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Upcoming Events

MARCH

24TH HARMONY DAY

APRIL

7TH SPORTS DAY

10TH GOVERNING COUNCIL
7.30PM

THURSDAY 13TH

END OF TERM 1

2:15PM DISMISSAL



MAY

MONDAY 1ST BACK TO
SCHOOL

8.55AM START

3RD SAPSASA FOOTBALL
& NETBALL CARINVAL

4TH CHRIS REEDY'S 3-4 CLASS
MONARTO ZOO CAMP

8TH GOVERNING COUNCIL
7:30PM

Newsletter

TERM 1- WEEK 8
23RD MARCH 2017



Some of our Sea Readers reading to their mentors.

Sea Readers

Each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday before school, a number of students come to the library to join in a group we call Sea Readers. This is an opportunity for younger students to read to a peer reading mentor from a higher year level. The mentors listen, provide support and may even ask questions of the reader.

Research clearly shows that the more students read and understand, the better their opportunities later in education. Providing this time before school allows for students to complete reading which they may not have had the opportunity to do at home, this also improves the mentors skills as well. We also find this builds the connections between older students and younger for the sense of community. An important value to Port Elliot Primary School.

We welcome any students to come along and join in as readers or mentors.

There are rewards for our frequent readers and mentors.

Helping your child with reading at home

Reading at home supports children with practice of skills learnt at school. **The take home reader must be easy.** This means the reader can read it with ease, making very few errors with no help from an adult to work out the words.

Reading has three parts:

Decoding- working out the words;

Phrasing and fluency- reading like we talk;

Comprehension- understanding what is read.

Many students find comprehension very difficult. Each time your child reads to you, ask them to tell you what has happened in the book. If they are NOT able to do this, the book is too hard.

Also they need to be able to answer questions about what they have read. Eg:- What colour was the car? How many people did....? Where was the?... Who...?

The most important part is to make reading an enjoyable experience. Reading a story together on the couch on a rainy day and sharing what has happened or will happen next, is a great way to spend time with your child. With older students, reading a novel and then watching the movie later also creates conversation opportunities. Enjoy a book today!

Brenton Hudson, Principal

COUNSELLOR NEWS

SRC

The Student Representative Council comprises of students from Year 3 to 7. Congratulations to Dane U and Sophie L who were voted SRC Presidents for 2017. Congratulations to Jorja H-B Vice President and to Hamish L Secretary, Communications Officer Kacey G and Treasurer Khai H. Well done to all students who were voted on SRC including their proxies. SRC have many activities planned as well as visits to State Parliament House and for some, Parliament House in Canberra.



SRC 2017

Front row Halle D, Izabela Z, Macauley W, Ethan M (proxy) Malakye M, Max W, Harry C, Poppy S, Ella K, Mecki R (proxy)

Back row Declan B, Ella W, Hamish L, Khai H, Jorja H, Sophie L, Kacey G Archie E, Ellie B **Absent** Ava T, Daniel B, Mason D, Dane U.

Harmony Day and Crazy Hair Day

This Friday Port Elliot Primary School will celebrate Harmony and Crazy Hair Day. All donations will be shared between the Cancer Foundation and our World Vision child, Salima, sponsored by Port Elliot Primary School.

Harmony Day 2017 celebrates the theme: "Everybody Belongs"

It is a day to celebrate that all Australians are a welcome part of our country, regardless of their background. It is a time to reflect on where Australia has come from, recognising the traditional owners of this land. It is about community participation, inclusiveness and respect:- celebrating the different cultures that make Australia a great place to live.

- **Wear orange for the day.**
- **Create your craziest hair using as many orange and coloured items you can find. Hair colouring outside Counsellor room before school and at break one. Cost \$1:00**
- **Bring a gold coin donation to support Salima, our sponsored child.**
- **Lollies in a jar competition, outside the Counsellor Room before school and at break one. 20cents a go.**
- **Share buddy lunch.**
- **Lots of activities during the day**

Flying Fish Awards

Congratulations to all students who have received Flying Fish Awards: Luke H, Jozef P, Owen T, Isabella B, Connor M, Nate S, Leila D, Jedd E, Joshua W, Brodie M, Jade Mc, Holly T, Ella W, Sebastian C, Ruby M, Celeste H, Obe W, Dane U, Zoe G, Emily D, Grace K, Cody D and Jai A.



www.kidsmatterprimary.edu.au

Australian Primary Schools
Mental Health Initiative

Kidsmatter

During the next week, the Kidsmatter Action Team is asking parents and caregivers to complete a parent survey. The surveys are anonymous. You are able to complete a hard copy or online.

