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NEWSLETTER | TERM 4, WEEK 9

DECEMBER 10TH, 2019

Congratulations to Holly T and Jasper B, winners of the Jubilee 150 Award for Scholastic Endeavour, Attendance, Participation, Personality and Conduct in Year 7, 2020. More awards photos on page 4 >>



Pictured L-R; Brenton Osborne, Holly T, Jasper B, Principal Brenton Hudson

## Holiday Message

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

2020 is certainly a year we will remember. As a community, we have all been challenged by the global pandemic of Covid-19 outbreak. For our school, this resulted in a few stops and starts but throughout the year, I have been so impressed with the resilience and understanding of the students, teachers and families.

Students have had in class, online and paper pack learning, all of which was managed by teachers and families. What a challenge for us all! I would like to send a special thanks to the families of room 4:02

for who it has been a particularly bumpy ride. The students have responded so well to the changes and have had some outstanding teachers throughout the year, thank you for your understanding.

What this year has shown us, is how flexible, agile and resilient we can all be. Thank you for your support and patience.

On behalf of all staff at Port Elliot, I would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas and New Year. Enjoy a safe and enjoyable holiday with family and friends.

Brenton Hudson



## Key Dates

**Last day of school**  
Friday 11 December

**Governing Council AGM**  
15 February 2021 7pm

**First day of school**  
Wed 27 January 2021

**2021 Sports Day**  
Term 1 Week 10  
(Tentative date)

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

## THANK YOU JUDY LEWIS

Our front office person, Judy Lewis, has announced her retirement. Judy has been the face of our school for many years, supporting parents and students.



No doubt Judy has lost count of the ice packs and bandaids provided!

Judy, we thank you for your service to education and our community, we wish you all the very best for the future.

## Governing Council AGM 2021

The Port Elliot Governing Council AGM for 2021 will be held on 7pm 15th February 2021 in the library. All parents a welcome to attend.



*This is not the year to get everything you want. This is the year to appreciate everything you have.*

## TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS

This week, the staff of Port Elliot Primary had planned a morning tea to say a big THANK YOU to our amazing volunteers for their ongoing support.

Unfortunately, this is not able to happen but like the quote above, having our volunteers is something the staff and students at Port Elliot Primary School continue to appreciate and value. very much.

**We couldn't do it without you  
Thank you from all of us!**

## STAFFING 2021

This is a very busy time of year for all staff, with many placements being made. We welcome Tamika Williams to our staff as a Year 4/5 class teacher. Tamika joins us from Keith Area School as a primary teacher.

We say goodbye to Cathy Elliott as our Indonesian teacher who coincidentally is going to Keith! Thank you Cathy for supporting the Indonesian language programme to be one of the best across South Australia.

Kathy Turley has been appointed to the role of Literacy Mentor for 2021, four days a week.

Judy Fletcher, our strings instrument teacher, will be on leave for the whole of 2021 and a new string teacher will be assigned to Port Elliot Primary School.

Rachael Norde has completed her role as Assistant Principal and has been an excellent support to the students and leadership team during this period. Rachael will be returning to a classroom position in 2021.

### Our contract teachers returning for 2021 are:

- Sarah Zadow Year 6/7 teacher
- Emma O'Shaughnessy Year 4/5 class 4 days/week
- Rachael Norde 1/2 teacher
- Jane Brewer Year 1/2 teacher
- April Howes Year 1/2 teacher
- Tim Caire Indonesian Teacher
- Kate Reynolds PE Teacher
- Brylee Gillies Intervention and Support Teacher
- Sam Hage Specialist Behaviour Support

### Recently advertised SSO positions have also been filled:

- Kelly Ellbourn continuing executive leadership support
- Bev Gillies continuing SSO with diabetic student support
- Darryn Burrett continuing in the library in addition to his ICT role
- more positions to be confirmed soon.

This is very pleasing as most of our 2020 staff are returning to similar positions to continue to support the students and families.

## Flying Fish Awards

Congratulations to Axel S, Willow M, Miranda H, Quinn P - Well done!





# 2021 HOUSE CAPTAINS

The candidates who ran for Year 6 & 7 House Captain in 2021, delivered their speeches to all classes on Monday Week 7. Voting was held in Week 7 PE lessons. Congratulations to all involved. We hope you found it a rewarding

and enjoyable experience. The new House Captains will have the responsibilities handed over to them at the end of year awards assembly. They will also have training during the remainder of Weeks 8 & 9 by the existing House Captains.



Molly, Amity, Halle, Mya, Mia S-B, Malakye, Chester, Jedd



Ruby D, Brydie, Mecki, Eve, Corey, Bobby, Isaac, Brodie



Rose, Mia D, Lyla, Indie, Ava, Isabella Ryder, Fin



Alice, Ruby M, Ruby H, Jaz, Magdalena, Harper, Jack, Zeb

2021 Sports Day is tentatively set for Wednesday Week 10 Term 1 (our usual Friday Week 10 is Good Friday in 2021).

## Port Elliot South Coast Surfing Championships





# 2020 AWARD WINNERS

## YEAR 3 AWARDS



(L-R) Xavier T, Phoenix G, Annabelle D, Taj R, Sol G

## YEAR 5 AWARDS



(L-R) Alice T, Ava D, Corey A, Jack M, Bailey D

## YEAR 4 AWARDS



(L-R) Maddison H, Zach B, Lexi D, Ayla G, Isaiah B

## YEAR 7 AWARDS



(L-R) Alex G, Ava T, Daniel B, Isaac L

**On Tuesday 8th of December, the Year 7s finally graduated from primary school.**

At 5.30, everyone was in the gym, with 2 or 3 family members or friends. The main ceremony went very well, with only a couple of technical difficulties.

After all the graduates had put their locks on fence, we all drove down to the Chiton Rocks Cafe. We had a lot of fun, singing, eating and taking photos. We have all enjoyed our time at Port Elliot Primary very much, and we are sad but excited to be going on to high school.

Words by Holly & Jasper

## Year 7 Award Winners:

Student Wellbeing: Tayla W

Performing Arts: Holly T

Indonesian: April S

P.E.: Jemma L

Library: Holly T

J 150: Jasper B and Holly T