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NEWSLETTER | TERM 1, WEEK 2

FEBRUARY 6TH, 2020



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Welcome to the 2020 school year!

A warm welcome to the students and families of Port Elliot Primary School, especially our 53 new receptions!

We've started the year off with over 460 students in 17 classes. Every classroom space has now been filled, which has meant a few changes to the placement of classes.

The Por Lar Pulgi Room (Counsellor space) with Karen, the Student Wellbeing Leader, is now in Building 3, Room 3.04 (near the basketball court).

The Indonesian Room has moved to Building 9 in Room 9.04. It's easy to spot with a red and white Indonesian flag on the door.

Welcome also to our three new staff members: Bev Gillies, Mollie Kent and Hazel Minks as SSOs to support our students. Bu Cathy is also back as our Indonesian teacher after a year of study.

It's been a busy few weeks preparing for the start of term with new enrolments and meeting new staff, students and their families.

The classrooms have been particularly well prepared with staff putting in countless hours to ensure a great learning space for the students.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to speak with your child's teacher or a member of the leadership team.

Key Dates

Volunteer Induction

Wednesday 12 Feb 9am

Governing Council AGM

Monday 17 Feb
In the School Library

Yr 6/7 Aquatics

Friday 14th Feb (week 3)
Middleton

Friday 21st Feb (week 4)
Horseshoe Bay

Ice blocks for sale
Fridays break 2

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Governing Council AGM

Monday the 17th February at 7:00pm is the Annual General Meeting for the Governing Council held in the School Library.

The Governing Council will be presenting the Annual Report for 2019 and declaring vacancies for the 2020 year.

This is your opportunity to have a greater say in the schools direction and be informed about decisions and expenditure.

It is also an opportunity 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.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Learning from families about their children and expectations is a vital part of the partnership of learning.

All teachers offer an opportunity to meet with you at an interview after school during weeks 3 and 4.

Please see the notes sent home by class teachers last week and book a time.

Discontinued uniform sale

We have some discontinued lines in our uniform shop with limited sizes available.

Shorts, skorts and jazz pants all \$10



Kiss and Drop

Drop SAFELY and QUICKLY and keep going...



The school's Kiss and Drop area, located on Cameron Street, was moved in late 2019 to encourage better flow of traffic and a safer area for students to enter school.

Unfortunately, we are still seeing some vehicles parking/stopping in the area for an extended period of time.

The process works well when cars pull in, students immediately get in or out and the car moves away. Other schools use the same system and it works very well when everyone works together.

Please be aware that council is fining drivers for failing to use the parking areas correctly.

During Term 1 while the weather is good, consider parking on Tottenham Court Rd and walking across. This is a good opportunity to talk with your child about the school day and get some fitness.

Position Vacant



PASTORAL CARE WORKER

(Previously known as "School Chaplain")

Pt Elliot Primary School

Schools Ministry Group along with South Coast Schools Ministry Group Inc (Support Group) are seeking applications for this 12 hour per week position, commencing Week 6 Term 1, 2020. The position exists to offer Chaplaincy Services to students, staff and the school community.

A Job and Person Specification, including details on "How to Apply", is available from Schools Ministry Group website or 8378 6800.

Closing date: 9am, Thursday February 13th 2020

Interested? For details, go to: www.smg.asn.au

2020 HOUSE CAPTAINS

Last year in Term 4, Week 7, the candidates running for 2020 House Captain delivered their speeches to the whole school. Voting then took place during PE lessons.

The votes are in and the successful House Captains for 2020 are:

Boomer: Chloe, Imogen, Gracie and Ethan.

Commodore: Maddi, Nadia, Riley and Cody.

Freeman: Izabella, April, Riley and Patrick.

Knights: Karly, Emily, Jett and Keat.

The new House Captains had their responsibilities handed over to them at the End of Year Awards Assembly and received their training during Weeks 8&9 of Term 4 by the previous House Captains.

Congratulations to all involved. We hope you found it a rewarding and enjoyable experience.

2020 Sports Day will be held on Friday Week 10, Term 1, 3rd April.



Students have begun practicing team and warm up activities and talking about Sports Day chants.

Every student should soon know which house team 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.

BOOMER

Boomer Boomer
We're the best
We are going
to Beat the rest
You'll hear us cheer
Loud and clear
This will finally
Be our year
Time to shine
And have some fun
It's our turn
To be number one
Make us proud
Shout out loud
The name that will
Attract the crowd
B. O. O. M. E. R
GO BOOMER!

FREEMAN

Come on Freeman
Let's have some fun
And we will finish
Number one
We are fast
We are strong
This is our
Winning song
Freeman Freeman
We're a team
Let's all stand
And loudly sing
F.R.E.E.M.A.N
GOOOO
FREEMAN!

COMMODORE

Commodore
Commodore
We're the best
We are going to beat
the rest
We are fast
We'll have a blast
And never ever be last
Commodore is the
name we cheer
You will hear us loud
and clear
C.O.M.M.O.D.O.R.E.
GOOOO COMMODORE!

KNIGHTS

Knights are here
We've got the heat
It's time to start
Our winning streak
We'll have fun
We'll give it a go
Our team will put
Our skills on show
The winning team
Is here to cheer
Cos Knights will win
Sports Day this year
K.N.I.G.H.T.S
GOOO
KNIGHTS

In PE this year, we will be focusing on learning and developing our Fundamental Movement Skills and the skills required for successful team work and participation in many sporting activities and events.

Fitness and active lifestyles are also a focus. 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 every day we have PE. And don't forget, hats are compulsory in Terms 1 and 4. Thank you.

SAPSASA Information

When information on SAPSASA events is available we will put notices in this newsletter and send notes home with interested students. SAPSASA photo displays will be put up on the gym windows so come have a look after events.

This year the District SAPSASA convenor will also be posting information on the SOUTHERN FLEURIEU FACEBOOK PAGE and the SOUTHERN FLEURIEU LINK ON THE SAPSASA website:

www.decd.sa.gov.au/teaching/sport

SAPSASA Swimming

In Week 1, Term 1, students born in 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007 were offered the opportunity to try out for a spot in our school SAPSASA Swimming team. The carnival is to be held in Week 4 on Wednesday 19th February at Strathalbyn Swimming Centre. Well done to the students who have been practicing in their own time. For further information contact Trina at school.

SAPSASA District Tennis State Carnival

Students have been informed of the opportunity to trial for the girls and boys SAPSASA District Tennis teams, to participate in a carnival in Adelaide from Monday 16th March – Thursday 19th March 2020. Information has been sent home. Please see Trina for more info.

SAPSASA State Teams Selections

Interested students wanting to trial for state teams must refer to the SAPSASA website www.decd.sa.gov.au/teaching/sport to access all trial information and nomination forms. If you wish to trial for a team, an online nomination must be completed and submitted by the due date for each sport.

See Trina or Kate at school if you need more information re this process. Our Southern Fleurieu Zone Convenor is Danny Robinson. You can contact him via the email below:

danny.robinson706@schools.sa.edu.au

SAPSASA District Cricket State Carnival

Students have been informed of the opportunity to trial for the girls and boys SAPSASA District Cricket teams, to participate in a carnival in Adelaide from Monday 16th March to Thursday 19th March 2020.

SAPSASA Events

Our school participates in a wide range of SAPSASA events throughout the year. Trina and Kate train and trial 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.

Trina Doig and Kate Reynolds

Local Sporting Success Stories!

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