



Parkhurst State School NEWSLETTER

Issue 16–16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Term 4 is an exciting time, with many celebrations and events planned to round out our school year. Please stay up to date through our Facebook page and school newsletters.

Our 5Rs

Our 5Rs—Resilience, Relationships, Rigour, Responsibility and Respect—remain at the heart of life at Parkhurst State School. Alongside our school rules, these values guide our daily practices, conversations and expectations. Parents and carers play an important role in reinforcing these values at home. Thank you for working with us to help our students demonstrate the 5Rs each day.

Uniform Expectations

Students are expected to arrive at school looking neat and presentable, with their shirts tucked in. Please support this expectation by including a quick uniform check in your morning routine.

Jewellery that does not comply with our uniform policy will be confiscated. Please refer to our P&C-endorsed uniform policy via the link for details of permitted items. [Parkhurst State School Uniform Policy](#)

Change to Friday Assembly Time

Due to our Term 4 swimming program, Friday assemblies will move from 8:50am to 2:15pm. Families are warmly invited to join us under L Block as we celebrate our students' achievements.

2027 Class Placements

A reminder that parents and carers wishing to provide information to assist with 2027 class placements should return their completed form to the front office or email principal@parkhurstss.eq.edu.au by Thursday, 29 October 2026. This is an opportunity to share your child's learning, social or other needs. Requests for specific teachers will not be considered. All information is confidential, and while parent input is carefully considered, not all requests can be accommodated.

Regards,

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DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS

From 20 October, QParents will have a refreshed look, clearer navigation and new features to make it easier to use.

These include a to-do list for all children, improved views for families with multiple children, a combined timetable, easier access to consent requests and the option to pay multiple invoices at once.

QParents app users must update the app to continue using it. If automatic updates are on, the app will update automatically. Website users do not need to take any action.



Prep 2027 Enrolments

Planning for Prep 2027 is well underway! If your child is due to start Prep next year, now is the time to enrol. Interviews are currently being scheduled, so please visit the Administration Office to collect an enrolment pack and secure your place.

We are hosting our second Parent Information Session next Tuesday, 20th October at 5:00pm in our School Library. All future Parkhurst Pathers welcome. It is an opportunity to learn more about our Prep program, school community and our team will your child's early development. We can't wait to welcome our Prep 2027 students to the Parkhurst State School community.



Please make sure your email address is up to date, so you do not miss important school information, including student safety updates, consent requests, invoices, report cards and other messages about your child.

If your email address has changed, please contact the school office to update your details.

Keeping your details up to date helps us make sure important information reaches you quickly.

Student Leadership 2027

Applications for 2027 student leadership positions are now open for our year 5 students. Key dates include **Applications due:** Friday 23 October 2026 (Week 3)

- **School Captain Election:** Tuesday 10 November 2026 (Week 6)
- **House Captain Election:** Thursday 12 November 2026 (Week 6)
- **Learner Action Group Leaders Selected:** Monday 16 November 2026 (Week 7)
- **School Leaders Announced:** 9 December 2026 at the Year 6 Awards and Graduation
- **Student Councillors Elected:** By the end of Week 2, 2027
- **Student Leader Investiture:** Friday 5 March 2027

We encourage all students who demonstrate our school values and leadership potential to apply.

Kind hearts ♥ Strong minds ♥ Bright futures

This term, students across our school will participate in weekly social and emotional learning experiences through the **Kindness in the Classroom®** program, special wellbeing events, and classroom activities.

Each week, students will explore important values such as **respect, caring, inclusiveness, integrity, responsibility, and courage**. These lessons help children build positive relationships, develop empathy, make responsible choices, and learn how to contribute to a kind and supportive community.

We started the term by revisiting our classroom agreements and celebrating **Queensland Mental Health Week**, before moving into our weekly kindness focus areas. We will also recognise **World Kindness Day on 13 November**, providing students with opportunities to reflect on how small acts of kindness can make a big difference.

We encourage families to ask their child about the focus being explored each week and look for opportunities at home to practise these values together. By working in partnership, we can continue to nurture confident, caring, and respectful young people.

Small acts of kindness make a big difference



Respect



Caring



Inclusiveness



Integrity



Responsibility



Courage

Term 4 Focuses

Week 1



Classroom Agreements & Queensland Mental Health Week

Week 2



Respect

Week 3



Caring

Week 4



Inclusiveness

Week 5



Integrity

Week 6



World Kindness Day
(13 November)

Weeks 7-8



Responsibility

Weeks 9-10



Courage

Together, we can make kindness a part of every day!



Together, we are creating a school culture where kindness matters, and everyone belongs.

Can you believe it??? It's Term 4 already! EEEEEEEK!
Somebody pass me the tinsel!!!! It's my favourite season!