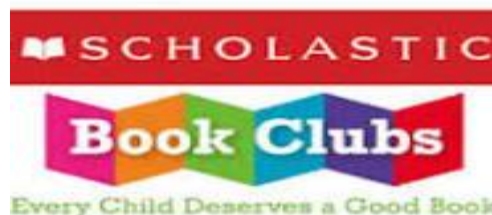
www.kidsmatter.edu/primary/parentsurvey

Results of the survey will support the Kidsmatter Action Team in planning new initiatives to support families and our community at PEPS.

Have a great week!

Cheers Karen

RESOURCE CENTRE



Issue 2 Scholastic Book Club brochures have been given out to students. Orders need to be back at school by **Friday 24th March** to give the organisers enough time to send the orders to Scholastic and then process the books for distribution before the end of the term.

eBook Library

Check out our Pt Elliot Primary School ePlatform site at peps.wheeler.co to see the collection of e-books available for students to borrow.



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To all Parents/Caregivers of children age 7-14, if you are interested in participating in Childrens University Australia, spare forms are available at the Front Office. Last day for registration is Friday 31st March.

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

In PE we have been focusing on learning and further developing our Fundamental Movement Skills and the skills required for successful team work and participation in Sports Day style events. We have begun our whole school practices of chants and warm ups. The House Captains and students are all doing a wonderful job and should be congratulated on their effort and positive attitudes.

SAPSASA NETBALL AND FOOTBALL CARNIVAL Wednesday 3rd May

Interested Year 5/6/7 students have been invited to nominate and trial for these teams, who will compete in the above carnival. (Week 1 Term 2). Final teams will be selected soon and practices will occur. More information will be sent home as soon as team members have been selected.

We are in need of a netball coach and 2 netball umpires. Please let Trina know asap if you are able to help. Thanks.



SAPSASA DISTRICT SWIMMING

Congratulations to Harry who participated in the Southern District Swimming Team in the SAPSASA State Country Championships on Friday 17th of March at the State Swimming Centre Marion. He had a great time and said "It was a really enjoyable experience."

Local Sporting Success Stories!

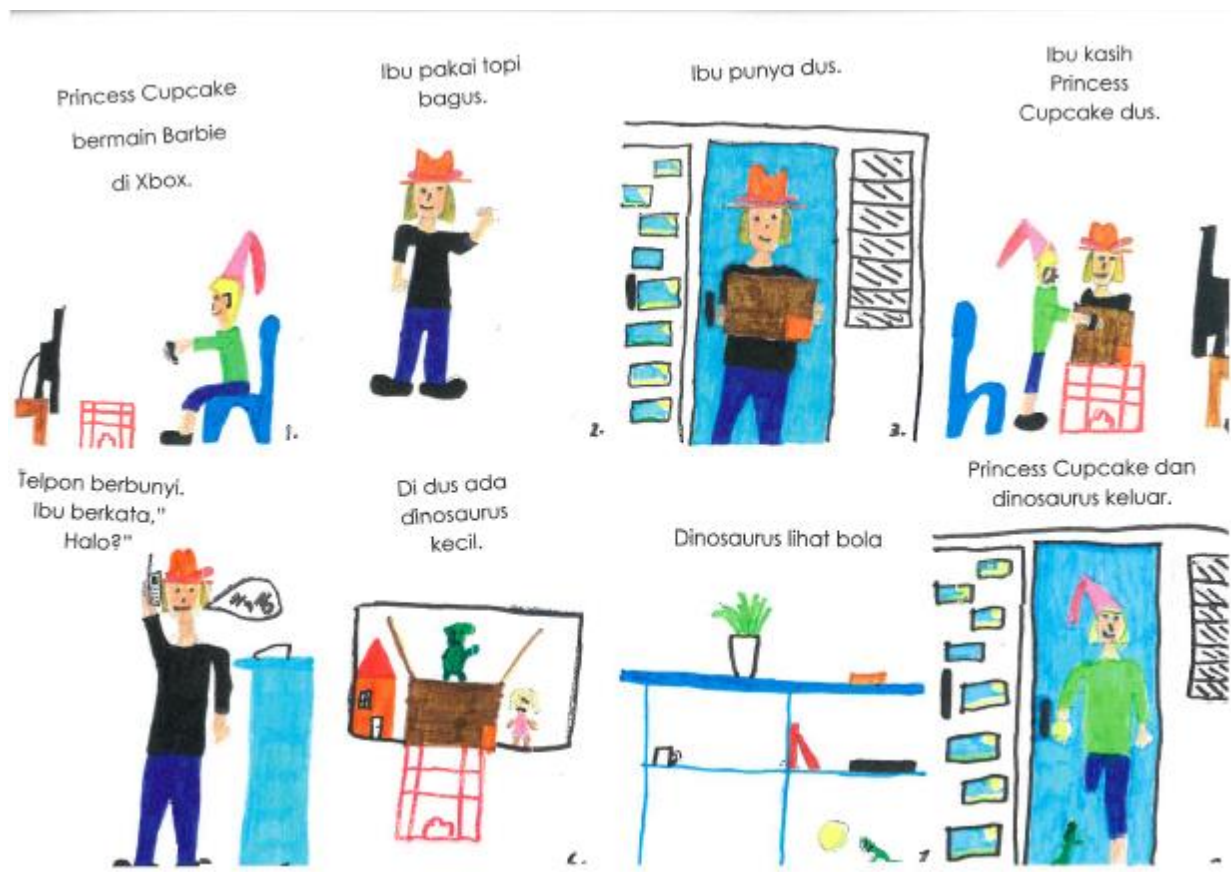
If you have any local success stories involving our students, please let us know so they can get a mention in this section of the newsletter.

