It was with great pride that we showcased our educational excellence to Deputy Premier and Minister for Education, James Merlino and the Minister for Police, Lisa Neville this week. The Ministers were very keen to visit us again this year. The preps had a great time explaining the Science of Music. The year 6 students performed a percussion item and the MLC H were able to showcase our new approach to literacy using green screen technology. The Ministers were very excited about the new designs for our school. We are so proud of our children and our staff. Congratulations to our school community for all your great work! Well done!
School Council
July Meeting Summary

Trivia Night— A progress report on the organisational aspects was presented. The running sheet for the questions rounds, prizes, ticketing and advertising were discussed. Travis Smith will be our MC. Thank you to Karen Bourke-Finn and Amanda O’Farrell for their work to date in organising the night.

New member of Council— Welcome to Mel Singleton who has filled the vacancy left by Josh Abreu (who has relocated). Mel is also our market coordinator and an active member of our school community.

The following REPORTS were tabled and accepted—

Principal Report— details the monthly progress of our school priorities in the areas of Achievement, Engagement, Wellbeing and Productivity.

Finance Report – The financial reports for the Month ending June the 30th, 2016 were approved.

Market Report— The school will run a BBQ again at the July market. Thank you to Ray Brown. Ray White (Drysdale) will sponsor the market Facebook page. Thank you to Travis and Emma Smith for this.

Healthy Together Report— The mental Health & Wellbeing Policy and the Safe Environment Policies were approved.

The Sprouts canteen menu has passed assessment by the Schools Healthy Eating Advisory Service.

Grounds and Buildings— The play equipment was successfully relocated.

Out of School Hours Care Report (Kelly Club OSHC)—Numbers are increasing every day and the vacation care program was very successful.

ELECTION DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE
We raised nearly $800 on election day. Thank you to the magnificent helpers on the day. Where would we be without our sensational families who volunteer to help us provide such great equipment and programs for the children. We really appreciate the help from Amanda O’Farrell, Karen Bourke - Finn, Tony Madigan, Bec Pavez (Rebecca) & Laurie Porter
Thank you to the parents who attended the cyber safety session with Jackie Kaiser and Lesley Allbutt. It was a very informative session. The session was presented by Leading Senior Constable Robbie Noggler, Victoria Police.

When you or your children are online, there are multiple ways that you can be tracked from your posts, from your photos and from the location programs that are embedded deeply into the settings of your phones. On an iPhone, for example, there are four layers of settings that take you to a platform listing your most recent frequent locations with the time and date and a map. Safety and privacy settings are not just for phones but also iPads, iPods and DS devices for example.

Thank you also to the parents for providing us with feedback about the sessions.
100% felt that the information was useful.
100% felt that the information was presented in a clear way.
100% felt that they were better informed about keeping their children safe online.

Key Messages that the parents took away from the session included:
- Ability to openly discuss and support appropriate use of the online platforms.
- Being present as a parent and willing to improve my own understanding.
- Reinforced previous information and knowledge that I had.
- The geo-tracking and the problems that can occur.
- Geo-tracking & understanding the location services.
- Selfies- and the dangers that come with this.
- Keeping open communication with my child.
- Learning about where parents can get support.
- Be informed-be aware-be interested.
- Be communicative with your children and vigilant.
- The Law- and factual information.
- I know more about where I stand as a parent.
- Apple tracking of our devices.
- How easy it is to lead children (grooming online).
- The importance of being able to discuss online safety with my children and how important it is.
- Checking the privacy settings.

Other comments included:
- Keep up the great work-thank you
- Thank you Robbie- Great job.
- More time (for this presentation).
- Very helpful and informative session-thank you.

Need Help-
The resources listed here (right) are a great place to start.
CHILD SAFE STANDARDS – PREVENTING and RESPONDING to ALLEGATIONS of CHILD ABUSE

Ensuring high expectations and high standards with regard to the safety of all of our children is everyone’s responsibility. The 2013 Betrayal of Trust report by a Victorian Parliamentary committee has made recommendations to all Victorian Schools and organisations that provide services to children.

For registered schools, Ministerial Order No. 870 sets out the specific actions they must take to meet these requirements.

From the 1st of August 2016, the new Child Safe Standards came into effect.

Portarlington Primary School is committed to implementing the Child Safe Standards. Our School Council will support our work in this area. Portarlington Primary already has many practices in place to prevent and respond to child abuse. We will be reviewing our current practices, policies and guidelines and keeping our school community informed.

