

Port Noarlunga Primary School and Aquatic Centre

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We value: Respect, Responsibility,

Independence, Caring and

Honesty



PNPS NEWSLETTER

WEEK 4 TERM 4

9th November 2017

Celebrating 101

Years in 2017



DIARY DATES TERM 4 2017

Don't forget to update your Term Planner...

EVERY TUESDAY DISMISSAL AT 2:25pm

Friday 10th November

• Remembrance Day Ceremony 11:10am

Tuesday 14th November

• Tasty Tuesday Bake Sale

Monday 20th November – Friday 24th November

• Mrs Ross and Mr Letcher/Ms Burt's classes swimming

Wednesday 22nd November

• Camp Meeting 3:30pm Resource Centre

Monday 27th November – Friday 1st December

• Year 1 – 3 Swimming

Wednesday 6th December

• Finance Committee Meeting 5:30pm

• Governing Council Meeting 6:30pm

Tuesday 12th December

• End of Year Presentation Assembly

• Volunteer's Morning Tea

Wednesday 13th December

Year 7 Graduation Celebrations

Friday 15th December

• End of 2017 school year – dismissal at 2:15pm.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear all,

How good was Beach Carnival? We are so very lucky to have such a wonderful place to hold this event. Thank you to all who contributed to the successful day especially Mike Woolford for his organisation and passion.

On Wednesday last week I attended the Choir Performance at Hopgood Theatre and was so impressed by our students and their efforts. Our two hosts, Dillan and Loise, were polished and kept the audience engaged throughout. We had a number of students perform solos and they showed courage and a great amount of talent. Congratulations to Susie Scott for her dedication and successful management of this wonderful program.

There have been some interesting rumours circulating about staffing in the past week and I thought that it would be timely to update everyone on this current situation:

- There are 5 contract classroom teacher positions and one specialist role to be filled for 2018
- Trevor Letcher is moving up to teach a class in the primary years in 2018
- Des Rowell will be taking up the role of History Specialist teacher in 2018
- Susie Scott was successful in her application to be the permanent Performing Arts teacher here and I congratulate her on this.
- Victoria Corbett was successful in her application as Student Wellbeing Leader here for the next 3 years. Both Susie and Victoria were appointed after we engaged in rigorous processes and considered numerous other applicants. Both are the best people for the job(s).

I am hopeful that we can advise families of the final staffing for 2018 before the end of this year. However, the process is quite involved and all appointments must be negotiated and approved through DECD HR.

I thank you for your understanding.

Take care,

Marie

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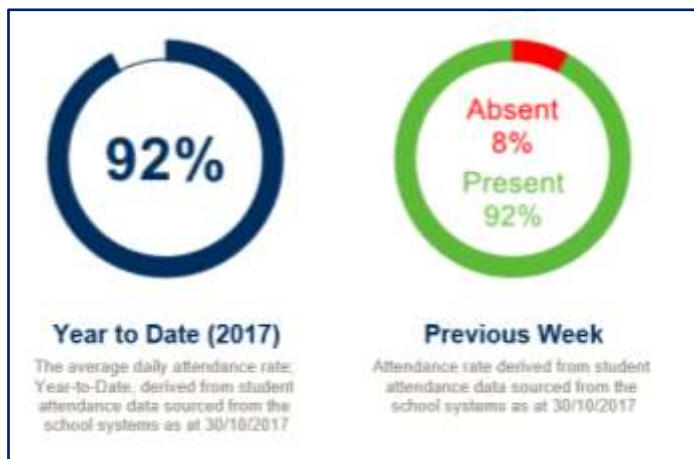
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ATTENDANCE



SCHOOL CAMPS

We are forming a school camp committee to investigate an ongoing approach to camps at our school.

There will be a meeting for all who are interested on Wednesday 22nd November at 3:30pm in the Library.

It is important that we have parent voice as camps cannot proceed without the support of families.

I hope to see you there.

Marie Wright – Principal

CHANGES TO SCHOOL CARD ELIGIBILITY 2018

The state government is raising the school card income threshold from next year to help families with the cost of living. This means that families with 1 child and a gross income of \$57,870 in the 2016-17 financial year will be able to apply for a school card. Application forms for 2018 will be sent home with your child with the 2018 Materials and Services Invoice early in Term 1 of 2018.

REMINDER

A reminder to all parents and caregivers to please notify the school as soon as possible if you change any of your contact details. If you have recently changed your address or phone number then please phone the front office on 83822455. Please also inform the Outside School Hours Care Service if you access that programme.

CANCELLATION NOTICE

Unfortunately due to circumstances beyond our control, French Day for 2017 will be cancelled. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

MEDICATION REMINDER

An email was sent to all families regarding expiry dates for student medication. If you have not done so already please ensure that you follow this up if your child has medication stored at school.

GRANDPARENTS AS CARERS AFTERNOON TEA

Our final afternoon tea for 2017 for any Grandparents who are the primary carers of their grandchild /grandchildren at our school will be on Tuesday 21/11/17 at 1:35 pm.

Further details from Jan Davoren. Phone 83822455.

CHOIR NEWS

The Choir had a fantastic Performance at the Southern Metropolitan Music Festival on the 1st of November. Congratulations again to the 5 Soloists and 2 Hosts that represented our school.

And a big thank you to the parent helpers who supported the rehearsals.

The Choir banner is now on display in the office. Thank you to Vivonne who supported the choir in designing and creating it for the Festival.

