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NEWSLETTER | TERM 1, WEEK 2

FEBRUARY 4TH, 2021



Community.
Confidence.
Respect.

Key Dates

Parent Teacher Interviews
8th - 19th February 2021

Governing Council AGM
Monday 15 February 7pm

Volunteer Induction
Tuesday 23rd February 9am

2021 Sports Day
Term 1 Week 10
Wednesday 31st March

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

WELCOME BACK!

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to all students and their families, especially to our 44 new reception students! Teachers and staff have been busy preparing classes for the year ahead and I've been meeting new staff and students.

This year, we start with over 450 students in 18 classes and with many teachers returning to similar year levels, they have been able to start planning together straight away. This has given us a really good head start for the year ahead and we are all looking forward to a smooth 2021!

COVID-19 UPDATE

Some precautions are still in place with physical distancing required on school grounds. Parents are welcome onsite but will need to check-in each day using the QR codes. Due to limited space within classrooms, please do not enter classes except for appointments. If you have questions or concerns, speak with your child's teacher or a member of the leadership team.

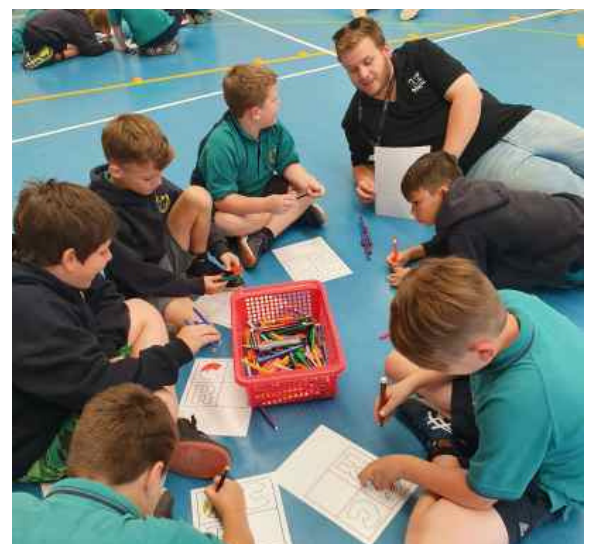
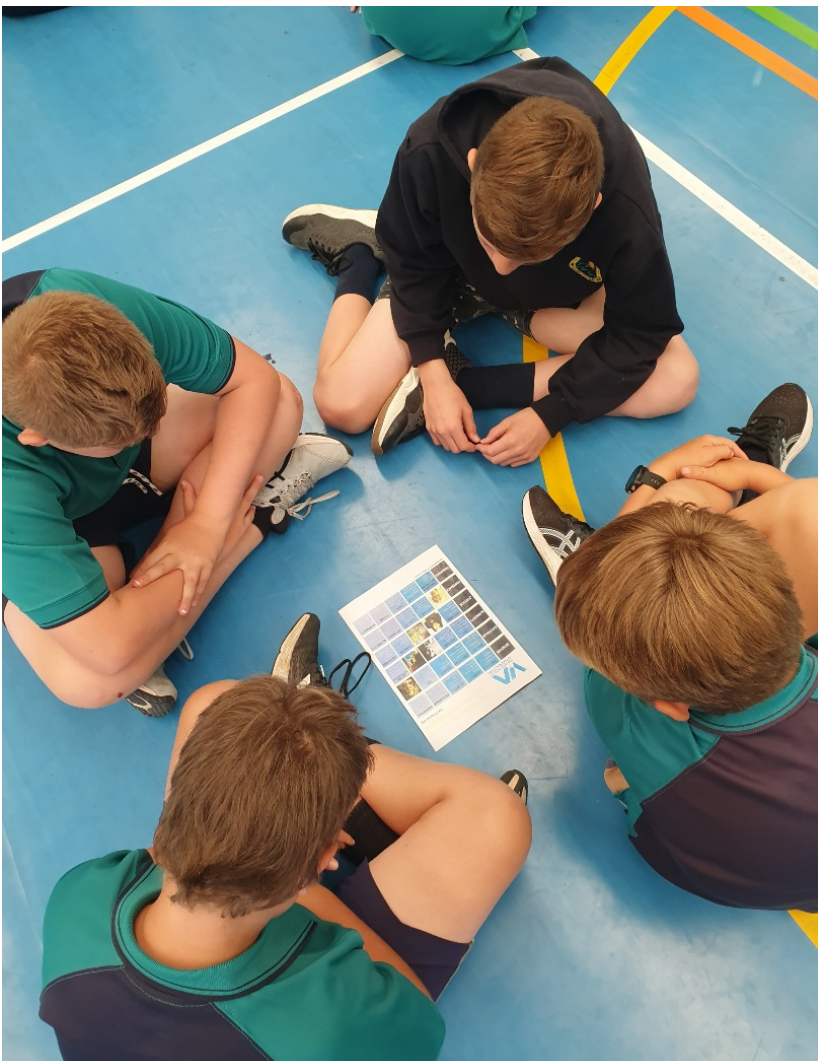
NEW STAFF

