Thursday 12th June 2014
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.

Café Lunches for next week are -
Tuesday – Tuna Mornay
Thursday – Veggie Burger

AND Spooky Day Sausage Sizzle tomorrow!

A SAFE SCHOOL - I HAVE A RIGHT TO A SAFE SCHOOL AND A RESPONSIBILITY TO HELP KEEP IT SAFE

Congratulations

Principal’s Award – Liam Meekes
For his willingness to do everything he possibly can to help others.

00C – Jessica Artis
For trying REALLY hard to keep all of her belongings in her locker and for making sure her jumper is in her bag every afternoon.

00B – Jayla Huggins
For making sure she is pointing to every word when reading.

1/2D – Ariana Matthews
For fantastic work in Maths.

1/2A – Marli Adams
For always doing her personal best and approaching everything she does with a smile.

1/2W – Strahan Robinson
For working productively and applying himself well during writing. Keep up the great work Strahan!

3/4M – Shona Martin
For giving up your own time to help others improve their ball handling skills.

3/4H – Lexie Finnigan
For a motivated, committed effort toward her learning and using classroom resources effectively.

4/5B – Harrison Hocking
For great work in the classroom and consideration for others.

5/6M – Isaac Dalton
Great effort and results in Haiku Poetry

5/6D – Jayden Ward
Great work on his understandings of long and short multiplication in Maths.
WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

Last Thursday was ‘World Environment Day’. Significantly at Port Fairy Consolidated School it was just another day. Since my return to the school in 2012 I continue to be amazed and impressed with the strength of our Environmental focus and how embedded sustainable living philosophies are in our school’s culture. We truly do live and breathe the ‘Reduce, Reuse, Recycle’ mantra. The success of this program lies very much with the passion and skills of Tracey Gray and I thank her for her ongoing efforts and positive energy. To celebrate World Environment Day the Victorian Education Department and the Infrastructure and Sustainability Division hosted two entertaining and insightful environmental sustainability presentations. At which it was made very clear:

“The Department is committed to reducing the environmental impact of its operations and promoting the importance of environmental sustainability as a permanent and accountable part of working life across corporate offices and Victorian government schools.”

At Port Fairy Consolidated School we are committed to helping reduce our earth footprint in every possible way. For our school community we aim to continually raise the awareness of how we use resources and the impact waste can have on our global environment.

Here are 5 simple actions you can take to help look after our world:

- Buy and eat local to reduce car impacts
- Tune up your car and make sure your tyres are inflated correctly
- Buy in bulk to avoid excessive packaging
- Wash only full loads of laundry
- Pay your bills online

CHINESE LANGUAGE

At Port Fairy Consolidated School we continue to offer a ‘Language Acquisition’ program for students in Years Prep, One, Two, Three and Four, under the guidance of our Chinese teacher, Ms Anna Han. We also offer a ‘Language Cultural’ program for students in Years Five and Six. These students focus on cultural activities. Next year all Victorian schools will be expected to offer 150 minutes of language learning per week for all Prep children. We are looking forward to this initiative as we begin to plan for 2015. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Han for her work in this area.

DRESS UP DAY

Just a reminder that tomorrow, Friday June 13, our student leaders will be hosting their annual ‘Dress Up Day’. This year they have planned a spooky theme (gold coin donation to Peter’s Project). Please help your children prepare for this day. Also on this day there will be a sausage sizzle at lunchtime. Ordering information has been distributed and can be taken on the day. Gluten free and vegetarian option available.

KID’S QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Mums make better lunches than Dads.

STUDY TIP OF THE WEEK

**Immersion**: This involves learning way more than you need to. The equivalent of diving into the deep end of a pool full of sharks can be one of the fastest ways to learn (if you don’t get eaten alive). Basically you become obsessed with the subject and hope that if only a small fraction of it sticks, that will still be more than you could have learned by any other method.

PLEASE REMEMBER

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

‘MY DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN’

Regards, Mark
 Parents & Friends Association

The Parents & Friends Association of PFCS are holding their Annual General Meeting on Monday 3rd March in the Staff Room at 7.00pm. This night is an important one for the P&F with new office bearers to be elected, and plans made for 2008. We would love to see as many parents and friends as possible and especially invite all new parents/friends of PFCS to attend.

If you are unable to come on this night, but wish to contribute, please let Jenn or Ronda know at the office, or phone Mandy on 55683196 or mobile 0408993356.

Tip Top Easter Buns – These orders are due next Tuesday, please fill your order forms and return to the school by Tuesday.

Thank You.

