Term 1 Week 2
Newsletter

SAFE ROAD TRAFFIC
The safety of children in school and travelling to and from school is of paramount importance. We ask that children and families use the designated crossings.

When travelling around our schools:

Please Do:
Use the crossings at all times. You provide a model for children. If they see you using the crossing then they will follow. This may mean walking a little further but may save a life.
Slow down when travelling along roads near the schools.
Take care when reversing from angle parks.
Report to the school any unsafe behaviours of children coming to or from school, motorists who are reckless and traffic monitors who are not doing their job responsibly.
Praise children for safe behaviours and thank traffic monitors who give their time voluntarily to patrol the crossing.

Ensure that your children are on time to start school. Supervision of road traffic crossing ceases at 9:00am.
Avoid late starts to the school day. This disadvantages your child and creates disruption for other students and their teacher.

Please Don't:
Cross the street other than at the crossings.
Speed along roads adjacent to schools.
Disobey road traffic monitors who are trying to do their job responsibly.
Double park while dropping or collecting children.
Block visibility to the crossings by parking close by.

SCHOOL FEES
2015 Material & Services invoices were sent home to families last week. There are many options available for payment. These include cash, credit card using the remittance advice on your invoice, EFTPOS, cheque, Centrepay Deductions (forms available from Centralink or the Front Office) or by making arrangements with the school for an instalment plan. 2015 School Card Application forms can be obtained from the Front Office. Please submit these at your earliest convenience to ensure timely processing. Should you wish to discuss your invoice or payment options further, please contact the school or visit us at the Front Office.

Many Thanks, Deena Broad and Donna Thompson Finance Officers

UNIFORM SHOP VOLUNTEERS
The uniform shop is in need of more volunteers! If you can spare 1/2 an hour a few times a term please see office staff for more information.

GOVERNING COUNCIL
Co - chairs Belinda Ryan & Jenny Ashby invite you to join us in 2015. We meet twice a term in weeks 3 & 8. Please consider joining us to support decision making at the school.

BUSHFIRE SEASON IS HERE
As we have seen constantly on the news lately, bushfire season is here. It’s time to brush up on home bushfire action plans and emergency responses with our families so children are well prepared. This includes updating emergency contacts with the school if these have changed. The fire danger rating guides Port Lincoln Junior Primary School procedures in the event of extreme or catastrophic fire danger.

EXTREME
On days of extreme fire danger the school is open but staff or students are not permitted to leave the town limits. Therefore any excursions or camps planned for that day will be cancelled and re-arranged.

CATASTROPHIC
Port Lincoln Junior Primary School will be closed.
On a day forecast as catastrophic fire risk the staff of this school will be unavailable to your children and the school. They will be acting on their Family Bushfire Survival Plans. All school bus services will be automatically cancelled. Travel on roads during these conditions places you and your family at high risk.

Please refer to your Family Bushfire Survival Plan and begin preparations now to keep your family safe.

How will I know if the next day is forecast as catastrophic? The CFS website (www.cfs.sa.gov.au) updates its forecast for the next day after 4:30 pm. This advice is repeated by all media services. It is your responsibility to monitor these forecasts and change bushfire conditions to keep your family safe.

What happens during a school day when children and staff have begun the day and the fire danger rating is upgraded to catastrophic?
- The school has an emergency response plan to maintain your child’s safety during the course of a developing catastrophic day and until an adult family member can collect your child safely from the school.
- Collection of children must take place through the main school office.
- Family members are not to approach their child’s classroom.
- All school bus services will be automatically cancelled.

CANTERBURY

PLAYGROUP
Playgroup will continue on Friday mornings in Room 8
9.15am - 10.40am
All welcome
Please contact Annette Davey for more information on 8682 1226

FLYING PASTY
Mini Pasty $2.50
Sausage Roll $3.50
Pies $4.00
Sausage Roll $3.50
Mini Pasty $2.50

Video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7OQdI1W6iis

News from Room 11

To help settle into the classroom and the school environment, room 11 have been focussing on developing relationships with students and their families and discussing school rules in the yard and classroom.

We have learnt to...

- Wait quietly at the end of recess and lunch
- Wear hats and walk when you hear the siren
- Read safely around corners
- Learning, working together and helping each other

OPEN NIGHT
Tuesday 10th February
Rooms: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 - 5 pm - 5:45 pm
Rooms: 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26 - 5:45 - 6:30pm
We welcome all families to our school to meet the teacher and learn about our programs
A BIG welcome to all of our new reception students and their families.

