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NEWSLETTER | TERM 3, WEEK 6

AUGUST 25TH, 2020

Parents...
Please check your
inbox for a **PARENT
FEEDBACK SURVEY**,
we appreciate your
thoughts.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

2021 Planning

Next year will be the final time that Year 7s will be attending primary school across South Australia. Our planning is well underway to celebrate two graduating year levels, a special occasion for all the Year 6s & 7s of Port Elliot Primary.

Currently there are over 465 students enrolled, these are shared across 17 classes. Initial planning for 2021 indicates there may be an option for more classes, which will result in less children in every class across the school. However, we need to know which students will be here in 2021. If you are considering changing schools next year please email us at dl.0356.info@schools.sa.edu.au or if you have any questions please call to make an appointment 85543399.

Reminders...

Student Free Day is this Thursday 3rd September. All staff will attend school for an innovation and inquiry training session with our coordinator Hugh Benger.

School Closure Day will follow on Friday 4th September. The school will be closed with no staff onsite. POSCH is open both days. Bookings via the YMCA website.

New Fence

Over the coming weeks, we will be replacing the fence at the playground end of the school. This is to fix the many holes that have appeared this year due to students - and even some adults - climbing the fence. We ask that everybody please use the gates when entering and exiting the school.

KEY DATES

STUDENT FREE DAY

Thursday 3 September

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Friday 4 September

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Monday 14 September

BeYou Meeting

9am in the staffroom
Tuesday 15 September

SPORTS DAY

Friday 18 September

**No spectators due to
Covid-19 restrictions**

Sandpit upgrade

Thank you to all the families who have been so patient with our extra muddy students who have been coming home over the last few weeks.

Some days our enormous sand pit has resembled a muddy swimming pool. The students have thoroughly enjoyed making rivers and bridges plus cubbies under the jetty.

This week the broken pipes, the source of the rain water have been dug up and replaced deeper underground. New sand will be added to go with all the new toys purchased this term.

There will still be a mud kitchen located in the garden so sorry maybe more muddy clothes potentially coming home.



Welcome Nick Hayles

Hey Everyone,

My name is Nick and I'm the new Pastoral Care Worker (PCW) at Port Elliot Primary. I've joined Karen and the rest of the wellbeing team working out of POR:LAR PULGI on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

My role is to be here as an additional support person for the whole school community, that being the students as well as the staff and parents too. This support can be through positive role modelling as well as the provision of social and practical supports, being flexible to meet whatever the need may be.

The motto I bring is "how can I help?".

I am so enjoying becoming a part of your awesome school community here at Port Elliot.



FLYING FISH AWARDS



Jayden P, Lucas H, Sophie H, Miranda H, Leila P, Stella B, Bruce B, Toban C, Bradley B, Mackenzie B, Isabella H, Elijah M, Quinn B, Oscar H, Georgia M, Maddy H, Phoenix G, Polly N, Ocean B, Shaylee L, Kobe B, Brodie M, Zach R, Rai D, Charlie S, Hunter P, Ellena L, Eamon G, Declan R, Liam B, Jade S, Pearl L, Oskar S, Buddy B, Jazlyn R, Ayla G, Lexi D, Orlando H, Summer R, Josh R, Hunter M, Keilen L, Airlie U, Izzy H, Amy T, Riley B, Tayla W, Magdalena D, Jude C, Kyle R, Lyla P, Indigo A, Grace K, Bodhi H, Liliana M, Scarlett S, Oliver W, Patrick C, Ellie S



The Year 4/5 Class have been learning about the Murray-Darling Basin and created a story book titled "Murray-Darling Adventure".

The students completed their latest class novel, "River Murray Mary" by Colin Thiele.

Student comments:

"An amazing book; I loved all the detail."

"If you close your eyes, it is like you are really there."

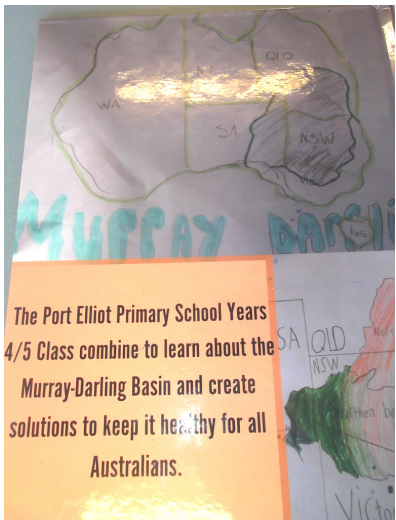
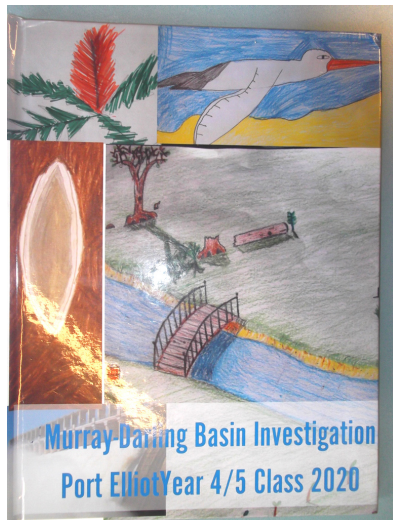
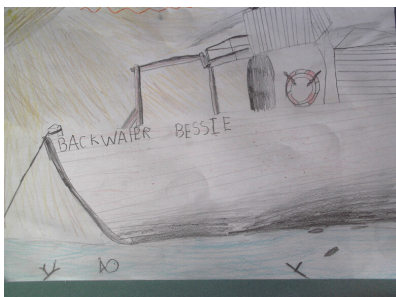
"The book is very descriptive and puts a picture in your head."

