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NEWSLETTER | TERM 1, WEEK 6

MARCH 5TH, 2020



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Staffing update

I'm delighted to say that 2020 has started very well with our students involved in an array of excellent learning opportunities such as Discovery Learning, Aquatics and Resource Based Learning.

As we settle into the new year, more teachers, SSOs and support people have been required and we have welcomed some fantastic new staff to our team. (For more see page 2).

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Due to a school excursion, our class photo day will now be held on Wednesday April 1st. This is not an April Fools Day joke!

Student Free Day hasn't changed from Monday 23rd March with a focus on writing for all teachers.

POSHC is open so booking are able to be made now.

Key Dates

Be You Action Team Meeting

STUDENT FREE DAY

SCHOOL PHOTOS DAY

WELCOME TO NEW STAFF





Leadership support Term 1 and Deputy Principal Terms 2, 3 and 4. Kerry joins our team with a wealth of experience as a Principal and Deputy Principal. She will be a valuable asset to the school for Term 1 working in many classrooms, taking over the Literacy Mentor role for 3 weeks from March the 10th to 27th. In Term 2 Kerry will take on the Deputy Principal Role. As funding for individual students is confirmed, School Services Officers (SSOs) are employed to support these students in small groups and 1:1, which is a vital part of student learning. We welcome all new staff to the Port Elliot school community. We're working together to ensure all children have the opportunity to be successful.



ERIN CROFT

Occupational Therapist (OT). Erin has been employed for 1 day a week to work with selected students and support staff on how to use OT skills with all students. Employing a dedicated OT in a school is a unique approach to support student learning however the decision has been made that a more consistent, regular approach of a health professional will make a difference.







Molly Kent



Rachel Penn



STELLA DORWOOD

Aboriginal Education Teacher (AET). Stella has moved from her classroom into a dedicated AET position 2 days a week, Tuesday and Wednesday. Stella will be focusing on the literacy and numeracy needs of the Aboriginal students and supporting them to improve.



JANE BREWER

Jane has taken on Stella's classroom role in Room 5:07 as a Year 2/3 teacher. Jane has been a regular relief teacher for our school and last year was Indonesian teacher for the Junior Primary one day a week.



April Howes



Natalie Shaw



Chris Lewis



Kiahna Sim

Student Leadership Day



Our school has received 12 month free access to the Growing With Gratitude GRIT program fully resourced online. The students and staff will have access to develop these leadership skills and personal qualities. Themes of the day focused on gratitude, resilience, selfbelief, ownership, empathy, appreciating others and leadership.









PE & SAPSASA

SAPSASA SWIMMING

The SAPSASA Swimming Carnival was held on Wednesday 19th Feb at Strathalbyn Swimming Centre. We had 18 students compete and represent our school. 9 schools competed overall. Our school finished 2nd for the day, with Victor Harbor Primary in 1st place.

PEPS won the Handicap Shield, which is awarded based on the size of each school's year 4-7 enrolments and the overall points their students received on the day.

Well done to all the students who participated, they tried their hardest and achieved their best result on the day. We had many place getters, with 9 students being invited to represent our Southern Fleurieu District at the State SAPSASA swim meet in a few weeks time, at Marion Aquatic Centre.



Congratulations to Corey, Amelia, Keat, April, Rai, Brydie, Zeb, Ava and Tayla. We wish you all the best. Thanks to our adult helpers. Your support was greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Caroline for coaching and mentoring the team and to Justin, Brett, Miranda and Linda for timekeeping.

SAPSASA Year 5-7 girls' Football Crows Cup

On Friday 20th March our 2 Year 6/7 Girls' Football teams will play in a 9 a side carnival at Strathalbyn. Notes have been sent home with interested players and practices are occurring at Break times. We wish the girls well.

School Sport SA Girls Cricket SAPSASA State Carnival

Congratulations to Kirra and Matilda who were chosen to play in a week long carnival in Adelaide later this Term. We wish them an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

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RESULTS

50m Freestyle:

Ist Corey & Amelia (setting new District Records), 2nd Keat & April, 3rd Raimundo & Brydie, 5th Ava, 6th Zebadai

100m Freestyle:

1st Corey & Keat, 2nd Amelia, 4th Brydie & Tayla, 6th Ava 50m

50m Backstroke:

1st Corey & Amelia, 4th Ava, 5th Zeb

50m Breaststroke:

