

# Port Noarlunga Primary School and Aquatic Centre

"Working Together - Learning Forever"

We value: Respect, Responsibility,

Independence, Caring and

Honesty



# PNPS NEWSLETTER

WEEK 8 TERM 4

7<sup>th</sup> December 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 8<sup>th</sup> December**

• Mrs Baumann's and Miss Thompson's classes excursion to the Art Gallery

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

• End of Year Presentation Assembly 9:00am

• Volunteer's Morning Tea 10:30am

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

• Whole school picnic lunch 12:30pm

• Reports and class placement letters sent home 3:15pm

• Year 7 Graduation Celebrations

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

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



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear all,

We are nearing the end of the school year. It has been a year of change and I will certainly be looking forward to some time over the holidays to catch my breath and recharge before 2018 begins.

I'd like to thank all of the members of the Governing Council for their support, enthusiasm and passion for this school and the students. Parent voice and representation is a vital part of today's education system and allows us to work in partnership to ensure that all students get the very best.

While all staffing for next year is not yet known, we will be bidding farewell to some of our current staff members:

- A very special farewell goes to Elly Vanderkley who has earned a permanent position at Marion Primary School from the start of 2018. We will miss Elly's lively nature and passion for working with students.
- Many, many thanks to Amelia Neumeister who will be moving to another school to share her enthusiastic teaching practice with their students.
- Our gratitude also goes to Sharon Hillier for her hard work and dedication to our History programme.
- It is also with regret that we farewell Heidi Jast who joined us in Term 2. We know that she will be snapped up soon and be a great success in 2018.
- Kate Smith has been an absolute asset to our staff and we hope to see her back in some capacity next year.
- Thank you and best wishes to Diana Fullerton for her efforts across the school this year.
- We also bid farewell to Kerry Gallagher who has supported Heidi's class in Term 4.

I can announce some of those teaching positions that have been confirmed. Joshua MacWilliams, Nicole True and Courtney Orrin will be 3 of our new classroom teachers in 2018 and we welcome back Kim Field for another year. I will advise all when the final 2 positions are filled.

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December we will be handing out our school reports and class placement letters. The report format is the same as the mid-year reports and will provide you with an accurate picture of your child's learning. I will be available on the last two days of term to address any concerns and to celebrate positives.

Please give me a call if required.

Take care,

Marie

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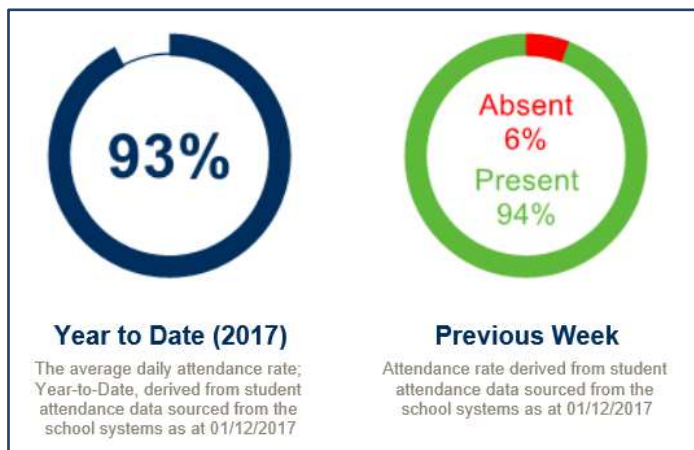
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## ATTENDANCE



## IMPORTANT NEWS



Our school is currently working to implement SMS messaging for student absences and school emergencies and it is vital that we have up to date and current information recorded in our database to ensure that you receive any messages. Please let us know if you have changed any of your contact details and in particular your mobile number and email address asap.

## PORT NOARLUNGA PRIMARY SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

We have been sharing lots of our student learning on our new Facebook page. Check it out here:

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

We really appreciate the positive feedback and hope to share more student learning and school events each week. Next year we will be asking parent permission to publish student first names and also at various times photos of students engaged in wonderful learning opportunities and special events. The permission form which is an official DECD document will be sent home early in Term 1.

## CLASS PLACEMENT PROCESS

If your child will not be attending Port Noarlunga Primary School in 2018 could you please let us know as soon as possible by phoning 83822455 or emailing [dl.0362.admin@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0362.admin@schools.sa.edu.au)

This will assist us greatly with the final stages of planning for 2018.



## RESOURCE CENTRE

All student readers and library books are due back to the Resource Centre. Please return anything with a Port Noarlunga Primary School barcode.

Issue 8 Book Club has been distributed. Please see the Library staff for any issues.

PRC Medals/Certificates will be distributed at the final Assembly on Tuesday of Week 9.

Thank you to all Parents and Carers who have supported Book Club this year. We are able to get resources for students and staff from the sales.

Premier's Reading Challenge Medals and Certificates will be given out during the final assembly on Tuesday Week 9 at 9:00am.

