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NEWSLETTER | TERM 4, WEEK 8

DECEMBER 5TH, 2019



Pirates of the Curry Bean Stage Show
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Happy Holidays!

The 2019 school year is almost at a close and what a year it's been.

Highlights for 2019 have included:

Upgrades: to the gardens by Mr Blacker's class and Jocelyn's murals.

Onsite challenges: STEM Expo, Shark Tank, Sports Day plus all the SAPSAPSA events.

Excursions: Dream Big, Museum visits, Aquatics and swimming.

Camps: Murray River, Monarto Zoo, Canberra

Another fantastic year! On behalf of all the staff at Port Elliot Primary, I'd like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and have a safe and enjoyable holiday with family and friends.

See you back here on day one **TUESDAY 28th January 2020** for an 8:55 am start.

Staff Movements for 2020

Term 4 is always a busy time of year for our staff, this year is no exception.

The following staff have been placed into new positions:

Natalie Mumford: I&S teacher (full time. 12-month contract).
Cathy Elliott: Indonesian teacher (3 days a week).
Contract Indonesian Teacher (3 days a week. 12-month contract).
Contract position PE (2 days a week. 12-month contract).
Magali Grummett: temporary position.

The following staff will not be with us in 2020:

Brooke Hutchinson (SSO) has won a position in Adelaide and left in Week 7.
Rachel Grant (SSO) has won a position at another school.
Dorothy Geaghan (SSO) is leaving us and moving to Adelaide.
Mary Gillett was placed into a 1-year position at Mount Compass Area School.

To those leaving, we wish you all the very best and thank you for all your support for the students and families over the year.

Key Dates

School Starts 2020
Tuesday 28 Jan 8:55 am

Reports Go Home
Wednesday 11 Dec

Class Placement Letters
Thursday 12 December

Governing Council AGM
Monday 17 Feb in the School Library



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As the year draws to a close, we turn our attention to 2020.

Next year, for the first time ever, we'll be commencing with 17 classes and over 460 students. To accommodate the extra class, we'll be making the following changes to classrooms:

- The current Indonesian Room 3:02 will become a classroom.
- Building 3 will have four Year 6/7 classes.
- The Indonesian space will move to what is currently the Por La Pulgi Room 9:04.

That means that every classroom space across the school will be in use.

The student class placement process for next year has almost finished. This is never easy as while most parent and student requests can be accommodated, some simply cannot.

Most classes are starting the year with 25 in the Junior Primary and 28 in the Primary. When you receive your child/ren's placement for 2020, please take time to discuss the positives with your child.

> **Class placement letters will be coming home on Thursday 12th December.**

> **Reports will be sent home on Wednesday 11th of December.**

This has been a deliberate decision to allow families to focus on the reports before the class placements are announced.

If you have any questions or concerns they can be discussed with the leadership team on Friday 13th December via appointment only. To make an appointment call the front office on (08) 8554 3399.

FREE Community Carols event

Sunday 8th December 2019

22 Bartel Boulevard Victor Harbor

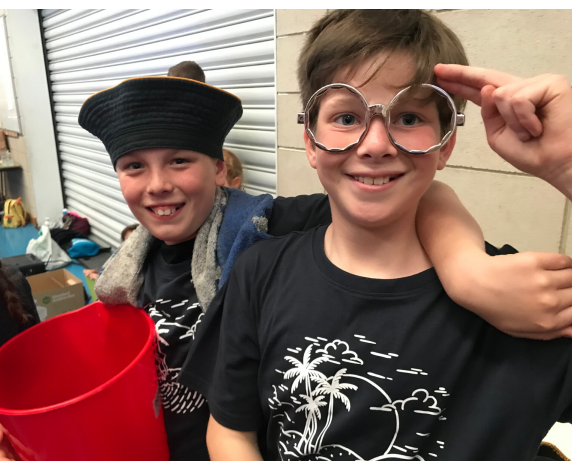


4:30pm Pre-carols family fun
7pm carols by candlelight

Please bring along blankets or seating



PIRATES OF THE CURRY BEAN



A Performance To Remember!

A HUGE congratulations to the cast and crew of the Port Elliot Musical, Pirates of the Curry Bean. The students performed both day and night shows, a total of four outstanding performances all with amazing acting, singing and dancing. Congratulations to the students and Ms Bond who worked so hard and deserve a huge round of applause. Well done to all!

