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Community Confidence Respect
"How high can our fish fly"

NEWSLETTER



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Port Elliot Primary School



Welcome to the 2015 school year.

It has been a great start to the year with some exciting updates for Port Elliot Primary School.

Updated School Values

One of our innovations has been to update our school values. Last year we decided that the school values which had been in use for almost a decade needed a refocus. A process was managed by our school Counsellor Karen Robinson to consult with students, staff, parents and the community. Over 1000 values words were put forward through ideas from all of these groups. These were refined through surveys and parents voting at assemblies and students via SRC. Finally in the last week of Term 4 Karen met with the leadership team to present the results which are.....

Community Confidence Respect

Community: The definition of a community is an excellent starting point for the school as it reflects that we all value our place here at Port Elliot Primary School within the community. It is to build a sense of belonging, caring and shared ownership. We look out for each other and treat others as we would like to be treated. Classes can focus on the community at the micro level within the classroom. We then have the whole school community, the wider Port Elliot and South Coast



Community and even further with South Australia as one community. The learning opportunities for students are endless. Most importantly we want every individual in our school to feel valued within this community of Port Elliot Primary School.

Confidence: This was clearly something students and parents saw as vital as every survey came back with this value emphasised. Confidence comes from within the student to show resilience and willingness to try something new. As educators we are constantly asking our students to improve and excel. To do this they require confidence from within to try something new and become a little uncomfortable. We work hard through the Kids Matter programme to build students confidence through positive reinforcement. Knowing the students through developing positive relationships enables us to build on students strengths and improve their areas of need. We hope our students develop this confidence throughout their time at Port Elliot Primary School.



Respect: This is a school value which has been in place for many years. Respect is something all individuals and organisations strive for. We will continue to instil in our students the respect they show for each other, educators and members of the community. This respect can be extended to the way students look after the school grounds, equipment and the wider environment. It is a value we hope that all people demonstrate. Respect and understanding towards all people. Teachers are working with students throughout the term on understanding, explaining and implementing the school values.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February

- 9th **Governing Council AGM 6:30pm**
- 11th SCHOOL SURFING
- 12th ASSEMBLY
- 13TH Year 7 Aquatics Middleton 9.30am-12:30pm
- 18th SCHOOL SURFING
- 19TH FUN LUNCH
- 20TH YEAR 7 Aquatics Horseshoe Bay 9:30am-12:30p.m.

Welcome to our new students and new teachers.

This year the school has started with over 355 students. We welcome all of the new families and students to Port Elliot Primary School especially our 45 new receptions. We also welcome 5 new staff members: Stacey Fyfe: Year 2



teacher, Gabby Morgan

Reception teacher, Helen Clark

Year 6/7 teacher, Sophie Reid

Year 4's on Monday and Year 2/3's on



4's on Monday and Year 2/3's on



Fridays and Sarah Slee Geography teacher on Friday's.

We hope that you all enjoy your time at Port Elliot - a great place to teach and learn.



Playground Soft fall

During the holiday rubber soft fall has been added underneath the large shaded playground. The rubber provides consistent soft landing zones though out the space. It also was an excellent opportunity to incorporate some colours and fun to brighten up the area.

The flying fish and waves shapes were taken from our school logo and look great. I was impressed to see the workers installing the shapes by creating them all freehand.



Skool Bag App

This year we are also launching another way to communicate between families and school. The Skool Bag App can be downloaded onto your smart phone. The school will then be able to send information directly to you. You can also choose to get updates from individual classes so hopefully there will be no more notes lying around in the bottom of school bags.

To down load please follow the instructions later in the newsletter. Hint: Search for Port Elliot Primary School in the App store.

I am sure this will take a little getting used to but we are always trying something new in an effort to improve communication between home and school.

Governing Council AGM

Monday the 9th February at 6:30pm is the Annual General Meeting for the Governing Council held in the School Library. The council will be presenting the Annual Report for 2014 and declaring vacancies for the 2015 year.

