

Port Noarlunga Primary School and Aquatic Centre

"Working Together - Learning Forever"

We value: Respect, Responsibility,
Independence, Caring and
Honesty



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NEWSLETTER

WEEK 2 TERM 1

8th February 2018

Celebrating 102

Years in 2018



DIARY DATES TERM 1 2018

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

Thursday 22nd February

- Finance Committee Meeting 5:30pm
- Governing Council Annual General Meeting 6:30pm

Tuesday 13th February

- National Apology Day

Wednesday 14th February

Sweethearts Day – wear red and gold coin donation

Friday 2nd March

Student Free Day

Monday 12th March

- Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

Wednesday 14th March

Twilight Dance 5:30pm

Wednesday 21st March

- Finance Committee Meeting 5:30pm
- Governing Council Meeting 6:30pm

Friday 30th March

- Good Friday Public Holiday

Monday 2nd April

- Easter Monday

Thursday 13th April

- Last day of Term 1 - dismissal at 2:15pm

PLEASE NOTE

GOVERNING COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND FINANCE MEETING HAS BEEN MOVED FOR WEEK 4 TO THURSDAY 22nd FEBRUARY

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear all,

Welcome back to school. It has been a wonderful start particularly for our 70 Reception students who are at the very beginning of their journey with us. Staff and students across the school spent Week 1 building relationships, setting class norms and practising routines that will set them up for a highly successful year.

Our main areas of focus this year are Reading and Numeracy. I expect all students to demonstrate growth in both of these areas and I will be working alongside staff to support their work. I would strongly urge all families to make time every day for Reading as this is one area that requires constant reinforcement.

The Standard of Educational Achievement states that students reach level 5 or beyond at the end of Reception, level 15 or beyond at the end of Year 1 and level 21 or beyond by the end of Year 2. Students in Year 3 and above are measured using NAPLAN and PAT assessments.

Some changes that have been implemented in 2018 are:

- Students begin on Day 1 in classrooms
- Uniform start and finish times for the week i.e. 8:50 to 3:10 every day
- Assemblies held on Wednesdays in Weeks 3, 6 and 9 at 2:30pm. Each assembly will be hosted by 2 classes and the parents of these classes will be invited to attend. Our first assembly will be hosted by Ms Ehlers' and Ms Eldridge's classes.

As you are aware our zone has been enacted and we are only accepting new enrolments from within our zone. A number of our classes are at capacity already and we continue to receive new enrolments from families living in our zone. We expect this to continue with the large amount of building works that are underway in the area.

I would like to remind all that our school is a safe environment for all and I expect that we all behave in a calm and respectful manner. It is important that we model these appropriate behaviours to our children.

Have a wonderful year,

Take care

Marie

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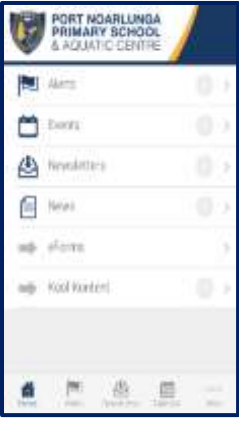
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SKOOLBAG



With 75 new students at school this year we wish to remind parents and caregivers of the Skoolbag app. Thank you to everyone who has installed it and has provided such positive feedback. Many of the community notices we receive are available in the app in the Community Notices section from local clubs and sporting groups.

Don't forget you are now able to update your information and contact details via the app by clicking on the eForm and filling in

the information. Student absences can also be done on the app. Click the eForm and then the Absentee Form and fill in the relevant information.

We have also created a category for our OSHC Service, Canteen and School Counsellor.

Programmes and information will be shared in the app and we will continue to expand the App and its contents in 2018.

To get the app go to the App Store for iPhone or iPad users or Google Play for Android users and search for Port Noarlunga Primary School. Follow the install instructions and open the app to view all of our content.

UPDATING YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

It is vital that your contact information is accurate and up to date. This is especially important if your child is injured or unwell. If you have changed any of your contact details then please let us know as soon as possible. You can phone the school on 83822455, email at dl.0362.info@schools.sa.edu.au or via the Skoolbag app on your personal device.

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

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2018

- Monday 12th March – Adelaide Cup
- Friday 30th March – Good Friday
- Saturday 31st March - Easter Saturday
- Sunday 1st April - Easter Sunday
- Monday 2nd April – Easter Monday
- Wednesday 25th April – ANZAC Day
- Monday 11th June – Queen's Birthday
- Monday 1st October – Labour Day
- Tuesday 25th December - Christmas Day
- Wednesday 26th December – Proclamation Day



GOVERNING COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AGM 2018

The AGM will be held on Thursday 22nd February at 6:30pm in the Resource Centre.