Up Coming Events

Friday 29th Jug Band Workshops
Monday 3rd March Parents & Friends Annual General Meeting 7pm in Staff Room
Wednesday 5th March “The Best Little Town in the World” performance.
Wednesday 5th March Hot Cross Bun Orders due at school.
Wednesday 5th March Yr.5/6 Travelling Treasures Exhibition – Warrnambool
Friday 7th March Folk Festival Performance
Monday 10th March Labour Day Holiday
Thursday 14th March Hot Cross Bun Deliveries
Tuesday 18th March School Photos
Thursday 20th March Last Day of Term One. Dismissal at 2.30pm.

Café Lunches for next week are:
Tuesday – Tuna Mornay
Thursday – Vegie Burger

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 cooked /prepared meal, with a treat at lunchtime.

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**Information Night 2014**

Port Fairy Consolidated School invites you to our Information Evening. This night will give you a holistic approach to our education outlining our programs and the opportunities we provide to all students.

Date: Thursday June 12th
Time: 7.30pm
Where: Port Fairy Consolidated School

If you have any questions or would like more information, please don’t hesitate to contact Principal Mark Chapman or, Assistant Principal Jenny Martin at school, or via email: principal@pfcov.vic.edu.au

We hope to see you there!

Thank you,

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**Personalised Tours 2014**

At Port Fairy Consolidated School we offer personalised tours for all families with Principal Mark Chapman. A personalised tour provides an intimate opportunity for your family to experience the teaching and learning initiatives and enrichment programs that our school has to offer your child.

To make a booking please contact our Business Manager Jenny Martin on 5568 1951 or by emailing us at portfaire@edumail.vic.gov.au Alternatively you can visit our website at www.pfc.vic.edu.au

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**Port Fairy Consolidated School**

Principal Mark Chapman
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Upcoming Events

Thursday 12th June
2015 Prep. Information Evening
Friday 13th June
Regional Cross Country “Spooky” Dress Up Day
Tuesday 17th June
Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday 18th June
School Council Meeting
Friday 20th June
Winter Sports
Friday 27th June
Last Day of Term Two Dismissal at 2.30pm.

Monday 14th July
First Day of Term Three
Friday 18th July
Pupil Free Day (Reporting to Parents)
28th – 29th August
Pupil Free Days (Staff Professional Develop.)
Years 3/4 Camp - Grampians Retreat
15, 16 & 17th October
Years 5/6 Camp - Ballarat
5th, 6th & 7th November
Year 2 - Sleepover
27th November

SCHOOL PHOTOS
GROUP PHOTOS – e.g. Choir, Ambassadors, Bus Captains, House Captains, are available to be ordered, and can be viewed at the office. These are at a cost of $20.00. This order will be placed on Monday 16th so if you wish to purchase one of these photos, please do so tomorrow.

Homeroom Happenings

Preps – This week we are learning the letter ‘B’ and the sound that it makes. We have starting making a list of all the ‘B’ words we know. In Maths we are beginning to learn a new strategy- counting on from the biggest number.

1/2’s - This week in Reading we will be practicing how to find punctuation in books. In Writing we will be learning writing a variety of Information Reports. In Maths we will be collecting data and learning how to present and share data in different ways including graphing.

3/4’s - Its a short week and we are as busy as ever.
We have welcomed a new student into grade 3. Reign Batty has joined us from Geelong. In Reading we are summarizing what we have read and keeping an eye out for contractions. We are experimenting with different forms of poetry in writing and have looked at limericks, spoonerisms and rewriting nursery rhymes. In Maths we are continuing with tessellations by making pentominoes and experimenting to see which ones tessellate. We are looking forward to Friday to see what amazing costumes we can all come up with. Homework contract 10 is due this week.

4/5’s - This week we have been looking at poetry and the rhythm and rhyme we can achieve when reading aloud our poems. In Maths we finished off calculating the price of one smoothie and will celebrate our Fruit Smoothie Maths investigations by making banana smoothies this Friday.

5/6’s - In Maths, 5/6s are completing the last aspects of their fruit smoothies. Poems and poetry are the focus in Reading and Writing. Netball and football training continue in preparation for the Winter sports day, which is being held next Friday the 20th of June. We look forward to seeing some spooky costumes from our Year 5/6s tomorrow.

Physical Education

Congratulations and all the best to Harrison Crothers, Jack Hogan and Max Green who are competing at the Regional Cross Country tomorrow in Hamilton.
A special thank you to Brooke Green and Vicky Mounsey who have spent many lunch times over the last month training the girls and boys for Netball. A very special thank you also goes to Howard Sharp and Mr Dwyer for training the Football team twice a week.
The Winter Sports will be held at Victoria Park (Football Oval) in Koroit next Friday 20th June starting at 9:45am and finishing at 2pm for Presentations.

