SLC Camp

Victorian weather!! It is hard enough to plan what to wear in one day let alone pack for a 3 day camp for a year 5/6 student.

The SLC children together with their team of grown-ups caught the train to Melbourne on Wednesday for their urban camp experience. The urban camp provides valuable opportunities for children with one of the most interesting learning experiences being responsible for crossing busy roads and catching trams and trains. It is very eye-opening to see how the children respond to these experiences when they are in groups.

Yesterday, they survived the warm Autumn weather (just) and were involved in some sensational activities such as a visit to the Australian Centre for Moving Image (ACMI) at the Arts Centre where the children participated at ‘The Channel’. The Education team at The Channel delivers unique, curriculum-focused programs for students and teachers, including film screenings, talks, workshops and exhibition tours.

A fabulous time was also had at the Kingpin Bowling Centre at Crown. We are looking forward to hearing more about all their fun and games in Melbourne when they return.
School Council

We had our first school council meeting with our new 2016 team on Tuesday evening. We elected our office bearers and organised our sub-committees of management. Congratulations to our new council on their organisational structure for 2016. Thank you to Renee Aloï for standing in for Chris Hester whilst he is on leave. Thank you also to Michael Harrington who has retired from our school council but will continue to work on our communication action plan by assisting with the development and roll out of our new school website.

| President, Treasurer, Finance Sub-Committee | Karen Bourke-Finn |
| Vice President, Market Sub-Committee | Justine Devonport |
| Executive Officer, Secretary, Finance Sub-Committee, Grounds and Buildings | Lesley Allbutt (principal) |
| Fundraising Sub-Committee | Josh Abreu |
| Market Sub-Committee | Ray Brown |
| Market Sub-Committee | Danielle Chambers |
| Curriculum | Chris Hester |
| Finance Sub-Committee | Jackie Kaiser |
| Grounds and Buildings Sub-Committee | Tony Madigan |
| Market Sub-Committee | Amanda O’Farrell |
| Curriculum | Katlyn Marchbank |
| Fundraising Sub-Committee | Travis Smith |
| Healthy Together Sub-Committee | Michelle Stephenson |

March Meeting Summary

1. The 2016 **Annual Implementation Plan** was approved. As a school council, we will be focussing on Parent/Family Engagement this year. We will be seeking input from our families about their thoughts on this topic as the year progresses. It is our aim to support all of our families to engage with their children’s learning. We are really looking forward to this next level of progress as we continue to implement our 2015-2018 School Strategic Plan.

2. **School Upgrade**- The school council reviewed the Design and Development phase of the project that was endorsed by the Department of Education on the 3rd of March 2016. All families in years Prep to year 4 would have received a School Upgrade report today, (Friday). The 5/6 children are on camp, so they will receive their information on Monday. We are very excited about the up and coming developments to our school that we anticipate will commence in September. Please read the information that is distributed to your family for a full report of what is happening.
3. **Fundraising**- Our Annual Golf Day will be held on Monday May 2\textsuperscript{nd}. All of our parents, grandparents and friends are invited to join in and have a round of golf. If you don’t play golf you can still go to the Golf Club and join in by having lunch and being part of the auctions and raffles. We are collecting donations from all families for our hampers. Your donations from all families for our hampers. Your children will bring the information home to you. We are also looking for anyone to make slices or cakes that we can sell on the day. Please contact the office for further information.

4. **Reports**-The following reports were tabled and accepted-
   - Principal Report
   - Finance
   - Market
   - Healthy Together
   - Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

**Business Arising from the reports-**
   - Traffic Safety around the school (arising from the Healthy Together Report)- The Buildings and Grounds Sub-committee of Management are going to investigate a ‘risk and root causes’ approach to further addressing this issue.

