Thursday 19th February 2015

The guiding principle for Port Fairy Consolidated School is to provide a high quality education for all students and an opportunity for all students to grow to their full potential – creatively, socially, physically and intellectually.

Our children are our future and we are honoured to be a partner in a child’s journey through life.

Tuesday – Pizza Scrolls
Thursday – Soy Chicken Wings with Rice

School Council Election
There are five vacancies to be filled. Ballot Papers have been sent home tonight with the eldest child in each family. You may vote for up to five candidates.
Please put your completed ballot paper in an envelope with your name on the back to enable it to be marked off the voters register, and return it to the ballot box in the school office, no later than 4.30pm on Friday 27th February.

Congratulations

Principal’s Award – Alex Stevenson
For always being kind and caring to everyone he meets.

00C – Ethan Hill
For being an independent class member who always gives everything a go with a smile on his face.

00W – Tyson Riches
For being a caring and considerate friend to his classmates.

1/2D – Matilda Lu
For fantastic recount writing that included interesting detail!

1/2A – Xavier Tweedly
For settling into P.F.C.S so well and always doing his personal best in class.

1/2T – Rain Hoey
For her effort and positive attitude throughout all class activities!

3/4B – Jackson Sobey
For being so focused on his book during Read to Self this week.

3/4H – Lilly Brown
For an excellent effort in planning her persuasive text

4/5M – Tenae Mounsey
For fantastic attentive listening and always showing great respect to those around her.

5/6D – Marcus Hocking
Wonderful enthusiasm and participation during Folkie workshop.

5/6M – Isaac Ferguson
For a fantastic effort at the Allansford Field Days. Well done Isaac on being chosen to assist celebrity Chef, Simon Bryant and doing a wonderful job. You were a fantastic ambassador for our school. Thank you!
FOLK FESTIVAL
As mentioned in previous newsletters we will be operating our regular ‘School Accommodation, Bed and Breakfast’ fundraiser over the Folk Festival long weekend and we’d appreciate lots of support from our school community! Rosters are slowly filling. Every year it is a challenge to get enough volunteers and we would greatly appreciate any help that you can give.

FOLK FESTIVAL WHOLE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE
On Tuesday we had the pleasure of hosting guest performers, Terry Cole and Phil Melgaard, who worked with all of our students preparing them for our whole school performance. This performance will be held on Tuesday, March 3, at approximately 6pm, in our school hall. Meals will be available with menu details to be confirmed. Please keep the date free! Thank you to the Port Fairy Folk Festival committee for their ongoing support of our school.

BRAUERANDER HOUSE ATHLETIC SPORTS
Just a further reminder that our ‘House Athletic Sports’ will take place tomorrow, Friday, February 20, at Brauerander Park, Caramut Road, in Warrnambool. All students are encouraged to wear their house colours (Sandpipers/Yellow, Gannets/Red, Lapwings/Green, & Shearwaters/Purple). Our Parents and Friends group will host a barbecue and provide fresh fruit platters. Many thanks to Jill Gibson for organising the food and to Deanne Elliot, our physical education teacher for her outstanding coordination. Everybody most welcome! Please note the ‘Bean Cruisn’ mobile coffee van has been booked for 10:30/11am

ROAD SAFETY
Just a reminder to everyone, once again, about the dangers of crossing the road at the eastern car park area! Please take the time to use the designated crossings or move away from the corner before you cross the road. Also, all bikes and scooters need to enter and leave the school via the northern gate on Polding Street. Thank you for your help with this.

FAMILY NUMERACY PROBLEM
This week we will be introducing the “Consolidated Challenge”. Thanks to Mr Twycross for organising this numeracy problem for families to solve.

AIR CONDITIONING
Air conditioners are on their way and will be installed very soon. All eight classrooms in the middle building will be fitted with air conditioners. This great addition to our school is made possible by our ‘Folk Festival Fundraising’ efforts.

BREAKFAST CLUB
Don’t forget ‘Breakfast Club’ is offered to all students on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Breakfast is served from the kitchen at the west end of our top building, commencing at 8:30am. All welcome!

BUS TRAVELLER AWARD
This year we will be recognising our best bus travellers with a weekly award. This award will be nominated by Mr Matt Hoey and it will be given to those students who contribute to the safety, comfort and well-being of their fellow passengers. Congratulations to Ivy Morton who received this award at last Monday’s assembly. Well done Ivy!

HOMEROOM REPS’
A big thank you to the following parents who have offered their time and expertise to be ‘Homeroom Reps’ this year: Ebony Perrin, Kristy Sanderson, Jaqui King, Lisa Payne, Linda McPherson, Claire Hynes, Dominique Quirke, Cathy Connellan, Max Kelly, Jane Condon, Vicki Mounsey, Brooke Green and Jill Gibson.

