



**NEWSLETTER ISSUE 4**

◆ Safety

◆ Happiness

◆ Respect

◆ Confidence

**MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup> 2014**

◆ Trust

◆ Pride

D I A R Y  D A T E S	<b>MARCH</b>
	21 <sup>st</sup> <b>Harmony Day</b>
	27 <sup>th</sup> <b>Netball/Football Carnival Yr 5-7 Assembly</b>
	28 <sup>th</sup> <b>Surfing Competition/Boardies Day Assembly/Afternoon Tea to farewell Kay Wood</b>
	31 <sup>st</sup> <b>Christian Options</b>
	<b>APRIL</b>
	3 <sup>rd</sup> <b>SPORTS DAY</b>
	7 <sup>th</sup> <b>Governing Council 7.30pm</b>
	10 <sup>th</sup> <b>Buddy Excursion Lakala 9:07 &amp; 3:02</b>
	11 <sup>th</sup> <b>END OF SCHOOL TERM BREAK UP AT 2.30PM</b>

### First Point of Call

If you have an issue or a concern, your first point of contact should be your child's teacher. You can make them aware of the problem through a note in your child's diary or making contact prior to school starting to arrange a time. Alternatively you can telephone the school and leave a message. Your child's teacher can then contact you.

If an issue is still unresolved after you have met with your child's teacher you may wish to speak with a member of the leadership team who will most often organise a meeting with you and your child's teacher to address the concern. Hopefully this will result in the issue being resolved. Early intervention is a term you will frequently hear teachers use to address the learning concerns of children. It's also an important approach to solving problems before they become bigger issues.

We invite you to follow the above process and work with us to help your child when and if issues arise.

### Sports Day

Sports Day is only 2 weeks away on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April. This is a fun day for students and families. Trina Doig has included more information on page 3 plus the *Sports Day Programme* is included with today's newsletter.

Please note:

- Sports Day is a regular day of attendance. Non attendance requires a note from parents or care-givers.
- Older siblings and past students are expected to attend their high school on this day unless they are part of Victor Harbor High School PE class invited to assist.
- If you wish to take your child home early you must locate your child's teacher and **sign your child out with the teacher.**
- **Spectators are reminded that dogs are not to be on school grounds.**
- Adult Toilets are located in the Gym and the disabled toilets in Building 3 & 9. Please do not use student toilets.

### LEADERSHIP NEWS

#### Oskar Schmaal

The Port Elliot Primary School community expresses our deepest condolences to Emma and Ben Schmaal on the very sad loss of their son Oskar Schmaal, brother to Kooper (in room 5:08) and Emmett (in Kindy).

A memorial service is being held for Oskar this Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> March at 2pm in the Victor Harbor Town Hall. Emma and Ben have invited parents, students and staff to attend to acknowledge the life of Oskar.

#### Lateness

Staff have been focusing on the school priorities for this year throughout the term. Having analysed the data from last year in regards to attendance and lateness this is an area for improvement. The staff have set the target of 95% of students at school every day and less than 4 students late to school. Currently some days we can exceed 18 students late to school. These targets are ambitious however being late to school disrupts the class and the child who arrives late. The start of the day is when routines are set in place and organisation for learning occurs. It is an excellent opportunity for students to grow independence and prepare themselves for the day.

We are hoping all families arrive at school by 8:50 to start the day. It will be great to see the improvement in Term 2.

## Planning using the Australian Curriculum

Over the past two weeks teachers have met with our Regional Australian Curriculum Consultant Melanie Jones. Teachers have worked in teams with teachers of similar year levels to plan some of their lessons for Term 2. In 2013 Kate Threadgold taught History across the school. This year all class teachers are teaching History and as a result many of the lessons that are planned with Melanie Jones are focused on History.

## Tours for the parents of Kindy Students.

Monday the 31st of March at 10:00, I will be taking parents who are interested on a tour of the school. If you know of someone who is thinking about sending their child here, please let them know this date. I will offer a time each term to take parents around to see the school. Christian Options is on Monday the 31<sup>st</sup> of March in the afternoon.

*Leadership Team*

## COUNSELLOR NEWS

### Flying Fish Awards

Congratulations to the following students on receiving Flying Fish Awards Lyla P, Ava T, Kirra D, Luke B, Daniel B, Jai A, Faith T, Lachlan W, Jett R, Joshie D, Tiana P, Emilie A-C, Brandon B, Amber B, Krystelle B, Will S, Lauren A, John H and Damien B. Please check out the names of Flying Fish recipients on the window of the front office.

