

# Portland North Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

No:1.... Thurs 18 March

... is a child safe school



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## DATES

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March

### CURRICULUM DAY

...No school for students

WEDNESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> March

### Athletics Day

FRIDAY 26<sup>th</sup> MARCH

### Toastie Day

### THURSDAY 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL

- Last day of term
- Dress up in Easter colours and bonnet. Parade at 9.15. Gold coin donation
- Assembly-1:45 pm
- Dismissed – 2:30 pm

## CURRICULUM DAY TOMORROW

...no students required at school

### Principal's Message

What a wonderful afternoon we had on Friday at our inaugural **Colour Run** fundraiser. You all did an amazing job at the fundraising component and the children (and some teachers!) did an amazing job at running the course, waiting their turn, supporting each other, having fun and thoroughly enjoying themselves.

No doubt,

it will be remembered as one of their 'best days ever.'

Thank you again to Jodie Brewster who shouldered most of the work in organising the fundraiser and doing a lot of the preparation. However, there were many helpers out there on Friday afternoon helping with the set-up and pack-up, throwing colour around, keeping everyone on track and taking photos – we really appreciate the effort everyone put into making it a great afternoon. The community raised more than \$9000.00, which will go towards refurbishing and enhancing our playgrounds.

You should receive information regarding the collection of prizes this week. Please let us know if you have any issues with this part of the event.

We would like to welcome **two new families to our school**. Max Arden joined is in Year 4; Toby King joined us in Year 3; Alex King in Year 2 and Molly King in Prep. We wish you all a very warm welcome to our school and hope that you are very happy here!

Thank you to the parents who have nominated to join our **School Council**. We have the AGM on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> and we'll introduce the School Council to the community in our next newsletter.

Thank you also to the parents who volunteered to represent their child's classes as a **Class Convenor**. This is a new role in our school aimed at helping us build stronger connections between home and school, further develop relationships between members of our school community and to help us better engage families as partners in every child's learning. We look forward to sharing our ideas and plans in Term 2.

We are very pleased and grateful to let you know that **Sabah's Hot Lunches will continue on Wednesdays in Term 2**. Look out for more information in the next newsletter.

I had a wonderful **visit with our 2020 Year 6 children at Portland Secondary College** a fortnight ago, to check in on them and find out how we could improve our transitions to secondary school. It was lovely to see how they have all settled into secondary school. Next week I will visit the children at Bayview to check on them,



and then we'll use their feedback to further improve our transition program. However, at this stage the consensus is that they should have tried harder to learn their timetables 😊

We have our **Athletic Sports Next Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>**. Please check the information below for all details and we look forward to seeing you all there to celebrate every child's efforts and participation!

*Cate*



## Beats Cycle for Hope



### Portland to Bridgewater Bay Sunday 21 March 2021

- 🚲 FREE Registration at Hanlon Park from 9:00AM
- 🚲 Registration on the day or online at <https://www.trybooking.com/BPGUO>
- 🚲 Just one course for this year: 22 km road (start 10:00AM)
- 🚲 FREE bus returning from Bridgewater at 1.00PM
- 🚲 Food & drinks available at Bridgewater

🚲 Donations kindly accepted

*Enjoy a family friendly morning of exercise, then relax and listen to music.*

**All funds raised will go to supporting families affected by cancer within the Glenelg Shire**

For more information visit our Facebook page - [www.facebook.com/beatscycle.forhope](http://www.facebook.com/beatscycle.forhope)



## PNPS STUDENT APPRECIATION AWARD

**TRUST FORGIVENESS INTEGRITY HOPE COMPASSION**



Grade	Name	Grade	Name
SAUNDERS	Ava Lindsey & Sophie Atwell	BROWN	Tyler Wilson & Liam Godfrey
BILL	Essie Barker & Neidjie Rotumah	ROLL	Max Arden
JESS	Summer Hayes-Muskee	JONES	Rachel Delange
KING	Tyrae Durrant	ENGLEZOS	Ruby O'Brien
Student Leaders	Chiara Trickey		



This week I offer my appreciation to

### Xander Mills

... well done for playing nicely and sharing on the bike track. I love the way you work it all out, stay calm and be a good bike buddy. We are very proud of you.

APPRECIATION AWARDS are handed out at our fortnightly assembly...3.10pm

# PNPS STANDARDISED ATHLETIC SPORTS

## WEDNESDAY 24th MARCH, Nelson Park.

We will need many parents to **help with events** and to **accompany students** to and from events. Please see your classroom teacher if you are able to help. All children will come to school as normal for roll call and will travel to Nelson Park by bus. The buses will be leaving at 9:10 sharp for the seniors - grade 3 to grade 6 students.