Please join me in welcoming new staff members Tamika Williams, Bridget Brandt and Greg Eden. Get to know these teachers and the classes they'll be taking on page 4 >>

Brenton Hudson

Community. Confidence. Respect.

In Week 1 of Term 1, all Port Elliot Primary students joined with specialist staff to participate in a programme focusing on our school values of Community, Confidence and Respect. Activities included working with Jade, our ACEO, on respect, group games in collaboration, sharing, working together and getting to know one another. It was a great week!



IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES

Parent Teacher Interviews

Book your spot now!

Parent-Teacher Interviews will be taking place during Weeks 3 and 4 from Monday 8th to Friday 19th February 2021. Interviews will be 15-minutes duration and are strongly recommended for all families. You can choose face to face at school or via a phone call.



To book a time,
simply click:

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

and enter code

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Parking and Kiss & Drop

When dropping off or picking up, please park ONLY in the designated places and be careful not to park across our neighbours' driveways.

The Kiss & Drop is for a brief pull over for the children to get out of or in the car. If your child is not there waiting for you, please do another lap of the block. Parking in the Kiss & Drop causes traffic to stop and it is unsafe for other road users and children.



Governing Council AGM - all welcome

Monday 15th February, 7pm in the school library

At the Annual General Meeting for the Governing Council, we will be presenting the Annual Report for 2020 and declaring vacancies for the 2021 school year. This is your opportunity to have a greater say in the school's direction and to be informed about decisions and expenditure. It is also a wonderful opportunity to mix with a great group of people once a month for around two hours on a Monday evening. We hope you can join us!

Want to help out in your child's class?

If you'd like to help by listening to reading, attending excursions or being involved in fun events and activities with your child's class, come along on Tuesday 23rd February at 9am for the Volunteer Induction. Please RSVP to the front office on 8554 3399.



Communication between home and school

Parents and caregivers are a valued part of the Port Elliot Primary School community, working in partnership with teachers and staff to help educate and support our student's wellbeing. Over the last few years, we've all experienced an increase in time demands for communication via digital media. Apps like SeeSaw, Facebook and Messenger are just a few examples of this.

Staff will be implementing the following guidelines to support our teachers and families:

- Communication between parents and teachers will occur via SeeSaw or email.
- Messenger is not appropriate for class Facebook accounts.
- Teacher responses to communication with families will occur during business hours Monday to Friday. Of course, if emergencies or legal matters require a response out of hours we will attend to it.

The school's Facebook page will continue to operate as a message board to families along with Messenger, as this is managed by leadership and parent volunteers.

Bridget Brandt

Year 6/7 teacher

Hello Port Elliot Primary Community! My name is Bridget. I live locally in Middleton. I worked as a nurse for 7 years and in 2019 I decided to become a teacher. In term 4 last year I worked as a TRT teacher all across the Fleurieu. I loved getting to know the staff and students in our community. I enjoy spending time at the beach and hanging out with my beautiful British Bulldog, Winnie. This year I will be working predominately with the year 6/7s. I look forward to meeting you all. Cheers, Bridget.