This is your opportunity to have a greater say in the schools direction and be informed about decisions and expenditure. You also are able to mix with a good group of people once a month for about 2 hours on a Monday evening.

We hope you are able to join us.

Welcome to all students and their families. I hope the first and second week of school has been a positive experience for you all. Teachers and students have been very busy setting up learning for the year ahead.

Tours for families considering attending Port Elliot Primary School in 2016 are:

Term 1, 9:00 am Tuesday the 24th of February.

Term 2, 9:00 am Tuesday the 26th of May.

Term 3, 9:00 am Tuesday the 18th of August.

Leadership team

COUNSELLOR

Welcome back to school. Hope your children have settled in well and are happy and positive. Please remember to see your teacher, myself or Leadership staff if you have any thing you would like to discuss about the well-being of your child.

Welcome to our new students Mckenzie, Buddy, Layla Taylah, Zebadai, Misty, Alice, Morgan, Kailee, Oskar, Kyren, Bailey, Torre, Ruby, April, Ava, Rose, Ruby, Amity, Jedd, Dylan, Keit, Bobby, Porscha, CJ, Lily, Cooper, Hayden, Janae, Pearl, Connor, Hamish, Hunter, Ivy, Maddie, Jack, Anakin, Willow, Brodie, Will, Ryan, Anna-May, Jaz, Emmett, Eli, Isabel, Reilly, Asher, Daemon, Silvana and welcome back Georgia-Grace.

Look out for this space in coming newsletters for lots of information to support your child at school.

Cheers Karen
Have a Good Day

TYPO ERROR FUN LUNCH FORMS TO BE RETURNED BY WEDNESDAY THE 11TH FEBRUARY.

PE AND S.A.P.S.A.S.A.NEWS

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

Milo Blast T20 Cricket Carnival Year 6/7



Join us as we
#standupforourkids

As mentioned in the last newsletter for 2014, our boys and girls Year 6/7 T20 Cricket Teams were invited to compete in a State Wide final at Adelaide Oval on Thursday 20th November. Both teams had won the District Carnival at Encounter Bay so were representing our Southern District. All players had the chance to play on the Adelaide Oval, which was very exciting.

The girls played 3 games, won 1 and were very competitive in their other 2 games, just losing both matches. They finished 11th out of 15 teams.

The boys won all 3 games they played in the minor round and made the Grand Final, which they won in a very close, exciting game. They then had the opportunity to play in the Australia wide final, held at the MCG on Thursday 11th December 2014. An amazing opportunity.

The 9 boys (Matty, Colby, Kane, Che, Mitchell, Harry, Darcy, Liam, Dylan), Jamie Ayris (parent helper and coach), Shelley Nitschke (SACA representative and former Australian Women's Cricket Vice Captain and International Award winner), and myself had the opportunity to fly to Melbourne, play cricket on the MCG, meet some of the top Australian Women Cricketers and have a quick tour of the Melbourne Sports Museum. Memories that will last with us for a lifetime.

We were picked up at school by a Premier bus at 12 noon on the Wednesday. The passengers on this bus before us were the Indian Cricket Team on their way to Adelaide Oval. The boys remarked that maybe a bus with Premiers written on the front and having International Cricketers on board before us, may have been a very good omen! We then arrived at Adelaide Airport and flew with Qantas to Melbourne Airport. Once in Melbourne we were guided around the town by Raini Nailer and we got to see Federation Square lit up with lights, Flinders Street Train Station, a Christmas projector display on the Town Hall walls and visit Bourke St Mall to see many Christmas displays. I'd like to thank Raini immensely for this wonderful tour and for her continued support to our school.

The next day we had a buffet breakfast then headed to the MCG. The atmosphere was amazing, and being allowed to walk onto the hallowed turf was such a special experience for us all. We had 5 out of the 9 boys' families there on the day, and those who could not make the trip across were with us in spirit via texts and phone calls. I'd like to thank very much all parents and families for their support, kind words and encouragement on the day. It was fantastic to have you all there either in person, or in spirit.