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**RUN to RIO**

The **Run to Rio track** is up and running in the school grounds where the children can run/walk their way from Portarlington to Rio (the host city of the 2016 Olympic Games). Children and adults who are part of our school community can also participate with their own run/walk distances. Some children and grown-ups are using ‘fit bits’ (or other devices) to measure their distances. There is a box in the foyer where slips can be placed with laps totals. These will be tallied and displayed on the notice board each month.
Swimming Carnival

Last Friday 11 of our students competed amongst 700 students at the Bellarine & Geelong North Division Swimming Carnival. Students swam in a variety of 50m events including, freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke. This year we entered both a boys and girls team in the senior, four by 50m freestyle relay. Our swimmers were: Caleb Tilders, Jimmy Tilders, Eleni Linou, Jasmin Knight, Nathan Robinson, Charli Shimmin, Bella McGrath, Declan Corkin, Luella Brain, Chloe Zahl and Jackson McGrath.

Congratulations to all of you for representing our school in very difficult conditions, the top temperature last Friday reached 37 degrees! When we first got there we were allowed to practice in the reserve pool, then we had to wait around in the hot sun until the girls 12 to 13’s year old freestyle were called up for marshalling.

Jazzy came 6th in her freestyle heat! We played about a million games of down ball in the shade of an enormous gumtree.

Then the 12 to 13’s girls backstroke came round, Eleni came 2nd in her heat! When the relay came Ms Smales chose Eleni, Luella, Chloe and myself for the senior relay girls team and the senior relay boys team consisted of Declan, Caleb, Jimmy and Nathan. We got back to school after the final bell but managed to stay cool and had a good time.

By Eleni and Jasmin
Breakfast Club Has Opened

Breakfast Club
- commenced on Monday March 7th
- is open to all students
- is in our school hall and opens at 8.30am
- will run on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday each week
- is run by our volunteer parents and community friends
- is sponsored by Portarlington Community Bank
- will not be open on Thursday and Friday each week

Parents, please ensure that your children are at school no later than 8.40am if they would like breakfast.
Our breakfast menu always includes fresh fruit.

Our breakfast menu may include weetbix and milk, bircher muesli, natural yoghurt, wholemeal toast with vegemite or honey, fruit smoothies, stewed fruit, toasties (cheese, avocado, tomato, baked beans) porridge (in cold weather) pikelets.
Volunteers will decide the menu for the day based on the food available.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help run our Breakfast Club. If there is anyone else who would like to be on a roster for Term 2, please let us know, we would love to have your help.

FRESH FRUIT THURSDAY!!!!!!!!!!
Fresh Fruit Thursday will commence on the first Thursday of Term 2. A tray of fresh fruit, sometimes cut, sometimes a whole piece depending on what is in season, will be delivered to each classroom by 10am.
Fresh Fruit Thursday is also sponsored by Portarlington Community Bank. Thank you to Mr Mark O’Dowd and his team for making this program possible and for helping keep us healthy and ready to learn.
We are looking for a couple of parents who are available on a Thursday morning to make up and deliver the trays. Please talk to Margaret or Jo soon.
CHILD SAFETY
40 KM per HOUR SPEED LIMITS

NEWCOMBE STREET
40kmph ALL THE TIME

FENWICK and FISHER SCHOOL ZONE

SCHOOL ZONE
8 - 9:30 AM
2:30 - 4 PM
SCHOOL DAYS
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- **Aiden King**  
  Learning the cued articulation actions for alphabet letters.
- **Ben White**  
  Being a role model of our correct behaviours in class this week.
- **Ebony McGrath**  
  Achieving in a quiet fashion.
- **Matilda Brooks**  
  Creating a really captivating sizzling start to her narrative. I can’t wait to hear how the Tasmanian Devil escapes the fire.
- **Tiah Taskin**  
  Being super responsible and getting herself to school. What a legend!
- **Beth Ballard**  
  Stepping up her reading stamina!! Keep reading Betho!!
- **Jackson Deluca**  
  Showing amazing persistence to hold his pencil correctly. Congratulations Jackson!
- **Evander Scott**  
  Remembering his diary and homework each day this term, so far, Legend!
- **Maria Glass**  
  Remembering her diary and homework each day this term, so far! Legend!
- **Declan Corkin**  
  Remembering his diary and homework each day this term, so far! Legend!
- **Marcus Rosman**  
  Remembering his diary and homework each day this term, so far! Legend!
- **Hannah Allan**  
  Remembering her diary and homework each day this term, so far! Legend!
- **Alistair Wicks**  
  Being able to explain the chance of events occurring.
- **Jordan Nash**  
  Co-ordinating her friends to work as a responsible team in maths.
Ebony Robinson  Remembering her diary and homework each day of term, so far! Legend!

