



Port Fairy Consolidated School newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Thursday 23 rd April	Information Night for Kitchen Garden Program
Saturday 25 th April	Anzac Day NO PUBLIC HOLIDAY ON MONDAY
Tuesday/Wednesday	Parent Teacher Interviews
Wednesday 29 th April	Archeology Dig for Years 5/6.
Monday 4 th May	Michael Salmon (Author/Illustrator) visits PFCS.
Thursday 7 th May	May Race Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL
Friday 15 th May	Walk to School Day



Our 5/6's enjoying the Roses Gap Camp.

Dear Parent, Friends and Guardians,

Welcome back to term two and already the term is shaping up to be an exciting and challenging one for everyone. The year 5 and 6 students returned from their camp at Roses Gap, north of Halls Gap yesterday. From all reports the camp was fantastic and our students capitalised on the opportunity to be personally challenged and to support and encourage their peers. A special thank you to Bob Beekhof, Dean Dwyer, Emily Clark and Nicki Campbell who attended the camp. Cynthia McLaren and I visited the camp on Tuesday and were delighted to see such excited, well behaved students and teachers who were also enjoying the camp and the company of our fantastic students. We were certainly given exceptional encouragement and support as we were coerced to tackle the giant swing and Flying Fox!

National Pride School Grant – PFCS has been successful in receiving a \$125,000 grant from the Federal Government to redesign and resurface all hard areas around the bluestone building, the front entrance and the undercover area. Representatives from our School Council and I met with a Landscape Architect over the school holidays to provide information about our school and to share our students' ideas about what they would like in their school yard. Plans are being drawn up at this moment and they will be on display in the front entrance in coming weeks.

Grounds: Thank you to the people who have assisted with hole digging over recent weeks and to Simon Bones who has been coordinating. The retaining wall for the astro turf is complete and the surface is being levelled ready for the turf to arrive in the very near future. The turf will be lined with both netball and basketball court lines. The holes have been dug for the Mini Spider in the prep, 1 and 2 playground area and we are hoping it will be complete ready for the Parents and Friends to unveil during Education Week at the end of May.

ANZAC Day On Saturday our Student Ambassadors will represent PFCS at the ANZAC service at the Riordan Theatre at 10.15am followed by a wreath laying ceremony at the War Memorial at Railway Place. Students will make wreaths today and a special thank you to Louise Coffey for the beautiful flowers and to Maree Stewart for her arranging expertise.

ANZAC Assembly - Next Monday at 9 am a special ANZAC Assembly will be conducted at the front of the school. Representatives from the RSL will attend and we are delighted to be planting two Lone Pines at the front of the school, both given to PFCS, one from Mr Wally Robertson, the other grown from seed by Sami and Erin Zehir's grandfather.

Parent Teacher Interviews: We are conducting Parent Teacher Interviews for students in Years 1 to 6 on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. We expect to meet with parents during these interviews and arrange for teacher release for this to occur. We believe Parent Teacher Interviews are a very worthwhile and special time when teachers and parents assign a period of time devoted totally to sharing information about their child's schooling. **Please return your slip by tomorrow indicating your time preferences, or if you are unable to attend, please contact the office and alternative arrangements can be made.** Confirmation of your appointment time will be sent home tomorrow afternoon. As separately notified, 2/3A interviews will be conducted on Thursday 14th May due to Ms Argent's Long Service Leave.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Project Volunteers Afternoon Tea and Information Session- If you know of anyone who loves gardening and cooking and enjoys being with children, please encourage them to come to PFCS Hall this afternoon between 5 and 6pm to hear about our program and how they may be able to assist. There will be afternoon tea and coffee.

Good luck to our Zone Athletics Team who are competing in Warrnambool today.

The Student Ambassadors and myself would be delighted if you could join us on Saturday for the ANZAC service, parade and wreath laying. Students might like to wear their school uniform.

Lindy

Children's individuality & developing a sense of community. Celebrating children's individuality & developing a sense of community. Celebrating children's individuality & developing a sense of community.

HEAD LICE

We are keen to establish a routine at PFCS to maintain control over this "ever-present" problem.