We played 3 minor round games and won all 3. During one of these 3 games Colby hit the designated Milo sign which meant he received a cricket bat signed by the Men's Australian Cricket Team. Congratulations Colby. Also, during these 3 games, Che accidentally hit the winner's trophy which was on display. Again, the boys commented that maybe that meant we get to take the trophy home!

As we waited during the lunch break to find out if we made the Grand Final, Liam had the opportunity to compete against 7 other boys from opposition teams in the Highest Catch Competition. The prize being a cricket bat signed by the Men's Australian Cricket Team. Liam performed wonderfully and won that competition. Congratulations to Liam.

We made it into the Grand Final, finishing first in the minor round. We played St Paul's from Brisbane. We fielded first and kept them to a low score. We then went out to bat with a rather low score to achieve, but unfortunately we lost a lot of wickets (every wicket gives the opposition 5 runs). After the last bowl was bowled for the game no one could be sure who had won, as it was a very close game. We had to endure 30 minutes of presentations etc before it was finally announced that we had won by 6 runs!! We were National Champions of the inaugural Milo T20 Cricket Cup.

Congratulations boys on this wonderful achievement. Thanks to Jamie for coaching the boys and to Fraser, Julie, Jaid, Chris, John, Joel, Matt, Greg and Austin for their support on the day.



I would like to thank Shelley Nitschke, SACA and Cricket Australia for giving the boys such an amazing opportunity. Thank you also to my colleagues, students, their parents, supporters and community members for all the support and encouragement.

The support, well wishes and shared celebrations winning the National T20 Cricket Cup has created has been very overwhelming. Thank you to everyone. What a wonderful experience to have shared with so many wonderful people.

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**
- **Athletics**
- **Cross Country**
- **Netball**
- **Soccer**
- **Football**
- **Basketball**
- **Cricket**

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.

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/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 enrol, pay for and attend these try outs. See me at school if you need more information re this process.

STATE CRICKET:-The trials will be for Boys and Girls (12years and under). Players must be born in 2003, 2004 or 2005 to be eligible for the team. The team will travel to Brisbane next summer for the National Championships. To nominate for the trials parents need to fill out this online form:

www.decd.sa.gov.au/sport/pages/sport/interstatesapsasa/

House Captains

The process has begun for selecting this year's House Captains. Year 7 Students were invited to prepare a speech and present it to the students in their House Team. Voting is underway and the successful applicants will be announced soon.

SAPSASA SWIMMING

At the end of Term 4 last year and again in Week 1 this Term, students born in 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002 were offered the opportunity to try out for a spot in our school

SAPSASA Swimming team. The carnival was to be held in Week 4 this Term at Strathalbyn Swimming Centre. 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 for us so thanks to Tara for organising this opportunity. If you need further information please contact Tara on 0439 846 112.

SPORTS DAY DATE

Our school Sports Day has been set as Week 10, Thursday 2nd April. Students have begun voting for House Captains, 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 for the day so that your child can be dressed in their Team colours, please speak to Jo or Judy in the office.

PORT ELLIOT NETBALL

Port Elliot Netball will be hosting a skills session for the girls next Monday 9TH February. This will be a chance for our girls to meet the coaches and get information about competition in our area.

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 and Kerry Dodd ☺ ☺



SCHOOL NEWS

This year in Indonesian, I will be teaching using TCI (Teaching with Comprehensible Input). This method is gaining popularity very quickly in America where their curriculum endorses that teachers must speak Indonesian (Spanish, French etc) for no less than 90% of each lesson!

Using TCI this year means that I will be teaching in a way which almost exactly replicates the process by which each child learned his/her first language. They will be in a language rich environment made understandable (comprehensible) through the use of body language, visual aids and with lot of repetition through mainly story based activities. Through this method students will acquire a solid foundation of useful vocabulary and everyday language.