**Senior events from 9.30am to approx. 12.30pm. Senior games at 12.30pm**

**Juniors - Prep-2s, will leave school at 12.15pm.**

**ALL Junior events from 12.45pm to 2.45pm**

Please don't forget to pack a lunch, plenty of water, hat, sunscreen and some snacks for your child/children. All children are to be dressed in their house colours & wear sneakers.....**See you there!**

**ALL CHILDREN ARE TO BE PICKED UP FROM NELSON PARK by 3PM.**

**A BUS WILL NOT BE COMING BACK TO SCHOOL .**

**Children ARE NOT permitted to walk home unless accompanied by an adult**

**Portland Holiday Program**  
April 6-16 2021

**HOW TO BOOK**

Already enrolled or attending one of The Y's After School Care or Before School Care programs? Simply contact the service to advise which vacation care program you are wanting to book into and your enrolment will be transferred over. Please DO NOT RE-ENROL.

All new families are required to enrol first. Enrolments are made through Xplor Home, payment via direct debit. See [www.balmainymca.org.au](http://www.balmainymca.org.au) for details.

SCAN QR CODE FOR PROGRAM DETAILS or visit [www.greentreeymca.org.au](http://www.greentreeymca.org.au)

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**(CSEF) Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund**

The CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent you may be eligible for CSEF. To be eligible, cards need to be current on 27/1/21 in term one and 19/4/21 for term two. The annual CSEF amount for primary school student is \$125. **How to Apply (by 25/6/2021)...**

Contact the school office ASAP to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef). If you applied for the CSEF at this school in 2020 you do not need to complete an application form in 2021 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- New student enrolments** – if your child has started or changed schools in 2021 or you did not apply in 2020.
- Changed family circumstances** – such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020

...please see or call Kerry or Di in the office for all enquiries

**PORTLAND AUSKICK CENTRE**

WHERE: HANLON PARK, PORTLAND, VIC

WHEN: WEDNESDAY April 21st and 28th, May 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th, June 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd

TIME: 5:00 PM—6:00 PM

COST: \$85.00 INCLUDES AUSKICK PACK , All SESSIONS Term 2 , 2021.

[REGISTER ONLINE](https://play.afl/auskick)  
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**\$85\* per day or \$50 half day, less your CCS entitlement**  
(\*Includes excursions and incursions)

TUE APR 6	Creating with Clay – Get sculpting and create your own masterpiece
WED APR 7	Cupcake Decorating – Make your own cupcakes, then decorate to take home
THU APR 8	Ball Game Bonanza – Basketball, netball, soccer, football, tennis and many more!
FRI APR 9	Bridgewater Beach – Come explore Bridgewater Beach and blow holes
MON APR 12	Dress Up Day – Will you come dressed as a princess, superhero, or doctor?
TUE APR 13	Just Dance – Let's have a dance off and compete in Just Dance
WED APR 14	Splashtastic! – Spend the day getting wet and playing water games!
THU APR 15	Mini Pizza Creation – Let's make and eat your own delicious mini pizzas
FRI APR 16	Wicked Wildlife – Meet our local wildlife expert and his amazing animals

Venue Incursion Excursion Scheduled activities and bus fares may change due to circumstances beyond our control. Please contact with the venue if needed.

**WHAT TO PACK**

\* A wide brimmed hat – caps are not accepted for outdoor play \* A labelled water bottle \* Sunscreen (if allergies are present) \* Suitable footwear to access the outdoors – strictly NO thongs are to be worn at the program \* SunSmart Clothing- strictly no singlets will be accepted \* A change of clothes

**FOOD**

**NUT FREE ZONE!** - This means strictly NO Peanut Butter or Nuts in sandwiches please; this could be potentially life threatening to a child who suffers from anaphylaxis. Unhealthy foods such as potato chips, lollies and chocolate will not be permitted to be consumed. These foods will be required to stay in the child's bag until they are collected.

Healthy Lunch Box Examples to pack: Fruit / Vegetable sticks / Cheese / Tuna / Sandwiches / Crackers / Wrap / NUT FREE bars / Eggs / Salad / Rice Crackers / Dips / Yoghurt & fruit or cereal, fruit salad or kebabs

For more info visit: <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/schools/healthy-lunchboxes>

\*Please note: It is always best to pack more into your child's lunch box, if children run out of food families will be notified.

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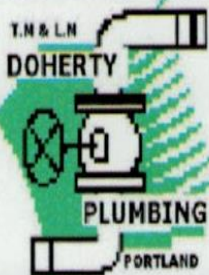
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