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NEWSLETTER | TERM 1, WEEK 6

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Community.
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Key Dates

Governing Council AGM
Changed to Monday 28 March
7pm in the school library

Student Free Day
CANCELLED Tuesday 15 March

SPORTS DAY!
Friday 8th April

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

FACILITIES UPDATE

It's been great to see students settling into their classes now that the term is well underway. The children are forming new friendships and learning the routines of their teachers. Given the restrictions of parents and families being on site, you may have missed some of the facilities changes and upgrades over the busy student holiday period.

NEW CLASSROOM LOCATIONS

It certainly was a busy time during December and January with a lot of work taking place over the break. Many teachers have moved classes and Building 10, the transportable, now has two Year 5/6 classes. The Receptions are back into building 9 and the Year 2/3 class is alongside the library. The specialist team of Indonesian, Arts and Aboriginal Education are all located on the deck next to the playground and they are very happy to have the extra space and garden area.

NEW FACILITIES CONT.



NEW PEDESTRIAN GATES

With students attending school sometimes at the age of 4 years and 9 months, the need to have pedestrian gates added has become apparent. This week, the new gates were installed. Please use these smaller gates when coming to and from school.



NEW SOAP AND HAND SANITISER DISPENSERS

While not the most glamorous addition, given the COVID situation, new dispensers have been added to all bathrooms and sink areas plus more hand sanitiser stations are now located throughout the school.



NEW CLASSROOM DOORS

You may have noticed the teachers selecting different designs and colours for their classroom doors. This is to provide a positive primer for every time the students enter the class. Thank you very much to SSO Jocelyn Stephens who painted most of these doors before the year started.



NEW BLUE CARPET

During the holidays, the carpet was replaced throughout building 9! The new carpet has created a lovely bright blue look for the classes and I am sure the students prefer the extra underlay for comfort. .



NEW ENTRY AND HONOUR BOARD

The admin area has had a fresh coat of paint with a new feature wall in teal. This complements the new honour board with our award winners from the last two years. The Year 6 Jubilee 150 Award winners will now be added for the next 50 years at least!

Governing Council AGM

Please note the AGM has been changed to 28 March 7pm. We will be meeting in the school library. Everyone welcome!

STUDENT FREE DAY CANCELLED

The student free day that was scheduled for Tuesday 15th March has been cancelled and will now be a normal school day.

LOST PROPERTY!

This lost property area was empty at the beginning of the year!!

Please check for lost items regularly, and remind your child to check too. There is a lot of money in uniforms here!!



What is Children's University?

The aim: to help develop free-thinking and inquisitive children who enjoy learning and have a 'can do' attitude towards future opportunities.

The concept: to offer superior educational experiences to children outside of school and recognise their achievements by awarding successes with formal certificates.

Children's University (Australasia and Africa Indian Ocean) engages children aged 7-14 years in exciting, out-of-school learning opportunities. This innovative program, hosted by the University of Adelaide, aims to increase the likelihood of educational achievement and reward children for taking learning into their own hands.

Children's University is child-directed, meaning each individual voluntarily chooses how to be involved and what they would like to participate in.

Benefits for students

- Extended opportunities to be involved in learning out-of-school
- Discover the benefits of self-directed learning
- Explore and develop new talents and passions
- Manage and measure their own success
- Make new friends who have similar interests
- Celebrate and be awarded for achievements
- Develop leadership skills

Benefits for parents

- Quality-assured activities out-of-school that address the needs of the whole child
- Opens up opportunities in a range of learning environments
- Opportunities to celebrate their children's achievements
- Opportunities for parents to get involved in school activities



Why do children get a passport?

Participating students are issued with a Passport to Learning where the hours of each activity are recorded. Hours are accumulated and when the hours needed to graduate are reached, children are awarded with certificates at a formal graduation ceremony. Graduation levels range from Bronze Award level for 30 hours of learning to Doctorate for 1,000 hours of learning.

How to get involved?

Classes in Year 1 and above have been given forms to take home. Forms need to be returned along with the money before 25th March. If you didn't get a form and would like one, please see the front office or Jodie Allsop in room 9.01. Every Thursday at Break 2, your child can come and log into their portal in the library or they can ask questions to Mrs Allsop.

To find out more visit:
<https://cuaustralasia.com/>

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Jodie.allsop816@schools.sa.edu.au



ENCOURAGE A LOVE OF LEARNING – RAISE ASPIRATIONS – HAVE FUN
– FIND YOUR PASSION – DISCOVER WHAT HIGHER EDUCATION COULD OFFER YOU





Mr Taylor's class have been learning bubble writing, using oil pastels to blend colours. Many students used sponges to create texture in their brick walls.

Abby - 'We used oil pastels, I liked learning how to do the highlighting to make it stand out'.