"A wonderful book about the past and based in Australia."

"It was very enjoyable to listen to."

"I liked the part where Mary saw the tiger snake on the sand."

"I liked the paddleboat, Backwater Bessie."



Sapsasa Netball and Football Carnival Wednesday August 12th

Port Elliot Primary entered a girls netball team and a boys football team in the local carnival.

The Netball team consisting of April, Ashlee, Ava, Grace O, Indie, Jade, Jemma, Karly, Maddi G, Magdalena and Ruby M fought hard all day competing in Pool B against Investigator, Myponga, Mount Compass and Yankalilla. The girls showed tremendous growth throughout the day, all having a go at challenging themselves and playing in positions out of their comfort zones. Finishing 3rd in their Pool they played and won against Pool A's Goolwa in a consolation game. They went on to challenge Pool A's Victor Harbor for an overall position and comfortably ran away with the win. Their teamwork and determination showed as they finished in overall 4th place! Well done to the team and a big thanks to Jodie for umpiring.



The Football team were placed in Div 1 against Investigator, Victor Harbor, EFS and Encounter. The opposition proved too strong for our team of four Year 7s and eight Year 6s, with the boys unable to score a win. Every game the boys dug deep, showed great determination and almost came away with a couple of wins. Well done to Riley B, Jai, Patrick, Cody, Ryan, Kane, Keilen, Isaac, Brodie, Fin, Malakye and Marlon who all represented our school well, showing great sportsmanship, confidence and respect all day. A big thanks to Brandon and Brett for coaching the boys.



School Sport SA Sapsasa Netball State Carnival

Congratulations to ... 🙌 🙌 🙌

Karly, Jemma and Ruby who have been chosen to represent our District and play in a week long netball carnival in Adelaide later this Term. We wish them an enjoyable and rewarding experience.



You're invited...

If you are interested in good mental health and wellbeing and want to make a difference to our school community, we'd love to see you at our next BeYou Action Team meeting.

Meetings will be held 9am in the staffroom:
Tuesday 15th September (Week 9)

Kindy Activities Weeks 5 & 9

Week 5 Tuesday and Wednesday, 9am-9.40am, twelve Year 6/7 student leaders ran activities for our local Kindy students. The students met with Trina, planned their activities focussing on involving the Kindy students with Fundamental Movement skills activities, and to aid with their transition from Kindy to Primary School. The 6/7 leaders did a fantastic job and have planned activities to run with the Kindy students again in Week 9.



Break time activities in the gym

During Term 2 and each week until Week 6 Term 3, eighteen Year 6/7 Student Leaders ran activities during break times.

They planned their activity with the PE teacher, informed classes, then ran the activity in the gym with Kate's or Trina's supervision.

They listened well to suggestions for improvement and proved themselves to be exceptional leaders. For the rest of the Term, these breaks will now be used for Sports Day practice and preparations, along with SAPSASA practices. We hope to have new Student Leaders run more activities in Term 4.

Congratulations to the following students who helped to run the various activities for classes:

Monday Break 1: R/1 Ashlee, Kyle, Erin, Holly

Monday Break 2: Yr 1/2/3 Matilda, Isabella, Nadia

Thursday Break 2: Yr 3/4 Ava, Ruby, Jemma

Friday Break 1: Yr 4/5 Chloe, Izabella, Imogen, Maddie

Friday Break 2: Yr 6/7 Grace, April, Myah, Airlie





Long Jump Committee

In 2019, the Year 7 House Captains – Brandon, Jackson, Seb, Ruben and Amber – worked with Trina and their class teachers on their goal of gaining permission for, acquiring the funds and organising a long jump pit for our school to use.

By the end of Term 4 2019, the Long Jump committee had achieved a great deal and were awaiting feedback from The Show Society about permission, location on the oval, etc.

In 2020 Year 7 students Nadia, Jemma, Immy, Holly, Erin, Myah, Izzy, Chloe, Jasper, Karly, Maddi, Patrick and Kobi formed a long jump committee, met every Thursday Break 1, and continued on with this project with Trina's, Mr Blacker's and Mr Beadman's assistance.

Week 5 saw the end product of all the students' hard work, with sand being delivered and the students finalising the pit.

All students are excited to start using the pit in PE lessons and to begin conducting our long jump trials for students wishing to be involved in the Sapsasa Athletics Carnival in Term 4.

A fantastic effort by our awesome student leaders.



