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Community Confidence Respect
"How high can our fish fly"

NEWSLETTER



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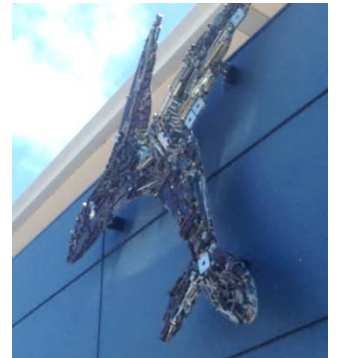
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Port Elliot Primary School



Another flying fish!

Thank you to the specialist student art group from 2014 who worked with artist and parent Tracey Grivell to produce a magnificent steel flying fish sculpture. Last week Wayne Beadman (our grounds person) and Karen Robinson worked together to mount the new addition to the display wall at the front of the school. It looks great. The next time you are walking past the front office look up. The fish reflects back onto the wall creating another fish outline and onto the ground at sometimes of the day as a shadow of another fish! A 3 in 1 sculpture. Well done to the students involved.



Governing Council for 2015

Thank you to the parents and staff who attended the AGM last week. The following parents and staff make up the Governing Council: for 2015: Steven Taylor, Helen Bagnell, Jacqueline Brayford, Kerry Lange, Sharon Stephens, Kate Overall and Chris Mitchell, Tamica Hann and Andrea Dunkley. Andrew Brinkworth as Community representative and Mandy Stokes as Kindergarten representative. Staff members are Brenton Hudson, Ron Blacker and Sandy Bevan.

Thank you to Steven Taylor who continues as Governing Council Chairperson.

Welcome to Tamica and Andrea. It is always good to have new members and hear some new points of view at Governing Council. Tony Scott and Allan Oliver. We have now retired and we thank them for their service over many years.

Student Safety Updates and Reminders

Student safety is a top priority for all schools. We appreciate parent support following in the procedures that are in place to ensure the health and safety of students.



Before school

Learning time starts at 8.55am. The optimum time to arrive at school is between 8.35am and 8.45am.

On arrival students can wait near their classroom door until it is unlocked by the teacher and they are invited to enter the room. This is at approx. 8.50am.

School finishes at 3.15pm

The school day ends at 3.15pm. The school grounds are supervised until 3.35pm. Children are welcomed and encouraged to use the play equipment after school BUT only if their parents or a designated adult is supervising. Parents who have work or other commitments that make them unable to collect their children after school need to make arrangements for the care of their children from 3.15pm such as POSHC 0407 490 149.

Late arrivals and early departures

We know that from time to time families will arrive after the bell, need to leave before the end of the day and may need to drop off something to their children during the day. When this is the case parents and students **must come to the front office first**. This ensures the master roll is accurate for students arriving late and leaving early and the school has a record of all people on the school grounds (including parents) in case of an evacuation.



UPCOMING EVENTS

February

20TH YEAR 7 Aquatics
 Horseshoe Bay
 9:30am-12:30p.m.

25th SAPSASA
 Swimming

MARCH

2nd Allan Sumner
 Indigenous students
 Singing and dancing

2nd-6th Bridge visitors

5th Assembly

9th Adelaide Cup Day

Student attendance

Government legislation requires students to attend every day.

When students are absent from school it is the parents responsibility to notify the school of the absence, including a reason for the absence eg illness. The way to communicate this is by the **Skool bag app**, Tap Parent eforms > Absentee Form or **phone 8554 3399** or **email dl.0356 info@schools.sa.edu.au**.

Students absent from school for longer than 2 days for family holidays must apply for an exemption from school on a form available from the Front Office.

Brenton Hudson

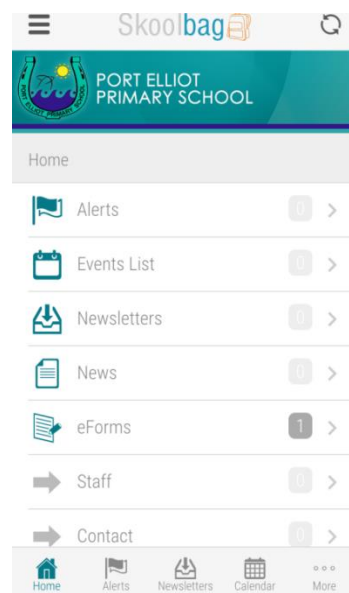
Tours of Port Elliot Primary School 2015

TERM 1 9:00am Tuesday 24th/02/15

TERM 2 9:00am Tuesday 26th/5/15

It was wonderful to see so many families here for the interviews on Monday night. It is a really valuable time to meet your child's teacher(s). It also enables you to speak to the teacher about any problems or issues that may affect student learning along with their strengths.