Holly - 'I learnt how to paint a proper brick wall, we used kitchen sponges cut up like bricks to make it look textured'.

Connor - 'I liked learning how to write my name in bubble writing, the way we made the wall look like real bricks was really interesting'.



SPORTS DAY INFORMATION

Throughout week 5 in PE classes the students competed for their first points towards Sports Day, with the High Jump event. These points will be revealed and displayed at the beginning of Sports Day.

Over the next few weeks in PE lessons and Break times students will be given the opportunity to trial for the 100m event and Tug of War team (Year 3-6), and Relay team (per class).

All classes are busy practicing for the day.

SA STATE TEAM SELECTIONS

Students born in 2012, 2011 and 2010 were offered the opportunity to try out for a spot in our school Swimming team. The carnival is planned to be held on Thursday 24th March at Strathalbyn Swimming Centre.

Please make sure all forms are completed and brought back to school as soon as possible.

If you need further information about this carnival please contact Trina at school.

School Sport SA Athletics

The carnival has been moved to Term 2 this year and will be held Friday 27th May.

Interested students born in 2010, 2011 and 2012 will be given the opportunity to trial in PE lessons and at break times in the 7 events – high jump, long jump, shot put, discus, 100m, 200m and 800m.

Trialling is optional and is the student's choice, however, if you do not wish for your child to trial please let Trina know.

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.

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

The District convenor will also be posting information on the Southern Fleurieu Facebook page. Our Southern Fleurieu Zone Convenor is Danny Robinson. You can contact him via email danny.robinson706@schools.sa.edu.au



FLYING FISH AWARDS

COMMUNITY

Charlie B, Ivy E, Lilly L,
Bonnie F, Phoenix G

CONFIDENCE

James D, Tobias GC,
Shelby-Jayne G, Bowie I, Rai D,
Ryder H, Nadia TM, Jozef P

RESPECT

Jimmy Y, Toby C, Tulle L,
Samson S, Jordan M, Indi M,
Harper B, Georgina G

CAN YOU HELP?

Volunteers are an important part of our school community and many of the exciting programmes we offer rely on our family and community volunteers.

This includes attending excursions and camps, supporting school reading programmes, serving ice blocks on Fridays, helping with breakfast club, working in the veggie garden, being on Governing Council and contributing the many other amazing skills our families have to share.

One of the many disappointments with the recent Covid restrictions has been the limitation on volunteers being on site. This has now been lifted to allow essential volunteers for direct student support.

All volunteers must attend an induction to volunteer.

We have two induction sessions scheduled for Term 1:

Tuesday 15th March 9am to 10am

For parents of new Reception students and families new to Port Elliot Primary.

Thursday 31st March 9am to 10am

Open to any interested volunteers.

Please email Kelly to book a session
Kelly.Ellbourn340@schools.sa.edu.au

We are currently looking for volunteers to attend our upcoming Junior Primary Zoo excursion on Wednesday 30th March.

If you can assist with this excursion and have not yet attended a volunteers induction please book into the session on Tuesday 15th March.

If you have any questions at all, please contact Deputy Principal, Cathy Knight at cathy.knight709@schools.sa.edu.au



All volunteers are required to

- Provide evidence of Covid vaccination
- Have a current Working With Children check (WWCC)
- Complete the 20 min Responding to Abuse (RAN-EC) online training
- Attend a Port Elliot Primary volunteers Induction session.



2022 schedule

eSafety's free webinars provide parents and carers with the knowledge, skills and tools to support children to have safe, positive online experiences.

Our live webinars for parents and carers attracted record attendance numbers in 2021. To meet the growing demand, our education and training team is expanding the program in 2022 to include more dates and topics to support school communities.

Each month, we will present either a new webinar topic or a video with simple tips to keep young people safe online.

2022 Parent and carer education topic schedule

<p>January</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar?</p> <p>You can watch this short video on Cyberbullying and online drama. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>February</p> <p>Webinar: Helping kids thrive online (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 5 to 12 years old).</p> <p>8th February – Safer Internet Day 2022 #SID22</p>	<p>March</p> <p>Webinar: Cyberbullying and online drama (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).</p>
<p>April</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar?</p> <p>You can watch this short video on Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>May</p> <p>Webinar: Parental controls (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>June</p> <p>Webinar: Online gaming (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>
<p>July</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar?</p> <p>You can watch this short video on Parental controls. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>August</p> <p>Webinar: Popular apps (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>September</p> <p>Webinar: Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p> <p>National Child Protection Week #NCPW22</p>
<p>October</p> <p>Webinar: Digital technologies and mental health (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 10 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>November</p> <p>Webinar: Guide to the holidays (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 8 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>December</p> <p>It's December! You can check out our annual Gift Guide here.</p>

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