

How high can our fish fly?

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NEWSLETTER ISSUE Safety Happiness

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BIKE ED5/6-7S SCHOOL SURFING

> KINDY TRANSITION 3:08 Horseshoe Bay

Walk-Writing

30th **FUN LUNCH**

BIKE ED YR 5/6-7

ASSEMBLY QUIZ NIGHT

NOVEMBER

KINDY TRANSITION **SCHOOL SURFING LIFE MATTERS PEFORMANCE**

BIKE ED YR 5/6-7

LEADERSHIP NEWS

Welcome back Ms Bond

Natalie Bond has returned to Port Elliot after 3 terms enjoying some travel and time with her son Zebadai. Ms Bond is The Arts teacher from Monday to Wednesday.



Welcome new students

Welcome to the following students and their families who are new to Port Elliot Primary School. Layke and Maya, Lucas and Patrick



On behalf of the staff I would like to acknowledge the time and efforts of the volunteers who helped organise and serve in the canteen at the Port Elliot Show, particularly Sharon Stephens, Helen Bagnell and Priscilla Cook. This was time before, during and after the event away from family and holidays. I enjoyed working with you all and believe the day was a success and yet again strengthened the bond between the community and the school. Also thank you to the staff who, also came on the Friday to attach art work to the fence as a spectacular entrance feature. We hope the families who attended the show enjoyed their day.



Class Placements 2015

The 2015 class placement process is about to begin. The placement of over 350 students into new classes is taken very seriously by all staff with lots of discussion, deliberation and care over many weeks. As part of this process we welcome parent input.

A proforma was sent out last week for parents to have input into the 2015 process. Additional forms are available from the front office and can be returned to the front office in a sealed envelope addressed to The Leadership Team, marked 'Confidential'.

During the placement process we will take into consideration information from you regarding your child's placement that relates directly to:

- Learning needs
- Friendships that impact directly on learning
- Your child's previous schooling history
- Medical, family and/or social issues
- Please outline the factors which will support the best learning environment for your child.

Please remember that teachers leave or join us each year and those who remain do not necessarily teach the same year level/s as this year and therefore it is not possible to request a particular teacher.

Changing Schools

It helps our planning to know if your child will be moving school next year. Thank you to the parents who have already let us know. However if you have plans to send your child to another school in 2015 please inform us in writing or via email dl.0356.info@schools.sa.edu.au

New Enrolments in 2015

We already have many enrolments for families moving into the area for 2015. If you know of families considering Port Elliot as their school please encourage them to make contact as soon as possible so our class allocations and numbers are as accurate as possible.

Class placement information will distributed with the End of Year report on Thursday December 11th.

Brenton Hudson Principal

Thank you to the students and parents who wished me well on my holiday. I had a wonderful time and saw many beautiful and inspirational sights. I have enjoyed being back at school and sharing some of the photos with students in Geography. Two students gave me an assignment to do while I was away: It was to see if knights are real. Answer to be revealed Friday 31st October in Geography.

New Reception Students 2015

This Wednesday the 22nd of October was the first visit for the 2015 Receptions. The visits are held in the Library between 9 and 11:30 each week. The students are divided between two groups to accommodate the 46 students.

Later in the term the sessions will be longer in duration to support students to prepare for school routines in 2015.

Parents were invited to an information session at 9:00. Thank you to the parents who attended.

Yvette Foster Deputy Principal

COUNSELLOR

Welcome back to a very busy term 4!

Flying Fish Awards

Flying Fish awards will again be given out to students who achieve their personal best or who display resiliency and persistence in their learning. 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, Covenant Church and the Port Elliot Bakery all currently support Breakfast Club. We thank them for their continued and wonderful support.



Did you that that childhood sleep problems are really

common? It is thought that 40% of primary school kids have an issue of some sort and the rates are higher in early childhood.

On the Kidsmatter website www.kidsmatter.edu.au the article "Sleep and kids mental health" helps families deal with this issue and highlights the fact that broken or reduced sleep has been associated with numerous issues as-

Increased behavioural problems

Social and emotional and academic problems

Problems starting primary school

ADHD- like symptoms

Depression

Please take time to look at this fantastic resource. You may even want to like them on Facebook.

Cheers

Karen - School Counsellor





REMINDER:-Sun safe hats must be worn at Recess and Lunch during Term 4. If you require a new hat please purchase one from the front office @ \$7.00.



RESOURCE CENTRE

Book Club

Issue 7 Scholastic Book Club brochures were distributed to students by classroom teachers.

Order forms need to be returned to school by Monday 27th October.



Reader's Rap

On Wednesday 22nd October, 14 of our year 6 and 7 students travelled to Mt Compass to take part in the 2014 Southern Fleurieu Reader's Rap. Students had been preparing for this day for many weeks and had made a commitment to read the 3 set novels and view the DVD *Holes*. Our 4 teams of Pt Elliot students competed against 12 other teams from schools around the Southern Fleurieu. Congratulations to Flynn, Colby, Jack, Mitchell, Lauren,



Sharna, Stuart, Connor, Tabetha, Miranda, Georgia, Brooklyn, Dimity and Ruby for the commitment and effort to



prepare and participate in this event.

Well done to the *Infinities* team (Tabetha, Connor, Miranda and Georgia) for winning the day and to the *Jerflermercers team* (Flynn, Colby Jack and Mitchell) for coming second on the day.

