



DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER

11th ICT Parent info night

23rd Footstep Dance
Concert 6pm-8pm

26th Last Day of Term 3
Dismissal 2:15pm

LEADERSHIP NEWS

School Uniform

Governing Council met on Monday 1st of September and discussed a review of the dress code policy. Parents were pleased with the number of students who wear school uniform and recognise that this identifies students clearly as Port Elliot Primary School students.

All the uniform items are available from the front office (including white, blue and teal checked dresses). The best time is after 9:15am as the

morning can be very busy during drop off.

There were only minor changes to the policy along with a new tri fold layout. Please be aware that short denim shorts are unacceptable as are the wearing of non-school coloured jumpers. This includes SAPSASA jumpers. These may be worn as weekend wear or on school casual days.



Reminder: Sun safe hats must be worn from day 1 of next term.

Staffing news

Over the last month many teachers have been busy applying for permanent positions at schools around South Australia. We are pleased to congratulate Gabrielle Morgan (currently at McLaren Vale Primary School) and Kathy Turley who have won positions at Port Elliot Primary School from 2015 and beyond.



Looking towards next year.

Planning for 2015 is well underway in regards to the number of students and the configuration of these classes. To help with this we understand that some families move away from the area or move to other schools. Could you please let the school know if your child is leaving Port Elliot Primary School for 2015. Email dl.0356_info@schools.sa.edu.au or drop into the front office.

Thank you

Brenton Hudson-Principal

LEADERSHIP NEWS cont.

I will be on long Service Leave starting on Thursday the 11th of September until the end of term 3. I am travelling to Scotland, England, Wales, Ireland and France (Paris) with my mother and son Jarryd.

I hope you all have a wonderful last two weeks of term and a fantastic holiday.

I look forward to seeing you all again next term.

Yvette Foster – Deputy Principal

P E NEWS



SAPSASA DISTRICT ATHLETICS DAY

The local District Athletics Day was held at Victor Harbor Primary School on Friday 29th August.

All students competed well, giving 100 percent effort in every event. We had many competitors achieving their best results on the day.

Well done to our place getters:-

1st place:

Stuart - Discus and Shot Put

Jye - Discus

Neriah - High Jump

2nd place:

Ella - 800m

Colby - Discus

Neriah - Shot Put

Achol - Long Jump

James - Long Jump

Kane - High Jump

3rd place:

Jye - 800m

Neriah - 100m

Celia - Long Jump

Harriet - Discus

James - Discus

First place getters will receive an invitation to the SANTOS Athletics Day later in the Term.

Congratulations Stuart, Jye and Neriah. We wish you all the best on the day.

These days cannot go ahead and be successful without many helpers and much organisation. Thank you to Sue, Natalie, Karina and Kristin for your expert assistance, marshalling of all students and assembling and disassembling of the shelter. Your help all day was greatly appreciated. Thanks also to the parents who popped in and out all day to assist and cheer on their children. It was great to see so many people there, encouraging their children and our school.

And a big thank you to the athletes! Our school is very proud of our students, and the way in which these 29 children conducted themselves all day is a credit to them. We had many adults comment positively about our students' conduct and sportsmanship. As their teacher in charge on the day, I want to say again how impressed and proud of them all I was, both in the way they practiced and prepared on the days leading up to the event, but also on the day. Very, very well done.

Go Port Elliot!!

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



CHRISTIAN PASTROL SUPPORT WORKER

The cold winter days and nights seem to be steadily decreasing with days warming up outside. So it's safe to say Spring has arrived on our doorstep. Our school garden is taking shape with vegetables and herbs steadily growing and students having a keen interest in helping with the Garden Of Health. Students come and help at recess and lunch times to:- Pulling weeds, watering the garden and its lovely to see them taking ownership of their garden watching the plants grow. Another thing I notice is the caring of each other most children do.

Our Flying Fish Awards are always acknowledging children who have been kind or encouraged others with kind words or a helpful hand in some way. This award is called Kids Kindness.

Blessings

Deb Pryor - C.P.S.W



COUNSELLOR

Flying Fish Awards-

Congratulations to Mecki R, Dana P, Lyla P, Marlon K, Kobe D, Ryan W, Hayley C, Angus W, Tiana P, Alissa C, Ethan A, Jade O-D, Rain D, Taris V Jasmyn E on receiving these Awards for achieving their personal best. Well done!



The following suggestions might be helpful for parents

to encourage positive friendship skills for their child.