\$98 was raised at the Trash and Treasure Sale. These proceeds will be used to purchase and replace books that have been damaged or lost. Thank you to everyone who supported us.

**Chris McDonald – Teacher Librarian**

## CANTEEN NEWS

Due to end of term nearing quickly, some items will be out of stock and not replaced until 2018. If this happens your child will be consulted and a substitute will be offered. Please note that the Slushies will not be available for the rest of the term. We apologise for any inconvenience.



**Deonne Milton – Canteen Manager**

## LOST PROPERTY

Don't forget to check the lost property for your child's belongings before the end of the school year as unclaimed items will be donated to charity during the upcoming school holidays.

## END OF YEAR PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY

Parents and caregivers are invited to attend the End of Year Presentation Assembly at 9:00am in the Gymnasium on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December prior to the Volunteer's Morning Tea. Students will be presented with certificates and medals for the Premier's Reading Challenge and other competitions that students have participated in during the year.

## VOLUNTEER'S MORNING TEA

The annual Volunteer's Morning Tea will be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 10:30am following the End of Year Presentation Assembly. Invitations will be sent home with your child soon. Please return the reply slip as soon as possible to help with catering.

## WHOLE SCHOOL PICNIC

Parents are invited to share in a whole school picnic on the oval on the last Wednesday of the term from 12:30pm – 1:30pm. This is in lieu of individual class parties. Students are asked to bring their own lunch for the picnic. The canteen is available, as always, for lunch orders. Should parents attend and want to take their child early they must sign their child out with the class teacher before leaving. Please be mindful of allergies and avoid sharing food with others.

## REMINDERS

- Whole School Picnic on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 12:30pm. Bring and share a picnic lunch with your child. Please let your child's class teacher know if you are taking your child home early.
- Reports and class placement letters will be sent home with your child on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at the end of the school day.
- Year 7 Graduation will be held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.
- School finishes at 2:15pm Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.
- School resumes on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 8:50am.

## TERM DATES 2018

- Term 1 – Monday 29th January – Friday 13th April
- Term 2 – Monday 30th April – Friday 6th July
- Term 3 – Monday 23rd July – Friday 28th September
- Term 4 – Monday 15th October – Friday 14th December

## OSHC VACATION CARE BOOKINGS

If you are requiring bookings for your child during the school holidays then please book with Robyn on 0405334676 as soon as possible. Bookings for Term 1 will be open on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Forms can be sent in prior to this date.

**Robyn Harris – OSHC Director**

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**Annie Neilson – Front Office SSO**

## VIV'S VIBE



I would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who donated goods and gifts to our hamper drive. We were able to distribute 12 hampers to families who can benefit from our school community's generosity.

Your donations will go a long way to making things a little easier this year. The photo shows how much each family received. Port Noarlunga

Primary School community has once again shown how much they care.

**Vivonne Amoy –Pastoral Care Worker**

## FUNDRAISING NEWS

2017 done and dusted! Thank you to all the students and families who helped fundraise this year. We have seen some exciting purchases (flag pole, pavers, bin enclosures and BeeBots), as well as some rewarding ways to raise money.

To the families who braved the cyclonic weather for the Family Portraits I salute you. It surely was not the best day for photos but I hope you are happy with the free portrait. I will not be continuing with fundraising in 2018. The Governing Council will be looking for new parents/caregivers to help with fundraising. The role of Fundraising Coordinator is very rewarding and you will learn much more about how the school operates than you first imagine. Perhaps there is a group of friends out there who might light to take the challenge? If you think you can help out please send a message to the Governing Council through Annie at the front desk, or email them to [dl.0362.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0362.info@schools.sa.edu.au) or through your class teacher. I can provide all the proformas, contacts and reports from previous years to make the job easier.

I hope all the PNPS families and staff have a safe and merry festive season.

**Caroline Duke**

## A CHRISTMAS STORY

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November Year 3 and 4 students from Emmaus Christian College and their teachers visited our school to perform as a Choir singing four Christmas Carols as part of the Christmas Story presented by Vivonne and eight of our Year 6/7 students. The Christmas Story was delivered to the whole school via a Christmas quiz, video and interactive activities with a sing along to Jingle Bells. The Choir from Emmaus Christian College were outstanding and performed with passion and enthusiasm and were a credit to their school.

We wish to thank everyone involved in this year's story and once again acknowledge Vivonne (our Pastoral Care Worker) for her amazing work in producing something a little different each and every year for our enjoyment.



## 2017 – A BUSY AND PRODUCTIVE YEAR

On the back page of this final newsletter for the year we have included some photos of our staff 'getting into the spirit' during the 2016 school year. Our staff really gets on board when there is a celebration such as Twilight Dance, Beach Carnival, Family Fun Night, French Day, excursions, activities and special events. We feel especially lucky to have such a supportive and caring school community. Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

**PNPS Staff**

**Assemblies**

**Twilight Dance**

**Porties Got Talent**

**Book Week**

**Beach Carnival**

**Celebrations**