Eleni Linou  Remembering her diary and homework each day of term so far! Legend!

Aaron Robertson  Remembering his diary and homework each day of term so far! Legend!

Sam Hunter  Remembering her diary and homework everyday of term so far! Legend!

Luella Brain  Creating an exceptional narrative and including powerful language. Amazing

Blake Davie  Working hard and having a positive week. Well Done!!

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Reia Oliver-Hawkins  Supporting and caring for another student who hurt herself. Principals Award!
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

## March/April, 2016 Holiday Program

### Week One

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**Early Arrivals:** 7:15 – 9:00am

- Wake up to a warm breakfast, fun activities, mini games, crafts and structured free time.

- **Easter Monday**
  - No Program Today

- **Welcome Back**
  - Games, Team Building Challenges.
  - Today we will spend the day exploring the school, hall and surrounds.

- **Amazing Race**
  - All Day
  - Compete in teams and undertake a variety of fun and challenging activities!
  - Who Will Be The Winner?

- **Pjs/Onsie’s and Pizzas**

- **Upcycling Robotic Wonders,**
  - Recycle Creation and Giant Box Forts

**Late leavers:** 4:00-6:00pm

- Finish the day off in style with a range of sports games, cool crafts, team building activities and chill out time after a full-on day of fun.

### Week Two

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**Early Arrivals:** 7:15 – 9:00am

- Wake up to a warm breakfast, fun activities, mini games, crafts and structured free time.

- **MKR**
  - My Kitchen Rules

- **Old Rock Day**
  - Today is Old Rock Day!
  - Come and celebrate by going on a Rock Hunt, making a Rock Pet, Rock Art and Stone Fruit Kebabs.

- **World Cup Football**

- **Odd Sock Day:**
  - Wear Odd Socks
  - Make Sock Puppets

- **It’s Time to Chill**
  - What better way to end the holidays with some ‘Chill Time’
  - Movies, popcorn, XBOX, Wii, music and dancing!

**Late leavers:** 4:00-6:00pm

- Finish the day off in style with a range of sports games, cool crafts, team building activities and chill out time after a full-on day of fun.

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**Kelly Club Portarlington Primary School**

- M 0477 758 412
- E: portarlington@kellycluboshc.com.au

**From $7.00 Per Day**
We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings for children out of school. Our holiday programme is focused around sports, arts and crafts, cooking and outings to local attractions. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

**WHO**

Boys and Girls Aged 5 - 13 years

**BRING**

Shoes and appropriate clothing, a jacket or sweatshirt and food.

**FOOD**

Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch.
- Morning Snack will be from approximately 11.00am each day.
- Lunch will be from approximately 1.30pm to 2.00pm each day.

**PAYMENT DETAILS**

Payment is required upon invoice.
- An invoice will be issued when a completed booking form is received.
- All payment details will be included on the invoice.

**CCB/CCR REBATE**

Parents/caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a CCB/CCR rebate to help cover the cost of our programme.

Please Note: Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst on the programme. If your child/ren are collected after 6.00pm you will be charged $15 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

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**Have you previously enrolled with Kelly Club in 2016?**

**YES / NO**

Parent/Caregiver Name: ____________________________  Contact number: ____________________________

Email Address: ____________________________________  Child 1 Name: ____________________________

Child 2 Name: ____________________________________  Child 3 Name: ____________________________

- Choose and tick the dates you want to book on the front.
- Fill out the bottom of this form and send to: portarlington@kellyclubhs.com.au or leave in the Letter Box located in the Hall at Portarlington Primary School.
- We will send you an email or call to confirm booking or retrieve necessary information.
- If your child has not been enrolled in the Kelly Club program in 2016 you will need to fill out an enrolment form.
"please remember" that foods such as quiche, bacon and egg pie etc are not included due to our egg free policy.
Monthly Market—Volunteers

Dear Parents

Portarlington Primary School is currently looking for volunteers for our monthly market. The market is held on the last Sunday of each month. Proceeds from the site fees from the Stall Holders goes directly to supporting the educational programs of the children at the school. We require volunteers for March, April & May. Please contact the office to express your interest.

