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Port Wakefield Primary School Newsletter

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Dates to Remember:

Thursday 8/6/17	Last day for Subway Lunch orders
Monday 12/6/17	Public Holiday – Queen’s Birthday
Thursday 15/6/17	SRC Subway Lunch Day
Tuesday 4/7/17	Governing Council Meeting – 5.30pm in the Staff Room

We have had a very busy few weeks already this term with many children completing their learning goals and making new ones. It has also been pleasing to see so many children continue with their nightly reading at home, completing homework tasks and receiving their awards at assemblies. Well done to these students.

Deb Pierson (SSO) will be absent for this term and we wish her a speedy recovery from her illness and we all really miss her not being at school.

Our attendance for this term so far is at 93.7% which is below our Partnership and School target of 95%. It is really important that children are at school as often as possible to continue their learning, achieve their learning goals and for friendships to flourish. If possible can you please make doctor and dental appointments for after school hours and leave shopping for clothing etc. for the weekends.

It is also important that children are at school ready for learning at 8.45am as the beginning of the day because in those early few minutes helps them with their organisation, have the learning for the day explained and also helps students to be more positive about their learning and not “frazzled” about being late and trying to get organized. Also, if your child arrives late for school after 8.45am an adult must sign them in at the front office. Thank you.

If your child is going to be absent we need to know the reason they are absent for our records. Can you please contact the school either by phone, SMS text message or a note in their diary for each day’s absence. Our roll books are legal documents and we are mandated to keep accurate records. This is a legal requirement that we have this information. Thank you for this.

NAPLAN

In week 2 of this term, Students in Years 3, 5 and 7 participated in the NAPLAN tests over three days. It was pleasing to notice that all students were using a positive Growth Mind Sets throughout this period. On Monday last week they all had a celebratory lunch for using their positive Growth Mind Sets.

Book Fair

Also in Week 2, we had our Book Fair at school and children were very excited to look at the books on display, write their wish list and have a visit from a not so “Cranky Bear”. Who was Cranky Bear we wonder??

We sold \$802.00 of books, posters and other items after children wrote out their wish list to share with parents. In term 4 we will be having another Book Fair at school, dates to be announced later. The school then receives a voucher to purchase books for our school library and resources to use in the classroom.

Thank you

We would like to thank our school leaders - Lachie and Nic who represented our school at the Anzac Day service here at Port Wakefield during the holidays. Both students spoke extremely well when doing their readings and also when placing a wreath on behalf of the school community. Also thanks to the families who were able to bring Nic and Lachie to the service at 5.45 am on Anzac Day.

Also very special thanks to Mary and Lindsay Thompson who kindly gave the school Chrysanthemums so that many of our students were able to give some flowers to their Mums.

Note - SRC are holding a Subway Lunch Day - orders will be sent home on Monday next week!



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Child Development

Congratulations

Also, congratulations to Nic for representing our school with SAPSASA Balaklava Hub football team in May this year.

Pre-Service Teachers

We are very lucky to have three pre-service teachers here at our school for a four week practicum. Sophie is in Junior Primary, Harrison is in Middle Primary and Laura is in Upper Primary. Please say hello to them and we wish them a very successful teaching time at our school.

Playgroup

Just a reminder that playgroup at Port Wakefield Kindergarten is now on Mondays from 12.45-2.45pm.

Please let all of your friends know and invite them to attend with their children as well as families from our school with younger children.

Wanted

Still needed small yellow and blue lids and light and dark green lids from orange juice bottles etc. If you can collect some for us it would be greatly appreciated.

Reminders to Parents and Caregivers

We would like to take this opportunity to remind families of some of our school policies and guidelines.

Once again we are noticing that children are bringing personal toys or electronic games from home to school to play with. At times this is distracting their learning, so we ask that you support us by making your child leave these toys/electronic games home. At times your child may bring along a toy for their morning talks and they are then asked to leave it inside at recess and lunch times or either leave it at the front office.

Port Wakefield School Easter Raffle Results

Congratulations to all the winners of the Easter Raffle. Thank you to all of the families and caregivers who donated prizes for the raffle.

1st	Cyril Espares	2nd	Gerardo Balane
3rd	Megan Payne	4th	Piper Boon
5th	Brandon Dunstall	6th	Terry Griffiths
7th	Harry Harding	8th	McKenzie Gilgen
9th	Jenny Gordon	10th	Molly Payne
	11th	Lynne Pycroft	

Reminders - School Starting Time

First lesson in the morning is our buddy/peer mentoring program which this term has been an ICT Buddy – E program. If your child has arrived late they may not have completed this unit of work.

HAPPY Birthday!

Happy Birthday to our students who have celebrated recently!



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Barossa Community Disability Expo

Carers, family and friends welcome

Information for Children & Adults

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Sunday 4th June 2017

REX Centre, Tanunda 11am–3pm

Entry:- Gold Coin Donation Food & Drinks available

- 40+ Local & Regional Exhibitors
- NDIS approved providers
- Therapists - Speech, Physio, OT, Counselling & more
- Community Support Groups
- Activity options for Participants & Carers
- Information & Advocacy Services
- Sensory Corner, Arts activities & more

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School Values Awards -

Class Values Awards

Week 3



Congratulations to the following students who received awards for weeks 3 & 4.

Week 4



Values Cup

Week 4



Well done to the JP class on winning the Values Cup in Week 4.

Magic 100 Words

Week 4



Uniform Bear

Week 3



Week 4



The JP class were the winners of the Uniform Bear in Week 3 and the MP this week – Week 4.

Reading Awards

Week 3



Week 4



May/June 2017

Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
2	8	9 NAPLAN – Yr's 3, 5 & 7 students	10 Parent Club Mother's Day Lunch & Stall	11	12 Last day for Scholastic Book Orders	13	14
3	15	16 Governing Council 5.30	17	18	19	20	21
4	22	23 Parent session Growth Mind Sets 9.00a.m.	24	25	26	27	28
5	29	30	31	1 st June	23		4
6	5 Subway orders sent home	6	7	8 Last Day for Subway orders	9	10	11
7	12 Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday	13	14	15 SRC Subway Lunch Day	16	17	18