Important Dates

Friday 29th May
Interschool Sports

Monday 1st June
Grade 6 Camp

Wednesday 3rd June
Grade 6 children return from camp

Welcome to Term 2, Week 7!

LEARNING FOCUS

This week’s learning focuses are:

Reading Focus: Reading for meaning

Writing Focus: Poetry

Maths Focus: Number and Place Value

Unit of Inquiry: Australia

Congratulations to all Grade 6 children who participated in the District Cross Country. It was fantastic to see so many children from Parktone run the 3 km course with such fierce determination.

The forms for Year 7 transition were due last Friday 22nd May. All first preferences will be sent off to Secondary Schools in the next week. You will be informed of your child’s placement in the coming month.

We are receiving a few Parkdale testing forms, these forms are to be sent directly to PARKDALE SECONDARY SCHOOL not Parktone!

Camp is fast approaching! We are still waiting on a few children to return their forms and it would be appreciated if these were returned by the end of this week. We need to receive every Medical and Behaviour form for your child to attend camp. Over the next week we will be working out cabins for camp and we trust that the children will understand that everything will be done to ensure they are with their ‘selected’ friends.
HOMEWORK

The Pioneer Projects that were handed in have been impressive. It was clear that most children were able to Begin With The End In Mind to research and present projects that were completed to a high standard.

The new LIM project is an optional project but we are encouraging all grade 6 children to give it a go as these projects will be displayed around the school for Leadership Day.

The Parktone Community has learnt a lot about the 7 Habits and we are learning how to apply these habits at school and in our daily lives. The ideas included here are to help your family use these habits at home.

Encourage win-win solutions to sibling disputes. Don’t always be the mediator; let them workout a solution and be sure to be lavish children with praise when they do.

ART

Grade 6’s Art work is on Flickr. The children’s art work is amazing and I suggest all families take a look of their fantastic efforts:

https://www.flickr.com/photos/parktoneartroom

ART ROOM NEEDS YOUR HELP

Mrs Poulter needs Arnotts Shapes boxes for next term. Please drop at the office or at the artroom.

SCIENCE FACT FROM MRS ZIOGOS

Did you know that the loud noise you create by cracking a whip occurs because the tip is moving so fast it breaks the speed of sound! When traveling through water, sound moves around four times faster than when it travels through air.