



NEWSLETTER ISSUE 12

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AUGUST

D I A R Y	18 TH 22 nd	BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS
	18 th	Grandparent Reading Morning
D A T E S	19 th	INDONESIAN VISITOR
	20 TH	FOOTSTEPS
		5:01 & 5:02 To Goolwa for Book Week
	26 TH	Transition V.H.H.S YR 6/7s AM
	28 TH	FOOTSTEPS ASSEMBLY
	29 TH	DISTICTS ATHLETICS DAY
		10yr olds
	SEPTEMBER	
	8 TH	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY
	9 TH	STUDENT FREE DAY

cooking, first aid, rolling up swags and entertaining students over 12 days of travel on many bumpy roads and different camp sites.

Thank you to Kerry Dodd and Kathy Turley as the teachers and leaders on the camp who put in plenty of time before and after the camp.

Finally a special acknowledgement to Port Elliot Primary Schools retired Principal Chris Tapscott whose knowledge and understanding of the Anangu people and area is a valuable resource. Chris was able to share not only his cultural understandings but outback skills with many of us on the trip.



LEADERSHIP NEWS

Murputja Cultural Exchange 2014

I have just returned from twelve amazing days of travel, experiences and adventure with 31 students travelling from Port Elliot Primary School to Murputja Anangu School and then Uluru.

The students were able to meet the people of the Murputja community and learn about the culture, the language and create friendships. The highlights were searching for witchetty grubs (lunki), spear and bead making and an Inma with dancing into the evening. Students were very privileged to join in and be instructed by the community elders through many of these tasks.



Following the visit to Murputja School the camp made its way to Uluru and Katja Tjuta an amazing opportunity for the students to see and learn about an iconic part of Australia but also its cultural significance to the Aboriginal people of the area.



Thank you to our parent volunteers Tyann O'Donoghue, Steven Overall, Troy Irvin, Greg Doig, Matt Smith, Kerry Lange, Cindy Kuhn, Sonia Read, Ben Simon, Sam Sweetman and Matthew Ellbourn who helped with the

If you or your student is currently in Year 4 or 5 start things about hosting a student from Murputja School next year and planning your own adventure north with Port Elliot Primary School in 2016.

Footsteps Dance

The students have begun their Footsteps Dance lessons and are having great fun learning the steps. The instructors are very talented with their descriptions of dance moves for the students to copy. Such as "shake the afro" and "do the robot". All classes and students are involved as this is part of the curriculum and not an extra activity.

At the end of the term a concert will be held showcasing the student's dances. The concert will take place on Tuesday 23rd September between 6pm and 8pm. More details will follow soon.

Although the school is covering over half the cost of the Footsteps programme parents are asked to contribute \$15. We thank those who have already paid. If you have not yet sent the money please use the direct credit to Bank SA at Victor Harbor BSB 105-026 Account Number 118010840 Please indicate clearly your Name/Child's name or drop in to see our finance officer Jo in the coming days.



STUDENT FREE DAY AND SCHOOL CLOSURE

For your future planning **Monday the 8th of September** is a **SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY** so no students or staff will be onsite. This day is sometimes referred to as the Adelaide Show Day. The following day **Tuesday the 9th of September** is a **STUDENT FREE DAY**, staff will be onsite involved with training. The 2 days have been joined to allow parents to plan for a four day weekend.

POSHC is open on both of these days.

Call 0407490149 for bookings.

Parent Tours

Tours for parents and students considering coming to Port Elliot Primary School in 2015 with Deputy Principal Yvette Foster on: Tuesday 2nd September at 9:00 Term 3.

Kindy Transition Term 4 2014

Week 2

22nd October **Group 1 9-10 Group 2 10:30-11:30**

This will include a meeting with for parents with Principal Brenton Hudson, Counsellor Karen Robinson, Reading Support Teacher Stella Dorward and tour at 9:00.