Yvette Foster



RESOURCE CENTRE

Book Club

Issue 1 Scholastic Book Club orders have been sent to Scholastic by Book Club organisers. As soon as Scholastic sends the ordered books to us they will be processed and given to classroom teachers for distribution to students.

Reader's Rap

Our school has once again registered for the **Premier's Reading Challenge**. If you would like your child/children to participate please encourage them to fill in the Reading Record form as he/she reads PRC books borrowed from the library. Reading Record sheets can be obtained from classroom teachers, library staff or the Premier's Reading Challenge website. (www.prc.sa.edu.au) Students need to read 12 books by September 4th 2015. Congratulations to Nadia who has already reached this target.

S Bevan/D Geaghan

COUNSELLOR NEWS

Flying Fish Awards

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their Flying Fish Awards. Wesley S, Mani B, Scarlett C, Tanisha B, Hayley C, Davis I, Brandon, Poppy S, Harry Jackson W, Cody O, Milly L, Lyric S-B, Rebecca B, Angus H, Kosta D, Felicity H-B, Patrick S & Tabettha F.

SRC Representatives 2015

Congratulations to our 2015 Student Representative Council.

SRC President

Patrick S
Dimity P

SRC Vice President

Georgia P

SRC Treasurer

Ruby O

Executive

Jack R

Kathy Turley

Patrick S
Georgia P
Ruby O
Proxy
Harry R
Cambell B

Mrs Roberts

Annie Year 5/6

Cody O
Jasmyn E
Proxy
Dane U
Tahlia G

Ms Reedy/Ms Reid Year 4

Ryan P
Lola L
Proxy
Kody M
Matilda B

Mrs Warner Year 3

Harry C
Poppy S
Proxy
Jaxon V
Ella W

Helen Clark

Achol A
Dimity P
Jack R
Proxy
Darcy S
Jaid C

Mr Blacker

Mrs Milis Year 5

Khia H
Abbi H
Proxy
Jobe H
Clara Y

Ms Blake Year 4

Declan B
Maya O
Proxy
Dylan K
Esther L

Mrs Allsop/Ms Reid Year 2/3

Rueben K
Jade O
Proxy
Nick B
Shaun H-B
Willow M



Absent: Harry, Jaid, Ryan, Willow and Jaxon.

Peer Mediators

Congratulations to Ms Reedy, Ms Reid's Year 4 class who have trained and volunteered for Peer Mediation for this term. Students were taught how to support our students in proactive ways to resolve conflict and keep our school safe.

- ❖ Agree to the ground rules
- ❖ Allow each student to tell his or her story
- ❖ Discuss the stories
- ❖ Generate solutions
- ❖ Discuss solutions
- ❖ Select a solution.
- ❖ Participants should be willing to solve the problem
- ❖ Tell the truth
- ❖ Listen without interrupting
- ❖ Be respectful
- ❖ Take responsibility for carrying out an agreement
- ❖ Keep the situation confidential

Cheers Karen
Have a Good Day

PARENT NETWORK

Ice Creams once again are available on Wednesday and Friday.

Frozen Yogurt	\$0.80	Juice Stick	\$1.00
Fan dangle	\$1.50	Milo Scoops	\$2.50
Billabong	\$1.80 while stocks last		



Cheers Parent Network

P E AND S.A.P.S.A.S.A.NEWS

SPORTS DAY - Thursday 2nd April

Our school Sports Day has been set as Week 10, Thursday 2nd April. In PE lessons the students have begun practicing Team activities and talking about Sports Day. Every student should know which House Team and colour they are in. If you need to purchase a top in Team colours, please speak to Jo or Judy in the office.

House Captains

Year 7 Students were invited to prepare a speech and present it to the students in their House Team. Voting by all students was done in their PE time with Kerry Dodd. Congratulations to all nominees for running a great campaign.

Boomer:



Freeman:



Commodore:



The successful applicants were:



House Captains: Dimity and Kasper

Vice Captains: Georgia and Mitchell

Proxy: Connor and Ruby



House Captains: Darcy and Miranda

Vice Captains: Bryce and Brooklyn

Proxy: Harry



House Captains: Ella and Dylan

Vice Captains: Tabettha and Liam

Proxy: Jack

House Captains have started working on devising chants for their House Team and a Warm up activity for Sports Day.

