



COMMUNITY | CONFIDENCE | RESPECT

How high can our fish fly?



NEWSLETTER | TERM 3, WEEK 2

AUGUST 1ST, 2019



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

In every job that must be done, there is an element of fun...

During Week 2 of Term 3, the students from Year 1 to Year 7 had an opportunity to see the Victor Harbor High School production of *Mary Poppins*.

This was a great experience for our primary-aged children who got to see a high school performing arts programme at its best.

Many past Port Elliot students either performed or were involved in the back stage team. This was exciting for our teachers to see, especially Ms Bond, our Performing Arts teacher, who has inspired many past and present students to be involved in The Arts through her work here at Port Elliot.

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to come along and help with student supervision.

Transporting such a large number of students to Victor Harbor Town Hall always presents some challenges.

This year we decided to support the local volunteer rail network by using the Cockle Train. This provides the train service with much-needed funds and a unique and fun opportunity for our students. SteamRanger have also kindly provided a FREE child's ticket for every student who went on the excursion. On Thursday 1 August, the school will be issuing one round-trip ticket to Goolwa per child. This can be used anytime over the coming months. What a great family activity!

Thanks to SteamRanger for their generous support.

Brenton Hudson

Key Dates

Positive Parenting Workshops
2, 9, 16 August
(details on pg 6)

Parent Network QUIZ NIGHT
Saturday 24 August
(more info on pg 5)

SAPSASA Basketball
Wednesday 7 August
(Week 3, Term 3)

EXCURSION HIGHLIGHTS



...more from our fun day out...



SteamRanger is providing a FREE child's ticket for every student who went on the excursion. The school will issue one Goolwa round-trip ticket per child, which can be used anytime over the coming months.



REMINDER

As much as we love our furry friends, please remember that dogs and pets of any kind are not permitted on school grounds without prior approval. This is to ensure the safety and comfort for students, staff and pets.

If your child wishes to bring a dog in for a class sharing activity, please pre-arrange this with your class teacher. Thank you.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

You may have noticed at the end of Term 2, we rolled out a new, more streamlined Student Report format. Term 2 reports reflect the students' academic achievement and effort over the first 6 months. It is hoped that there are no surprises with the results. Teachers do try to share with families how students are going throughout the year and have regular communication via email, SeeSaw and parent conversations. In addition to this, there is now an opportunity for teachers or parents to request an interview. If you would like a 1:1 discussion with a teacher, please contact the school or the teacher directly to make a time on 8554 3399.



SAPSASA Year 6/7 Basketball

We had a boys and a girls team compete in the Year 6/7 basketball carnival held at Morphett Vale stadium on Wednesday 24th July (Week 1, Term 3).

Thank you to Sheena, Abbi and Sophie for coaching; to Emma, Chris and Lauren for scoring and to all the parents who assisted with transport and supporting the teams on the day.

The students played a lot of basketball and learnt a lot about the game. Well done to both teams.



SAPSASA Year 4/5 Basketball

Practices are now occurring for the Year 4/5 basketball girls and boys teams.

The teams will participate in the upcoming carnival, which will be held at Morphett Vale stadium Wednesday 7th August (Week 3, Term 3). We wish the teams well for the day.

Got A Local Sporting Success Story?

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

BECOME A VOLUNTEER!

Interested in helping out in your child's classroom, on class excursions or at sporting events?

Parent and carer support is always welcome, but certain documentation is needed first.

To become a volunteer at the school, you will need to complete the RAN_EC.

If you are viewing this newsletter online, simply click this article to get started or contact one of our friendly office staff.

<https://www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/signup.jsf>



SUSTAINABLE GARDENING



The Year 1-2 class has been busy looking after the school vegetable garden this year.

The students have been learning all about sustainable food production, natural growing methods and caring for our environment.

We have created a composting system for the whole school and we collect the food scraps from each class twice a week.

Students recently created new worm farms and we will soon be investigating selling the fertiliser they produce.

Keep an eye out for some of our fresh produce for sale as we move into Spring!

If anyone has some spare time and would like to help out in the garden, please see Ms. Lacey.

PEPS PARENT NETWORK

Quiz Night

AUGUST 24TH - 6.30PM

4 CAMERON STREET, PORT
ELLIOT

BYO FOOD (NO ALCOHOL)
COFFEE, TEA AND WATER
PROVIDED

\$10 PER TICKET

TICKETS AT
EVENTBRITE.COM - SEE
FOR MORE INFO



positive PARENTING



Take the stress out of parenting

A series of 3 free engaging and informative workshops
for parents with children aged 3 to 12 years

Workshop 1. The Power of Positive Parenting 1pm – 3pm, Friday 2 August 2019

Ensuring a safe engaging environment - Creating a positive, learning environment - Using assertive discipline - Having reasonable expectations - Looking after yourself as a parent

Workshop 2. Raising Confident and Competent Children 1pm – 3pm, Friday 9 August 2019

Showing respect to others - Being considerate - Having healthy self-esteem - Having good communication and social skills - Being a good problem solver - Becoming independent

Workshop 3. Raising Resilient Children 1pm – 3pm, Friday 16 August 2019

Recognising and accepting feelings - Building a positive outlook - Developing coping skills - Expressing feelings appropriately - Managing negative feelings - Managing stressful life events

Light refreshments and crèche provided

Where: Port Elliot Primary School
4 Cameron Street, Port Elliot

To book: Contact Reception on phone 8554 3399

Everyone is welcome, however *bookings are essential*

** Please arrive 10 minutes earlier for registrations **

Delivered by the Department for Education's Parenting and Family Support Team

If you can't make these times, www.triplep-parenting.net.au/sa lists all our upcoming workshops



Happy families. Better relationships. Successful kids.



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

