The AGM was held on Monday, 16 February. Our new Executive Committee is as follows:

President: Lourene Ashford
Vice President: Peter Cordie
Treasurer: Tileah Rossiter
Secretary: Kellie King

Our first meeting for the year was held on the same night and I would like to thank those parents that became members. P&C’s depend on the help from the parents at the school so if you would like to become a member grab a form from the office and fill it out. Our next meeting is on the 16th of March.

TUCKSHOP
Parke State School will no longer have tuckshop but instead will have a theme food day once a month. If you know a healthy lunch that you would like us to do all suggestions are greatly appreciated.

UNIFORMS
Shorts and shorts have been on sale @ half price! We will continue with this until we are clear of the older stock. We will then purchase the new shorts and shorts.

LEVIES
There will be no levies this year as it was decided at the P&C meeting that we would do a “Pay As You Go” system which means that as events come around during the year you will be advised of costs to participate or invoiced. Example: bus trips, swimming etc. If you have already paid fees please go to the office to recover your money.

A copy of the minutes is displayed in the office.

Kind Regards,
Lourene Ashford

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Reading strategy
This week’s reading comprehension strategy is self-monitoring which supports understanding of the text by giving the reader control over their reading.

Unless students are self-monitoring while they are reading they cannot truly comprehend the text. Self-monitoring requires children to be aware of their own thinking as they read. It requires them to realise when they have stopped understanding what they are reading. This may happen at word, sentence or paragraph level. Once they can identify where the problem lies, they can then use a fix-up strategy such as rereading, reading on, stop and think, getting a picture in their head of what they have read.

Language we use when self-monitoring includes:
- I’m not sure what _____ means.
- I don’t get that paragraph.
- I don’t understand what that sentence means. I am going to go back and read it aloud slowly and see if that helps.

QSchools app
The QSchools app is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information from Queensland State Schools.

Features: The app integrates with the department’s preferred school website platform, allowing users to:
- find and choose your favourite school by searching for the school by name, searching a map or by searching for schools near your current location
- receive real-time notifications about state-wide emergency alerts as well as school push notifications and important updates through the app
- access the latest news, events and newsletters from your school
- easily access your school tuckshop and uniform shop information
- view information about your school including class times and contact details
- view social media feeds.

Have a great fortnight!

Mrs. Mack
Students of The Week: T1 / Wk 2 - 3 February 2015
P12: Bill Gunn  56: Caleb Mead  34: Georgia Mitchell

Students of The Week: T1 / Wk 3 - 10 February 2015
P12: Elijah Barnes  34: Lily Connell-Mead  56: Levi Dickson

Students of The Week: T1 / Wk 4 - 17 February 2015
34: Noah Ashford  56: Blake Schultz  P12: Skoota Burt

Students of The Week: T1 / Wk 5 - 24 February 2015
34: Charlie Rich  P12: Bridee Mitchell  56: Jess Torres

Bridget Graham  VICE CAPTAIN  Kelsey Wilson
Hannah Cullum-Sanders  BORCHARDT CAPTAIN  Elizabeth Phillips

The awesome crew that represent Pet Pep in our region visited our school last week and all students thoroughly enjoyed the displays and info sessions. Thank you to those families who donated a gold coin to assist the RSPCA.

Vets in Training: Bill Gunn and Logan Spies

WWW.RELAYFORLIFE.ORG.AU
It is a very simple process and the more the merrier!!! We already have one Parke SS team registered and up and running: “Parke Power Rangers”

Just jump online, join the team, pay your registration and we’re away! We can only have 15 people per team so we will hopefully need to come up with a few more team names. If you are interested in being a team leader and starting up your own relay team with a group of parents / friends / family please see me (Steph Sillitoe) while I’m at school on either a Wed, Thurs or Fri or let the office know and I can get in touch with you.

Mrs S

A huge thank you goes out to the following organisations for making generous donations to the school.

Lions Club $250
These funds came from their efforts at the Technology Challenge in 2014.

RSL $2,000
As part of a promo raffle the RSL conducted in 2014, we were nominated by Gloria Retton to receive this donation. These funds have been allocated to help cover costs incurred in setting up the Computer Lab.

DONATIONS

Georgia Mitchell, Shay Blewitt, Ruby Rossiter

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BSB:  064 - 421 / ACC:  00 - 090 - 305
Cheque Payable To: Parke State School

BSB:  064 - 421 / ACC:  00 - 900 - 486
Cheque Payable To: Parke State School P&C

The school DOES NOT accept credit card payments. This payment option automatically prints on generated invoices but are unable to be processed.

Woolies Animal Cards

Are you a collector? Mrs Blewitt has given the school a HUGE pile of the green and blue Woolies Animal Cards that she has doubles of. If you see Ms Taylor in the office you could score yourself a mystery pack of 20+ Get in quick!