Mariah Carey and Michael Bublé are defrosting as you read this fine article, and Chappy's Christmas excitement is reaching levels usually reserved for finding an extra chip at the bottom of the takeaway bag! If you spot Chappy dancing down the school pathways and singing 'All I Want for Christmas Is You' at unusually high pitch tones... Just Note.... Christmas has officially arrived! The notes may be questionable, but the enthusiasm is FESTIVE! Christmas is coming, and I am OVERJOYED!

Bring on the Christmas concerts, class parties, Christmas colouring and the whole festive kit and caboodle! There'll be singing, celebrating and probably enough glitter to ensure we're still finding it at Easter. My Christmas enthusiasm has no volume button... apologies in advance! Before I get completely tangled in fairy lights, I'm looking forward to cheering on all my friends at the swimming carnival. LET'S GO, ARCHER!!! Whether you're racing down the pool, giving something new a go or cheering for your teammates, I'll be celebrating your courage, effort and sportsmanship. Chappy's swimming technique may resemble a confused pool noodle, so I'll stick to cheering from the sidelines!

There's plenty to look forward to as our graduating friends get ready for their high school adventures and we meet some new faces joining our Parky Panthers family next year! New beginnings, new friendships and more names for Chappy to practise—wish me luck!

It's a jam-packed term, and I AM HERE FOR IT! Bring on the fun, the friendships, the proud moments and a little extra razzle-dazzle.

Peace 🕊 and Pout 🙄

Chappy Out



SWIMMING TIMETABLE

PARKHURST STATE SCHOOL TERM 4 2026

MONDAY		FRIDAY			
JUNIOR SCHOOL Weeks 2-9 Starts 12 October		PREP & YEAR 1 Weeks 2-9 Starts 16 October		YEARS 4-6 Weeks 1-8 Starts 9 October	
1/2P	9:15am	PZ	9:15am	4/5C	9:45am
2R	9:55am	PK	9:55am	4FM & 4MP	10:30am
2T	10:35am	PT	10:35am	6W & 6R	11:15am
2/3P	11:15am	1J	11:15am	5S & 5/6E	12:00pm
3J	11:55am	1K	11:55am		
3H	12:35pm				

Friday Assembly: 2:15pm during the swimming program

Curriculum in Action

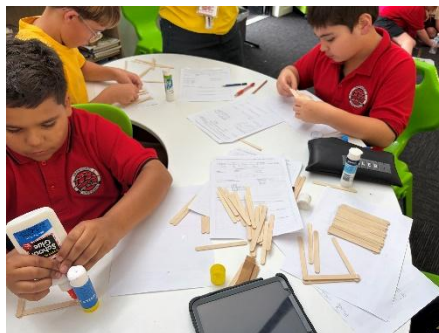
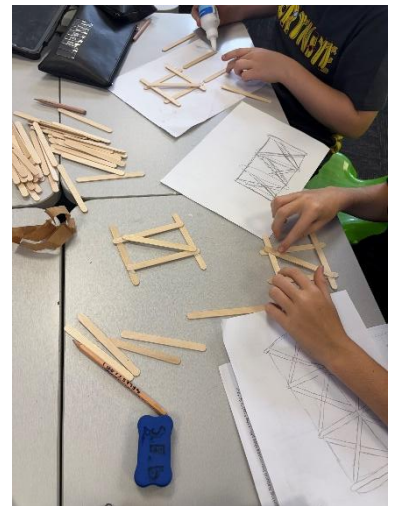
Science in 5S.

In term 3 5S has explored the Physical Science area of 'Surface Changes'. Their investigation involved them building a mine shaft that would withstand wind, rain and the movement of the Earth.

In this unit students

- described key processes that change the Earth's surface
- identified when science knowledge informs actions
- organised data and information
- compared their methods and findings to others

This unit linked to the English narrative text 'Eureka Boys' and HASS unit based on the Australian Goldrush.





PUZZLE PIECES OF THE WEEK



Class	Week 1	Week 2	Class	Week 1	Week 2
Prep K	Lainee	Zahli	4FM	Simeon	Scarlett Armitage
Prep T	Myles Kildey	Jack Wust	4MP	Riley	Ruby
Prep Z	Paislee	Layla Williams	4/5C	Emily	William Toon
1J	Austin	Charlotte Williamson	5S	Kaiden	Sakura Britos
1K	Cassius	Evie-Anne	5/6E	Oliver Counter	Sebastian
1/2P	Ivy	Zarah Doco	6R	Zachary	Dylan Shannon
2T	Leo Allen	Braxon Donaldson	6W	Chelsea Hignell	Isabella McCaulay
2R	Connie Van Der Mark	Logan			
2/3P	Annabelle	Rhyleigh O'Mara			
3H	Ruby Kuhn	Jackson Trathen			
3J	Savannah Glover	Willow Polsen			



