Dear all,

We have had the flu and related illnesses ravage the staff over the past couple of weeks meaning an increase in Relief teachers and new faces around the school. There are some staff who have leave in the remaining weeks of the term and we have managed to book the same relievers for each day of their absence. This will lessen (hopefully) the impact on the students.

Some staff have absences due to their involvement in Department for Education initiatives such as LDAM, STEM500, SAPSASA and Simon Breakspear. While these mean time out of the classroom for teachers, there is a greater impact for student learning in the future when the new learning is implemented.

One exciting absence has been due to a very special reason – Mr Heard has been home caring for his new baby son over the last couple of weeks. We send our congratulations to Kingsley and Leigh.

Mr Horsfall’s Year 5/6 class have started blogging this term. They have been sharing their learning and goals on their blogs. I urge you to have a look and leave a comment on their blogs. The blogs can be accessed at brethorsfall.edublogs.org

Mrs Ehlers’ class submitted a successful proposal to the Governing Council in May. They requested that beanies be included into the school dress code for the winter months. This well-written example of student voice was endorsed by the Governing Council and we await the arrival of the new beanies soon.

Take care,

Marie
STARTING SCHOOL PROGRAMME

The Starting School Programme is a play based programme held on Friday afternoons from 1:45pm until 3:15pm for children who will be attending Port Noarlunga Primary School in 2019. This programme will run from week 2 Term 3 until week 8 of Term 4. Please note the programme does NOT RUN ON THE FIRST AND LAST WEEK OF TERM.

During this time children have opportunities to experience being in a classroom setting, playing in the playground, playing in the Early Years Unit and getting to know other children who will be starting school with them. They also learn the layout of the school and get to know teachers and other staff members of the Port Noarlunga Primary School community. All children enrolling for 2019 MUST either live in the zone (see website) or have siblings who currently attend Port Noarlunga Primary School.

To receive more information about the school zone or enrolment information phone 8382 2455 or email dl.0362.admin@schools.sa.edu.au

SCHOOL DISCO

A School Disco will be held on Thursday 5th July (last Thursday of Term 2) for students from our school. Flyers with all the information are being sent home this week. Copies will be available on the Skoolbag app and our Facebook page. Meal Deals are available with the order form on the flyer.

VACATION CARE

Included in the last newsletter was the July School Holidays Vacation Care programme. Parents are reminded that places are limited and bookings are essential. If you wish to use the service during the upcoming holiday period please phone Robyn on 0405 334 676 or call into OSHC for more details. Copies of the latest programme, enrolment forms and other information can be found on the school website at http://www.portnoarps.sa.edu.au/oshc.html

WINTER ILLNESSES

Winter is here and so are the viruses! Please keep your children home if they are not well. Germs spread quickly within a school, and being cosy at home is the best place for a sick child. Please remember to inform the office if your child is going to be absent.

UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES

Your child / children may receive a letter with the Mid Year Report listing any unexplained absences we have recorded in our database. Could you please fill in the form and return it to your child’s class teacher? Alternatively you may use the Skoolbag app, email, phone or Class Dojo to advise us of the reason for the absence.

Victoria Corbett – Student Wellbeing Leader

MID YEAR REPORTS

End of term reports will be given to students on Friday July 6th at dismissal at 2:15pm. Any students who are absent or late on Friday will be able to collect their reports in Term 3.

SAPSASA CROSS COUNTRY

SAPSASA Onkaparinga South District Cross-Country Athletes and families enjoyed a great day at the Oakbank Racecourse for the 2018 State Cross-Country Championships.

Many of our athletes achieved personal best efforts – a great outcome for the Physical Education curriculum in our schools. Our district athletes were expertly fine-tuned by Matt and Marty of the Mid-Coast Little Athletics Club.

All results are on the SAPSASA website: http://www.education.sa.gov.au/teaching/sport/sports-and-competitions/cross-country

Thank you to families who assisted with transport, gave wonderful encouragement; and submitted photos for publication on the SAPSASA facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/OnkaparingaSouthSapsasa

Congratulations to Zoe Borkowski, Mason Corbett, Jasmine Bateman, Ben Purdy, Ky Myatt, Chase Corbett, Summer Corbett and Ella Harris for their excellent representation for our school.

Congratulations to Chase Corbett who has qualified for the next round of SAPSASA State Cross Country Championships. Chase placed 18th from a group of 178 competitors.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large quantity of lost property mounting up again. Please remember to clearly name and label your child’s belongings. Parents and students are welcome to regularly check the lost property for missing items. Items that are not collected at the end of each term are donated to charity.
UNIFORM UPDATE
The Student’s Voices have been heard! Mrs Ehlers’ students proposed to the Young Leaders, who then took the proposal to Governing Council, to include BEANIES as part of the winter uniform. It was unanimous that this was a great idea! Plain Navy or Gold Beanies with NO logos can now be worn. Beanies will need to be removed when in class. Please write your child’s name inside all items of uniform. Orders for Beanies with the school logo have been shipped to the school and should arrive shortly. We will let everyone know when they arrive and can be collected.

RESOURCES CENTRE NEWS
We are holding a TRASH & TREASURE stall in the Library on Wednesday 27th June. We will be open at 8:15am if any parents would like to drop in early. This enables us to sell Junior Fiction, Fiction, Senior Fiction and Non-Fiction. Books will be 10c, 20c, 50c and a few sets for $1. There will be posters for 10c. We will also sell at recess time. The money that we raise will go to purchasing sets of books that students are keen to read.

Book Week is in Term 3, Week 5 this year. The theme for 2018 is “Find Your Treasure”. We will have a celebration Assembly on Tuesday 21st August. There will be prizes for dressing up. Many businesses put out children’s costumes cheaply between now and then. Parents do not need to go to a lot of expense and can decorate masks, hats or something simple. The Library will also have a Book Fair during Book Week.

End of term will race quickly upon us. During week 10, there will be no borrowing for R-3 students, 4-7 students may borrow if they have returned all their books. During week 10, it would be great if Parents/Carers could have a good hunt at home and send back any books with barcodes.

Chris McDonald and Tina Jackson – Resource Centre

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS AND APP
The 2018 / 2019 Entertainment™ memberships are now available for purchase. Books can be purchased from the school from the Finance Officer Julie Bramley Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 – 9:00am and the App can be downloaded from http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/

Please enter Port Noarlunga Primary School’s name as the organisation you are purchasing from as we will receive 20% of the membership for our fundraising efforts. For a limited time, everyone who purchases an Entertainment Membership through our Online Order Page will receive 2 x BONUS EVENT Cinemas Saver eTickets!

SCHOOL ART GALLERY
Our wonderful art displays around the school have continued to grow and now line the staff carpark and gated areas of the school. Students are really enjoying creating special ‘gallery quality’ pieces with Vivonne.
BOTANICAL GARDENS

Mrs McMillan's Class