WELCOME EVENT THANKS
Many thanks to all parents who attended our ‘Welcome Event’ on Tuesday afternoon. I trust you found the teacher presentations informative and the event provided an informal chance to touch base with the staff and our wider school community. Any feedback about the format of the afternoon is greatly appreciated!
HEALTHY LUNCH AWARD
Each week we recognise a student with good food for lunch that is packed in a way that reduces our rubbish. Each of these students receives a free lunch from our school café as a prize. The winner for this week, as announced at Monday’s assembly was Billy Dempsey. Congratulations Billy!

FRUIT CUTTERS
As you know we provide fresh fruit for all of the students every Friday. If you are able to help with the preparation please let the office know and/or volunteer at school on the day.

PLEASE REMEMBER
‘We aim for every child to be the best that they can be – without exception!’

‘MY DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN’
Regards, Mark

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Show & Tell .. with Deborah Dowell

The best advice I ever received was.... From my amazing Grandmother who embraced everyone and gave unconditional love.

The most important things I take into the classroom every day are... fun, silliness, laughter and lots of reading!

The most important lesson I’ve been taught by my students is... how compassionate they can be to me as the teacher.

The most memorable moment in my teaching career was... visiting schools in South Africa last year and seeing how empowering education can be.

If I had a magic wand I would... want all children to have a childhood filled with love, fun and innocence.
### Upcoming Events

**Every Tuesday**  
Walking School Bus from Elizabeth Street, followed by Breakfast Club in the Café.

**Every Thursday**  
Walking School Bus from Elizabeth Street, followed by Breakfast Club in the Café.

**Friday 20th February**  
Brauerander School Sports

**Friday 27th February**  
Celebration Assembly  
All Welcome.

**Student Leaders Congress at Deakin**

**Tuesday 3rd March**  
Folk Festival School Show & Pasta Night

**Friday 6th March**  
DirectWear Uniform Shop  
8.30 – 9.30am.

**District Swimming Sports**

**Folkie Concert**

**Monday 9th March**  
Labour Day Holiday

**Thursday 12th March**  
District Tennis Sports

**Friday 13th March**  
Regional Swimming Sports

**Wednesday 18th March**  
Moyne Athletics

**Friday 20th March**  
Regional Tennis

**Tuesday 24th March**  
School Photos

**Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th March**  
5/6 Dinners

**Thursday 26th March**  
District Athletic Sports

**Friday 27th March**  
Last Day of Term One  
Dismissal at 2.30pm.

### Fresh Fruit Friday – Roster

A very big thank you to the small group of mums/dads who have offered to prepare our fresh fruit each Friday morning.  
If you wish to be added to the roster, please call Jenni in the office.

### Homeroom Happenings

**Prep’s** – This week we enjoyed working with Terry and Phil on our Folk Festival Pasta Night items. We are all very excited about the Athletics Carnival tomorrow. In Literacy this week we have been learning the words ‘a’ and ‘am’. In Numeracy we have continued our work on numbers 0-10.

**1/2’s** - In Reading we are focusing on the strategy of back up and reread. In Writing we are focusing on writing recounts, and in Maths we are focusing on reading, writing and making numbers.

**3/4’s** – We have had the opportunity to showcase our fine-motor skills with a visit from Terry and Phil in preparation for the Folk Festival. In Reading we are now exploring text features, headings, graphics and captions within non-fiction texts.  
We have shifted our creative mind to the skill of ‘persuasive writing’; focusing on emotive language to convince our audience. In Numeracy, ‘place value’ is at the frontline of the battle as we encounter larger numbers. ANZAC Day is on our radar and in our sights as the official ‘inquiry unit’ of work for term 1 and 2. Our mission: uncover more information on ANZAC history. Over and out.

**4/5M** – This week in 4/5 M we have enjoyed working with Terry and learning circus skills for the Folk Festival. We have played Unders and Overs and Mastermind in Maths which is helping us with our place value. We are looking at text features in Reading and this has allowed us to read non fiction books. We continue to enjoy the class novel ‘Once’ by Morris Gleitzman. In Writing we are working on persuasive texts.

**5/6’s** - Enjoyed a fantastic session with Terry Cole with 5/6D perfecting the art of walking on stilts, and 5/6M preparing to pound the pavement as professional jugglers (we are seriously that good!) all in one session!!!! Well done 5/6’s for your determination and practice, it is paying off! We are also working on ‘author’s voice’ in recount writing, place value in Maths and studying the meaning of each of the verses in the ‘National Anthem’. We are also enjoying the book ‘Gallipoli’ by Alan Tucker and tracing our hero’s journey.
**Student name, class and day of order**

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**Café Lunches for next week are:**

- **Tuesday** – Pizza Scrolls
- **Thursday** – Soy Chicken Wings with Rice

Orders can be placed at the office up until 9am on the day at a cost of $5 per child, which includes a piece of fruit at snack time and a delicious home made meal, with a treat at lunchtime.

