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# Newsletter

TERM 1 – WEEK 8  
22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2018



Port Elliot and Victor Harbor students and teacher at the STEM Ambassador's Connection Day.



Government of South Australia

Department for Education and Child Development

## STEM Ambassadors 2018

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, six students from the Sustainability Group and two Year sevens were invited to attend the STEM Student Ambassadors' Connections Day in Hahndorf.

STEM is an acronym for Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics.

Archie, Selena, Ella, Holly, April, Daniel, Mya and Ava represented our school very well and confidently spoke about a range of topics to a broad range of students from both primary and high schools across the Southern region. Our students worked alongside students from other schools to build a community of learners around STEM challenges and investigations throughout the day.

These students were involved in discussions on how STEM subjects were important in their learning and how they can promote these subjects at their school.

The students will be involved in the STEM Ambassadors Project throughout 2018 and will form a Student Action Team to look at ways to find innovative approaches to help people in our local community solve real life challenges.

## Upcoming Events

### MARCH

23<sup>rd</sup> FUN LUNCH

Assembly 2:30pm

29<sup>th</sup> Year 3-4 C Reedy, S Taylor

&K Turley classes

Beach Excursion

28<sup>th</sup> SCHOOL PHOTOS

### APRIL

4<sup>TH</sup> ATSI Excursion

6<sup>TH</sup> SPORTS DAY

9<sup>TH</sup> Governing Council

13<sup>TH</sup> END OF TERM  
2:15PM FINISH





## Intervention and Support update!

The Intervention and Support room has been newly named **The Space**. The room holds 3 separate areas; a learning and play room, a sensory space and an area for speech support. If you wish to visit us, please feel free to pop in on Tuesday or Wednesday before school.

As the Intervention and Support teacher, I have some administrative duties, however my time is spent working with small groups of students and supporting teachers. I also run break times and before school sensory activities. Any students wanting to come and hang out in The Space are always welcomed.

I am more than happy to meet with families, share my learning experiences and offer support. I strongly believe that success can be achieved when we work on the same goals. I am also a HUGE advocate of the use of visuals to support learning.

'Welcome to Holland' is a favourite piece of mine that was shared from a dear parent I once worked with. It is always a reminder to visit Holland, spend a bit of time, ask some questions and get to know Holland like others do.....

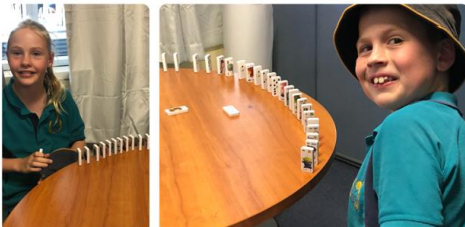
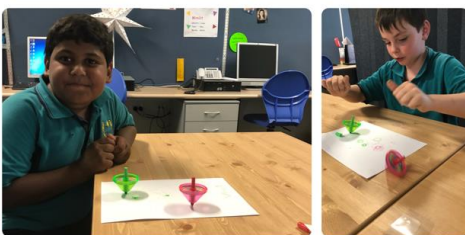
Thank you,

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Workdays: Monday-Wednesday



LisasWorkshop.blogspot.com

### WELCOME TO HOLLAND

by  
Emily Perl Kingsley.

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I am often asked to describe the experience of raising a child with a disability - to try to help people who have not shared that unique experience to understand it, to imagine how it would feel. It's like this.....

When you're going to have a baby, it's like planning a fabulous vacation trip - to Italy. You buy a bunch of guide books and make your wonderful plans. The Coliseum. The Michelangelo David. The gondolas in Venice. You may learn some handy phrases in Italian. It's all very exciting.

After months of eager anticipation, the day finally arrives. You pack your bags and off you go. Several hours later, the plane lands. The stewardess comes in and says, "Welcome to Holland."

"Holland?!?" you say. "What do you mean Holland?? I signed up for Italy! I'm supposed to be in Italy. All my life I've dreamed of going to Italy."

But there's been a change in the flight plan. They've landed in Holland and there you must stay.

The important thing is that they haven't taken you to a horrible, disgusting, filthy place, full of pestilence, famine and disease. It's just a different place.

So you must go out and buy new guide books. And you must learn a whole new language. And you will meet a whole new group of people you would never have met.