To create and maintain a child safe organisation, we have-
1. strategies to embed an organisational culture of child safety, including through effective leadership arrangements
2. a child safe policy or statement of commitment to child safety ready for community consultation
3. a code of conduct that establishes clear expectations for appropriate behaviour with children
4. screening, supervision, training and other human resources practices that reduce the risk of child abuse by new and existing personnel
5. processes for responding to and reporting suspected child abuse
6. strategies to identify and reduce or remove risks of child abuse
7. strategies to promote the participation and empowerment of children.


Ministerial Order No. 870
Sugar-free breakfast muffins

Breakfast is often a meal eaten on the go in busy households. To avoid skipping breakfast or snacking on high-sugar breakfast bars, try making a batch of sugarless banana muffins which you can freeze and defrost when needed.

**INGREDIENTS**

- 2 apples (peeled, grated)
- 150 g butter
- 2 bananas (ripe, medium)
- 1 1/2 cup wholemeal self-raising flour
- 2 eggs
- 2 tsp baking powder

**METHOD**

1. Preheat oven to 180°C (160°C fan-forced). Line a muffin tray with paper cases.
2. Put apple and butter in a saucepan and cook for 5 minutes until soft, then peel and mash bananas with the back of a fork (the riper they are, the better).
   Mix all ingredients together in a bowl. Spoon the mixture into the paper cases and bake for 20 minutes.
   Allow to cool before serving

This recipe uses fruit for sweetness but contains no additional sugar and no refined sugar. Wholemeal flour increases the fibre content and provides slow-release energy.
Portarlington Primary .......

School Calendar
Please check the calendar regularly as some events are subject to change.

**Keeping our Beautiful Children Safe in the Sun!**
Hats must be worn outside commencing the 1st of September until the 1st of May each year.

### Term 3 (as at 18th July 2016)

#### July
- 27th: ONLINE SAFETY parent information sessions 7pm
- 31st July: Market

#### August
- 9th August: Curriculum Day (Student free day)
- 15th – 19th August: Book Fair
- 16th August: School Council
- 17th August: Landy Field Athletics Gr 3—6
- 26th August: Dress Up day Book Week
- 28th August: Market
- 29th August: Book Week Starts—Dress up day

#### September
- 1st September: Hats must be worn (Sun Smart)
- 6th September: Student Art Show
- 8th September: Father’s day Stall
- 16th September: Dress Up Footy Day
- 25th September: Last Day of Term 3 2.30pm finish

### Term 4

#### October
- 3rd October: Term 4 starts
- 7th October: Solar Boats comp
- 12th October: Science Fair Night
- 18th October: School Council
- 19th October: Geelong Cup Holiday
- 21st October: Buddies Excursion
- 30th October: Market

#### November
- 9th November: Whole School Dental Program
- 10th November: PINK Day
- 11th November: Remembrance Day
- 15th November: School Council
- 27th November: Market

#### December
- 5th December: P-6 Swimming Program
- 6th December: P-6 Swimming Program
- 7th December: 3-6 SWIMMING CARNIVAL
- 8th December: P-6 Swimming Program
- 9th December: P-6 Swimming Program
- 11th December: P-6 Swimming Program
- 12th December: P-6 Swimming Program
- 13th December: P-6 Swimming Program
- 14th December: END OF YEAR FINAL ASSEMBLY
- 15th December: YEAR 6 GRADUATION
- 16th December: P-6 Swimming Program
- 20th December: Last Day of Term 4
- 21st December: 1.30pm finish
**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

Weekly awards are given to children to recognise their success and their positive behaviours.

You could get an award for being respectful, kind, responsible, safe, organised, persistent, resilient, confident or getting along.

