



# Port Fairy Consolidated School newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Michael Salmon (Author/Illustrator) visits PFCS.
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	P & F Meeting at Ramellas at 7pm. All Welcome.
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	May Race Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day Stall
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Yrs. Prep – 3 - PFCS Cross Country Run
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Yrs. 4 – 6 - PFCS Cross Country Run
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk to School Day
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Education Week
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Zone Cross Country



Dear Parents and Friends

Thank you to the many parents who attended the Parent Teacher interviews this week and to those who have made alternative arrangements. This year the interviews were conducted earlier in the school year to enable parents and teachers to meet and discuss student progress and to share information relating to individual children before the mid year reporting period. The staff have found the earlier time beneficial and we would appreciate your feedback .

**EDUCATION WEEK** will be held from May 18 - this is a time to share the happenings at PFCS with our broader community. The Kinder students and parents visit on Monday and Tuesday and on Wednesday May 20 there will be an open day and welcome back to school for visitors. Please encourage family and friends to visit PFCS on May 20<sup>th</sup>. More details next week.

Today the Leadership Team met with Marcia Octoman from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD), Innovations and Next Practice Division to trial and evaluate, newly developed whole school planning programs. The resultant material from our meeting will inform a presentation to the Regional Principal's Briefing in Warrnambool next week. Thank you to the staff for their willingness to be involved in this program, as their input will ensure materials and programs developed at Head Office have input from the grass roots.

**ARCHAEOLOGY DIG FOR YEAR 5 and 6** -Students in years 5 and 6 turned their hand to researching yesterday. They joined Brandi Bugh and her team of Archaeologists from Heritage Victoria, Department of Planning and Community Development, to survey a site on the foreshore at Warrnambool. Students and staff alike found the experience fantastic, with cow horns, bone handle knives and bones amongst the treasures. They worked in teams with the archaeologists to dig, clean and record their findings. It was a true insight into the work of an archaeologist and the students are to be commended for their hard work and diligence in completing the tasks so thoroughly.

**ANZAC Day** – Our Student Ambassadors Angus Blackwood, Lucy Martin, Grace Shaw and Kaine Mercovich represented our school by attending the Port Fairy ANZAC Ceremony last Saturday. They spoke passionately to a large crowd about the meaning of ANZAC Day and the significance of the day to the younger population. They reinforced to all in attendance that our country is in great hands with children such as Angus, Lucy, Grace and Kaine showing the way.

**PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM** – The music component of our program will be drawing to a close next week and a special thank you to Michael Keyburn for the outstanding musical teaching he has provided. Some of the music Michael has created with the children will be used in the dance program this term with talented dance teacher Daneel Robertson. A performance incorporating the music and dance teaching will be ready for viewing at the end of term two. To kick start the Performing Arts Dance program, Peter Gray will be conducting dance workshops and performances for all students today and tomorrow.

**ATTITUDES TO SCHOOLS SURVEY** - This week students in years 5 and 6 completed the DEECD Attitudes to School Survey. Students across Victoria undertake these surveys anonymously and the results provide information on all issues relating to life at school for children, such as friendships, teaching, curriculum and safety. Our data is generally very positive and staff use the data for reflection and development of student learning, student engagement and wellbeing and transition programs.

Next Thursday is the gazetted Public Holiday for Warrnambool Cup and there will be no school. This is not our school's preferred public holiday and I apologise for any inconvenience.

Lindy

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## SAKGP

We need equipment for our kitchen classes – please help! Buy something from our House Gift Registry – [www.house.con.au](http://www.house.con.au) – Click on Gift Registry, Click on View Gift Registry, Registry ID 1410108 – Password – portf.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS

Our next P & F Meeting will be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm at Ramellas. All welcome.  
The P&F are conducting a Mothers’ Day Stall at PFCS on the morning of Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May, with small gifts available for mum at a cost of \$3. A note was sent home earlier this week, please return the envelope and money to the office by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>.

## BOOK CLUB

The Book Club issue 2 books arrived yesterday and will be sent home today. Sue Stevens.

## GROUP PHOTOS

The Group Photos of the Bus Captains, Ambassadors, Choir, and House Captains can be viewed at the office. They are available to purchase at a cost of \$16. Closing date for orders 8<sup>th</sup> May (payment in advance please).

## CAFÉ ROSTER

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Donna Malone
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Linda Sharp
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	HELP NEEDED
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Karan Millyard & .....

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.

## ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAM

For Term Two we will be offering Football on Monday and Swimming at Belfast Aquatics on a Wednesday. Enrolment forms can be collected from the office, but must be completed prior to your child participating in either or both sessions. We have had to place a limit of 20 students for these activities, so be sure to “get in quick”.  
Upon enrolment a place will be held for your child for the duration of the term, if they are unable to attend on any night, a phone call would be appreciated.

## LOST

**On Tuesday night (during Parent Teacher Interviews), a red blade board/rip stick was lost from within the school grounds. If anyone has seen this, please bring to the office.**

## BRAUER COLLEGE CLASSROOM ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

A flyer is available at the office for anyone interested in this program. Alternatively, information can be obtained by phoning Helen Taylor on 55603845.

## P.F.C.S. WINTER SPECIAL ORDERS

**Connie will be placing the winter special orders next Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May. Late orders, with payment, will be accepted until that date.**

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

SIZES AVAILABLE	ITEM	SIZE	NO.	COST
Childs 4-6, 8-10, 12-14 or C16-A12.  Adults 14, 16, 18, 20.	<b>Waterproof Jacket</b> <b>\$27.00</b>			
Childs 4 – 16  Adults 12 – 20	<b>Long Sleeve Polo Shirt</b> <b>\$24.00</b>			
Child 4 – 16  Adults 12 – 20	<b>Hooded Windcheater</b> <b>\$28.00</b>			

Thanks, Connie McTaggart, Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator.

**Student’s Name** .....  
**Class** .....

## COMMUNITY COLUMN

**WARRNAMBOOL DISTRICT HOCKEY ASSOCIATION** – All under 12 and 14 kids interested in playing hockey for the year, come and join in the fun on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> of May. Under 12’s from 4-5pm. Under 14’s from 5-7.30pm (at the latest). For more information phone 55622729.

**WINTER WEEKEND ACTIVITIES** – The Visitor Information Centre are in need of baby formula tins or large “Nescafe” type tins, and cardboard cylinders (post office style) for a children’s Winter Weekend activity. Items can be dropped off at the centre, which is open 7 days from 9am to 5pm.

**PORT FAIRY AUSKICK 2009** – Registration at Murrhiy’s Quality Meats anytime, with the first Auskick Session on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Queries to Shaun on 55681050 or drop in to shop.

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

**KOROIT IRISH FESTIVAL** – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Enquiries 55659355. Students are invited to participate in the “Best Dressed Leprechaun Competition”. Heaps of prizes, judging will commence at 3pm on Saturday. For further information refer to website [www.koroitirishfestival.com.au](http://www.koroitirishfestival.com.au).

**CHRIST CHURCH SERIES CONCERT** on Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7.30pm in the Chrich Church, Cnr Henna & Koroit Sts, Warrnambool. The Geelong Chorale with visiting and local instrumental ensemble conducted by Manfred Pohlenz will perform the acclaimed Mass for Peace “The Armed Man”.