So that **ALL** students experience success using and understanding Indonesian to a far greater level than previously, expectations in the Indonesian classroom will be strictly enforced. Students will be expected to be focused and attentive at all times during lessons. Thus it is vital that all students demonstrate **respect**; not only for their own learning and the learning of others but also towards their teacher. I too will be a learner this year!!

It will be a very exciting year in the Indonesian classroom. As usual, visitors to the Indonesian classroom are always welcome, so feel free to pop in and join us for a lesson. Your child will love the chance to demonstrate for you! If this isn't an option but you would like to learn more about this method, then the following YouTube videos of Dianne Neubauer (a primary Chinese teacher) teaching her parents Chinese are brilliant.

<http://youtu.be/cqh5SO3HLkA>

<http://youtu.be/2a7BkOLpRmg>

<http://youtu.be/jtYpLMx3PFQ>



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ATTENTION: VOLUNTEER TRAINING.

The Department for Education and Child Development has extended the approval for the South Australian Association of School Parent Clubs Inc to provide the **Responding to Abuse and Neglect Induction sessions for volunteers 2015-2017 and the next sessions will be held at:**

Investigator College Thursday 12th February 12:15 – 3 p.m.
Victor Harbor Campus
Bacchus Road,
Victor Harbor SA 5211

Investigator College Friday 13th February 9:45-12:00pm
Goolwa Campus
2 Glendale Grove,
Goolwa SA 5214

RSVP to Gwen Secomb
phone 0428292036
email mgsecomb@bigpond.com
fax 85292286

or Alice Hendy
Investigator College
85557516

COMMUNITY NEWS



Little Savers

\$10 gift deposit for students and \$10 donation to school fundraising kitty.

Throughout the first term, for every new Incentive Saver Account opened by a student from your school, BankSA will donate \$10 to the school's fundraising kitty and credit \$10 into the child's new account, to help them get started with their savings efforts.

Children will also receive a Digger the Wombat Money Box, LittleSavers Calculator, LittleSavers Library Bag and a School Bank Wallet, while stocks last. The offer is open to new customers only, aged 12 years and under. Limit of one \$10 credit per child and one \$10 school donation per child. This offer is available for new Incentive Saver Account opened before 10 April, 2015. For more details or to collect a BankSA Application Pack, please call into the school office.

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SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome to attend the School Dental Service.

Dental care is FREE for most children.

SA Dental Service participates in the *Child Dental Benefits Schedule*. A small fee may apply for children who are not eligible for the *Child Dental Benefits Schedule*.

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*, please visit: www.sadental.sa.gov.au



Sunday 15th February 2015

11am

Come along to Horseshoe Bay, Port Elliot
BYO own picnic lunch and bathers if its warm
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 **Jodie** at victorharbor@fifofamilies.com.au

FAMILY REGO DA & SUMMER COMP

Sunday, 22nd February

10.30am to 3pm

Victor Harbor Hockey Club
Bacchus Road, Victor Harbor



Register for the 2015 winter hockey season, at the same time enjoy a round robin!
\$5 per person or \$15 per family
7 people per team, summer hockey rules

To register a team, individual or want more info about the day email
vhhockeyclub@hotmail.com

BBQ and drinks available for purchase.
Raffles, games, prizes and fun for the whole family.



FAMILY FRIENDLY

FUN FUN FUN FUN



PECK

PORT ELLIOT COMPUTER KIDS

PECK is a children's program giving students an advantage in today's world of information Technology. We concentrate on the fun aspect of touch typing for our students and keyboard skills.

Other activities are the creation of Web Pages using many different programs in construct and design to develop dynamic pages.

