



PORT WAKEFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

What a busy start to the term we've had. It's been lovely to have some rain for the farmers over the last few days.

Student Free Day at the beginning of Term 3

We started the term with a Student Free Day at Balaklava Primary School, working with teachers from all the primary schools in the Lower Mid North Partnership. In the morning teachers learnt about 'high impact teaching strategies' and spent some time planning a unit of learning they are going to teach this term. In the afternoon the teachers had a choice of learning. Our teachers chose to learn about the Gradual release of Responsibility model, using student discussions in guided reading and High Impact Learning Strategies in writing. We will be working together as a staff to share our learning in these sessions to improve learning for all students.

External Review

This week we had Tony and Belinda from the Department come to our school and review the way we are working. They spoke to some students, parents and Governing Council as well as observed each class. From this, the school will be given some clear directions on how we can improve teaching and learning for all students. We will get the report towards the end of the term.

Student Free Day 10th September

We will be having a Student Free Day on Thursday 10th September for our final

session with Ann Baker. Teachers have been working with Ann over the year learning more in depth about the Big Ideas in Number.

The big ideas are trusting the count, place value, multiplicative thinking, partitioning, proportional reasoning and generalising. Our sessions earlier in the year have covered learning about trusting the count, place value and additive to multiplicative thinking. Our focus at this student free day will be multiplicative thinking and proportional reasoning.

Leave

Due to family circumstances, I will be taking leave for the rest of the term. Neil White (Education Director) is working to find someone to be acting principal whilst I am away. You will be notified once someone has been appointed.

PAT Maths and Comprehension testing

The annual testing will commence for students in year 2 to 7 in week 7. These annual tests provide the school with information about student learning to inform our teaching.

Kind Regards,

Kerri

Term 3 Week 4

DATES **FOR THE DIARY**

Wednesday 26/8/20
Last day for Father's Day Lunch Orders

Wednesday 2/9/20
Parent Club Father's Day Lunch Orders & Stall.

Tuesday 8/9/20
School Photos

Thursday 10/9/20
Student Free Day

Wednesday 23/9 -
Friday 25/9/20
Glen Haven Camp

Headlice

There has been a case of headlice reported to the school. Can we please ask that you check your child/ren's hair and treat as necessary with follow up treatment 12-14 days later. Children can return to school as soon as treatment has been done.

Attachments to newsletter

Nil

REMINDERS—NOTICES TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL.

Pastoral Care Worker Form

Parent Club Father's Day Lunch Order



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SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

Tuesday 8 September 2020

**ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code
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Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by *advancedlife*. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at www.advancedlife.com.au using our school's unique 9 digit **advancedorder code**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please contact us at www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

Parent Club News

The Parent Club will be holding a Father's Day Lunch and Gift Stall on Wednesday 2nd of September 2020. Lunch order bags have been sent home with students and orders must be returned before and no later than Wednesday 26th of August 2020 to the Front Office. No late orders will be accepted.

Children will have the option to purchase a gift on the day as well. These will range from \$3.00 to \$6.00 each. If they wish to make a purchase, please make sure they bring this money on the day. **DO NOT** include gift money in the lunch order bag.





What we appreciate about our school

- I appreciate having friends – Maddi, Bella
- That you can learn stuff better – Jai
- Getting to see my friends at school – Lily, Megan
- Having friends and getting to see them – Precious
- It helps me appreciate home more now – Zak
- I appreciate that I can eat food at lunch AND recess – Caesar
- I appreciate when people help me with my work – Simon
- I appreciate school itself – Jake
- I appreciate learning new things and having friends – Liam
- Getting to see friends – Dylan
- Being able to talk and play with my friends – Lachie
- I appreciate my friends – Brandon
- Being able to talk to people – Makayla
- I appreciate coming to school and getting to learn new things – Rachael
- I appreciate my SSOs, teachers and friends - Edward

What we have been learning about recently

- How to draw 3D objects in art – Edward
- I have been working hard with my spelling – Rachael
- I have learnt how to get along with a couple of the girls – Makayla
- I know writing – Brandon
- I have learned about electric circuits – Lachie
- About adverbials – Dylan
- I've learned some maths like probability - Liam
- About acrostic poems for writing – Jake
- I learned about adverbials in English – Simon
- Something I have learned recently is that a dependent clause needs an independent clause for it to become a sentence – Caesar
- I have learnt how to like school – Zak
- I have learned how to draw 3D drawings – Precious, Megan, Lily
- Maths addition and subtraction, that spelling is a good things and science with the solar system – Jai
- Spanish – McKenzie
- This year I have learned to speak Spanish – Bella
- I have learned division in maths – Maddi



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Mrs. Smith - MP Card Making



Mrs. Smith who worked with the MP class at our school yesterday made cards as part of their Design and Technology lesson.



Cartridges 4 Planet Ark

PLANET ARK

'Cartridges 4 Planet Ark' was the first national multi-vendor program operated in Australia to specifically collect and divert as many cartridges from Australian landfills as possible. This program is known worldwide as one of the most successful volunteer product stewardship programs in the world and is supported by 8 leading manufacturers and promoted by Planet Ark. Collections, recycling and materials recovery is all undertaken by Close the Loop under a brand promise of Zero Waste to Landfill.

Port Wakefield Primary School has embraced the Planet Ark Recycling Program for the past couple of years. The program enables individuals and businesses to recycle the bi-products of printing and copying (toners and cartridges) for use in manufacturing a range of other plastic products.

The school was recently recognised for recycling 4.5kg, but would love your help to create a positive future outlook for the students and their families.

We would like to invite you to be part of our efforts. If you have toners or ink cartridges from your own home office, then we'd love for you to contribute to our collection. Place them in a plastic bag (or zip lock bag) and drop them at the front office.

Just a reminder... The council offer a free collection of used electrical items (e-Waste). The service enables rare metal components to be reclaimed and reused for the benefit of the environment. You may contact the local council for further details, or contact the school and we'll happily facilitate the recycling of old computers, microwaves, stereos, etc.

We thank you for doing your small part towards a sustainable future for all.



Term 3 2020 Calendar

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Week 1	July 20 Pupil Free Day	21 First day Term 2	22	23	24	25	26
Week 2	27	28	29	30	21	1 August	2
Week 3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Week 4	10 External Review	11 External Review	12	13 External Review	14	15	16
Week 5	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Week 6	24	25	26 Last Day for Parent Club Lunch Orders	27	28	29	30
Week 7	31	1 September	2 Parent Club Father's Day Lunch & Stall	3	4	5	6
Week 8	7	8 School Photos	9	10 Student Free Day	11	12	13
Week 9	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Week 10	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
			Glen Haven Camp				

Term 3	20/7/20—25/9/20
Term 4	12/10/20—11/12/20