Screening and checking will be conducted on one afternoon per week, concentrating on one class per week. Over the period of a term this will see the entire school checked and monitored. If any parents are interested in assisting with this checking process, please let Jenny or Ronda know at the office. We envisage working on one afternoon per week (day negotiable), from 2pm to 3.30pm, concentrating on one class per week.
Thank you.

VICTORIAN PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE 2009 - ** LAST CHANCE **

The Victorian premier's Reading challenge is for all Victorian students in Prep to Year 10. Students in Prep to Year 2 who accept the challenge need to read or experience 30 books during this period. Students in Years 3 to 6 who accept the challenge must read 15 books during this period. Some books must be selected from the set booklists. Display books are in the library if you are interested.

If you are interested in registering or would like more information, please see Mr Chapman. Closing date Monday 27th April.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our school photos went home this week, and comments received back have been very favourable. There is specialist photos available of Bus Captains, Choir, Ambassadors and House Captains at a cost of \$16 each. If you wish to order any of these, please let Jenny or Ronda know, (payment in advance please).



CAFÉ ROSTER

Tomorrow special will be Spaghetti Bolognese, at a cost of \$4 per serve.

Friday 24 th	Lisa Spence
Monday 27 th	Linda Sharp
Wednesday 29 th	Melissa Byron
Friday 1 st May	Donna Malone

We still need some parent helpers on Wednesday and Fridays, please let Jenny or Ronda know at the office if you are interested in participating in the Café.

BRAUER COLLEGE

This year we have set the Brauer College Open Day/Night for Tuesday 26th May. The following evening (Wednesday 27th May) will be a more specific Information Night on the Brauer College Classroom Enhancement Program, bLine, and the Academy Programs.

Dates for these events are listed below:

Tuesday 26th May – Open Day 1.15 – 3.15pm in the Stalker Auditorium, Brauer College.

Tuesday 26th May – Open Night 7.30 – 9.30pm in the Stalker Auditorium, Brauer College.

Wednesday 27th May – Information Evening 7.30 – 9.30pm in the Anderson Theatre. This evening will showcase the Academy Program, Class Enhancement and Extension and Enrichment Programs.

COMMUNITY COLUMN

PORT FAIRY AUSKICK 2009 – Registration at Murrhiy's Quality Meats anytime, or on Thursday 23rd April at 6pm at the Gardens Oval. First Auskick Session on Sunday 3rd May. Any queries phone Shaun on 55681050 or drop in to the Butchers.

MOTHERS DAY @ BUNNINGS – Mum & Kids Night – Make a Gift with Mum on Friday 8th May from 5 – 7pm at Bunnings Warehouse in Warrnambool. Bookings essential on 55641800.

KOROIT IRISH FESTIVAL – Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd May. Enquiries 55659355.

WARRNAMBOOL COLLEGE

Warrnambool College welcomes parents and prospective students to their Open Night on Monday 11th May at 7.00pm. Open mornings will also be conducted on Monday 18th May and Monday 1st June at 9.00am.

Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program and Gifted Education Program Information Session will be held on Wednesday 20th May at 7.30pm.

Notebook Computer Information session will be held on Monday 25th May at 7.30pm.

For further information or to arrange a personal tour of the College, please telephone 55644444.

P.F.C.S. WINTER SPECIAL ORDERS

*** LAST CHANCE ***

Waterproof Jackets –	Childs Sizes = \$27.00 Or Adult Sizes = \$30.00
Long Sleeve Polos –	Childs Sizes = \$24.00 Or Adult Sizes = \$26.00.
Hooded Windcheaters -	Childs Sizes = \$28.00 Or Adult Sizes = \$35.00.

Orders are to be sent to the office with payment enclosed in an envelope marked - "Special Order Winter Uniform".

SIZES AVAILABLE	ITEM	SIZE	NO.	COS
Childs 4-6, 8-10, 12-14 or C16-A12. Adults 14, 16, 18, 20.	Waterproof Jacket			
Childs 4 – 16 Adults 12 – 20	Long Sleeve Polo Shirt			
Child 4 – 16 Adults 12 – 20	Hooded Windcheater			

Thanks, Connie McTaggart, Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator.

Student's Name
Class



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