



# Port Fairy Consolidated School newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Prep – 3 Cross Country and family BBQ Lunch
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Last day of Term 2 – Reports distributed, dismissal at 2.30pm.
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July First Day of Term Three

A very proud PFCS senior choir after their Warrnambool Eisteddfod wins.



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Term two draws to a close tomorrow and we will celebrate the end of term with the Junior Cross Country and family BBQ. Hopefully you will be able to join us at the oval for the Cross Country and see our young guns complete the 'gruelling' circuit with their buddies close behind! Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm, however they may leave at the completion of the BBQ lunch providing parents see their child's Home Group Teacher.

**PFCS CHOIR WINS WARRNAMBOOL EISTEDDFOD** On Monday our senior choir won the Warrnambool Eisteddfod Primary Choir and Year 5/6 Choir competitions. The competition was fierce with schools including Kings College, Warrnambool Primary, Woodford and Colac competing. Congratulations to Lynda Beekhof and the senior choir members for their outstanding commitment and dedication to achieving excellence.

**2010 ENROLMENTS** - The Enrolment period for all schools in the Warrnambool Network is during the first three weeks of term 3. There is an informal information session in the PFCS Library on Tuesday July 14<sup>th</sup> from 10.00-11.00am and personalised meetings and tours are also available at other times by appointment. Please encourage parents of 2010 prep students to take these opportunities to discover what PFCS can offer their child.

**READY SET GO PREP** – Last Tuesday night PFCS hosted an evening for prep 2010 parents. The evening was well attended and our guest speaker Child Psychologist Jon Clegg reinforced the importance of reading with our children and encouraging them to join in and talk with us about everyday events. He also reinforced the important part parents play in demonstrating and modelling appropriate social behaviour, setting guidelines and rules and saying NO when necessary. This information is further reinforced in the attached article which summarises the work of Maggie Dent and the presentation she made in Warrnambool last week.

**ORANGE BELLIED PARROT HABITAT RESTORATION** The year 5/6 students have continued their work on the habitat restoration for the endangered Orange Bellied Parrot this week. They have teamed with international volunteers to complete this work and the project is forming an integral part of our Civics and Citizenship curriculum.

**SUPER SHOT PHOTOGRAPHERS** Currently a display of selected photographs taken by our year 5/6 students is on display at Harvey Norman Warrnambool and Fun For Kids. Congratulations to Dylan Cox, Travis Parsons and Kelsey Ringleberg whose photographs were worthy winners of Super Shot status.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL** – School Council met last night and the key areas of discussion were the landscaping developments of the front entrance and the front of the school- the plans for this project are almost finalised. The School Council is now in a position to complete the defects and outstanding items from the previous building development and the School Council will oversee this process. A parent survey on our School Camp program will be conducted in term 3. School Camps are an integral part of a child's education and we aim to have the camping /excursion program meet the needs and be accessible to all students.

**PARENTS AND FRIENDS -NEW MOVIE CAMERA** – Thank you to the Parents and Friends for the fantastic new video camera. I am certain it will be put to great use by the staff and students.

On behalf of the PFCS community I wish you all a terrific holiday and I look forward to seeing you all back on Monday July 13<sup>th</sup> refreshed and ready for another exciting term at PFCS.

Lindy Sharp

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# Congratulations

*Eren Zehir – For doing his personal best at reading.*

*Marli Lenehan – For writing hilarious “gr” word silly sentences.*

*Ben Heard – Great ICT skills.*

*Jack Hogan – Always doing his personal best in all school work.*

*Ben Angland-Carter – For being a helpful and considerate class member.*

*Soraya Kearney-Knox – For being a caring class member.*

*Georgie Gibb-Wise – Excellent reading.*

*Ronald Ryan – Quietly going about his business and getting his work completed.*

*Jordan Pulham – Always doing his best and kind to everybody.*

## SENIOR CHOIR NEWS

The Senior Choir performed on Monday this week in the Choral Section of the Warrnambool Eisteddfod. A group of very excited Year 3 to 6 children left school by minibus and spent a very tiring day at the Warrnambool Entertainment Section. It was a good chance to hear other choirs from other schools and listen to the music they are making. We competed in the Primary School Choral Section Grades 5&6 and in the Primary School Choral Section in the afternoon and were very pleased to receive first places in both these sections. The adjudicator, Mr Richard Morphew, was impressed with our unison blend of voices and commended us on our “neat rhythmic expression and close attention to the articulation patterns”. He also enjoyed the contrast in the songs we chose mentioning that we gave “a dignified delivery with a sense of conviction ..... able to project the joyful character of the song with strong impetus in the rhythmic momentum.... A well prepared item presented with discipline in a convincing choral style.”

