominic Draper
2D	Jovelyn Dig-O	6F	Vanessa Flint
2M	Iain MacRae		
2R	Keegan Ridgley		
3H	Daniel Hammond		
3M	Rhiannon McDougall		
3O	Lachlan O'Keefe		

Any class that is developed has learners with a range of interests, abilities, behaviours, backgrounds, knowledge, skills and preferences. Every class teacher is required to ensure learning is differentiated as required to ensure every learner is able to access the curriculum at their level.

Learning Neighbourhoods will continue as the mechanism to assure consistent and quality practices in curriculum design and delivery is sustained. It is essential that every class teacher knows and understands where their learners have come from and where, over the coming year they need to take them. This is to ensure the achievement standards and the content of the Australian Curriculum are met in terms of what every learner needs to know and understand, demonstrate, apply and think about.

Other 2020 Staffing Positions

Head of Inclusion	Alana Fitchen	Guidance Officer	Shane Robinson
Middle Years Leader	Dianne Stace	CoTeachers	Kathryn Shields
Early Years Leader	Lyn O'Farrell		Suyra Jose
Local Relief Teacher	Michelle Jorgensen		To be appointed
District Relief Teacher	Rebecca Egerton	P/1 Mayor	Anne Kerley
Physical Education	David Johnson	2/3 Mayor	Rhiannon McDougall
Music	David St Henry	4/5 Mayor	Alison Worthington
STEAME Leader	Cameron Preston	Year 6 Mayor	Vanessa Flint

We also say farewell at the end of 2019 to **Mrs Kasey Taylor** who has accepted a permanent transfer to Frenchville State School in 2020 and **Mrs Alexis Robinson** who will transfer to The Hall State School as a Classroom Teacher. In 2020, we welcome the return of **Ms Michelle Jorgensen** for Term One and **Mrs Jackie Egan** in a 0.6 capacity. Both teachers are returning from recent Maternity Leave.

Work is underway in the allocation of learners to class groups for 2020. This process is a considered one based on a range of information provided by parents, carers, Class Teachers, Specialist Teachers and our learners. Thank you once again to every family that took the time to complete a Class Placement Form. This information has been invaluable and much appreciated in assisting us to place learners in classes. Learners will know who their proposed 2020 Class Teacher/s are in the last week of this Term at our annual 'Transition Hour'.

Prep Orientation Session

Much work has been invested into preparing for this year's **Prep Orientation Sessions** on **Tuesday November 26th 2019** and **Tuesday December 03rd 2019**. This is an opportunity for all 2020 Preps and their Parents and Carers to meet their Teachers for 2020, become familiar with the layout of the school, experience what Prep will entail and to purchase school uniforms. The work of our current P/1 Neighbourhood Team, led by **Mrs Anne Kerley** is acknowledged in preparing for these days as is the work of **Mrs Rosie Horstman**. Thank you again to the volunteers of the Parkhurst State School Parents and Citizens' Association in assisting on these days.

Resourcing

Eight new interactive panels have been installed across the school now providing every learning space with the latest technologies. Interactive Whiteboards originally installed in 2007 have been replaced in all Prep and Year One Classrooms, the Theatre and Computer Centre. An additional set of thirty iPads has also been purchased to enhance learning in a new iPad Classroom being established in 2020.

Grounds, Facilities and Infrastructure

Major facilities and infrastructure work is scheduled to occur over the Summer Vacation, including the demolition and removal of the current Music Centre, the relocation of the existing Prep Building to the site of the Music Centre, the relocation of the Hire Building, the demolition of the adjacent house and shed and the removal of trees. Two shipping containers have already been placed onsite to store the contents of the shed and classroom furniture. An additional relocatable classroom for Music, duplicate to the Prep Classroom will arrive over the Summer Vacation ready for the start of the 2020 school year. This scope of works is still yet to be fine-tuned when we next meet with the Architects, Project Managers and members of the Department of Education's Infrastructure and Facilities Teams.

Student Free Days

In 2020, the Parkhurst State School Staff have elected to have the Student Free Days at the commencement of the 2020 school year in January. The four days from **Tuesday January 21st 2020** to **Friday January 24th 2020** will include a mix of 'mandated' days and 'flexible' days, totalling **25 hours** of professional development. The days will be extended to incorporate the flexible student free day requirements. Staff have decided that the September Student Free Day will also be taken as a Flexible Student Free Day, incorporated into the January Student Free Days. This means that no Staff will be attending school on **Friday September 04th 2020**.

2020 Investing for Success Agreement

The 2020 Investing for Success Agreement will see some slight changes in the selected strategies and associated resourcing. In 2020, the current model of employing six casual Teacher Aides will be changed to provide one additional full time Teacher Aide to provide reading support and other assistance within the classroom, rather than the current 'withdrawal' program. Very soon, this 25 hours per week position will be advertised in the School Newsletter. It is anticipated that the successful applicant will commence on Day One of Term One in 2020.

On Friday, the school was notified that it would receive approximately \$170, 893.00. The 2020 Investing for Success strategies include releasing the four Curriculum Leaders (Mayors), curriculum resourcing, staff professional development and coaching, Teacher release time for planning and resourcing the school's PAWS Reading Incentives Program.

Student Leader Selection

The selection process for our 2020 Student Leaders is currently underway with an overwhelming number of applications received. This **Wednesday November 13th 2019**, a panel will shortlist applicants who will be invited to give a short presentation next **Wednesday November 20th 2019** to their Year 4, 5 and 6 Neighbourhood peers, parents, carers and Staff at **12:15 p.m.** in the Theatre.

Term Four Upcoming Events, Activities and Variations to School Routine

Tuesday November 12 th 2019	P&C Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Zone 21
Friday November 15 th 2019	Term Four Disco at 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday November 20 th 2019	2020 Student Leader Presentations at 12:15 p.m.
Tuesday November 26 th 2019	Prep Orientation Session One
Friday November 29 th 2019	Year 4-6 Swimming Carnival
Tuesday December 03 rd 2019	Prep Orientation Session Two
Thursday December 05 th 2019	Senior Graduation Ceremony at CQU at 9:15 a.m.
Friday December 06 th 2019	Assembly of Excellence
Tuesday December 10 th 2019	End of Semester Two Report Cards emailed
Wednesday December 11 th 2019	School Concert at 9:00 a.m.
Thursday December 12 th 2019	Class Celebrations and Picnics
Friday December 13 th 2019	Clean Up Day and Classroom relocations
	Term Four concludes
Tuesday January 21 st 2020	Administration reopens
	Student Free Day Program commences
Monday January 27 th 2020	Australia Day Holiday
Tuesday January 28 th 2020	Term One commences

Financial Statement

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


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School calendar

Queensland state schools

DECEMBER 2019	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
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School terms
State school holidays
Public holidays
Staff professional development/student free day

There are 196 school days in 2020.

Semester 1 2021 commences for teachers on 21 January and for students on 27 January.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Staff professional development days for teachers are 23 and 24 January, 15 to 17 April and 4 September. Schools are able to decide when they undertake the required hours for professional development for the flexible days, as long as they are on the flexible days, in the school holidays or out of school hours.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Queensland public holidays are set by the Industrial Relations Minister.

Public holidays for local show days are not shown due to diversity of dates across the state.

FINAL DATES FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE

20 November is the final date for Year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. 27 November is the final date for student attendance in Years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the summer holidays on 4 December.

The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication (October 2019) but may be subject to change.

For more information and the latest version of this calendar, visit

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