The 2017 Annual Report

will be presented and the new Governing Council for 2018 formed. Being a member of Governing Council gives parents the opportunity to understand how the school runs and have input into decision making. The AGM is an ideal way to hear what is happening in the

school and especially what plans are evolving to further support your child's learning.

Governing Council meetings are held on Wednesdays of Week 4 and 8 of each term at 6:30pm – 8:30pm. If you wish to nominate for a position on Governing Council please let Annie (Front Office Receptionist) know by phoning 83822455 and leave your details or email dl.info.0362@schools.sa.edu.au

PAYMENT OF MONEY IN 2018

Information regarding the Materials and Services Charges for 2018 was sent home last week. The Materials and Services Charges for 2018 will be \$285.00. This amount is due to be paid by Thursday 15th February (Week 3 Term 1 2018).

The 2018 Excursion Levy of \$58 per student is due by Thursday February 22nd. Students will not be able to attend any activities until this amount is paid.

The Excursion Levy covers all excursions, incursions and activities during the school year except photographs, Aquatics Programme, Year 7 windcheaters, Year 7 Graduation, special camps or sleepovers. Separate invoices will be sent home for these activities.

There will be NO arrangements for after event payment.

As always, parents need to pay this amount at the beginning of the school year, apply for School Card or make arrangements with Julie Bramley, our Finance Officer, early in the school year.

The Finance Office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 – 9:30am. Payments outside of these times can be made at the front office but correct money is appreciated.

Thankyou – the Finance Committee

LOST PROPERTY

Don't forget to regularly check the lost property for your child's belongings. Named and labeled items are returned to their owner. All unclaimed items are donated to charity at the end of each term.

Annie Neilson – Front Office SSO

HEALTH SUPPORT PLANS

It is the parent's/caregiver's responsibility to ensure new Health Care Plans and Medication Forms are provided for any changes to dosages, times etc. and must be updated every year. It is also a parents' and caregivers' responsibility to ensure that all medication is current and has not passed its expiry date. Please contact Annie in the front office for more information.

YOUNG LEADERS

Young Leaders will be supporting Sweetheart Day this year on Valentine's Day. Students are encouraged to wear red and donate a gold coin. Held annually on Valentine's Day February 14th. Sweetheart Day raises much-needed funds to provide support for kids, teens and adults affected by congenital/childhood heart disease all across Australia. This is not a plain clothes day. If they don't have red, they wear their uniform.

For more information on Sweethearts Day visit <https://www.heartkids.org.au/whats-on/sweetheart-day-2018>

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

Thank you to Parents/Carers who have returned their children's books and readers from last year. We still have a lot that have not been returned and with readers now costing \$10 per book to buy, it is quite a lot of money outstanding if we have to replace the books.

We will be running Book Club again this year with the first issue going home with students during Week 2. Order forms are due back Thursday 15th February. Parents can purchase online or pay Julie in the finance office. Your support of Book Club is greatly appreciated as it gives us resources for the Library. Premiers Reading Challenge will run again this year. Forms will be out soon

Chris McDonald – Teacher Librarian

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN PROGRAM

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who collected the Earn and Learn stickers in 2017. Our order has arrived and we have a received a great collection of items to enhance



newsletter from time to time to remind everyone of this, especially during whole school events:

"We understand that some parents wish to film their children's participation in a school event. In order to ensure the privacy of all students, please be aware that any vision or photographs taken must be for personal use only.

Images taken of students other than your child should not be placed on public forums such as Facebook or YouTube.

We appreciate your respect and co-operation.

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Coles have once again launched their Sports for Schools Program. Our school is registered so families will be able to collect Coles Sports for Schools vouchers from Coles stores across Australia. Vouchers can be dropped off in the bins in the front office. Ask your neighbours, friends and families to collect the vouchers for you and help us reap the rewards of this initiative.



SEAFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE OPEN NIGHT INFO



STUDENT PHOTOS

Taking photos of our children is a wonderful way to create special memories. Not all parents, however, choose to put their children's photos on Social Media. You are reminded therefore that if you do upload photos of your own children, please ensure that other children (even in the background) in the photo cannot be identified, unless this has been cleared by their parents. The following information will appear in the

COMMUNITY NEWS

Onkas Rugby are holding their junior come and try nights on Thursday February 22nd and Thursday 1st March. Times and more information are available on the Skoolbag app or by phoning 0481 109 280.



Vacation Care Fun and Games