Week 3

29th October **Group 1 9-10 Group 2 10:30-11:30**

Week 4

5th November **Group 1 9-10 Group 2 10:30-11:30**

Week 5

12th November **Group 1 9-10 Group 2 10:30-11:30**

Week 6

19th November **Group 1 9-11:30 Group 2 12-2:30**

Week 7

26th November **Group 1 9-11:30 Group 2 12-2:30**

Week 8

3rd December **Group 1 9-11:30 Group 2 12-2:30**

At Port Elliot Primary School, in conjunction with Port Elliot Kindergarten, we have decided to make the transition process longer for students to ensure they settle into the school routine for the following year.

At this stage, we don't know who the class teachers will be so I will be taking students for these lessons. Students will be divided into two different groups to accommodate the number of students.

Before students can start transition, we need to have your completed enrolment forms.

Leadership Team

Brenton Hudson and Yvette Foster

Principal

Deputy Principal

P E NEWS

SAPSASA BASKETBALL

We entered a Year 5/6 girls' and a Year 5/6 boys' team in a Basketball carnival at Morphett Vale on Wednesday 6th August and Thursday 7th August. The teams had practiced during recess and lunch times leading up to the event. Both teams tried really hard and learnt a lot from the experience. The boys' team came third on the day, narrowly losing to the two top teams.

Thank you to the adults who drove, scored and cheered the students on. These days cannot occur without such valuable volunteers.

Two great days enjoyed by all.



SAPSASA DISTRICT ATHLETICS DAY

The local District Athletics Day will be held at Victor Harbor Primary School on Friday 29th August. Trials for these events have occurred in class PE times and during set recess and lunch times. Notes have been sent home with each successful athlete. Practices are occurring during lunch times in Week 4, 5 and 6.

This event requires a lot of adult assistance so please let me know if you can assist on the day. 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
P E Coordinator**



PARENT NETWORK

DON'T FORGET Warm Milo lunchtimes on Wednesday's, If children could bring their own mug (less rubbish around the school), cost will be \$1.50.



ICE CREAMS are on sale Wednesday and Friday, thanks to all who put your names down to help.

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



Parent Network Committee

COUNSELLOR

Flying Fish Awards- Congratulations to Wesley S, Gerard S, Malakye M, Kirra D, Hamish B, Matilda E, Ziarah B, Ava T, Daniel B, Jai A, Airlie U, Davis I, Mia H, Sebastian C, Jasper B, Jemma L, Gracie O, Sasha E, Kael B, Harry C, Erin B, Joshua P, Charlie B, Tyler G, Ashton C, Liam R, Kane C, Taylah B, Dimity P. These children received Flying Fish Awards for achieving their personal best. Well done!



SEL Lessons (Social Emotional Learning)

Social and Emotional learning are explicit lessons that focus on Responsible decision making, Self-Awareness, Self-Management, Social Awareness and Relationships. Currently many classes are working on one of these areas. Social and Emotional learning is about developing the ability to care for others, make responsible decisions, establish positive relationships, and handle challenging situations.

Research shows that children benefit from social and emotional learning when it is taught in regular school lessons and matched to children's learning stages. Currently teachers are working towards establishing regular lessons in their classrooms through the implementation of Kidsmatter.

If you have any questions or queries about SEL please do not hesitate to ask. We are also looking for other parents who may be interested in joining our Kidsmatter Action Team. If you are able or interested please let me know.

www.kidsmatter.edu.au

Have a great week!
School Counsellor

Cheers Karen



NEEDED URGENTLY SIZE 5-12 CLOTHES FOR ACCIDENTS ETC SCHOOL COLOURS IF POSSIBLE.

- TSHIRTS,
- LONGPANTS
- JUMPERS,
- JOCKS, SOCKS & UNDIES.

PLEASE BRING TO THE FRONT OFFICCE.