SAVE THE DATE



PREP, YEAR ONE & 1/2P GRANDPARENT'S DAY



22ND OCTOBER 2026



12:15PM - 1:30PM



Attendance

2026 Goal:
93%

School	88%
Prep K	97%
Prep T	83%
Prep Z	95%
1J	86%
1K	86%
1/2P	87%
2R	94%
2T	93%
2/3P	83%
3J	82%
3H	80%
4FM	91%
4MP	91%
4/5C	83%
5S	91%
5/6E	82%
6R	90%
6w	92%



Year Six Graduation

Save the Date

9/12/2026

More details to come

You're invited to our
SCHOLASTIC Book Fair
THE #1 BOOK FAIR

THE BUDGIE SMUGGLERS
Ty Hartley + Mark Graves

SPACE PAWS
LOUIS SHEA

AUGIE The CORGI and JANE the GREAT DANE
Joan Taylor
Tina Dingle

MYSTERY SPECIAL
Diaries
SUPER SLEUTHS

RUBY JONES IS TOTALLY AWKWARD
REBECCA MCRTICHIE
ILLUSTRATED BY ALYSSA BERMUDEZ

THE BUDGIE SMUGGLERS
Ty Hartley + Mark Graves

Date 21/10 - 28/10
Place PAWS ROOM

Time 8.15 - 9.00 am
3.00 - 3.30 pm

Find these books and much more at the Fair!

P&C NEWS

Term 4 - Welcome Back!!



Tuckshop News

- Tuckshop operates every day, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday each week.
- Ordering is done via the Flexischools app and orders are to be placed by 8:30am each morning.
- We have added some new food to the menu including a range of gluten free options, daily specials and summer
- ❖ Check out our new:

Monday Special - Chicken Gravy Rolls \$6.50

Tuesday Special - Nachos, Piece of Fruit & popper \$8.00

Wednesday Special - Chips & Gravy \$4.00sm and \$5.00large

Thursday Special - Pizza, Garlic Bread, Oreos & Popper \$8.00

❖ **Week 4 & 9 on Wednesdays Meal Deal Days \$10**

❖ **Week 8 on Tuesday is our Domino Pizza Meal Deal**

If you would like to volunteer in our tuckshop please drop in to the tuckshop or check out our volunteer sign up sheet

<https://volunteersignup.org/J447K>

Week 3

P&C Meeting - Tuesday 20th October 6pm

Next P&C Meeting Tuesday 27th October, 6:00pm in the Library - Everyone Welcome!

Week 4

Tuckshop Meal Deal - Wednesday 28th October

Wednesday 27th October Tuckshop 'Spooky Halloween' Meal Deal Day. All orders must be in by Tuesday 27th October 4pm.

This meal deal theme is 'Halloween time' with some tasty deals. Choose from Cherrio 'Fingers' or the 'Monster' Cheeseburger with 'Mud' Yogo, 'Slime' Jelly, Fruit & a Drink! A Gluten Free option is also available.

Check out the menu on Flexischools and order online.



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World Teacher Day - Thursday 29th October

Help us celebrate World Teachers Day and thank all the Teacher for caring for, educating and looking after our children. They do an amazing job helping prepare our kids to become wonderful and successful adults. When you see your cas teacher be sure to remind them how awesome they are, and they do on food, so snacks are always welcome!



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Pub Raffle Volunteer Sign Up Sheets

Thursday Night Pub Raffle - <https://volunteersignup.org/9D83M>

Friday Night Pub Raffle - <https://volunteersignup.org/WXTA7>

P&C NEWS

Term 4 - Christmas Multidraw Raffle

Our annual Christmas Multidraw Raffle will be announced. Keep an eye out in upcoming newsletters and social media.

There will be major prizes up to win!!

If you are a family, business or know someone with a business that may want to donate a prize please let us know at pandc@parkhurstss.eq.edu.au or contact the school office.

All businesses are acknowledged and thanked in our newsletters, social media and electronic sign boards and we encourage everyone to support the local businesses who support our school and students.



Here is a snap shot of prizes so far, most of the businesses regularly donate each year and we absolutely thank you for your continual support.....



High Street Vet - \$500 worth of vouchers. High St Vet donate \$500 worth of vouchers every year since our multidraw begun. Thank you for your generosity!!



Capricorn Caves - 2 x Family Passes for Caves Tour



Cooberrie Park - Family Passes for Dinosaur Park



Club Parkhurst - 4 x \$50 vouchers



Keppel Konnections - 1x Family Pass for Island Transfer to GKI



Bean & Beyond - 5 x \$25 vouchers



Bondoola Golf Range - 2 x Family Passes



Frenchville Sports Club - 3 x \$60 vouchers



Totally Toys - Family Games Pack (\$140 value)



Aunty Arty's Dessert Bar - 10 dessert x vouchers

PARKING AROUND YOUR SCHOOL

Are you aware....