It's just a different place. It's slower-paced than Italy, less flashy than Italy. But after you've been there for a while and you catch your breath, you look around.... and you begin to notice that Holland has windmills....and Holland has tulips. Holland even has Rembrandts.

But everyone you know is busy coming and going from Italy... and they're all bragging about what a wonderful time they had there. And for the rest of your life, you will say "Yes, that's where I was supposed to go. That's what I had planned."

And the pain of that will never, ever, ever, ever go away... because the loss of that dream is a very very significant loss.

But... if you spend your life mourning the fact that you didn't get to Italy, you may never be free to enjoy the very special, the very lovely things ... about Holland.

Artwork from [WinksArtGraphics.blogspot.com](http://WinksArtGraphics.blogspot.com) and [Sweet-pea-designz.blogspot.com](http://Sweet-pea-designz.blogspot.com)

## P.E. AND SAPSASA 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 Sports Day style events. We have begun our whole school practices of chants and warm ups. The House Captains and students are all doing a wonderful job and should be congratulated for their effort and positive attitudes.



### **SAPSASA NETBALL AND FOOTBALL CARNIVAL Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

Interested Year 5/6/7  
Students were invited to nominate and trial for the teams who will compete

in a carnival Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May (Week 1 Term 2). Final teams have been selected and practices are occurring. More information will be sent home with the selected team members in the next few weeks.

**We may be in need of a netball coach and/or 2 netball umpires. Please let Trina know asap if you are able to help out on the day. Thanks.**



### **SAPSASA CROSS COUNTRY Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

Students aged 10-13 have been invited to nominate and attend practices for the Cross Country event to be held at Kent Reserve Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May (Week 2 Term 2). More information will be sent home soon with interested students.

### **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.

Trina Doig and Kate Reynolds

**SPORTS DAY  
FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
COME JOIN US**

### **Sports Day**

Sports Day is only 2 weeks away on Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of April. This is a fun day for students and families we look forward to seeing many of you at the event. Students have been practising their events, chants and warm ups. This year we welcome a new team, Knights, who will all be dressed in red. We hope that they do well. We have worked hard to try and make the teams as even as possible.

Please note:

- Sports Day is a regular day of attendance. Non attendance requires a note from parents or care-givers.
- Older siblings and past students are expected to attend their high school on this day, unless they are part of a Victor Harbor High School PE class or the winning sports day captain from 2017, invited to assist.
- If you wish to take your child home early you must locate your child's teacher and **sign your child out with the teacher.**
- Sports Day will proceed unless the weather is deemed very unsuitable, eg. heavy rain or extreme heat. Check the school Facebook page if the weather outlook is not looking promising.
- Adult Toilets are located in the Gym and the disabled toilets in Buildings 5 and 9. Please do not use student toilets.
- There will be only be pre-ordered food available from Goods to Go at the school on the day. Parents and families will need to provide their own packed lunch if not pre-ordered. Students will be eating their lunches as a class group.
- Spectators are reminded that dogs are not to be on school grounds.

Our Physical Education Teachers, Trina Doig and Kate Reynolds have included more information later in this newsletter, plus a *Sports Day Programme* will be sent home earlier that week. Spares will also be available at the front office.

See you there in your team colours.  
Leadership

**SCHOOL PHOTOS  
28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH  
COME DRESSED  
IN YOUR  
SCHOOL UNIFORM**



## Nunga Tag 2018

Nunga Tag is a Touch rugby carnival for Nunga year 6–9's, who come from all over Adelaide and the South and is supported by the NRL.

This year was the 6<sup>th</sup> Nunga Tag held at Christies Beach High School.

Due to low numbers, PEPS formed a team with Goolwa Primary and Woodcroft Primary Schools.

From Port Elliot our Nunga Tag stars were Ash-Monique Oughton, Tyler Gertz Carroll and Abigail Murrell. Our Woodcroft Rugby Tag stars were Emily Boyle, Nevara Richards and Ada Gillespie and our Goolwa Rugby stars were Noah Holland, Risho Varcoe and Chloe York Brown.

They became WPGs, with Jason King (Deputy Principal WPS) as head coach!

They formed a team of dynamic, young people who came together respectfully and did us proud. Not only were their Rugby skills awesome, their behavior was also commendable.

I was really stoked to have families meet us down there.