SAPSASA Events

Our school participates in a wide range of SAPSASA events throughout the year. As part of my P.E. role I train and select students to represent the school at these events. SAPSASA is aimed mainly at Year 6 and 7 students but there will be opportunities for Year 4 and 5 students to participate in some sports. The events we anticipate competing in this year are:

- **Swimming (Wednesday 25th February)**
- **Netball (Carnival Thursday 26th March)**
(Knockout dates to be decided)
- **Football (Carnival Thursday 26th March)**
(Knockout dates to be decided)
- **Cross Country (Wednesday 5th May)**
- **Basketball (Girls Wednesday 5th August)**
(Boys Thursday 6th August)

- **Athletics (Friday 28th August)**
- **Soccer (Dates to be decided)**
- **Cricket (Dates to be decided)**

When information on the events is available I will put notices in the Newsletter and send notes home with the students who are interested.

There also will be opportunities for students to try out for the Southern District Association teams in various sports and also for State teams. Again, when this information becomes available to me I will inform all eligible via the newsletter and notices home.

Southern District Association Softball Boys & Girls.

A note was sent home with this information:

TRIAL 1: WEDNESDAY 18th of February: Eastern Fleurieu 7-12: 4:15pm to 5:30

TRIAL 2: THURSDAY 26th of March: Eastern Fleurieu 7-12: 4:15pm to 5:30

A FURTHER TRIAL / PRACTICE MAY BE CALLED:

Notification of this will be given at the end of the second trial.

- Equipment will be provided.
- Please inform Jerry Blair the SAPSASA Convenor on 0427364003 if you can wish to trial / play but can't make the first trial.
- The Softball Carnival is in Adelaide in Week 8 this term March 16st to March 20th at West Beach. The approximate cost will be around \$70 and parents will need to help with transport unless you child is staying down in Adelaide.

I also will be putting up SAPSASA photo displays on the gym windows so feel free to come and have a look after events at some of the photos taken.

SAPSASA State Teams Selections

Interested students wanting to trial for **State teams** need to refer to: www.decd.sa.gov.au/sport/pages/sapsasa for further information. If you wish to trial for a team, an online nomination must be completed and submitted by the due date for each sport. Information for each sport is available by clicking on List of Sports, then the sport you are interested in nominating for. (A separate nomination form is required for each sport). It is up to the student and their parent/caregiver to enroll, pay for and attend these try outs. See me at school if you need more information re this process.

SAPSASA SWIMMING

Our school will be sending a team of 16 students to the SAPSASA Swimming carnival. The carnival was to be held in Week 4 this Term at Strathalbyn Swimming Centre located at 2 Colman Tce. It has been rescheduled for Wednesday 25 February (Week 5). Please make sure all forms are completed and brought back to school. Well done to the students who have been practicing in their own time. Tara Irvin is kindly coordinating this with Kerry. Thanks to Tara for organizing this opportunity. There is a training session at the Strathalbyn Pool on Sunday at 1pm, please let Tara know if your child will be attending.

If you need further information please contact Tara on 0439 846 112 or see Kerry at school.

We wish Tara, Kerry and the students all the best for the day.

SAPSASA Knockout Events and Basketball

Students were asked to nominate interest to participate in and represent our school in SAPSASA events this year. From this expressed interest we have nominated a boys football, boys soccer and girls netball team in the Knockout competitions. The Knockout competition is for Year 6/7 students only and is in Term 2.

There is a local football and netball carnival at Encounter Bay Oval in Week 9 (Thursday 26th March) which the football and netball teams will participate in. Thank you to Matt Smith, Annie Kraft and Josh Peters for volunteering to coach the football, netball and soccer teams again. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

We have nominated a Year 5/6 girls, 5/6 boys, 6/7 girls and 6/7 boys Basketball team to compete in a carnival in early August. **We are in need of 1 more boys' team coach for Thursday 6th August and 2 girls' team coaches for Wednesday 5th August. If anyone is available or possibly interested please contact me as soon as possible. Thanks.**

We have had a huge amount of students nominate for these teams so trials will be held to select final teams closer to the event. Then we will begin practices and further information will be sent home to players' families.

Jump Rope For Heart

In Term 4 last year we participated in Jump Rope For Heart. Students raised \$2808.15 for the Heart Foundation. Congratulations to all students who participated in the fundraising.



Port Elliot Netball Club hosted a skills session for the girls on Monday 9th February. This was a great chance for our girls to meet the coaches and get information about

competition in our area. If you would like more information re netball contact Trina, Kerry or the Port Elliot Netball Club.