Trina Doig and Emma Roberts

INDONESIAN

Jackson W from Mrs Robert's Year 5/6 Class illustrated a story we did a few weeks ago, called "The Present".

Ask your child to help read it to you and explain what happens.



COMMUNITY NEWS



Adelaide Symphony Orchestra
presents

The Bush Concert (Cost \$10)
Saturday 22nd April 11:30am and 1:30pm
For ages 3 plus

Festival Fleurieu are very excited that the ASO will be visiting us for the Festival which runs from 14-30 April of this year.

The Adelaide Symphony Orchestra (ASO) is dedicated to music education and inspiring people of all ages to enjoy music in their lives. Eight amazing and talented members of the orchestra along with singer Susan Ferguson, will be performing their highly interactive program "The Bush Concert."

Based on the book "The Bush Concert" by Helga Visser, this performance is filled with action, colour, music, song and dance, and plenty of opportunities for audience participation.

So come along and be part of this creative and stimulating holiday activity featuring the unique and glorious sounds of the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra.

Jubilee Hall, 207 Main South Road, Yankalilla

All bookings through the Yankalilla Visitor Information Centre (VIC) on 08 8558 0240 or online at www.festivalfleurieu.com.au



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Art from the Heart of the Fleurieu Coast
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The Amazing Magic Mike

Kids Magic Workshops

just
add
water

School
holiday
activity



Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Easter Monday, 17 April 2017 at 10am & 1pm

Tickets: A\$10 Children \$10 Age: 3-12 years. All children must be accompanied by a paying adult.

The Amazing Magic Mike is an award winning Adelaide magician, providing magical entertainment to captivate young and old alike. Children will learn the amazing art of magic and illusion and become a magician with the Amazing Magic Mike. Learn top secret card tricks, levitation mysteries and classical magic that will blow your mind away!



Bookings and enquiries:

Goolwa Visitor Information Centre phone 1300 466 592
Transaction fee applies

www.visitalexandrina.com



DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK EVENT

FUSION 17

SUNDAY 9TH APRIL 11AM - 5PM
VICTOR SKATE PARK

MUSIC BY
THE MORNING AFTER
THE SIGNS
JESSI JASMINE
BORROWED CORDS
JAYDON AND CRAIG

SCOOTER SKATE AND BMX ACTION
NO HELMET NO RIDE

- * STOP N' GO SMOOTHIES
- * GIANT GAMES
- * SUMO SUITS
- * FAIRY FLOSS
- * THE FUDGE FAIRY



GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

The Blood Service Mobile Blood Donor Centre will be visiting:

Victor Harbor

Lutheran Church
21 Adelaide Road, Victor Harbor

Wednesday 26 April

12:00pm – 6:00pm

Thursday 27 April

10:30am – 7:00pm

Friday 28 April

8:00am – 2:30pm

Make an appointment today.

To make an appointment call 13 14 95
or visit donateblood.com.au



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