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Key Dates

Outdoor Classroom Day
Fri 3 November

Class Placement 2024
Forms due back by
Mon 6 November

Remembrance Day Event
The Strand at Port Elliot
Sat 11 November from 10.40am

Parent Coffee & Cake
Fri 14 November

STUDENT FREE DAY
Mon 20 November

HATS, HATS, HATS
Term 4 Reminder



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Positive feedback from External School Review

Community is a core value and central to our everyday. Having this validated by the External School Review (ESR) team, further acknowledges our focus. Special mention was made of children, parents, carers and staff all acknowledging the positive and vibrant culture where people feel supported and motivated to work cohesively.

One of the directions identified three years ago, was to review and improve student writing outcomes. The ESR team noted significant success in this area with clear policies and consistent programs across all classes and students engaged in rigorous learning at all year levels.

The ESR findings are further supported by our excellent achievement in writing in 2023 NAPLAN. The Fleurieu region had seven Year 3 children who achieved the top level 'Exceeding' in writing and three of these were from Port Elliot Primary. There were thirteen Year 5 students who achieved the top level 'Exceeding' in writing, seven of which were from Port Elliot Primary. An outstanding result!

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK (CONT.)

The ESR determined three new directions:

- Staff will work with students to better reflect on intended success criteria as a means for directing future learning.
- Staff will be supported to use Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) to moderate and review student learning.
- Student agency will be an on-going focus with greater opportunities for student voice, purpose and self-efficacy in learning.

A more detailed report is available on the school web site and we welcome any feedback and comments from families. Governing Council will be closely involved with the School Improvement Plan (SIP) process and welcome any questions and suggestions from families.

by Principal Cathy Knight



Class Placement 2024

Parents/carers, please complete your class placement information by Monday 6th November. Scan the QR code for class placement.

Remembrance Day 2023



On Saturday 11th November, the Remembrance Day service will commence at 10:40am. Port Elliot Primary Students will deliver the Acknowledgement of Country and participate in the laying of a wreath.

Reminder to get your School Card Scheme Application in

Applications for the 2023 School Card Scheme close 24th November 2023. Please apply online if you think you may be eligible

Are your family's personal details updated?

In case of emergency, it's important that the school has updated records for your child and your family. If you have recently changed your contact phone numbers, moved address or changed names please get in touch with the school to update your details.

Open For 2024 enrolments

We are currently taking new enrolments for 2024. Port Elliot Primary is a high achieving site with a strong positive wellbeing and community culture. Limited spaces are available in classes R-6. Interested families are encouraged to phone/email to book your Principal's tour. Planning for 2024 classes has already commenced.



Flying Fish Awards

Community

Rhys M, Lachlan L, Luella W, Cecil A, Laurelai C, Taj W, Essie T

Confidence

Calyan M, Carly M, Benjamin F, Micah F, Finlay M, Jaxon L, Jonah C, Arki B, Kelli M, Lulu S-Y, Micah B

Respect

Erin C, Archie S, Willa R, Adelyn B, Chase D

BRINGING THE NGARRINDJERI RUWI MURAL TO LIFE

No doubt the beautiful Mural currently in progress on the side of the Nunga Yiti and Indonesian rooms has caught your eye!

Our Reconciliation Action Committee (RAP) have invested much time into this vision. We are fortunate that it has come to fruition through the Vibrant Communities Grant from Alexandrina Council and the support of our school Parent Network and wider community in raising funds to employ local artists and secure resourcing.

Kristal Matthew's and her sister, Jazz, are the talented artists bringing the mural, titled 'Ngarrindjeri Ruwi' to life. They consulted with and have been guided by Aunty Phyllis a proud Ngarrindjeri woman and Elder, in creating this significant piece.

The mural tells a story of a culture intertwined with the seasons, the wildlife, and the land.

Our students have spent time over the last two weeks learning about the meaning behind the mural, including some Ngarrindjeri words.

The mural is in progress with still more elements to add, please stop by to have a yarn with Kristal if you see her busy at work on this masterpiece. Below is the story and meaning behind the mural.

This artwork depicts some of the flora and fauna found on Ngarrindjeri Ruwi (Country).