Call for volunteers

Get Involved! Volunteers needed for the National Celtic Festival

The National Celtic Festival is coming up fast and excitement is building as we gear up for another great festival.

- The festival runs from Friday 10 June to Monday 13 June.
- Once again the Festival program includes some of the best international and national artists and offers a great arts program across the long weekend.
- If you would like to be more involved in the festival we invite you to be a part of our fantastic volunteer team. Volunteers are such an important part of our festival and your time and commitment to the festival is greatly valued.
- By getting involved you will meet lots of new people, learn more about the festival and be part of a cracking team! If you are interested in volunteering visit the National Celtic Festival website to apply [http://www.nationalcelticfestival.com/](http://www.nationalcelticfestival.com/)

Also if you are interested in being a billet for the festival and would like more information on how to get involved contact us ncf.anna@gmail.com
Free movie - Oliver & Company

10.30 am start, Wednesday 30 March at the Portarlington Neighbourhood House, 28 Brown Street.

FREE Movie, popcorn, drink and activity

Oliver is a homeless kitten who joins a gang of dogs to survive in the streets. The animated film is inspired by the classic Charles Dickens novel Oliver Twist. Fagin's gang is made up of dogs (one of which is Dodger), and Sykes is a loan shark.

Rated G

GROWING FRUIT AND VEGGIES AT HOME?

SHARE YOUR SPARE ONLINE

www.rippenear.me
### 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.

### MARCH
- **7th March**: Breakfast Club Opening
- **15th March**: Whole School Photos
- **23rd March**: Grade 3 & 4 Geology Excursion
- **24th March**: End of Term 2.30pm finish
- **27th March**: Market

### APRIL
- **11th April**: Curriculum Day
- **14th April**: Fresh Fruit Thursday commences
- **19th April**: School Council
- **24th April**: Market

### MAY
- **2nd May**: Golf Day Fundraiser
- **17th May**: School Council
- **19th May**: Curriculum Day (Student Free day)
- **25th—27th May**: Grade 3 & 4 Camp
- **26th May**: Lightening Premiership AFL/Netball
  - Grade 5 & 6
- **29th May**: Market

### JUNE
- **21st June**: School Council
- **24th June**: End Term 2—2.30 pm finish
- **26th June**: Market

### JULY
- **11th July**: Term 3 Starts
- **19th July**: School Council
- **31st July**: Market

### AUGUST
- **16th August**: School Council
- **28th August**: Market

### SEPTEMBER
- **16th September**: Dress Up Footy Day
- **25th September**: Market

### OCTOBER
- **3rd October**: Term 4 starts
- **18th October**: School Council
- **30th October**: Market

### NOVEMBER
- **15th November**: School Council
- **27th November**: Market

### DECEMBER
- **5th—16th**: Swimming whole school
- **7th December**: Grade 3-6 Swimming Carnival
- **19th December**: End of Year Assembly
- **20th December**: End of year 1.30pm finish

Please check the calendar regularly as some events are subject to change.
FANCY A CUPPA? - PARENT CONNECT
Coffee (or tea or hot chocolate!) - Every Monday Morning at 9am in the Library

Our Parent Connect team has started a get-together of interested parents/carers (and some pre-schoolers who love playing with the toys). It is very informal. We have our great coffee and hot chocolate pods available (or tea if you prefer). It is a great way for our school community to get to know one another. Your children also see that you are connecting to our school in a positive way and that really helps to strengthen their sense of belonging which in turn supports them to be better learners.

Portarlington Market
Last Sunday of Every Month

Our monthly market is held at the park opposite the school and within the spacious facilities of Parks Hall. The market is located on the picturesque Bellarine Peninsula overlooking the bay with views to the You Yangs mountain ranges. Inside and Outside stall holder spaces available.