It is both unsafe and illegal to:

- park or stop on a road in a way that blocks access to a path or driveway
- park or stop on a bicycle path, footpath, shared path, dividing strip, nature strip, or painted island
- park or stop where there is a continuous yellow line painted along the edge of the road
- double park, as well as obstruct the continuous flow of traffic
- park in 'No Stopping' and 'No Parking' zones and bus zones

It's the law

Under the *Rockhampton Regional Council Local Law No.5 (Parking) 2011*, it is illegal to:

- stop on a two way road between the centre of the road and another vehicle parked at the side of the road under *Section 189(1)(a)*
- stopping on a road so as to obstruct traffic under *Section 191*
- parallel park a vehicle that is not facing in the direction of travel of traffic and vehicles under *Section 208*

Drop & Go... let the traffic flow!

Drop and Go zones are not waiting or parking areas. They are two minute maximum for stopping, dropping and going and should not be entered until your child is ready for collection. Consider planning your child's pick-up a few minutes later in the afternoon to avoid traffic congestion.

What it means for you

Let's working together to keep our children and community safe around schools. Council Local Laws Officers monitor school parking areas and enforce parking zones and restrictions. Failure to follow these Queensland road rules may lead to either on-the-spot fines or fines posted to the registered vehicle owner of up to \$166. Parking in a sign-posted disabilities park without the applicable permit may occur a \$667 fine.

SAFETY FIRST *It's our goal*

For more information, visit

<https://www.qld.gov.au/transport/safety/rules/schools>

**Our children are always watching what we do
and are wanting us to do the right thing**



For more information, contact Council's
Planning and Regulatory team
P: 07 4932 9000
E: enquiries@rrc.qld.gov.au
W: www.rrc.qld.gov.au

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Student Change of Details

To be completed by Parent/Guardian

Please select the applicable changes from the list below:

- ☐ Change of Address
☐ Change of Contact Numbers, including Email
☐ Change of Emergency Contacts

Student details: (Please list all siblings these changes apply to)

Surname	Given Names	Class

New Address	
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Family Details		
	Parent / Carer 1	Parent / Carer 2
Family Name		
Given Names		
Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms etc)		
Relationship to student		
Mobile number		
Home number		
Place of work		
Work number		
Place of work		
Parent Email		

Emergency Contact Details (Parents/carers are automatically the 1 st & 2 nd emergency contact unless otherwise stated)		
	Emergency Contact 3	Emergency Contact 4
Name		
Relationship (e.g. Aunt)		
Mobile number		
Home number		
Work number		

Parent/Carer Signature: _____ Date : _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Entered by: _____

Date: _____

Copy to Siblings Files _____

2026 JUNIOR SCHOOL EVENTS & TRANSITIONS

AT GLENMORE SHS



TERM 2

ENROLMENT AFTERNOON + SCHOOL TOUR

Weeks 4 & 10 | Wednesdays, 13 May & 24 June 2026

TERM 3

ENROLMENT AFTERNOON + SCHOOL TOUR

Weeks 4 & 10 | Wednesdays, 5 Aug & 16 Sept 2026

TERM 4

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL TRANSITIONS

Week 5 | 9:00am to 11:30am, 2 to 4 Nov 2026

ENROLMENT AFTERNOON + SCHOOL TOUR

Weeks 3 & 6 | Wednesdays, 21 Oct & 11 Nov 2026

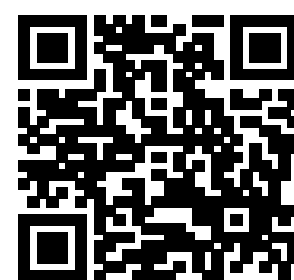
GET SET FOR 7 TRANSITIONS

Week 9 | 8:55am to 2:55pm, 30 Nov to 1 Dec 2026

START THE ENROLMENT PROCESS TODAY!

For inquiries, please contact GSHS on 4923 0333
or email juniors@glenmoreshs.eq.edu.au

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Rockhampton Water Polo

FLIPPA BALL

Flippa Ball is a modified version of water polo for children in Years 2-6. It's a fun, social, team sport that develops coordination, teamwork, ball-handling and swimming skills. While children need basic swimming skills to participate, it takes place in the shallow end, so most can touch the bottom.

When: Thursdays from 4:30-5:30 pm.
Starts October 15, 2026 and runs throughout Term 4.

Where: Northside Pool
(330 Berserker St, Frenchville)

Cost: \$8 per week

Questions?
Check our Facebook page and website for more details!

www.rockhamptonwaterpolo.com
<https://m.facebook.com/RockhamptonWaterPolo>

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