Government School Performance
Summary 2012
What our school is doing

Parktone Primary School

Parktone Primary School is a dynamic school located in Parkdale, a south-eastern suburb of Melbourne. The school has 190 students and organised into nine grades.

Our Vision: There is a prosperous path for every child. Each journey is theirs to lead. There is a place in which every child can shine. Our Mission: Identify the talent, develop the confidence and create the leader.

Our Motto: Always Moving Forward. Our Code of Conduct: Be Proactive; Begin with the end in mind; Put first things first; Think win-win; Seek first to understand, then to be understood; Synergise and Sharpen the saw. Everything we do at Parktone Primary School is built upon the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People (Stephen R. Covey) framework. The teachers and students are grateful to be active community members in creating a unique and inspirational culture of excellence and joy.

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<td>According to NAPLAN data the students are performing at a similar or above like-school standard. A lot of work has been done to raise the teachers’ gradings against the VELS to align more closely with external test results e.g. NAPLAN and Online Testing tools. Even though the teachers have raised their gradings in the past year, the results in this report are lower than like-schools because average teacher ratings from 2008 through to 2012 were used for this 2012 report. Teachers will continue to identify, through mediation, areas in which students should be graded at higher levels e.g. achieving an A instead of a B, from Prep through to Year 6.</td>
<td>Results from the Attitudes to School Survey show positive student attitudes towards teaching and learning aspects right across the board. Teachers and parents responded similarly. Student reporting was the lowest response from parents, as it usually is. When asked parents stated they dislike the fact that A, B, C gradings do not equate with the A, B, C gradings of their generation. We will continue to implement the Leader in Me process (teaching the children how to apply the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People). We will continue the Working in Your Element Program, in which students participate in a wide range of electives. The reporting process will be publicised more intensely and detailed more explicitly so parents can be more aware and appreciative of all the modes of reporting in place e.g. Road to Success Folders, Student Led Conferences, weekly meetings etc.</td>
<td>The Prep Transition process is very strong and embedded at Parktone Primary School. Enrolments were up on the previous year. Parkdale Secondary College provide an outstanding transition program which the children enjoy. Parents rated the transition program as average. The Year 6-7 Transition Program will be publicised more through the newsletter and by inviting parents to as many of the activities as possible, to increase their knowledge and appreciation of what is in place.</td>
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