Contact Details
Portarlington Primary School
100 Newcombe Street, Portarlington, Victoria, 3223.
Telephone: 52592572
Website: portps.vic.edu.au

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Facebook: search Portarlington Market
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Twitter: @ppsmarket
FUNDRAISING

We're very excited to be fundraising with Entertainment™ this year. Order your NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment™ Books and Entertainment™ Digital Memberships from us today, and 20% of the proceeds contribute towards our fundraising.

Order your new Entertainment™ Book or Entertainment™ Digital Membership before 12 April 2016 and you will receive up to $190 worth of additional offers that you can use right away!

Available as a traditional Entertainment Book - or - Digital Membership on your smartphone, your Membership gives you over $20,000 worth of valuable offers valid through to 1 June 2017!
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.
Miley Mead CONGRATULATIONS on being a safe active traveller this fortnight.
Well Done!!
Commencing in Term 2!

Reminder:
Music and Movement for Parents & Preschoolers on Tuesday mornings at 9.15am

FREE

Storytime

** There will be a children’s activity after the book reading **

9.15am ~ 9.45am (commencing Friday 15 April)

Fridays, Storytelling with Eleonor
CHARITY DANCE
in memory of Darryl and others who have died from cancer
Please celebrate their lives through dance

1.30 - 5.00PM
SUNDAY 20th MARCH 2016
Parks Hall, Portarlington
MUSIC by IAN WERFEL

No BOOKING REQUIRED, PAY AT the DOOR
COST $12.00

INCLUDES SPECIAL EFFORT
Tea coffee water provided

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP, A PLATE FOR AFTERNOON TEA WOULD BE APPRECIATED

All profits go to Cancer Council Victoria via Team Trugin On for a cure, who will be participating in the WYNDHAM RELAY FOR LIFE

For information or bookings, please phone Lorraine on 03 5259 3968
Even if you do not dance come and enjoy the music and raise money for Relay for life

DANCES ARE

Evening Three Step Alpha Waltz Modern Waltz
Gypsy Tap Sally Ann Cha Cha Balmoral Blues
Swing Waltz Mayfair Quickstep Disco Samba
Carousel N.V Waltz Queen of Hearts Rumba
Barn Dance and Jive prog. Charmaine Miami Rumba
Tangoette Dysnasty Blues Tracey Lee
Serenade Twilight Tango Terrific
Monte Carlo Midnight Tango Merrilyn
Melba Blues Pride of Erin Rock & Roll
Sprouts Lunch orders on Fridays:

Lunch orders are available every Friday. You will need to set up a log in at www.sproutscanteen.com and order from the Portarlington menu only.

If you had a log in last year, you need to do this again as a new system has been set up.

Payment is made online. Orders need to be lodged by 8am Friday morning but preferably the night before. Late orders will not be processed. The menu is delicious, so give it a go. Orders are delivered to the school in individual recyclable packs at 1.15pm.

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School Uniform:
The students are looking amazing in their complete uniforms. If you can’t find an item, please ask, as we will do our best to make sure that we keep them all looking part of a team.

Hair: hair that is past shoulder length is to be tied up
Nail polish other than clear is not welcome
Bike shorts are only to be worn under a skirt or dress, not as a uniform item.
Leggings (dark blue only) can be worn under shorts, dress or skirt, not worn by itself with a long T shirt.
Shoes – runners or black school shoes only
Hair ties – dark blue or red
Jewellery- only sleepers or stud ear rings. No necklaces or any kind for safety.

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2017 Year 7 Information Evening
Tuesday, March 22, 2016 from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Hall, Main Campus, Myers Street, Geelong

Open Day
Wednesday, March 23, 2016 with tours at:
9:00 am – 10:30 am and 1:30pm – 3:00pm
meeting in the Multipurpose Room, Main Campus, Fenwick Street, Geelong

Accelerated Learning Program Information Evening
Wednesday, March 16, 2016 from 7:00 pm
Multi-Purpose Room, Main Campus,
Fenwick Street, Geelong

For further information, contact Stuart Myers
(ALP enquiries) or Robyn Myers (general enquiries)
on 4243 0500 or matthew.flinders.girls.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au