The Welcome to Country was delivered by Auntie Georgina who spoke beautifully about the positive aspects of coming together for sport and how the Kurna, Ramindjeri and Ngarrindjeri people have been doing so for thousands of years.

We played 5 ten minute games, winning 4 and drawing 1! The last game was played against Victor Harbor which was a bit of a rivalry match for our two Fleurieu schools!

Well done to Jessica Wishart, who is the ASETO from CBHS for putting together a successful day. It was a wonderful atmosphere with so many smiling faces. The T-shirts looked fantastic.

Thankyou to our awesome coach, for making the training session and the day a success.

Thankyou to Moorundi Health, for allowing us the use of their bus. It really makes a difference being able to transport the kids without the expense of hiring a bus, or having to rely on busy, working parents.

Thanks to Charlene and Lisa for cheering us on and helping out throughout the day. One of the highlights of the day was the staff vs students match. Kingy was a bit of a gun!

I look forward to putting a team in next year.

Jade McHughes – ACEO, Port Elliot, Goolwa and Woodcroft Primary Schools



**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS START APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>  
SO DON'T FORGET TO ENROL FOR OSHC.  
PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE FRONT  
OFFICE OR  
CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS  
[www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)**

## Dinosaur Revolution Excursion

*Last Wednesday, five lucky classes including Ms Lacey's year 2s, Mrs Warner's year 2/3s, Ms Reedy's 3/4s, Mr Taylor's 3/4s and Mrs Turley's 3/4s all travelled to the Adelaide Museum to see the Dinosaur Revolution Exhibition. Here are some recounts, reviews, sketches and photos from these classes.*

At the museum, in the exhibition, there were three robotic dinosaurs. I did a small project on the Pachycephalosaurus. The meaning of the name is thick-headed lizard and it was 65 million years ago that it lived in the USA. Then we got to see the stuffed animals. After, we looked at the Aboriginal artefacts and the giant squid. We also saw the Egyptian display. – Jack M.

After, we went to the Mortlock Library. It looked like a hall off the Harry Potter movie. The books were really old. We looked for 12 treasures. My favourite treasure was the sliding ladders. – Josh R.

The best thing about the Dinosaur Revolution was seeing the dinosaurs move and hearing the sounds. They looked so real and cool. I learnt new things about dinosaurs. – Ruby B

The animatronic dinosaurs were very detailed. – Bayden

I liked the cool robot dinosaurs because they scared me. – Dylan

We learnt very interesting stuff and I liked the moving dinosaurs because they were very realistic – Alex

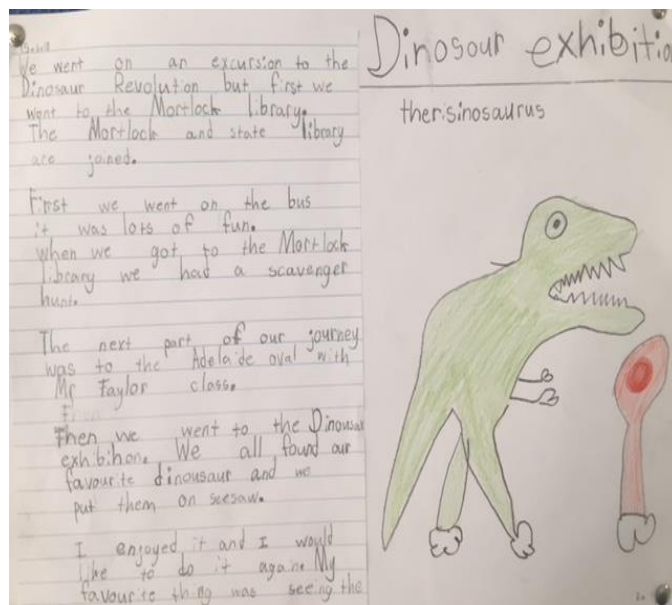
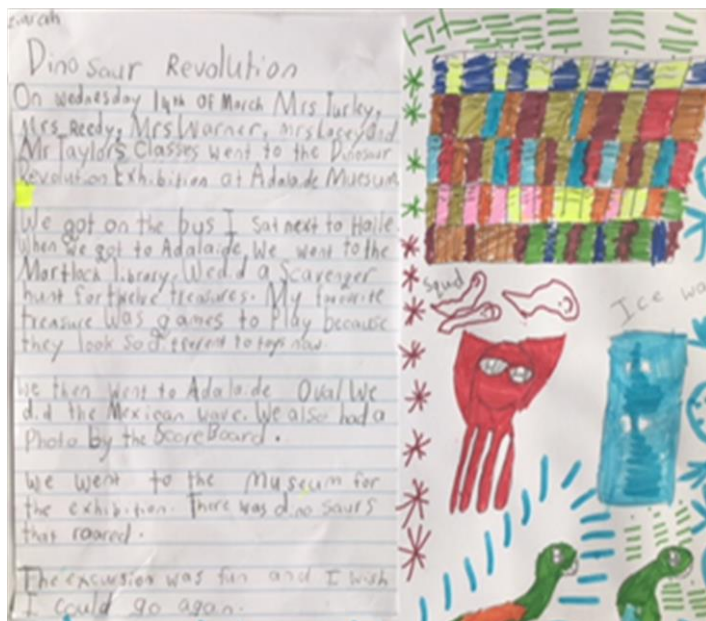
The best thing about the Dinosaur Revolution was learning that dinosaurs had feathers. – Matilda