Room 1: Muhammad, Zayn, Noor, Fatimah, Musa, Tariq, Fadel, Elema

Room 2: Mason, Sam, Tyler, Beau, Abbey, Kobe, Alexis, Kale, Sienna, Michael, Will, Riley, Taya, Samuel, Cooper, Isaak, Isabella, Immari, Saraiye. Absent – Jaidyn

Room 3: Brady, Scotty

Room 4: Ella, Blake, Benjamin, Zoe, Lani, Max, Isaac, Bellarae, Annabel, Xander, Rylee, Holly, Loachie, Jade, Noah, Matthew, Taun, Jesse, Nicholas.


Room 6: Shaquiu, Kahlia, Connor, Russell, Reena, Jerzy, Saxby, Ryan, Thomas, Curtis, Bill, Tate, Charlie, Lani, Chloe, Ezra, Jaya, Absent - John, Topaz

Room 7: Marley, Emma, Kahlen, Jaden, Lucas, Blake, Loch, Oakley, Marley, Clarissa, Kaylee, Catherine, Kurtis, Nate, Sam, Warren, Lindsay, Bayley.

2015 STRUCTURE OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Children are not covered by duty of care if they arrive at school prior to 8.30 am. Teachers are involved in meetings and preparation in the mornings. Classrooms will open at 8:40am.

8.30 Active Yard Duty

The front lawn and play equipment are great places to meet friends in the morning & organise where to play at break times.

Each class will have early morning reading sessions organised for students.

Ressus 10.40 – 11.00: Children eat snacks under supervision prior to going out to play.

Lunch 12.50 – 1.30: Children eat lunch under supervision prior to 40 minutes play.

3:10 pm: Each class meets for learning review, pack up and dismissal.

3.25 pm: The siren marks the end of the school day.

On Tuesdays all teachers need to be in the staff room by 3.40 pm for staff meeting.

Parents must organise pick up arrangements with their classroom teacher and their child. If there are changes to the routine or person picking up the child and a delay happens at pick up time, the SAFE PLACE at school for children is in the office area. All children who are not picked up by 3.40 come to the office.

Hello, my name is Jess Bawden and I am the counsellor this year. I live in Tumby Bay and have three children, two sons aged 11 and a daughter aged 8. I have been a counsellor for the past 3 years and enjoy working with students and families. I have taught at Tumby Bay Area School and last year at Kinton Point Primary School.

I am here to provide support to students and families and this can include student well-being, supporting parents, classroom support for students and connecting with agencies that assist families. I aim to create a team approach between school and families to become a Kidsmatter school. Kidsmatter provides the proven methods, tools and support to help schools work with parents and carers, health services and the wider community, to nurture happy, balanced kids.

(www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary)

Please feel free to contact and I look forward to working with staff, students and families at Port Lincoln Junior Primary School.

Swimming and Water Safety Program

The swimming program is scheduled in weeks 8 & 9 for all students in the Junior Primary. Swimming and Water Safety is an essential part of the Health and Physical Education program and all students are expected to attend. Children are organised into ability grouping and a swimming tutor is provided for a child who may have fear of water or learning complexity. The school needs to know early to organise this support to be put into place. Swimming lessons are held at the Leisure Centre and students attend 5 sessions over 5 days. Parents will be approached by class teachers to help organise the dressing/undressing of children and ensure the children take on the responsibility of making sure they have collected their belongings.

CATERING FOR HOT WEATHER: All our classes are air-conditioned. However, if the predicted maximum daily temperature in Port Lincoln is forecast to be more than 38°Celsius or there are strong northerly winds, children will have a short outside break early in the day and then remain in their air-conditioned classrooms at lunchtime on these days. Please ensure your child has plenty to drink on hot days, especially if they don’t like drinking out of the water fountains at school. A parent may choose to keep a child home or collect a child earlier if the temperature reaches over 38°Celsius.

Please communicate your intention with your child’s teacher.

TERM 1 HAT REMINDER: Hats are a compulsory part of the school uniform in Term 1. Please ensure your child wears a Brim hat to school. If your child does not have a hat they will be asked to play in the shaded areas. Peak hats, often worn backwards are not suitable sun protection.