RESOURCE CENTRE

Book Week

'Connect to Reading – Reading to connect'

Week 5 of this term (next week) is Book Week, the week set aside to celebrate the best books published by Australian authors and illustrators during 2013. The theme for Book Week this year is **Connect to Reading – reading to connect.**

Over the past few weeks, in the lessons students have with me in the library, we have been looking at the books nominated and shortlisted by the Children's Book Council of Australia. The winners of the Book Week awards will be announced by the Children's Book Council on Friday 15th August. Next week classes are doing a variety of activities to celebrate Book Week. On Monday some classes have invited grandparents in to read with students, other classes are visiting the Goolwa Public Library or participating in the Craig Smith author session at the Victor Harbor library. Also some of the Junior Primary classes are having a 'book character' dress up parade on Friday.

The library will be open at lunch times for story reading and for students to experiment with using AR apps on the iPads to enable them to read QR codes to connect to book reviews written by the Year 2/3 class and also to scan AR (augmented reality) symbols to connect them to video clips embedded in AR books.

Book Club

Issue 5 Scholastic Book Club orders have been sent away to Scholastic. When the ordered books arrive they will be processed by Book Club organisers and distributed by classroom teachers.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge ends on **September 5th** Students should be finalising their reading records and hand them in to their classroom teacher.

Details can be found on the Library Blog.

<http://librarypeps.wordpress.com/>



Sandy Bevan
Dorothy Geaghan

SCHOOL NEWS

Room 3:08 Outdoor Area

As part of the redevelopment of our class outdoor area we are looking for heavy outdoor tables or benches which could be suitable for students to sit at and work on.



We also need large rectangular pots in which to grow plants outdoors. If you have any of these which you do not need and which our class could decorate and use it would be greatly appreciated.

Thankyou from Ron Blacker's Year 5 Class, Room 3:08.

ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE

The Beatles had a hit record in the sixties called "All You Need Is Love." It was written for the anti-war movement promoting peace. Describing that if all we had for each other was love we would survive. There are different types of love we experience but the one we have for our children is maternal and paternal love.

This love is nurturing, accepting and protective, even guiding children and looking out for their best interests. It's a connecting love from the time they are born our maternal and paternal instincts usually kick in and a love grows for the children who are put into our lives.

Children's outlook on love grows as they experience love for themselves, they can then return that love to us or to others. An example of this is:-

A little 5 year old boy saw his elderly neighbour in his yard, he had recently lost his wife and the boy seeing his neighbour crying went over to him and sat with him. When the mother of the little boy asked what he said to the neighbour he said simply "Nothing, I just helped him cry".

We can learn so much from children as they don't love with expectations of anything in return, they just love.

Blessings to you,
Deb CPSW

Reader's Corner

When can I find the time for my child to read the take-home book?

The ideal situation would be to sit with your child, but that's not always possible. Here's how you might manage a busy weeknight scenario.

Reading a book in the car:-As you're travelling in the car, ask your child to read to you from the back seat. While you can't see the book, you'll know whether what is said 'sounds right'. If what your child is reading doesn't sound right, you could say:

- *Sorry, I missed that bit. Can you read it to me again?*
- *I'm not sure what the author meant there.*
- *I love that bit. Read it to me again.*
- *So what was the character doing?*
- *I wish I could see the pictures/photos/drawings. Tell me about them*
- *Who was it that said?*
- *What did they say about?*
- *What did you just say?*



These **approaches** can also be **used** when **preparing meals**.

Stella Dorward

Please Help Save the African Painted Dog



Make A Difference

Our Year 4 class had a wonderful experience at the Indaba Bush Camp at Monarto Zoo early in term 2. Integral to all Adelaide Zoo and Monarto Zoo Education programs is the opportunity to **Make A Difference**. We aim to raise awareness of what impact our choices and consequences have. Our **Make A Difference** for wildlife campaign for 2014 is to help save the **African Painted Dog**, Africa's most endangered carnivore. A fun-packed fundraising week will be run by room 4.01, Ms Reedy's year 4 Class, in week 7.