The best thing about the Dinosaur Revolution was seeing the bones from the dinosaurs. – Nahla

The best thing about the Dinosaur Revolution was the animatronic dinosaur models. I was extremely inquisitive on how the robotic models moved. I was very curious to know how the models behaved was the real way the prehistoric dinosaurs behaved in ancient times. I enjoyed reading the information posters as they were highly informative and the subject was really quite fascinating. I couldn't believe how scientists find out the information from just fossils. – Ella







## STUDENT WELL BEING LEADER

### Flying Fish Awards

Congratulations to students, Hudson B, Isabelle D, Kobe E, Sophia A, Sean B, Lyla T and Liam B on receiving Flying Fish Awards!

### Harmony Week

Harmony Week has been focusing on our diversity and the theme of 'Everyone Belongs.' Students have been involved in a variety of activities and learning to celebrate the importance of inclusion and harmony.



Please join us for a whole school, family picnic on Friday 23rd, beginning at 12:15 on the oval. Students' Identity Flags will also be on display.

Have a great week!  
 Cheers Karen

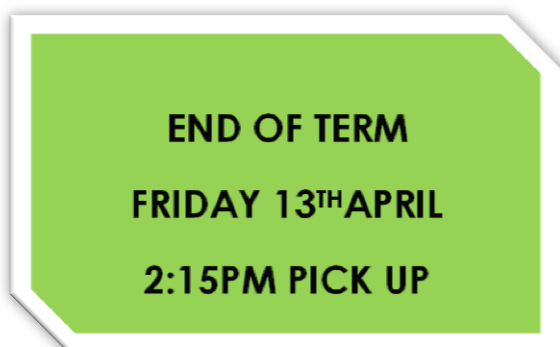
## Interested in Volunteering at Port Elliot Primary School

Prerequisites required from Volunteers in school are as follows:

- **DCSI Criminal History Clearance** – paid by the school, **valid for 3 years.** Please call into Admin to see Jo Colbeck to commence the online requirements to complete your criminal history clearance.
- **Responding to Abuse and Neglect – In Education and Care Settings for volunteers** – **valid for 3 years**, no cost. To complete the RAN-EC Online Via Plink, visit <https://www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/signup.jsf> Please provide copies of certificates to school.
- **Work Health and Safety site Induction** – required prior to Volunteering in the school. Please book through Front Office with Admin staff once you have the above documentation. I look forward to meeting with you at Induction.

**All documentation is required prior to volunteering in the school.**

Yours Sincerely  
 Ms Cameron



## THE SCHOOL SPORTS DAY MASCOTS

All about them by Jackson Price

As you all know, there are 4 school teams! Like Knights, or Freeman! But, would you believe me\* if I told you\*\* that there are mascots for the teams, and soon to be the school? I wouldn't, but there are!



KNIGHTS



FREEMAN



BOOMER



COMMODORE

These mascots are the mascots acting as the school teams mascots.

The mascots were designed by Jacko Price, who has also worked on The 90s Animation, the Movie Mania opening sequence IN 2017.

At the start of the year Jacko was approached to create a mascot for each of the Houses at Port Elliot Primary School.

The Houses are **Freeman**, **Commodore**, **Boomer** and now **Knights**. He was not given many guidelines and the creativity was left up to himself.