When-: Tuesday's 3:45pm-5:00pm
Where-: Port Elliot Uniting Church
Cost-: \$15.00
Interested-: phoned Tony on 0413 933 018



Goods To Go Café Price List
Menu For
Port Elliot Primary School
As of January 2015

Fresh Fruit Salad

350gr of fruit as available - strawberry, watermelon, grapes, pineapple, rockmelon \$5.00

Garden Salad

350gr salad of lettuce, carrot, feta cheese, cucumber, tomato with either chicken or ham \$5.00

Snack pack sliced cucumber, carrot, cheese, apricot sultana pack, rice crackers and feta dip \$5.00

Baguettes, Rolls, and wraps. Sandwiches (wholemeal, white)

Ham, lettuce, tomato, cheese and carrot \$4.50

Chicken, lettuce, avocado and cheese \$4.50

Smoked turkey, lettuce, tomato, cheese, carrot and cranberry sauce \$4.50

Plain roll or sandwich with butter \$1.50

Vegemite sandwich \$2.50

Cheese and vegemite sandwich \$2.90

Chook Burger

Grilled Chicken Breast and Salad in a toasted English Muffin \$4.50

Sweet chilli, mayo or fresh tomato sauce available on all choices

Noodle Box

Chicken, Hokkien Noodles, Sweet Chilli Sauce and Spring onions \$4.50

Spaghetti Bolognaise \$4.50

Baked Potato

With bolognaise sauce and cheese \$4.50

With Sour Cream, tomato and cheese

Ham and Pineapple

THURSDAY

Sushi day Vegetarian or chicken sushi rolls \$5.00

Sweeties

Muffins - Chocolate, Carrot and Pineapple \$2.00

DRINKS

Mountain fresh juice 300ml, Tropical or Apple \$2.50

Nippys Juices 250ml, Apple, Orange, Apple and blackcurrant \$2.00

Farmers Union Milk Chocolate, Strawberry, \$3.00

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Goods To Go Café

3 Lincoln Road (Off Waterport Road)

Phone/Fax 85521674



PARENT NETWORK NEWSLETTER

Hello and welcome to the 2015 school year.

Parent Network is a group of parents or caregivers who volunteer their valuable time to organise fun days and fundraising events for the school. All Parent Network money raised goes back into the school for the children, last year we assisted with funding for the Rock Wall, we funded \$5000 dollars towards iPads, purchased 40 new SAPSASA tops, funded author Phil Kettle's visit to the school and finished the year with a donation of \$10 000 towards the soft fall upgrade in the playground, which looks fantastic. This year we would like to help fund the paved paths around the playground area and gate to finish this area off.

All parents and caregivers are encouraged to come along to a short meeting once or twice a term. We welcome everyone to help out on ice cream days, fun lunches, and other events, as well as many behind the scene jobs throughout the year. As you can imagine, the more people that help the easier it is. The canteen is child friendly on ice cream days, and so if you have a young one please think about helping on Wednesdays and Fridays.

A meeting will be held in the staff room on Thursday 19th February (week 4) at 9am, Please join us for coffee, cake and to meet other parents to discuss fundraising ideas and events for the school. If you are unable to attend but are interested in being a part of parent network please fill out the form below and return it to the front office before 19th February.

Ice creams continue on Wednesdays and Fridays if we get enough helpers. It involves collecting the key for the canteen and float from the front office and being in the canteen ready for the start of lunch at 12.50 for 1/2 hr and then cleaning up and returning the key and money to the office, So if you can help please fill out the form below and return to the front office before Thursday 12th February.

Fruit Juice Sticks \$1.00 Frozen Yoghurt \$0.80 Fandangles \$1.50 Billabong chocolate or swirl \$1.80
Milo Scoop \$2.50

If you are unable to attend parent network meeting on Thursday 19th February but are interested in being a part of parent network.

Name _____ Ph _____

If you can help on a Wednesday or Friday this term for 1/2 hr to sell ice cream please return this slip to the office by Thursday the 12th February

Name _____ Ph _____

Wednesdays that you are **UNAVAILABLE** _____

Fridays that you are **UNAVAILABLE** _____

Child's teacher's name _____