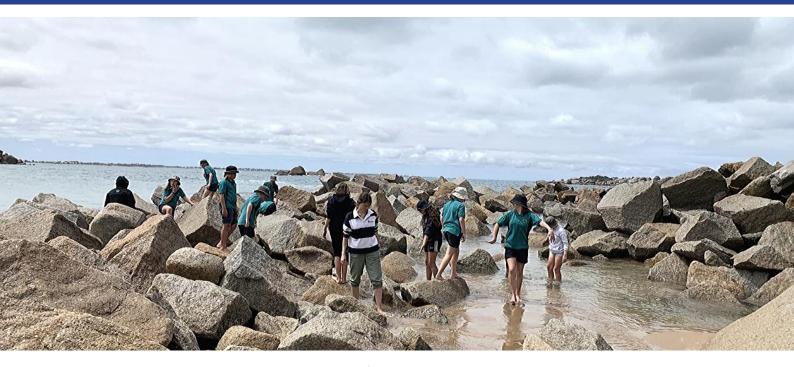
1st Amelia and Zeb, 2nd Ava, 4th Brydie

50m Butterfly: 1st Keat, Ava, Tayla & Amelia -(setting new District Record)

Local Sporting Success Stories!

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

YEAR 6/7 AQUATICS



During weeks 3 & 4, the Year 6/7 students participated in a two day Aquatics Program at Middleton and Horseshoe Bay.

Students learnt new aquatic skills as well as the safety considerations around being in water environments.

Our first day at Middleton, the weather was cool and a bit windy, however students were excited to be spending the morning at the beach.

Students were broken up into 8 smaller groups, donned wetsuits and rash vests and after a brief water safety talk with their instructors, they hit the water.

All students had a fantastic time, body boarding and surfing, with many being successful at standing up on their surfboards.

Mr Benger and Miss O'Shugnessy weren't shy either,

hitting the surf and getting in an amongst the students in the water.

Day two we walked to Horseshoe Bay, the weather was overcast but conditions ended up being perfect.

Students stayed in the same groups and participated in body boarding and surf lifesaving activities on the beach and in the water.

After lunch, we headed to Lady Bay to explore the breakwater with Mrs Zadow and sand castle building with Mr Benger on the water's edge.

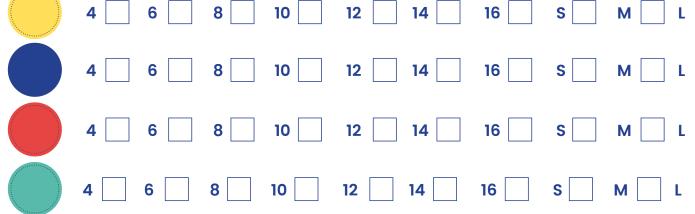
Students were exhausted, but were so grateful to have such an amazing backyard so close to school!





SPORTS DAY ORDER FORM





Last day to order Thursday 13th March. Form needs to be brought to Front Office with money

Flying
Fish
Awards
Congratulations to: Miranda H, Tyson P, Bodhi H, Sophie H, Ursuler N, Eve P,
Ollie M, Amy T, Patrick B, Bryley B, Patryk P, Lyla P, Sienna H, Alexis S, Willow M,
Mariah D, Eliza T, Bentley W, Abby A, Arlee T, Echo A, Tate D, Macey R,
Sampson S, Lincoln J, Penny S, Bonnie F.



To request an appointment online, go to: <u>www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/dentalappointment</u> For clinic locations, go to: <u>www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/findyourclinic</u>

SA DENTAL

Children with poor oral health are more likely to experience pain, miss days from school and perform poorly in the classroom.

Untreated tooth decay can lead to problems with speaking, eating and learning.

SA Dental Service sees over 80,000 children for dental care each year, but data shows that 57.5% of eligible children in SA are not using the Medicare Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

There are no out of pocket costs for children covered by the Medicare Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

All children are welcome at SA Dental clinics.

You can find more information here: <u>https://bit.ly/2TfvPaU</u>

AT THE FLEURIEU AQUATIC CENTRE

> Friday 20th March 6:30pm-8:30pm

TICKETS \$10

Featuring **DJ Brad Collins** and our NEW Inflatable

Police supervised lock in event. Parents to pick up and drop off at the door. Doors open 6:15pm for a safety swim prior to inflatable use.

Tickets available to purchase now from the Fleurieu Aquatic Centre Customer Service. Tickets are limited, so pre-purchasing is encouraged to avoid missing out. Inclusive of entry, meal and drink.

FLEURIEU AQUATIC CENTRE

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BLUE LIGHT