The waterways represent the Kurangk (Coorong), rivers, lakes and beaches found throughout Ngarrindjeri Ruwi. There are different animals including thukubi (turtle), pondi (Murray cod) and thukeri (bony bream). Kuti (cockle) and kungari (swan) eggs are seen by the bulrush and the rushes. Bulrush roots are used to make string. The rushes are used for lakun (weaving), they can be picked all year round but ideally during the warm summer months.

The wanggami (kangaroo) and pinyali (emu) along with their tracks are seen along the hills. The norengk (pelicans) are flying above the sand.

The meeting place with people around it represents the importance of caring for community, working together and listening to Elders.

There is a scar tree in the centre. Scar trees are found all throughout Ruwi, some are scars made from canoes like this one represents. The best time to make a canoe is during the cold seasons, this is to make it easier for the wood to come off.

The colours by the tree represent a variety of native resources. The nganangi (pigface) have red fruit that can be eaten, they ripen during summer. The leaves can be soaked overnight and then eaten with fish or meat.

The juice from the nganangi leaves provide relief from insect bites. Yalkari (Old man's beard) which when steamed is used to relieve aches and pains.



River mint which is used as a tea and helpful with digestion. Dandelions which are used as an indicator of the seasons, for safety reasons you can't go into the water until they have dropped. Munthari (muntrie) fruits during summer. And the parangunhi (ruby saltbush) products edible berries that are yellow, pink or red.

On the other side of the tree there is a shield, spear and boomerang, resources made from a she-oak tree.

There is a ritjaruki (willy wagtail) flying in the wulun (sky). In the yarluwar (ocean) are different animals, dolphin, milori (stingray), kondoli (whale) and a pungari (seal).

The rocks the penguins are on represent those on Kaiki (Granite Island), and the textures and colours are being added by the po:rlar (children) of Port Elliot Primary School using their fingerprints. Some of the rocks will be left blank so the next few years of Reception students and new students can also leave their mark on the mural. A commitment to walk together caring for each other and Country.

All the animals on Ruwi are important to maintain a thriving ecosystem.

Look after Country and Country will look after you. (Aunty Phyllis Williams, Kristal Matthews and Jazz Matthews)

We thank Aunty Phyllis for sharing her vast knowledge on Ngarrindjeri seasons and culture with our community and we are eternally grateful for her time and that too of Kristal and Jazz in strengthening our understanding and appreciation through art and language. We are proud that the Ngarrindjeri Ruwi Mural will be a prominent piece of our school fabric for years to come.



SA Tennis Year 3/4 Carnival

We wish the forty two Year 3/4 students and their twenty Year 5/6 coaches an enjoyable day next Thursday participating in a modified doubles competition at Victor Harbor Courts. A report with photos will be in the next newsletter.

Year 5/6 Woolworths Cricket Blast, Thursday 23rd November (Term 4 Week 6)

It was advertised to Year 5/6 students late last term about the opportunity to participate in the Woolworths Cricket Blast at Port Elliot Oval. This event focuses on mass participation, no experience is necessary.

The day runs from 10am-2:00pm and is a round robin, super 8's format. Students had to form their own team of 8, with an adult/past PEPS student per team to supervise them on the day, and nominate their team with Trina by the end of Week 1, Term 4.

We had 1 girls, 1 boys and 1 mixed team nominate and they are practicing at school in break times. Information was sent home with players. Please speak to Trina at school if you need any more information.

School Sport SA State Cricket Carnival

Congratulations to Hallie, Jozef and Koa who have been selected to play in the School Sport SA Girls and the School Sport SA Boys State Cricket Carnivals in Adelaide. They will participate in a 3 day carnival during Week 4. We wish them all the best.

2024 House Captains



The current Year 5's have been invited to apply for House Captain in 2024. They are currently being supported to organise their campaign.

Speeches will be delivered to all classes in Week 7 with voting occurring in Week 7 PE lessons. The successful House Captains will be announced in Week 8 and will have the responsibilities handed over to them at the end of year awards assembly. They will also have training during the remainder of Week 9 by the existing House Captains. We wish all candidates the best.

