



**NEWSLETTER | TERM 3, WEEK 6** 

**AUGUST 30TH, 2018** 

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Reading is always good news!

# Celebrating 2018 Book Week

Thank you to all the students and staff who made such a terrific effort dressing up for our Book Week event. So much creativity and work went into the costumes. Everyone looked amazing! Book Week is an exciting time for students to share their favourite books and characters. It also promotes reading as a fun activity that everyone can be involved in. My thanks also to the staff who made this wonderful event possible for us all to enjoy.

### **Brenton Hudson**









# **Key Dates**

Yr 4-7 Tennis Day
Fri 31 Aug
Victor Harbor Courts

Sapsasa Yr 4/5 Basketball Wed 12 Sept Morphett Vale Stadium

Goolwa Tennis Club Season Launch Wed 5 September 5pm - 8pm

Getting The Right Fit Wed 12 September The Hilton Hotel, Adelaide

Positive Partnerships 18 - 19 September Hallett Cove



# 2019 PLANNING

It's time to start planning for the upcoming year. We currently have 416 students at Port Elliot Primary School. This year a catchment area has been applied for the first time to limit the growth of the school. As Principal, I have been meeting with the Department for Education and demographers about the schools predicted future growth in enrolment. The decision has been made that



Port Elliot Primary School will enrol future students only from **Port Elliot, Hayborough/Chiton and Middleton.** The exception being the siblings of students who are already attending. To help us determine the number of students to expect, we would like an early indication if you are planning to leave Port Elliot Primary School. **Please contact us on 8554 3399 or dl.0356.info@schools.sa.edu.au** this will help us with class configuration and future teacher placement. A letter will come home to families early in Term 4 with student friendship requests and placement information.

# Getting the right fit - a free conference for parents and carers of children with disability

### This free conference will be held on:

Wednesday12th September 2018 9:30 am to 2 pm The Hilton Hotel, Adelaide

The Getting the Right Fit Conference will provide parents & carers with information and strategies to empower them in supporting their children's journey.

Keynote speakers include:

Kirsty Russell - Positive Special Needs Parenting and Dr Emma Goodall - Interoception

Registration is required - https://bit.ly/2NlVadR Morning tea and lunch is provided.



# **Girl Guides**

The girls from Mary Gillett's/Kathy Turley's class (pictured here with troop leader Golda Munro) have all recently made their promises as Girl Guides. The badges they've already earned include Animal Tracks, Embracing 2018 Commonwealth Games badge and the Diamond Anniversary Girl Guides biscuit badge. They meet every Wednesday evening in Victor Harbor.

# Treasured Persons Day

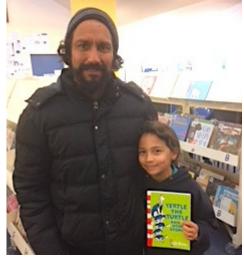
















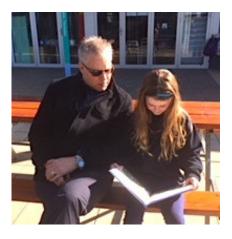




# Book Week 2018 - Find Your Treasure







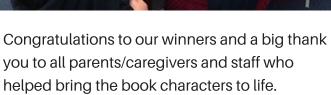
Room 3:08's Book Launch! Their buddy class (Rm 9:02) loved their books.

**Below**: Our book display











# **Science Week of STEM**







# Game Changers & Change Makers

In week 4, we celebrated Science Week with a variety of activities run by the STEM Ambassadors and teachers. Families were also encouraged to participate by completing a Family Challenge at home by either building a structure out of rolled newspapers, creating a musical instrument out of recycled materials or conducting the Rubber Egg experiment. Winners were announced at the week 5 assembly. What a fun week we all had!

### Monday

We looked at Aboriginal Astronomy and Junior Primary Students learnt why butterfly habitats are so important with Rob Wallace (NRM).

# Tuesday

Students were asked to apply their technology skills to build Rubber Band Flyers.

# Wednesday

We had a lot of fun engineering some very clever and creative Paper Roll Machines.

# Thursday

A busy day creating Emoji thaumatropes, launching rockets on the oval and making oobleck with our roving Mad Scientist in the mud kitchen!

# Friday

Coding using Scratch, plus whole school activities including a STEM Quiz and Science Scavenger Hunt.







# Murputja Exchange 2018













# A trip of a lifetime!

On Thursday 16th August students, staff and volunteers returned from eleven fun-filled days of travel, experiences and adventures.

A total of 41 students travelled from Port Elliot Primary School to Murputja Anangu School and then on to Uluru.

They met the people of the Murputja community, learnt about the culture and language, and forged many friendships along the way. Our students were warmly welcomed by the Murputja school students and staff and all felt very privileged to join in and be instructed by the community elders in a variety of tasks.