Make time to play too

Parents and carers can improve their children's social skills by playing with them regularly

Allow your child to try all sorts of different activities

Children who have a wide range of interests are more likely to have something in common with others and so find it easier to make friends and get along.

Invite children for play dates

Having friends over to visit helps children to establish friendships and practise their social skills.

Talk with children about what is happening for them with their friends

Find a relax time, like driving home from school or after dinner, to talk about what is happening in your child's friendship group.

Encourage positive, relevant friendship skills.

Parents and carers can talk about, and encourage, friendly and cooperative strategies that can help their child to develop friendships e.g. encouraging children to negotiate or compromise when trying to solve conflict.

Take a problem solving approach

Parents and carers don't need to have the answers to all off their children's problems. You can support your children to think through a problem for themselves by talking with them and asking useful questions.

This is part of a range of Kidsmatter Primary information sheets for families' available on line at www.kidsmatter.edu.au

SRC Pedal for Paws Day

Congratulations to Ruby B, Aidan G, Harry R, Ellie, Olivia, Finlay S for helping to organise and supervise for Pedal for Paws Day. Money raised went to Ms Reedy's, Gross Painted Dogs fundraiser.

Have a great week!

Cheers

Karen - School Counsellor



RESOURCE CENTRE

Book Club

Issue 6 Scholastic Book Club orders have been sent away to Scholastic. Books ordered will be distributed to students by classroom teachers when they arrive at school and have been processed by Book Club organisers.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge ended on **Friday September 5th** (last Friday).

Students who are participating in the Challenge should have finalised their reading record sheet and handed it to their classroom teacher.

Sandy Bevan

Dorothy Geaghan

SCHOOL NEWS

Technology—Engaging and motivating students at Port Elliot Primary

Would you like to know how we use ICT at Port Elliot Primary?

TONIGHT

When: Thursday 11th of September

Where: In the school library



Time: 6:30—7:30pm

At Port Elliot Primary School we are using a range of technologies to engage and motivate students in their learning and to communicate with parents. Some forms of technology that teachers are using include Facebook, Blogs, Ipads, Skype, QR Codes, Games and Minecraft. Come along to the school on Thursday 11th of September, 6:30pm – 7:30pm, to hear about what teachers and students are doing with technology at school.

For further details contact Kathy Turley at Kathy.turley851@schools.sa.edu.au



GARDEN COMMITTEE NEWS

 Our committee is working on a sign for our garden and lots of plants are  growing. The area looks green and healthy. The children have been busy growing **strawberry plants** and they will be available at the front office as of next week for **\$1.50 each**. We are also looking for **donations of small plastic pots, seedlings or seeds**. Thank you to the Cross family who have donated some great seeds for us to try. Please check at the front office on **Tuesdays** for produce for sale. Money raised from our garden is going towards buying more for the garden such as drippers and tomato stakes. Please support our garden. The children love watering, planting and looking after our crops.

Thank you
Garden Committee



READER'S CORNER

What if my child refuses to read?

What should you do if your child doesn't want to read the take-home book? You may hear comments like:

1. Do I have to?
 2. I'm too tired!
 3. The teacher didn't say I had to. (*Check with teacher so you know what is expected*) I Forgot to bring it home (*Check your child's school bag*)
 4. *That book is boring/dumb/stupid.* It's at this point that you may like to use one of the following strategies-because some reading practice is better than no reading practice.
- Use a timer so that your child understands that reading practice will be for a short period. (*Time needs to be age appropriate*)
 - Read left page right page (*and yes, your child can have the pages with fewer words*)
 - Suggest that your child reads the book into a voice recorder or into a microphone (*even if the microphone doesn't work*)
 - Ask your child to read to a stuffed toy to a placid pet or a willing sibling.
 - Ask your child to read to a relative or friend via video call.

More suggestions next newsletter!

PARENT NETWORK

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE!

Do you have an hour or two spare the weekend of the Port Elliot show to help in the school canteen? Show dates: 11th - 12th October.

This is a major fundraiser for the school with proceeds going to fun & educational activities for all students.

Many hands make light work, so if you can, we would really appreciate you volunteering for a short time.

Leave your details at the front office with the day and number of hours you are available or email dl.0356.info@schools.sa.edu.au. A member of Parent Network will be in contact.

Thank you in advance. 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

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Goolwa Cricket Club will have teams in each of the age groups u12, u14 and u16 coached by club members with level one coaching qualifications. We are holding a registration afternoon on September 24th at the Goolwa oval from 4-6pm. Children must be under the age group as of September 1st 2014 and are requested to bring birth certificate identification. The season begins on October 18th.