Students are reminded that they are required to wear appropriate footwear and clothing to successful participation in all PE lessons, so please be sure to encourage your child to wear these needs every day we have PE. Thank you.

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

Trina Doig and Kerry Dodd ☺ ☺

A limited number of t shirts in team colours are available from the Front Office.

SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs Simon's class have been working on making strong choices in the classroom. We use our listening ears, and we have been practising sitting with our legs crossed, our hands in our laps and our eyes to the front. This helps us to listen to the person who is talking. Here is a picture of our class with our listening ears on.



We have also been learning about a very special character who never gives up. His name is "Have-a-go- Henry". In our classroom we believe that it does not matter if we get something right or wrong, we just need to have a go! The more we try, the better we get! Thankyou to all the students who have been looking out for the new receptions at school these past few weeks. It has helped to make their transition from Kindy to school a more enjoyable and exciting experience.



Indonesian News

The Indonesian blog is up and running. It is called Indonesian Allstars and a link to it is on the PEPS website. Recent posts include the fantastic free writes students wrote in 5 minutes from years 3 – 7 and there is also a post with photos of a great story a student wrote at home independently!! This all is very promising and I look forward to continuing the year teaching using TCI.

In Week 5, Margaret Roberts and I will be in Sydney participating in the Bridge Project. The Australia–Asia BRIDGE School Partnerships Project connects Australian teachers, students and school communities with their peers in Asia.

What does BRIDGE do?

- strengthens the Asian language capabilities of Australian students through direct personal experiences that motivate language learning
- builds intercultural understanding among teachers and students in Australia and Asia
- enhances digital capabilities among participating teachers and students
- supports high quality Asian language teaching and programmes in Australian schools.

PEPS is extremely fortunate to have been selected to be included in this program. during week 5, Mrs Roberts & I meet 2 of the teachers from our new sister school and learn how our students can collaborate together and then in weeks 6 & 7, the Indonesian teachers, Bu Elizawati & Pak Pahot, return with us to the Fleurieu to meet us all and learn about the Fleurieu Peninsular. If you would like to host our visitors for a meal or a family outing, please don;t hesitate to contact Bu Cathy. Astaga!!

Terima kasih,

Bu Cathy



A visitor to our yard at recess on Friday attracted some attention. Every learning opportunity is taken when at school!



COMMUNITY NEWS

Interested in playing hockey?
Goolwa Hockey Club are looking
for new players for 2015

WHEN: Wednesday 18/02/15

WHERE Goolwa Recreation Grounds

Junior Grades 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Men's and Women's 5:30pm-7pm

Games are played on Saturday.

Contact:- Andy Waller 0407796703

Nick Brauer 0418803639

goolwahockeyclub@gmail.com



MILO T20 Blast is the next step in the pathway for girls and boys looking to start playing cricket! Aimed at ages 7 and up, T20 Blast runs on

Wednesday nights at Encounter Bay Oval for 8 weeks throughout Term 1, and is the perfect introduction to playing matches and continuing to learn skills.

Details:

Girls and Boys wanting to play cricket in a fun and exciting atmosphere! Grades 2 and up
Wednesday 5:30-7pm

Encounter Bay Oval, Armstrong Rd, Encounter Bay

More info at www.t20blast.com.au.

All Proceeds Go to the VHR-7 Fire Fund
Victor Harbor R-7 School
Light refreshments available at intermission
Saturday
28 February
2pm
Gonite Community Band
Victor Harbor City Band
Fire Relief Concert
In the Gymnasium at the Victor Harbor R-7 School
22, The Parkway, Victor Harbor
Tickets Available From:
Swaris Pharmacy, Victoria Street, Victor Harbor
VHR-7 Primary School Front Office
or available at the door
Adult: \$10
Students: \$5
12 and Under: Free
Family: \$20



Goolwa & Port Elliot

Football Club

2015 SEASON REGISTRATION DAY

Sunday 22nd of February,

11am – 3pm

Any Queries – Shaun 0432 334 444



Southern Fleurieu OSHC

GREAT NEWS

BEFORE-SCHOOL-CARE

Has returned to

PORT-ELLIOT-OSHC

For ages 4-13

Open 6:30 am, Mon-Fri

For Bookings or Info, call:

Caroline - 0407-490-149

Jani or Wendy - 8552-8301

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 - 9 Holes per week for 5 weeks
 - 8" cups-big hole golf
- All standards, no handicap required
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CLUB: McCracken

DAY: Monday's

COST: Free Trial (for first four teams)

START DATE: February 23rd 2015

TIME: 4PM-FOR A 5 WEEK COMP