Week 7-1st - 5th-September All Week Activities

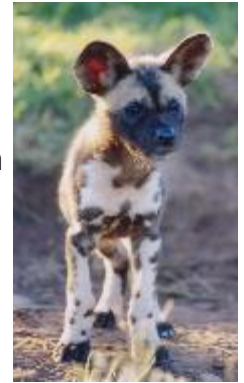
- **Lolly in the Jar competition** (20 cents a guess)
- **Raffle with fantastic prizes** (Tickets 50 cents each or 3 for \$1)

1st prize – Mounted photo of an **African Painted Dog** actually taken in the wilds of Africa.

2nd prize – Picnic backpack, explore the wilderness and picnic in comfort.

3rd prize – Ever so cute plush toy of an **African Painted Dog** puppy.

4th prize – Block of chocolate.



The Painted Dogs are definitely worth saving.

PLEASE HELP US!!

Reedy/Gross Class 4:01

INDONESIAN

Week 6 Assembly

Year 5's are running the week 6 Assembly which will be all about demonstrating how schools in Indonesia celebrate Indonesian Independence Day.

So on Thursday August 28, everyone is encouraged to wear red and white, Indonesia's national colours, and bring a gold coin to donate towards the building of the Indonesian Bale/Pendopo/Baruga – an outdoor learning pavilion.

Parents and families are welcome to come and watch the year 5's demonstrating a krupuk (prawn cracker) eating competition, a slow bike race and a balloon race as is done in Indonesian schools to commemorate Indonesian Independence Day.

Indonesian Independence Day is a day that marks when Indonesia declared independence from the Netherlands on 17th August, 1945 although it wasn't till 1947 that the Dutch accepted Indonesia's Independence.

Researched & Written by Amelia & Arnez



COMMUNITY NEWS

FLY-IN FLY-OUT FAMILIES

Sunday 17th August 2014

11am

Come along to Star Fish Park in

Hayborough for

A chat and lunch

Please bring own BBQ or picnic lunch

Any questions and RSVP please call Jodie Allsop on

0408824205

Like us on facebook search FIFO Families.



FIFO Families is a new and unique organisation providing social and supportive networks for employees and their families who work on a fly-in-fly-out (FIFO) or drive-in-drive-out (DIDO) basis in the resource sector.

FIFO Families currently has 30 local, grass roots community groups that meet in almost every state of Australia, including Victor Harbor.

FIFO Families is an informal group that meets monthly to offer the opportunity share stories, make new friends and provide some support to women/men who are managing the family and/or work whilst their partners are mining.

For more information and to RSVP to the Victor Harbor events please visit the website www.fifofamilies.com.au. Go to EVENTS section and scroll down to Victor Harbor, for location details and time of event Or feel free to contact **Jodie** at victorharbor@fifofamilies.com.au



SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

The School Dental Service is a *Child Dental Benefits Schedule* provider. All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome to attend.

Dental care is FREE for most children. Children who do not qualify for the *Child Dental Benefits Schedule* can also attend – a small fee will apply for each course of general dental care provided.

All dental care provided is FREE for preschool children.

To locate your local School Dental Clinic, or for more information about the *Child Dental Benefits Schedule*, visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au

THE SOUTH COAST CHRISTIAN PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER (CPSW) COMMITTEE PRESENTS THE

CPSW
TALENT QUEST

FRIDAY 5th
SEPTEMBER
7:00PM



\$5 ENTRY
OR
\$10 PER
FAMILY

Investigator College
Performing Arts
Centre
Bacchus Road
Victor Harbor

To register your act
or for more
information contact:-
Mel on
0408 394 294

Share your talents & support your local
CPSW!

POSHC

OPEN MONDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER
SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER
STUDENT FREE DAY

FOR BOOKINGS
PLEASE RING 0407 490 149
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

**ATTENTION!!! PLEASE MAKE YOUR
CHILDREN AWARE TO PLEASE STAY
AWAY FROM THE GARDEN BY THE KINDY
AT ALL TIMES. ESPECIALLY THAT IF
THEY COME INTO THE SCHOOL
GROUNDS ON WEEKENDS**



Photos from the 2014 Murputja Exchange.