Tamika Williams

Year 4/5 teacher

Hi, I'm Tamika, I was born and bred in Meningie and attended Meningie Area School from R-12. I lived on a dairy farm my entire childhood which led me to milking cows (all 1800 of them!) as a full-time job for 5 years during high school and 2 years after finishing year 12. I started a dance studio at age 15 and taught dance until last year in Meningie, Coonalpyn, Tintinara, and Keith. This will be my second year of teaching. Last year I was at Keith Area School teaching the Year 3/4 class. I graduated from Charles Darwin University in 2019 and completed my studies online which was a great experience. I am very excited to take on a new year level and get to know the Port Elliot community.

Greg Eden

Visual Arts teacher

Hello Port Elliot Primary! I'm Greg and I am super stoked to be part of this amazing community! I have lived all my life in South Australia, just a stone's throw away up in Noarlunga. The past three years I have been a high school teacher, but now I have been upgraded to primary school teaching! The first day of school was also my birthday, and what a great gift! To cover for Natalie Bond in Term 1, I will be running the Performing Arts program. Hope to see you all around at school! Regards, Mr Eden.



Focus on Fitness and Active Lifestyles

In PE this year, we will be focusing on learning and developing our Fundamental Movement Skills and the skills required for successful teamwork and participation in many sporting activities and events. Students are required in all PE lessons to wear appropriate footwear and clothing conducive to successful participation. Please encourage your child to wear these on every day we have PE. Students are also required to wear a hat in Terms 1 and 4. Thank you.



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



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



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



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

This year Sports Day will be held in Term 1, Week 10 Wednesday 31st March 2021

Students have begun practising Team activities and talking about Sports Day chants and the warm-up activity. Every student should soon know which House Team and colour 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 Jodie in the office.

Please note it is on a Wednesday this year due to Easter falling on the Friday of Week 10.

2021 HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to all the students who ran for 2021 House Captain. The students who were voted in by their peers to represent them this year at Sports Day and throughout the year have already started preparing for the big day. They have organised the new team chants, are working on the warm-up and are coordinating break time activities. It's been a busy, productive start to the year!

Please refer to the chants on page 6 to practice at home

School Sport SA SWIMMING

In Week 1 this Term, students born in 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 were offered the opportunity to try out for a spot in our school swimming team. The carnival is to be held on Wednesday 3rd March at Strathalbyn Swimming Centre. Please make sure all forms are completed and brought back to school as soon as possible. For more info, please contact Trina at school.

School Sport SA (SAPSASA, SACA, SANFL, SA Tennis, etc) Events

Our school participates in a wide range of extra sporting events throughout the year. Trina and Kate train and trial students to represent the school at these events.

The events we anticipate competing in this year are:

- Adelaide Tennis final (10 Yr 4/5 students from last year's cancelled event. Mon 1 March. Memorial Clay Courts, Adelaide)
- Swimming (students born 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008) Wed 3 March Strathalbyn pool.
- Football (Yr 6/7 girls normally in Term 1 TBA)
- Netball (Yr 6/7 girls Victor Harbor High Carnival Wed 5 May)
- Football (Yr 6/7 boys Encounter Bay Carnival Wed 5 May)
- Cross Country (students born 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008) Wed 26 May Kent Reserve.
- Basketball (Yr 6/7 Carnival, normally in Term 3 TBA Morphett Vale Stadium)
- Basketball (Yr 4/5 Carnival normally in Term 3 TBA)
- Athletics (students born 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008) Wed 18 August Victor Harbor Primary.
- Tennis (Yr 3/4 Fri 22 October Victor Harbor Tennis Courts)
- Cricket (Yr 6/7 Cricket Carnival normally in Term 4 TBA)

When more info on these events is available, we will put notices in the newsletter, inform students in PE lessons and send notes home with interested students. Photo displays will be up on the gym windows so feel free to come and look after events.