### Breakfast Club

Each Monday and Friday Breakfast Club is available at no charge in the kitchen in the gym from 8:15. If you have any jams, vegemite, fruit, milk or bread you would like to donate we would be very grateful. ADRA and the Covenant Church currently support Breakfast Club. We thank them for their continued and wonderful support.

### SRC

SRC are currently planning a number of events. Mrs Warner's Year 3 class are organising Board Shorts Day. We have also incorporated Harmony Day and the Bullying No Way Day, on the same day, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

SRC have organised Electronics Day on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Electronics Day will be held in the Counsellor Office area. Tabitha F, Kain M and Sophie L, will be the SRC organisers for this event.

**Have a great week!**  
**Cheers Karen**  
**School Counsellor**



## PARENT NETWORK

### SPORTS DAY RAFFLE

The raffle is helping to fund new SAPSASA tops for the school.

All books are to be returned to the school by no later than **March 24**.

Raffle prizes donated so far include

Signed Crows Guernsey donated by Trina Doig

2 - 1 hour Remedial Massage vouchers by Universal Touch

Surf Lesson by Encounter Water Sports

Gift Basket by Nutcracker Sweet

Voucher by Sidewinder (Surf and Skate store)

Voucher by Sportspower

Football, hula hoop and stress balls by Toyworld

Skim Balls donated by Tonkins Sports Store

2 Skateboards Games Crows mug set

### Sports Day

This year the canteen will only be open at lunch time and we will be having a sausage sizzle. We ask that adults help us by allowing **all** the children to be fed first as they have only a short amount of time to eat. Once **all** children have been served any adults are welcome. We are still asking for donations of cupcakes and volunteers to help with the serving at lunch time, a note will come home closer to sports day with prices.

**Ice creams are on sale Wednesday and Friday, thanks to all who put your names down to help, you should have your roster now.**

Frozen Yoghurt	\$0.80
Juice Stick	\$1.00
Billabong	\$1.80
Milo Scoop	\$2.50



### **Parent Network Committee**

## RESOURCE CENTRE

### BOOK CLUB

Issue 2 Scholastic Book Club orders have been sent to Scholastic. When the ordered books arrive and are processed by Book Club organisers they will be distributed to students by classroom teachers.



### PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE 2014

Our school is again registered for the Premier's Reading Challenge. The reading period has now started. To complete the challenge students have to read 12 books by September 5<sup>th</sup> and record these on the official Reading Challenge form. Classroom teachers have a copy of this form for distribution to students. If you have any questions about the Reading Challenge ask your child's classroom teacher or library staff.



**Sandy Bevan/ Dorothy Geaghan**

**SPORTS DAY DATE**

Our school Sports Day has been set as **Week 10**, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Students are busy practicing Team activities and school events. Every student knows which House Team and colour they are in. If you need to purchase a top for the day so that your child can be dressed in their Team colours - **T Shirts available from Vicki M in the office. \$6 for children, \$7 for adult sizes.**

Boomer:



Freeman:



Commodore:



**Southern District SAPSASA SWIMMING Team**

Congratulations to Connor I and Jobe for making the Southern SAPSASA Swimming Team. The boys will compete for our District at Marion Aquatic Centre on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> March. Well done boys. Enjoy the experience.



**SAPSASA Cross Country**

Interested students have begun training during class time, recess and lunch times for our local Cross Country event which will be held Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May in Victor Harbor. Further information will come home later in the Term.



**SAPSASA Netball and Football Carnival**

Students are training for our local Football and Netball carnival, which will be held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March at Encounter Bay. Thanks to Matt Smith and Annie Kraft for volunteering to coach these teams.



**SAPSASA Knockout Soccer**

We have entered a SAPSASA Knockout Soccer team in both the girls and boys divisions this year. **We are in need of a coach for both teams.** The games will begin in Term 2. If you are interested in coaching a team, please see me at school or send a note in with your child and I will contact you. Thanks ☺



**Local Sporting Success Stories!**

If you have any local success stories involving our students, please let me know so they too can get a mention in this section of the newsletter.

**Please refer to the school website for further PE News, SAPSASA dates and for a link to the SAPSASA website.**

Trina Doig ☺

**PLEASE NOTE FLAVOURED MILKS ARE NOW \$2.90**



**Boardies and Buddies Fundraiser Week 9**

This year the Year 3 class will be running activities in week 9 to help raise money to support our local Surf Life Saving Club. On Friday classes will be walking to Horseshoe Bay to **watch a rescue scenario performed by the Port Elliot Surf Life Saving Club (PELSLC) lifesavers** as well as participate in a range of activities with their class buddies!