.. Thank You .. Deanne Elliott
After School Study Club - Small Group Tutoring

**DOES YOUR CHILD NEED A BOOST IN THEIR LEARNING?**

**INSPIRATION OR MOTIVATION? A CHALLENGE?**

*Meredith Brookes* (past PFCs teacher) is providing after school tutoring sessions for PFCs students.

I am a registered and experienced teacher in country and city, state and independent schools.

I am offering small group tutoring of 4-6 students per group for after-school tutoring sessions.

Please see timetable below:

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Cost per session: $5
Venue: PFCs meeting room
*Stationary and other supplies all provided
*BYO after-school snack for 3.35pm sessions

For more information or to register interest, contact: Meredith on 0437 757 159 or email your contact details to mbstudyclub@gmail.com

*Meredith Brookes*
Grad Dip Education (Primary)

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KIDS KUNG FU CLASSES

Port Fairy RSL Hall
Tuesdays 4pm to 4.45pm

7-12 year olds
$12.00 per class
Come and join Jet Lu and learn the Ancient Martial Arts of Chinese Kung Fu. A relaxed and fun class with games and skills practice.

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LADIES LADIES LADIES

27TH JUNE 2014 @ 6.30PM -

CELEBRATE THE END OF SCHOOL TERM
COME OUT AND HAVE A MEAL AT GREGORY’S - ROYAL OAK HOTEL
CONTACT MICHELLE ON 0407 682 683 IF YOU ARE INTERESTED

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WANTED FOR THE ART STUDIO -

Old Sheets/Doona Covers and Fabric for a major artwork installation project.

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WIZZED ASK FOR THE ART STUDIO -

The second session of the Brick Club is here!!

Due to popular demand, the Warrnambool Brick Club is now having an afternoon session 1pm to 2.30

Third Sunday of each month, starting Sunday June 15th 2014
Anglican Parish Hall – Koroi Street, Warrnambool

Contact Louise on 0458 780 986 for bookings and registration. Bookings essential - parental attendance required - Gold Coin donation.

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Do you play a musical instrument? Or always wanted to try?

PORT FAIRY CITIZENS BAND is looking for NEW PLAYERS

We offer: Free lessons & Free instrument loan

**Practice:** 7.30 – 9.30 p.m. Thursdays
Band Hall, Railway Place, Port Fairy

**Contact:** Secretary, Arthur Banks 5568 2148
or Bandmaster, Ken Lemke 5568 1649
Green Connections

Jane Goodall Youth Symposium.

A small group of the Green Team went to Geelong last Tuesday to listen to Jane Goodall speak. They joined over 1200 students at the symposium. Jane is known for her research with Chimpanzees and made important behavioural discoveries 60 years ago. She observed Chimpanzee using grass tools to find termites in a mound. Jane told stories of being a curious child and watching and observing nature. She was truly wonderful.

Jamie’s Garden – Sticker Swap

Next Wednesday 18th June bring your extra garden stickers to the Cafe at lunch. You can swap your garden stickers to and try and find the stickers that you don’t have to complete your book.

Rubbish Free lunches –

At school we are noticing a lot of packaged foods creeping into student lunchboxes. They are creating waste at school. This is an important part of our school healthy eating, sustainability and wellbeing programs. We want each student to be as healthy as they can. We will have a ‘Luscious Lunchbox’ afternoon in term 4.

Nude Food Friday’s – term 3

The Green Team are running Nude Food Fridays to encourage a whole school ‘fresh is best approach’. The Fresh Fruit Fridays are wonderful with lovely fruit being cut and delivered to classes. We are working towards going further with ‘nude food’ by having unwrapped foods as the only food we bring to school.

Eco and Neco return – recycling!

At the May Celebration Assembly the preps and grade 5/6 M were awarded the Recycling Gnomes. The Green Team will be watching each grades rubbish bins to see how well we are all recycling. So remember to think before you bin it! Keep our waste streams clean.

Our Bank is Opening!

The Port Fairy & District Community Bank Branch is having their official opening on the 24th June and we invite you to come along.

Celebrations starts at 10:30am with the official opening at 12noon and the party continues until 2.30pm.

Plenty of giveaways, jumping castle, Free BBQ, entertainment and more…

We have 2 competitions running for the children.

1. Count the number of money boxes in Brookes Hardware window
   (Collect & return your entry form from Brookes Hardware)
   • A $50 bank account will be awarded to the correct or closest answer.

2. Colour in competition (available from your school office)
   • All entries win a $10 bank account
   • We have three winners each receiving a $50 bank account.
   • The three Age groups being Group 1: Prep, 1 & 2: Group 2: 3 & 4:
     Group 3: 5 & 6.

All completed colour-ins need to be returned to your school office or to the Central Motel on or before the 20th June.

We look forward to your attendance on the day, the official opening of our Community Bank and the start of big things to come for all who support us!