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*How high can our fish fly?*



NEWSLETTER | TERM 1, WEEK 4

FEBRUARY 20TH, 2020



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

### Annual General Meeting

The Governing Council AGM was held Monday 17th February at 7pm.

Thank you to the 20+ parents and staff who made the time to attend, it's always good to see community support for the school.

A big thanks also to Naomi O'Brien who has retired from Governing Council after many years of service, your extra time on the OSHC committee during the contract placement process was greatly appreciated.

This year we're pleased to have a wide representative group of members with students in various year levels.

Please welcome the 2020 Governing Council members:

Chairperson: Kate Annells  
Deputy Chairperson: Peter Radcliffe  
Secretary: Kelly Ellbourn  
Treasurer: Chris Mitchell  
General Members: Helen Bagnell, Rebekah Hollamby, Jo Twelftree, Kate Overall, Chris Mitchell, Justine DeLuca and Steven Croft  
Staff Reps: Rachael Norde and Kelly Ellbourn  
Community Rep: Jade McHughes

If you have any ideas for the school, please speak with one of these people to bring to Governing Council.

**Brenton Hudson**

## Key Dates

### Yr 6/7 Aquatics

Friday 21 February  
Horseshoe Bay

### Student Leadership Day

Friday 28 February

### Be You Action Team Meeting

In the Staffroom at 9am  
Tuesday 3rd March and  
Tuesday 24 March

### STUDENT FREE DAY

Monday 23 March

### SCHOOL PHOTOS DAY

Wednesday 18th March

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## WE NEED YOU!

Become a member of the Action Team and help our students flourish!

Action Teams are central to Be You, a national initiative aiming to promote and protect positive mental health in school-aged children.

We know the most effective approach to mental health prevention and promotion is one that involves the whole learning community – including leaders, educators, children and young people, families and the wider local community. We call this a 'whole learning community approach'.

An Action Team is a group of individuals within an early learning service or school who lead



implementation of the whole learning community approach to Be You. The Action Team works together with the wider learning community to ensure Be You is tailored to meet the needs of our learning community at Port Elliot Primary School.

Would you like to help promote, plan and action positive mental health within our school environment? If you are interested please join us in the staffroom at 9am, Tuesday 3rd March (Week 6) and 9am, Tuesday 24th March (Week 9).

Enquiries to Karen Robinson, Wellbeing Leader.

## Student Leadership Day



The 2020 House Captains, SRC and Wellbeing Ambassadors will be involved in a Student Leadership Day at Port Elliot Primary on Friday 28th February, Term 1 in Week 5.

Trina, Karen, Vic and Kate along with guest speaker, Ashley Manuel from Growing With Gratitude, will be holding presentations, running workshops and doing team building activities with the students.

We'll focus on gratitude, resilience, self-belief, ownership, empathy, appreciating others and leadership.

At the conclusion of the day, the students will focus on things that inspired them from the day and discuss what hurdles, as leaders, they think they may face (e.g. time constraints, confidence, etc) and come up with ideas and strategies to help them address these challenges.

The students will then set goals individually, and as a team, to help them be effective leaders who "make a positive difference" to Port Elliot Primary in 2020.

Our school will receive 12 months of free access to the Growing With Gratitude program, fully resourced online. The students and staff will be able to further develop these leadership skills and personal qualities. Families will also be able to access the Home Grown Gratitude program.

If you would like more information about the Growing With Gratitude program, feel free to contact Ashley on the details below.

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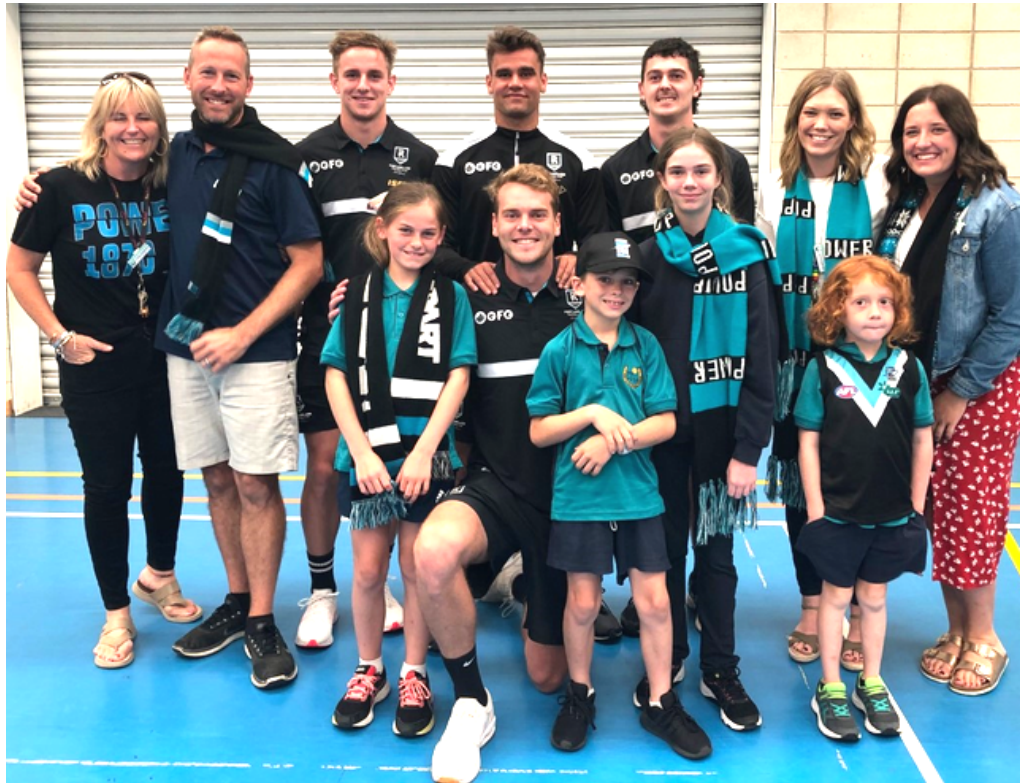
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## Port Power Visit

Jack Watts, Darcy Byrne-Jones, Jackson Mead and Jake Patmore (players from the Port Power Football Club) visited our school on Tuesday 11th February, Week 3 as part of their Power Community Youth Program. The visit consisted of a school assembly conducted by the players who discussed their pathway into the AFL, living a healthy lifestyle and their current pre-season schedule. A big thanks to the Port Power Football Club for this exciting opportunity.



## Local Sporting Success Stories!

Let us know any student success stories so they can get a mention in this newsletter.

### Flying Fish Awards

Congratulations to: Rafi A, Thea C, Ellie I, Frankie W, Ronan G, Madison W, Josh R, CJ H, Rose D, Amelia J, Mackenzie C, Reilly W, Patrick D, Jack P, Harper P, Mason D

### Discontinued uniform sale

We have some discontinued lines in our uniform shop with limited sizes available. Shorts, skorts and jazz pants all \$10



### SAPSASA SWIMMING

The SAPSASA Swimming carnival was held on Wednesday 19th February at Strathalbyn Swimming Centre. We had 21 students compete and represent Port Elliot Primary School to an excellent standard, giving their best effort in events and displaying wonderful sportsmanship. A more detailed report will be in the next 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.

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