Activities included searching for witchetty grubs (lunki) and honey ants (tjala), spear and wood burning and attending a traditional ceremony with singing and dancing (lnma).

A highlight was a day trip into the outback to visit places that make up part of the sacred Dreamtime stories where very few people have had the opportunity to visit.

A truly amazing trip with many lifelong memories made.





# **PEPS Sport Report**

### **PE News**

In PE we continue to focus on learning and further developing our Fundamental Movement Skills and the skills required for successful team work and participation in various sports. Skipping with ropes and fitness are our main focus at the moment. We are also looking at some Traditional Indigenous Games, their background and links to sports being played today.

# Sapsasa Local Athletics Day

On 29th August we had 27 students participate in our school Athletics team at Victor Primary against the other schools in our District. Events included 100m, 200m, 800m, long jump, high jump, shot put and discus. The students had a great day and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to compete. Thank you to the adult helpers and to the High School helpers who assisted us on the day. A more detailed report of the day will be in the Week 8 newsletter.

### Year 4-7 Tennis

On Friday 31st August we will have 36 students attending the Year 4-7 Tennis Day at Victor Harbor Courts. We wish them a fun-filled day where they get to learn a lot about tennis.

# Sapsasa Year 4/5 Basketball

On Wednesday 12th September we have 2 girls teams and 1 boys team competing in the Year 4/5 Basketball Carnival at Morphett Vale Stadium. Trials were held earlier this term. Practices are occurring in designated Break times. Information was sent home with all the players. We wish all 3 teams a fantastic day and experience.

## Trina Doig and Kate Reynolds

# **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.

Goolwa Tennis Club Inc. Season 2018/19 Launch

# Come and try tennis!

Wednesday, September 5 5 pm to 8 pm Free BBQ Dinner

Find out about: Junior Tennis Program, Senior Tennis, Social Tennis.

Hear from the Goolwa Tennis Club Committee and Tennis SA representative about the exciting future plans for the club. Registrations will be taken on the night to ensure a place in a team for the 2018/19 season.

Everyone welcome and people of all abilities are encouraged to attend.

All enquiries to goolwatennisclub.secretary@gmail.com or phone Rob 0481 330 043

# Thinking of volunteering?

Great! But before you can become a volunteer at the school, you will need the following three things:

- **1. DCSI Criminal History Clearance** this is paid for by the school and valid for three years. Please call into the office to see Jo Colbeck to commence the online requirements to complete your criminal history clearance.
- 2. Responding to Abuse and Neglect In Education and Care Settings for Volunteers there is no cost associated with the RAN-EC and once completed will be valid for three years. You can find it online at: Plink https://www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/signup.jsf Please provide copies of certificates to school.
- **3. Work Health and Safety Site Induction** this is required training for anyone volunteering in the school. Please visit the front office admin staff to book once you have the above documentation.

For details please contact Jo Colbeck (08) 8554 3399



Free Two Day Workshop for Parents and Carers

Hallett Cove 18 & 19 September 2018

Positive Partnerships is coming to a location near you!

Join us for 2 days of learning with other parents and carers of school aged children on the autism spectrum, designed to help you foster productive school, family and community relationships to provide the best kind of support for your child. Our workshops are for parents, carers and grandparents wanting to understand more about autism and learn practical strategies using evidence based resources to help maximise their young person's learning.

What will you gain by attending this workshop?

- An increased understanding of the impact of autism
- Further knowledge about how to develop effective partnerships with your school
   Information to help you access further support both inside and outside of school
- An opportunity to be part of a support network where you can share strategies and experiences with other parents/carers
- An understanding of a planning tool that can be used to share key information related to your child

### Workshop details

Venue: Cove Civic Centre
1 Ragamuffin Drive
Hallett Cove SA 5158

When: Tuesday 18 & Wednesday 19 September 2018
9.30 am – 2.30 pm (Registration from 8.45 am)

Catering: Morning tea and lunch is provided. Please advise any dietary requirements upon registration.

Register Online: positivepartnerships.com.au Registrations open Wednesday 4 July 2018 and close one business day prior to the workshop. Register early as places are limited!

Questions? If you are not able to register online please call the Positive Partnerships

Infoline: 1300 881 971 or email parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au

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# Need help navigating NDIS?

As a registered NDIS provider, HCA Home is responsible for supporting local communities through the NDIS in South Australia providing core supports to participants in their homes and the community.

As a new system, the NDIS can be confusing and challenging to navigate, even for those familiar with the scheme.

For families requiring support and assistance through this process, go to www.hcahome.com.au/disability-care-ndis/ or call Darryl Scaife on 0447 799 624

# FREE come and try Karate lesson

**Training Here** 

Goolwa P/S Tuesday Nights

Pt Elliott P/S Gym Wednesday Nights

Victor Harbor Encounter Lutheran School Gym Thursday Nights



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