Sports Day preparations are well underway, with the date being tentatively set for Friday Week 10, Term 1, 5th April 2024.

Local Sporting Success Stories & Opportunities

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.

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.

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY

LOVE THE OUTDOORS

Friday, 3rd November

We are taking the learning outside again.

9:20am - 11:25am

Hats essential,

Uniform required (but use the oldest one),

Nude food picnic (no packaging),

Gumboots are acceptable footwear,

Small jar required for magic potions with Ms. Lacey.

More than 30 activities available across the school.

Parent volunteers are very welcome.

Port Elliot Primary School - 0356		
Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2024		
Notice of Charges for Reception - Year 6		
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)
Printed and electronic materials related to the educational program and which are provided for the student	Workbooks	\$38.00
	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$6.00
	Photocopied Material	\$40.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)	\$84.00
Stationery items that are provided for the student	Stationery Items	\$63.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)	\$63.00
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the student to consume or use the materials or take ownership of a finished article produced by the student with the materials	Access to Student Information Technology	\$63.00
	Access to Machinery	\$0.00
	Access to Equipment	\$0.00
	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$50.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)	\$113.00	
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the student	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$27.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)	\$27.00
Total Materials and Services Charge (excluding Subject Charges)		\$287.00

These subject charges are in addition to the Materials and Services Charge above for those students undertaking the following subjects.

Subject Description	Cost (\$)
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00

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APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL CARD

All types of School Card applications are now online.

You can access the online forms from any device that gets internet, including mobile devices, such as tablets and smart phones, as well as laptops and computers.

Applying online is easy! Simply follow the steps below.

- STEP 1** Visit sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard
- STEP 2** Select the type of School Card you would like to apply for (for example 'Type A') and follow the prompts.
- STEP 3** Complete all mandatory fields.
Please note: you cannot submit your application unless all mandatory fields are complete.
- STEP 4** Once you have completed a page click on the 'NEXT' button.
- STEP 5** Once you have filled out all pages click the 'SUBMIT' button.
Please note: if you exit the form without clicking 'SUBMIT' your details will be lost.

You can save the form, and return to complete it at another time, by clicking on the 'SAVE' button.



sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard



TERM 4 2023

PLANNER

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	16th October	17th October	18th October	19th October Sunnies for Schools 	20th October
2	23rd October Governing Council	24th October GSC Transition Yr 6 READERS RAP @ PEPs Kindy Transition 9am—10am	25th October Kindy Transition 9am—10am	26th October	27th October World Teachers Day
3	30th October JP Assembly Parent Coffee & Cake 	31st October	1st November 901 & 902 Local Excursion	2nd November Newsletter	3rd November Outdoor classroom Day
4	6th November	7th November	8th November Kindy Transition 9am—10am	9th November Yr 3/4 Tennis R-6 Nunga excursion Kindy Transition 9am—10am	10th November children's Children's University Graduation Yr 1/2 beach walk Yr 4-6 Netball clinic
5	13th November Primary Assembly	14th November Parent Coffee & Cake Kindy Transition 9am—11am PE WEEK	15th November PE Week Guest Speaker Dual Aust Rep Yoyo/ Lacrosse 12-1 Kindy Transition 9am—11am 	16th November ELC Netball match 	17th November Busking Assembly Crazy sock day FUN LUNCH
6	20th November STUDENT FREE DAY	21st November	22nd November Kindy Transition 9am—11.55am Kindy parent Morning Tea 	23rd November 5/6 Cricket Newsletter 	24th November
7	27th November House Captain Speeches Governing Council 	28th November	29th November	30th November Christmas Message 	1st December
8	4th December Yr. 6 VHHS Orientation Day GSC Transition Yr 6 	5th December	6th December Porridge Musical 3/4 cast 6pm 	7th December Porridge Musical 5/6 cast 6pm 	8th December
9	11th December Governing Council	12th December Principals Pizza Party! 	13th December Reports Home Yr. 6 Graduation JP End of yr celebration 	14th December Awards assembly Yr 3-6 Newsletter 	15th December Visit 2024 classes Yr 5/6 + 301 Beach Excursion 2:15PM PICK UP

BACK TO SCHOOL MONDAY 29th JANUARY