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<td>Chloee Allan</td>
<td>Working super doper hard to practise her counting skills from zero to one hundred</td>
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<td>Brock Stephenson</td>
<td>Demonstrating a great understanding of pushes and pulls</td>
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<td>Levi Lacey</td>
<td>Being able to read time to the O’clock</td>
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<td>Jaxon Bell</td>
<td>Writing almost a full page during the writing session</td>
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<td>Dustyn Brown</td>
<td>Confidently sharing his amazing knowledge about floating and sinking</td>
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<td>Victoria Murphy</td>
<td>Finding her way around our school and being a kind friend to the ARCARE residents today</td>
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<td>Angel Boothroyd</td>
<td>Welcome to Portarlington PS Angel we are thrilled to have you learning with us</td>
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<td>Ethan Burnett t</td>
<td>Demonstrating his ICT skills by supporting other students</td>
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<td>MLC S</td>
<td>Violet Light-Reaby</td>
<td>Engaging herself in learning activities all week! Good Job Violet.</td>
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<td>Locky Warby</td>
<td>An outstanding improvement in his listening! A very proud moment!</td>
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<td>SLC M</td>
<td>Nathan Robinson</td>
<td>Working hard to complete his bookwork quickly and checking presentation once the important information is down! Keep it up Nath</td>
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<td>Bella McGrath</td>
<td>Always approaching her school work with an optimistic attitude</td>
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<td>Ileana Iosefo</td>
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<td>Jim Tilders</td>
<td>Creating a detailed ROBOT and successfully calculating the area and perimeter.</td>
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<td>Well done Jimbo!</td>
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<td>Principal's Award</td>
<td>Gemma Holmes-Wilkie</td>
<td>For coming to school organised and ready for learning and reading</td>
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BOOKFAIR

When: 13th-19th August
Where: Library
Time: 8.30-8.55 Tues - Friday and 3.15-3.45 Mon-Friday

Novelty items from as little as $1.00 and Books from $3.00. Payment will be cash, tap and go and credit card.

Please support our Bookfair so that we can obtain more books for our Library. Last year over $1300 was spent which meant we could purchase $300 in new books.

The theme this year is Australia! Story Country
Reminder - Student Supervision
Staff supervise the school yard between 8.40—9am, 11-11:30am, 1.40-2.15pm and 3.15-3.30pm.
Children arriving at school before 8.40am must be booked into the before school care program. Kelly Club, no supervision is provided before this time.

Yard Supervision
Please discuss this with your child. Our school yard is always supervised. Staff wear fluorescent vests for easy identification. Staff members may also be found in the office and staff room during break times. Passive play operates (with a teacher), at lunch time in the library.

Active Travel
Wednesdays are Walk to School Days.
Please make sure that you are walking a safe route when you come to school. We have spotters looking out for children being active and staying safe.

Thank you to children and parents for walking safely to school every day.

School Fruit and Vegetable Garden Volunteers
We are seeking any parents/grandparents or friends that would like to volunteer in our Fruit and Vegetable Garden. You choose what you would like to help with.
Some things to do include-

- Watering
- Planting
- Weeding
- Harvesting
- Preparing fruit and veggies for distribution to the children. Helping during the MLC garden classes
- Collecting seeds and cuttings
- Potting
Portarlington Primary School is committed to the **CHILD SAFE STANDARDS**.

These standards are in place at our school to prevent and respond to allegations of child abuse.

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**FANCY A CUPPA? - PARENT CONNECT**

Monday Morning at 9am at the Bakehouse Portarlington

Our Parent Connect team is now meeting at the Portarlington Bakehouse for an informal chat and coffee. It’s a great way for like minded parents to get together and chat.

See Gabrielle Waller or Karen Button for more information.
"please remember" that foods such as quiche, bacon and egg pie etc are not included due to our egg free policy. We are now completely nut free (including Nutella)

MORNINGS WITH THE BREAKFAST CLUB!

Come and join us on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning for a yummy breakfast with your friends! STARTING AT 8.30 am – 8.50am

Some of the great things being served are:

Toasties: with a selection of fillings, bake beans, cheese, tomato, avocado, banana

Cereal’s: Weetbix, Porridge, Bircher Muesli

Fruit Platters: Apple, Banana, Mandarin, Pears, Grapes, Oranges …..

Pancakes: Blueberry, Banana, Plain with a topping of fruit and yogurt

Toast: Hot buttered, Vegemite or Honey

Drinks: Water, Smoothies, Warm Milo and Milk

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!
CALM COLOURING CLUB  
WEDNESDAY @ LUNCH  
IN MISS MARCHBANK’S ROOM

“I love Calm Colouring because it calms me down” – Kya, SLM
“I loved that everyone was really calm when colouring” – Frankie, JLD
“I like all the designs that we could colour” – Eellee, JLD
“There were so many different designs and details” – Roseleigh, JLN
“Really fun and calming” – Wanda, SLMW
“Quiet and calm” – Beth, SLMW