We celebrated our victory, and spent some of our prize money, by buying Warrnambool Eisteddfod badges and ice-cream! We also brought back 2 first place trophies which will be on display in the office.

Thank you to all members of the choir who worked very hard in the weeks leading up to the Eisteddfod. Thank you also to Mrs Sharp and Mrs McCarthy who also came to Warrnambool to help with ‘behind the scenes’ organisation.

-Lynda Beekhof

## SCHOOL REPORTS

Tomorrow your child/ren will be bringing home their reports, in a new format of a display book. Please return these to the school in Term 3, in the gold envelope.

## JUNIOR CROSS COUNTRY DAY

Tomorrow our prep, 1, 2 and 3 classes will be participating in the school cross country run. This will begin at Southcombe Park at 11.30am. The 4, 5 and 6 classes will be assisting and cheering on. At the conclusion of the run, we will return to school for a family BBQ lunch.

## CAFÉ ROSTER

A Big thank you to the following people who have helped in the café during the term – Renee Meekes, Linda Sharp, Melissa Byron, Margaret Bennett, Lisa Spence, Karen Millyard, Karen Faragher, Jules Bones, Fiona McQuie and Connie McTaggart.

*Kind regards, Katie.*

There will be no Café operating tomorrow - Friday 26<sup>th</sup>, due to our family BBQ lunch.

Please give some thought to helping in our Café during Term 3 and contact Jenny or Ronda in the office with your preferred date/s, or email [martin.jennifer.a@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:martin.jennifer.a@edumail.vic.gov.au).

## FRIDAY FOOD SPECIAL

Our ambassadors and 5/6 helpers will be organising a special dessert for the last day of term. All proceeds will go to our World Vision Sponsor Child – “Ernestina”. Ice cream in a cone will be available for \$2 each. Please help us support Ernestina.

## UNIFORM NEWS – YEAR SIX POLO SHIRTS

Once again we can offer the “Year Six Polo Shirts” to the year six students. They will be white tops with navy striped collars and navy logo on front, with the childrens’ names on the back, like the Rugby tops. Notes with full details of cost and sizes has been sent home this week with the year six children.

We do still have a few hoodies, long sleeve polos and rain jackets (only in larger sizes) in stock for immediate purchase. Thank you. Connie McTaggart, Uniforms PFCS.

## COMMUNITY COLUMN

YAMBUK FIRE BRIGADE CHILDREN’S FIRE SAFETY DAY at the Yambuk Recreation Reserve on Monday June 29<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 2pm. Free BBQ and Giveaways. Please reply to Lisa (Yambuk Fire Brigade) on 55684329.

WHALE TIME PLAYTIME FESTIVAL – 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> July, Victor Harbor, South Australia. Events will focus on educational and interactive elements relating to whales and marine animals. [www.whaletimeplaytimefestival.com.au](http://www.whaletimeplaytimefestival.com.au).

BLUE LIGHT DISCO PARTY for children 15 years&under - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June at the Wannon Rooms Warrnambool from 7–10pm. (Parents must collect children from inside the venue.)

BELFAST AQUATICS COMMUNITY POOL Wicked Wednesday at the Pool – Children’s Activities - Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July for children 5 to 12 years old. Also, enrol now for Learn 2 Swim in Term 3. Phone 55681986.

RICHARD GALBRAITH’S CARTOON WORKSHOP at the Port Fairy Library - Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July from 2-3pm. Bookings essential – phone the library on 55682248.

2009 BIG GOLF DAYS OUT – Hamilton Golf Club Tuesday June 30<sup>th</sup>. Cost \$20. Registration from 8.30am. For more information refer to web site [www.stuartappleby.com.au](http://www.stuartappleby.com.au) or phone 03.95777600.

EUREKA SKYDECK COLORING COMPETITION – win a Nintendo DS valued at over \$200. Collect a colouring competition sheet from the office.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS FUN -BUNNINGS WARRNAMBOOL - Free Kids D.I.Y.workshops on Tuesdays & Thursdays - Bookings essential, phone 55641800.

PORTFAIRY VACATION CARE will be operating on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July at the St.Pat’s School Hall in William Street. Please ring Sharyn on 55657955.

WINTER WEEK-END Childrens Day Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July. Admission free, 2-30 to 4pm at The History Centre Gipps St

**Attached is an extract from the Warrnambool Standard dated Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, for your information with regards to building resilience within our children.**