Under 12's play on Friday evenings 5-7pm

Under 14's and Under 16's on Saturday mornings from

9-11.



Further information available on 0428322590.

Thank you in anticipation
Chris Hayward
President GCC



SOUTH COAST
LITTLE ATHLETICS

SEASON STARTS
Friday 17th October 2014

COME + TRY
Fridays from 4:30pm

Victor Harbor R7 School Oval,
The Parkway

facebook.com/SouthCoastLittleAths
southcoastlittleleaths.org.au



SOUTH COAST LITTLE ATHS:

- Caters for children aged 3 - 17 of **all abilities**.
- Age based groups encourage **friendships + fun**.
- Is a well-rounded sports experience that fosters better **athleticism**, beneficial for **all sports**.
- Focus is on **Being Your Best** - the journey is more important than the place.
- Is a great family-friendly way to keep fit, improve **speed, strength and agility**.
- Opportunities to **compete** at local, regional and state events.
- **Tiny Tots** (age 3 and 4) offers fun games and basic athletic events.

SEASON COSTS

\$80/athlete OR max **\$200/family** (3+).

REGISTRATION DATES

Wed **10, 17, 24, Sept** from 4pm or Fri during the season.

COME + TRY ANYTIME

Cost of Come + Try session (max of 2) **\$5/child**.

TRAINING, WED 4:45-6PM, FROM 10TH SEPT

Optional sessions with **accredited** coaches.



TO FIND OUT MORE PLEASE CONTACT

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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LITTLE ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

PROUDLY PRESENTS

LITTLE ATHLETICS PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS

A **FREE** ATHLETICS CLINIC

LAPS is a national school sports program designed to increase participation levels of children in Little Athletics

Clinics for up to 30 children at a time will run for 40mins. LAPS will expose participants to the basic skills of Athletics (i.e. High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Put, Hurdles, Discus and Running) and inform them of the benefits and fun of becoming actively involved in Little Athletics in their local region.

LAPS Clinics are conducted by current qualified coaches during School Terms.

Bookings are essential. Specific events can be run over a period of 2 or 3 weeks.

All participants will receive a Little Athletics brochure and wrist band. The school will be provided with a valuable resource CD which contains example athletics activities, lesson plans and more

If you have any questions or would like further information please contact:

South Australian Little Athletics Association

Contact: Brittany Winter
Ph: 8352 8133
Email: development@salaa.org.au



PORT ELLIOT PRIMARY SCHOOL 2014 DANCE CONCERT

TUESDAY 23rd September 2014 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Cost: Gold coin upon entry.

Programme:

6:00pm	Brenton Hudson & Students	Welcome Welcome to country
ACT 1 6:05pm	CLASS	DANCE
	Mrs Simon's & Mrs Lacey's	Shake Rattle and Roll
	Ms Dale's	Shake Your Tail Feather
	Stella & Mrs James's	Blame it on the Boogie
	Mrs Steele's	Funky Town
	Mrs Allsop & Mrs Milis'	Good Times
	Mrs Warner's	Will 2K
	Intermission	<i>Parents may pick up their children from their classroom and go home.</i>
ACT 2: 7:00pm	Ms Reedy & Mrs Gross'	Got the Feelin'
	Mrs Blake's	Am to Pm
	Mr Blacker's	Eye of the tiger
	Mrs Robert & Annie's	It's Tricky
	Mrs Reynold's	Pencil Full Of Lead
	Mrs Turley & Mrs Dodd's	Beat It
7:45pm	Brenton Hudson and Students	Conclusion

Parents and Audience members:

- The Gym only caters for approximately 350 seated spectators; therefore seating on the night of the performance will be limited.
- The concert has been arranged into two Acts to enable the greatest opportunity for each guest to see their child perform.
- The intermission is designed for parents to collect their child(ren) once they have danced prior to going home. This will then create space for parents of older students who are yet to perform who may arrive for Act 2.

Students:

- Students are required to come to their classroom 15 minutes before the performance to prepare.
- After their performance they will return to the classroom and wait until they are collected by a parent.
- All students are able to wear neat casual clothing. Skirts are discouraged as are inappropriate T-shirt slogans.
- Unfortunately due to seating arrangement students may not watch the performance before or after their dance. (They will have the opportunity to see most dances during rehearsals)

LED rings:

- **Students are able to purchase LED rings during the day for \$2 each. These then can be worn at the concert.**