Thank you to parents Tara, Bobby, Trina and Tracey for providing transport on the day.

Sandy Bevan Dorothy Geaghan

PENEWS

"JUMP ROPE FOR HEART"

As mentioned earlier in the year, our school will be participating in



"Jump Rope For Heart" again in Term 4. Sponsorship forms will be sent home with students in week 1. Some students have already signed up on line. The Jump Off! Date is Friday 14th of November. (Week 5 - Term 4 - during PE Week).

SACA T20 Cricket Carnival Year 6/7

On Thursday 16th October four teams of eight Year 6/7 students participated in a cricket carnival at Encounter Bay. This is the carnival we have participated in over the past few years known as Super 8's. Teams from schools from across our district competed on the day.

The students had a very enjoyable experience and conducted themselves in such a way to, once again, make Port Elliot Primary School proud – both with attitude and performance.

There were 5 teams in the girls' competition and our girls won 3 out of their 4 games, finishing first for the day. Congratulations girls!!



There were 12 teams in the boys competition and we had a team finish 9th, another team finish 3rd and a team finish first!! Congratulations to all the boys!!



The two teams who finished first have been invited to compete in a state wide final at Adelaide Oval on Thursday 20th November. If they manage to win that competition day they may get invited to play in the Australian wide final at the Melbourne Cricket ground!

An exceptionally wonderful experience for these students. Once I receive further information about the Adelaide Oval carnival I will send notes home to the students involved.



Thank you to our parent helpers – Jamie, Kerry, Tracey, Sharon and Ben – and to all our supporters on the day. Without this adult assistance the teams would not have been allowed to compete.



SACA Cricket Clinic R-4

On Wednesday 22nd October SACA ran a cricket clinic here at school for R-4 students. The students enjoyed participating in this clinic. If anyone would like any further information re playing cricket in our local area please see me at school.

SANTOS Athletics

Congratulations Stuart, Jye, Neriah and Ella S for being selected to represent our District at SANTOS stadium in your events. It was a bright sunny day and all enjoyed the opportunity and experience.

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



READER'S CORNER

Why talk about books before reading them?

Introducing a book is necessary for children of all ages. As adults, we do our own introductions when we're selecting what to read. We read the blurb, look at the pages. The size of font, the author's name (familiar and comfortable or new and intriguing) and glance at the photos, illustrations, diagrams and so on. Children need to be introduced to this process as well. It's much easier to read a book if you already know something about it.

- Talk about the title, author, pictures and blurb.
 For young readers, telling them the title of the book and the names of the characters in the story is a good starting point.
- Pointing out technical words and/or words that will trip them up in the context of the story is also a great thing to do; before they attempt to read the book.
- After sharing the title of the story and looking at the
 picture on the front cover ask them to predict what
 the story will be about. In fact you can ask them to
 predict what may come next at any point through
 the story.

PARENT NETWORK

We had a successful day running the school canteen at the annual Port Elliot Show on Saturday 11th October. A huge thanks goes out to Helen Bagnell, Priscilla Cook and Sharon Stephens for the organising and running of the canteen on the day. Also a huge thanks to Ben Coventry for cooking the BBQ, Cindy Kuhn, Cara McClure, Anthea Sibly, Fiona Nelligan, Kirsty Martin, Becky Sweetman, Jane Brewer and staff Brenton Hudson, Cathy Elliot, Karen Robinson and Louise Jaensch for helping out in the canteen on the day.

FUN LUNCH <u>next Thursday 30th October</u>, so if you can please donate **cupcakes** to the canteen from 8.30am.

Next meeting is next Thursday 30th October, 9am in the Canteen.

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

Billabong \$1.80 while stor Parent Network Committee

COMMUNITY NEWS

QUIZ NIGHT

A fundraiser for the South Coast Christian Pastoral Support Workers

7:00pm Friday 31 October

Victor Harbor Lutheran Church Centre.21 Adelaide Road,

Quiz Masters lan Milne and Dale Speck

\$10 per person tables of 8 – 10

Please bring your own nibbles and drinks. Tea and coffee

supplied.

For more information or bookings please phoned 85521170 or email wazzaf42@gmail.com



Sunday 9th November 2014 11am Come along to Horseshoe Bay, Port Elliot BYO own picninc lunch and bathers if it's

Any questions and RSVP please call Jodie Allsop on 0408824205

FLY-IN FLY-OUT 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 <code>Jodie</code> at victorharbor@fifofamilies.com.au



BLUE LIGHT DISCO-UNDERAGE RAGE
FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER
Victor Harbor Recreation Centre's
General Purpose Hall

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 Cost \$5 tickets will be sold at door.

Refreshments will be available at a small cost.

For more information call-:

Senior Constable Jane Pink 83981752 or Lucretia Sperring on 85510586

STREET SOCCER SKILLS SCHOOL

WHERE-: Goolwa Tennis Courts-Goolwa Recreation
Grounds Wildman Street

WHEN-: Wednesday nights starting 29th October 5.20-7pm

Cost-: \$5.00 per session-or \$35 fro 8weeks5

Bring your own ball if you like

Session run by qualified, experienced [rp cpacj amd CFFA National Development Officer, Matt Jorgensen

More info call 0401314160