Red - Knights is a Knight\*\*\* because... **Take a wild guess \*\*\*\*\***

Blue - Freeman is a granite thing because of hills

Yellow - Boomer is a lightning bolt because lightning bolts are most commonly associated with the colour Yellow

Green - Commodore is the Captain Commodore because of **history\*\*\*\***

These characters will be printed out as mini-statues, to be created as a life-sized costume for the wearer of the costume that the wearer will wear will wear in the wearing area where the wearer of the costume that the wearer will wear will wear.


The idea of making **Freeman** out of granite came from Hamish teaching him about Mr. **Freeman** who used to raise the flag to let ships know when it was safe to sail close to shore.

One of the troubles he had making the **Freeman** Mascot was when he was baking\*\*\*\*\* the textures for **Freeman**, he opened the file and the textures were missing! He had to use a previous model of him to bake the textures again!

Finally when it was time to create the **Commodore** Mascot he began by looking at sea animals and chose a Dolphin. This was too challenging to create an anamorphic model and he was given the idea of just creating a Navy **Commodore**.

He knew that creating a **Commodore** in his software would be time consuming, so he used Adobe Fuse.

The hardest part of creating this mascot was modelling the shirt, pants, and hat for him! Jacko had to model them because nearly all the clothes that **Commodore** wears were not in the Fuse library! It was a hard process modelling all the clothes so, for laziness he took some assets from

games. The shirt was taken from a pirate costume  in Super Mario Odyssey, and the pants were taken from ARMS (Nintendo Switch game).

What he plans to do with the mascots is to make them associated with this school, not fade out of peoples mind and/or fade into obscurity... The best thing to do with them is turn them into costumes for the wearer of the costume that the wearer will wear will wear in the wearing area where the wearer of the costume that the wearer will wear will wear.

\* Jacko

\*\* The reader(s)

\*\*\* A knight is an ex-medieval soldier in amour

\*\*\*\* Commodore is the name of a captain of the same name of Commodore

\*\*\*\*\* The inspiration of Knights came from the Shovel Knight

\*\*\*\*\* Stuffing all of the textures into one file



## COMMUNITY NEWS

Hi Everyone.

This is just a quick thank you to all those people who have been involved in the sculpture that I put in at this year's Cottesloe Sculpture by the Sea Event. Your gumboots were star attractions, were on the channel 9 news in the morning, on the channel 10 news in Perth at night and were looked at by more than 200,000 people over the two weeks they were on show. I was one of only 26 Australian artists chosen to be part of the exhibition and my work sat alongside artists who come here for this exhibition from all round the world. As you read this they will now be on their way to a freight terminal somewhere before coming back from Western Australia by train. I'll be in touch with everyone before school holidays to let you know how you can get your boots back. If you get a chance, have mum or dad or maybe your teachers check out some pictures on the internet of this and other years' Cottesloe, Sculpture by the Sea exhibits.

Thanks again for all your help.

Hamish McMillan

PS: One of my sculptures can be seen on Granite Island and I can let you know with a South Coast scoop that a new sculpture from some artists all the way from Denmark will be going up in the next week or so, so make sure you get across there for a look.



## VICTOR HARBOR HOCKEY CLUB

### COME & TRY HOCKEY!

The Victor Harbor Hockey Club is looking for new players for the 2018 season.

Training starts on Wednesday 21st March 2018 and new players are encouraged to come and try!

**When:** Wednesday 21st March 2018

**Time:** Juniors (Under 16s) 4:15pm - 5:30pm, Seniors (16+) 6:30pm - 8pm

**Where:** Victor Harbor Hockey Club (Bacchus Road, Victor Harbor)

Seeking players for:

\*Under 10s

\*Under 13s

\*Under 16s

\*Womens

\*A & B Grade Mens



NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!

For more information please contact Alicia on 0400 273 950 or email [vhockeyclub@hotmail.com](mailto:vhockeyclub@hotmail.com)



We'd love you ALL to come back down to the Skate Park on  
**Sunday 25th March 12-2pm**  
to celebrate the project that brought so many together and gave the kids who use the skate park something to be proud of.  
We'd also like to hear more from You about what else we can do to build on this space to make it great!



Celebration may include...

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE - DRINKS - MUSIC**

This Project is Funded by  
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