Susie Scott- Performing Arts Teacher

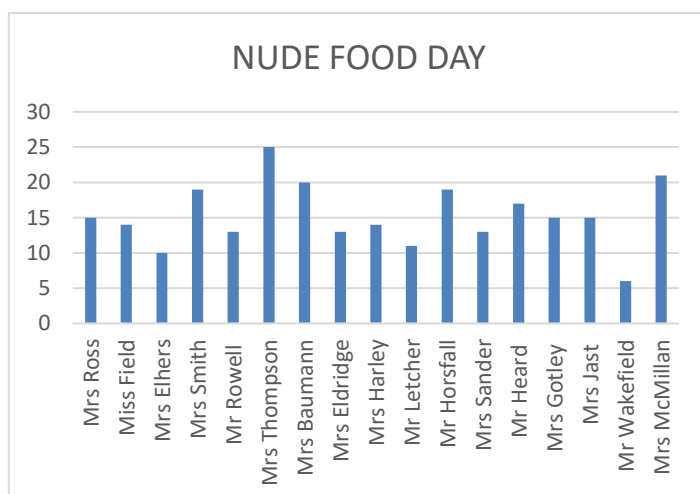


NUDE FOOD DAY

On Tuesday 31st October Mrs. McMillan's class organised Port Noarlunga Primary School's very first 'Rubbish Free' day. Students surveyed each of the classrooms to determine the success of the day. Those students who achieved the goal were given a raffle ticket for a chance to win a lunch container for future use.

The results from the day were extremely positive. Classroom teachers reported that students were incredibly excited and committed to achieving the goals. Throughout the school we had 260 students with 'no rubbish' for the day. This included healthy snacks, recess and lunch. Many classrooms have continued to support the reduction of our schools overall 'rubbish to landfill' by continuing to encourage students to bring in reusable containers.

Mrs. Thompson's class achieved the greatest number of students on the day and will be acknowledged for their efforts at our next assembly.



Students from Mrs McMillan's class would like to send a big thank you to the parent community for their support for the day. They hope that more families take up the waste free challenge and supply their children with reusable containers on a regular basis.

FUND MY NEIGHBOURHOOD

Port Noarlunga Primary School Soccer Club (Porties White Pointers) currently has an active project application with Fund My Neighbourhood. To see the project proposal and to register your vote visit <https://fundmyneighbourhood.yoursay.sa.gov.au/rounds/fund-my-neighbourhood-2017/ideas/school-soccer-canteen>

You will need to register and include a mobile phone number to receive a code for verification.

You will need to make sure your location is Port Noarlunga to see our project. It is as easy as creating an account, choosing three to five projects in our area and ensuring that the School Soccer Canteen Project in the Category of Open space, sport and recreation is in your shortlist. Simple! Let's make this happen. Please share and get as many votes for this much needed upgrade as possible. Please support this fantastic cause. Instructions on how to vote are on our school website.



REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

The 2017 Remembrance Day Ceremony will be held today Friday 10th November at 11:10am on the bitumen by the flag poles. All parent, caregivers and members of the wider community are welcome to attend. Mrs McMillan's class will once again be hosting the ceremony.

TASTY TUESDAY

Mrs Sander's class are holding a bake sale on Tuesday 14th November. Please see the flyer sent home with this newsletter for more information. All funds raised will support Doctors Without Borders.

HOW DO WE COMMUNICATE AT PNP'S?

Here at Port Noarlunga Primary School we provide lots of information in numerous ways. Our school newsletters are sent via email on Thursday of even weeks in each term. Our newsletters contain lots of important information about upcoming and recent school events and news. The newsletters are then posted on our school website and the Skoolbag app for easy access. Major notifications and communications are sent via email on a 'as needs' basis. If a return slip is included then a printed copy is sent home with your youngest child.

Each term a Term Planner is distributed in the last week of the term with special events and school happenings listed in advance. The Term Planners are also posted on the school website and the Skoolbag app. The Term 1 Term Planner is sent home early in Term 1 once events are scheduled early in the school year.

Class teachers communicate in various ways. Some use Class Dojo, some send home newsletters and notes and many use diaries and communication books.

An addition to our communications is our new Facebook page. Check it out here:

<https://www.facebook.com/portnoarlungaprimaryschool>

We share news and information, updates, notices, alerts and special events. Please like and follow our page to be kept up to date.

Instructions for installing the Skoolbag app can be found on our school website at www.portnoarps.sa.edu.au

COMMUNITY NEWS

The South Australian Research and Development Institute are holding a free Open Day on Sunday 19th November from 10:00am – 4:00pm. Discover the secrets of world class marine and freshwater research. Find out how science supports South Australia's economy and helps keep our oceans and rivers healthy. Watch science presentations and talk to the researchers, enjoy seafood cooking demonstrations with chef Simon Bryant, explore live fish displays and touch tanks and tour boats and laboratories. More information on the Open day can be found on the flyer on our SkoolBag app.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Seaford Rangers Football Club (Soccer) still have vacancies for the 2018 Season in the following age groups:

U7 - born 2011/2012

U9 - born 2009/2010

U12 - born 2006/2007

u15 - born 2003/2004

Please contact us ASAP for further information.

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BEACH CARNIVAL

Friday's Beach Carnival was a huge success. We were thrilled that the weather held off and even though it was cool we weren't hurried off the beach like last year when the storm rolled in. We were entertained though by staff trying to pack up the numerous amount of tarps we use in such high winds. Thanks to everyone who helped make this day such a great event. Check your inbox tomorrow for photos from this wonderful annual event.





PORTIES GOT TALENT

2017

What an outstanding showcase of talent at the Porties Got Talent Finals. Our students shared their amazing skills with the whole school. We are very appreciative of the parents and caregivers who helped their children with costumes and routines and even playing instruments. It made for a spectacular final. 7 of our staff members performed including Mr Letcher who returned from leave to delight his students. Well done to each and every one of our students on their participation, judging and audience skills. What a talented bunch!