**Wednesday**

**What** - " **Lucky Sand cups**" .50c

**Where** - School Canteen ( Near Room 5.01)

**When** - Recess time



**Thursday**

**What** - " **Guess the lifesavers in the jar**" competition .50c

- " **Lifesaver wrist bands**" for sale \$1.00

**Where** - near JP Basket ball court

**When** - Before school



**What** - " **Life saver**" cup cakes stall \$1.00

**Where** - School canteen

**When** - Recess time



**Friday**

**What** - **Boardies and Buddies Day Gold coin donation**

**Wear boardies and an orange top**

**Where** - Horseshoe Bay

**When** - 9.00 – 12.00



**CLEARSPACE**



**Learn how to**

- ☐ Teach young children and others how to be organised
- ☐ Plan a weekly menu
- ☐ Reduce housework
- ☐ Run a busy family schedule
- ☐ Organise school paperwork and children's artwork
- ☐ Household decluttering and organising tips and techniques

**MONDAY MARCH 31 - 7.30pm to 9.30pm**

**Port Elliott Kindergarten, Wright St, PORT ELLIOT**

**Creche provided upon request**

**To enquire or to book, call Kerry on 8551 0553 or Email: kpomery@victor.sa.gov.au**

## SCHOOL NEWS

### MATERIALS & SERVICES CHARGE 2014

By now you will have received your invoice for 2014 school fees. Please come and see me if you would like an instalment plan. If you are eligible for School Card (Have a Centrelink Customer Reference Number) please return these as soon as possible. If you do not have a form see us in the front office.

A BIG Thankyou to those who have already paid their fees, or filled in and returned their School Card Forms.

We need you to fill in the school card forms each year as you may have had a change in your circumstances and we won't know this.

Any questions please don't hesitate to come in and see me.

Thanks again Vicki Moliere Finance Officer

## COMMUNITY NEWS



### BLUE LIGHT DISCO-UNDERAGE RAGE

**The Underage Rage is a LOCK IN event so we will need parents to drop you off and pick you up at the DOOR.**

The Blue Light Disco is an initiative of the SA Police and is organised by the Southern Fleurieu Blue Light Committee.

The disco will be held in two age groups:-

7-11year olds 6.30pm-8pm

12-17 year olds 8.30pm-10.30pm

Friday 23<sup>RD</sup> March 2014

Cost \$5 tickets will be sold at door.

Refreshments will be available at a small cost.

For more information call Police Officer Margie Bowden 83981752 or Lucretia Sperring on 85557074.

Celebrating the  
Official Opening of the

## **Southern Fleurieu Historical Museum**

A Window Into The Past

at the new location within the  
Port Elliot Showgrounds

April 26th and 27th 2014

Gates open:

Saturday 10am to 4pm

Sunday 10am to 3:30pm

Admission:

Adults: \$5.00

Children under 15: \$2.00

Family 2 Adults and 2 Children:  
\$10.00

## \$10 Gift Voucher for all new

### BankSA Accounts

For the start of Term 1, BankSA is offering all students who open a new Incentive Saver Account via the School a \$10 Gift Voucher, which will be deposited into your child's account once opened.



All children under 13 years who open an account with BankSA will also receive a Digger the Wombat Money Box, LittleSavers Calculator, LittleSavers Library Bag and a School Bank Wallet. LittleSavers is BankSA's special saving club for kids and it's all about having fun and learning how to save! Take a look at the LittleSavers website [littlesavers.com.au](http://littlesavers.com.au)

This offer is available until 31 March 2014 and is for new customers only. For more details or to collect a BankSA Application Pack, please call into the school office.

### Helping families learn about cybersafety



#### In this issue

We reveal the latest statistics on Australian children's online habits, chat to a US expert about helping kids to be responsible digital citizens, look at what parents and carers can do to keep children safe online and examine the effects of cyberbullying.



[www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au)

**PARENTS AND STUDENTS  
ON FRIDAY THE 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH  
WE ARE HAVING AN ASSEMBLY TO  
FAREWELL KAY WOOD  
WHO HAS RETIRED AFTER 30 YEARS OF  
TEACHING.  
THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY AN  
AFTERNOON TEA AT 2.30PM.  
ALL WELCOME**



### STAFF CAR PARK

**DISABLED CAR PARKS, PLEASE DO NOT USE  
UNLESS YOU HAVE A DISABLED PERMIT.**

**FOR SAFETY REASONS THE STAFF CAR PARK IS  
FOR STAFF AND DISABLED USERS ONLY**