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**Physical Education**

This week Harrison Hocking, Eren Zehir and Mitch Scholl played off for two positions to play in the Moyne Tennis Championships next Thursday. It was very exciting and down to the last serve of the game with Eren and Mitch going through and Harrison acting as an emergency on the day. Zoe Hart went straight through to the Championships. Two boys and two girls will go through from the Moyne to the District which will be played in Warrnambool on the Thursday 12th March. Well Done!

Our swimmers this week were participating in time trials to try and qualify for the South West Swimming championships. Everyone tried their personal best and it was an amazing effort from everyone!

Our Champion tennis players!

Some of our enthusiastic before school Swimmers!

Just a reminder that our school House Athletic Sports is this Friday at Brauerander (Caramut Road) in Warrnambool. If you are available come along and give your support for this fun filled day! A big thank you to all the families who have volunteered to help out on the day.

... Deanne Elliott
Port Fairy Consolidated School becomes a Bed & Breakfast over the Folk Festival Weekend! This is one of our biggest fundraising activities, and requires input from each family at the school. It raises many thousands of dollars which is put directly back into PFCS for the benefit of all children. Please consider where you can best help out, put your name down and return this sheet to the office.

**FOLKIE BED & BREAKFAST ROSTER**
*(PLEASE INCLUDE A CONTACT NUMBER)*

**SET UP & “BUMP OUT”**

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**BREAKFAST** – (at least two helpers required for each shift)

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YOGA!!
ADULTS - MONDAY's 7pm @ Footy Clubrooms
All levels welcome! $15 per class.
KIDS CLASSES in 2015 will be held Tuesdays during school term.
3:45-4:30pm at St Patrick's. Starting 10th Feb. $7 per class.
For any enquiries please phone Donella on 0428 654 570

Fish On Line Design
28 Cox Street Port Fairy
Are offering Primary School Age Art Lessons
Cost $25 per session
Phone Paul Walsh on 0437 355 325 or email paul@fishonlinedesign.com.au

Have you tried Scouting?
Is your child athletic, or a bookworm? Adventurous or shy? No matter what their interest or ability, Scouting has something to offer them. We run a varied program to suit all ages and ability. 1st Port Fairy Sea Scouts currently have limited vacancies in all our sections. Places are available for boys and girls aged 6-8 in Joey Scouts, 8 – 10 in Cub Scouts and 10-15 in Scouts. If you think your child would enjoy the variety of activities and adventure that Scouting offers, call to arrange a FREE trial. Please call Michelle on 0409 932 867 after 4pm.

Port Fairy Junior Netball 12 & Under
Training will commence on Thursday 19th February at 4:15pm at the Gardens.
Children from Year 4/5/6 who have had Netball experience are welcome to come along and join in.

Blue Light FUN RUN
5Km Run/Walk
Along Port Fairy Rail Trail
28th March
Cost $5 U18. $7 Adult $20 Family
9am Registrations – Railway Place Port Fairy
Race Starts 10am

Robins school of dancing.
Classes at St Pats Hall wed nights.
From 4 years to year 7
Classes of Ballet, tap, jazz and hip hop.
Contact Helen Madden on 0438 622 917.

Hearts in Harmony
Community Music
An exciting opportunity to make music for all ages! Led by Susie & Phil Splitter and Jon Madin.
Saturday 14 March from 9.30am to 3.45pm at Deakin University Warrnambool. Adults $20, U/12 $5, Family $25. For a full description check out the flyer on School Bag web page.
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<td>‘Mini Tennis Star’</td>
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<td>Where: Gardens Caravan Park (Netball Courts)</td>
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<td>Cost: $5 per session or $20 for 5 weeks (all equipment provided)</td>
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**No need to register Just Turn Up.**

For more information please contact: Bree Porter: porter.bree@gmail.com

Note: This program is run by volunteers (not tennis coaches). It will allow children to develop their basic tennis ball and racquet skills as well as incorporating a range of other basic sports. The focus would be on having fun and getting active.

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<th>Junior Team Tennis:</th>
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<td>When: Tuesday Night @ 3:45pm</td>
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<td>Where: Southcombe park courts</td>
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<td>Cost: $40 for season</td>
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If you haven’t already registered your interested please do so by contacting Alison Zehir: portfairytennisclub@gmail.com

*Final details of this program will be delivered to all participants once numbers confirmed.*

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<td>Where: Gardens caravan Park</td>
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We are also gauging interest in running **Thursday Adult Daytime Tennis (1pm-3pm)**

Please email Alison Zehir if you are interested in any of the adult tennis programs: portfairytennisclub@gmail.com

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| We are currently in discussion with Warrnambool Lawn Tennis Club’s Beachside Academy to bring a qualified tennis coach to Port Fairy once a week to run
- Junior and Adult tennis coaching and
- Cardio Tennis (Also know as Slam and Sweat)

If you are interested in this please email the club: portfairytennisclub@gmail.com |