There will be opportunities for students to try out for the Southern District Association teams in various sports. Again, when this info becomes available we will inform all eligible via the newsletter, within PE lessons and notices home.

The District SAPSASA convenor will also post on Southern Fleurieu Facebook page. Our Southern Fleurieu Zone Convenor is Danny Robinson. Contact him at danny.robinson706@schools.sa.edu.au

School Sport SA State Teams Selections

Interested students wanting to trial for State teams need to refer to the 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. Information for each sport is available by clicking on List of Sports, then the sport you are interested in nominating for. (A separate nomination form is required for each sport).

It is up to the student and their parent/caregiver to enrol, pay for and attend these tryouts.

See Trina or Kate at school if you need more information re this process.

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.

Local Sporting opportunities

Please refer regularly to the PE section of the school website for information about numerous local sporting clinics, clubs and opportunities for the students to be involved in after school hours and within the holidays.

- TRINA DOIG AND KATE REYNOLDS

BOOMER CHANT

Boomer Boomer
We're the best
We are going to
Pass the test
You'll hear us cheer
Loud and clear
This is going to
Be our year

Time to shine
And make a stand
Please lend us
A helping hand
Make us proud
Shout out loud
The name that will
Attract the crowd

B.O.O.M.E.R
GO BOOMER!

FREEMAN CHANT

Let's go Freeman
Let's have 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

KNIGHTS CHANT

Knights are here
We've got our streak
The other teams
Can taste defeat

We'll have fun
We'll give it a go
Our team will put
Our ribbons on show

At the end of the day
We'll jump up and say
We're the winning team
Hip hip hooray







K.N.I.G.H.T.S
GOOO KNIGHTS!

COMMODORE CHANT

Turn on the radio, what do you hear?
Commodore, Commodore saying our cheer!
All the other teams will try to catch up,
But watch our score go up up up!

We'll try our best and get the job done,
but most of all we'll have some fun!
All the other teams you better watch out,
cos we are going to kick you out!

C.O.M.M.O.D.O.R.E
GOOOO COMMODORE!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	25th JANUARY SCHOOL CLOUSURE	26th JANUARY AUSTRALIA DAY	27th JANUARY First Day of School!!	28th JANUARY	29th JANUARY
2	1st FEBRUARY	2nd FEBRUARY	3rd FEBRUARY	4th FEBRUARY	5th FEBRUARY
3	8th FEBRUARY	9th FEBRUARY PARENT TEACHER	10th FEBRUARY INTERVIEWS	11th FEBRUARY	12th FEBRUARY 6/7 AQUATICS 
4	15th FEBRUARY GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM	16th FEBRUARY PARENT TEACHER	17th FEBRUARY School surfing 	18th FEBRUARY	19th FEBRUARY 6/7 AQUATICS 
5	22nd FEBRUARY	23rd FEBRUARY Volunteer Induction 9am	24th FEBRUARY School surfing 	25th FEBRUARY	26th FEBRUARY
6	1st MARCH Yr 4/5 Tennis 	2nd MARCH	3rd MARCH School surfing SAPSASA Swimming 	4th MARCH	5th MARCH School Clean up Day 
7	8th MARCH ADELAIDE CUP 	9th MARCH	10th MARCH School surfing 	11th MARCH	12th MARCH
8	15th MARCH	16th MARCH 6/7 Bike Ed 	17th MARCH School surfing 	18th MARCH	19th MARCH
9	22nd MARCH	23rd MARCH	24th MARCH School surfing 6/7 Bike Ed 	25th MARCH	26th MARCH 6/7 Bike Ed 
10	29th MARCH 6/7 Bike Ed 	30th MARCH	31st MARCH School surfing SPORTS DAY 	1st APRIL STUDENT FREE DAY	2nd APRIL GOOD FRIDAY 
11	5th APRIL EASTER MONDAY 	6th APRIL	7th APRIL 6/7 Bike Ed 	8th APRIL	9th APRIL END OF SCHOOL TERM 2:15PM PICK UP 

BACK TO SCHOOL TUESDAY 27TH APRIL STARTING 8.55AM