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**STAR STUDENT FOCUS**

**PERSISTENCE**

This week’s Star Student is someone who completes learning tasks in the allocated time.

**STAR STUDENT**

Avril Knight

Avril edits, revises and reflects on her own learning.

Congratulations!!
There will be a Costume Parade in our Hall starting at 9.15am. We encourage all students to come dressed as their favourite Book Character.

Parents Welcome!

We will be celebrating

BOOK DAY
Thursday 18th August

Congratulations to all those who received an award at our last assembly. We love to celebrate success at Portland South and love that there are many opportunities to do so.

HAPPY GRAMS

Mekenzie Barton, Austin Anderson, Mrs Fisher.

READING AWARDS

125 Nights
Mekenzie Barton

150 Nights
Alistair Chow

AWARDS

Principal’s Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

When students are sick:
There is a little bit of GASTRO going around once again. Can I please ask that if your child is sick with either vomiting and/or diarrhoea that they are kept home from school for 24-48 hours? Unfortunately some children are coming back to school too soon and this leads to the further spreading of the bug. Many thanks for your understanding with this.

BREAKFAST CLUB:
Our Breakfast Club, which is held on a Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 8.20am, is a HUGE success. Last Tuesday we had around 30 students attend. This is a wonderful program that no only provides children with breakfast, but also helps build relationships between staff, students, parents and the wider community. It is a great way for us to touch base with students and to see that they start their day on a positive note. Because we are serving so many students at the moment, we would dearly love one or two more helpers each day.
IF YOU CAN HELP OUT IN ANYWAY PLEASE LET DI, LEANNE, STEVE OR MRS FISHER KNOW.

GRADE 6 GIRLS & BOYS Day – Friday
11th August :
All of our Grade 6 students will be at Bayview on Friday for the Grade 6 Girls and Boys Day. They will spend the day with students from all other primary schools in the Portland area. The students will be involved in various activities including CyberSafety and Boot Camp. Our students will leave Portland South by bus at 9.00am and be back by 3.00pm.

MUSIC FESTIVAL WEDNESDAY 24th August:
Please note : Portland South will be involved in the Music Festival on Wednesday 24th August. Tickets will be available in the coming days — a note will be sent home concerning collection of tickets and payment.

KEEP DATE THIS DATE FREE!! :
SCI-TECH FAMILY NIGHT—6th SEPTEMBER,
6.00pm-8.00pm at St Johns PS.
This night will be a HUGE Celebration of all the work that schools across Portland have been involved in. We thank Portland Aluminium for their sponsorship of the program.

Have a wonderful week.

Vicki.

Please note: There will be NO ASSEMBLY this Friday—12th August.
PARENTS’ CLUB

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

When: Friday, 19th August—6.00—8.30pm

Where: Portland South PS—Admella Hall

Cost: Gold coin donation on entry to help raise funds for the RSPCA.

BYO Bean Bag, Comfy Chairs and Blankets. School Chairs will also be available.

The following snacks will be available for purchase on the night:

- Popcorn - $2
- Ice Creams - $2

To assist with catering arrangements, it would be greatly appreciated if you could return the following reply slip.

__________________________________________________________
Name: __________________________________________________

How many: _____________________________________________

Please return to the office by the 16th of August

Please note: Children MUST BE collected by a parent or responsible adult at 8.30pm sharp.
We had a lovely meeting next to the playground in the sun on Thursday. It was great to see many parents there including the parents of newer students. All parents and carers are welcome at our meetings. We value any input you provide, and people only need to take on jobs they want to.

**Mixed-up Mondays**

We've really appreciated the support of parents who have warmed up food and prepared and cooked toasts on Mondays. It's great to have warm food for our children in this cooler weather. Can you help once or twice this term? Help is from 12.50-1.40 on Monday after you have checked with Di in the office if any supplies are needed. The current roster is for:

- August 15  Cathryn Walder
- August 22  Meghan Bacon
- August 29  Crystin Lewis

Join one of our current volunteers to help or just see what they do, or let Di or Angela know when you are able to help in September. Mixed-up Monday will finish for the year at the end of this term.

**Breakfast Tuesdays and Wednesdays**

It's great to see so many students starting off their day with breakfast on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We have up to 30 children enjoying the breakfasts or warming hot chocolates. Our support staff Leanne and Steve do a great job running these, but if we have regular volunteers that can start from 8.20am and give a hand until 8.50am, we can make sure this stays running, and we can adding really warming foods like porridge to the menu. If you can help, please speak to Steve, Leanne, Vicki or Di in the office.

**Monday library support**

Mums Cindy and Tanya do an excellent job helping collect and process the return of student library books for an hour every Monday. They have learned to operate many computer systems for the books over the years and have taught a few teachers how to work it, too. If you would like to help them, just drop by the library before 10am on a Monday.

**Other news**

Tickets are currently being sold for the **Father's Day raffle**. They went home with last week's school newsletter, so do check if you haven't received them. Tickets are $1 each. Please write on both sides of the tickets and return them all to the school so they can go into this lucky draw. We would also appreciate the donation of any goods that a father or father-figure might like to win. These can be made to Di in the office.

Benjamin's dad Crystin is hoping to prepare the school's garden beds for spring by bringing in compost. If you have a trailer or ute and a willing driver that can transport some mulch within Portland, please let Crystin or Di know.

And thank you to all families who have cooked an extra meal to go home with Codie and Reannah on Mondays. We have three more of these meals to be prepared within the school community, so we really appreciate your support of our students.

Angela,
Mum of Oliver and Alistair
0416 765 492
FOR SALE—GOLD COIN DONATION

Beautiful "HAND WARMERS" - just the thing for these cold days —Available in school colours, plus other colour combinations. See Di at the Office.

Thank you to Lyn Warburton (Tighe’s nan) for donating these to the school.
MEDIA RELEASE

Wednesday 27 July 2016

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION FOR PAC CINEMA

A cinema experience is returning to Portland with a new operation due to open at the Portland Arts Centre (PAC).

Glenelg Shire Council has entered a six month trial with Twilight Cinemas, a national cinema operator, to deliver regular screenings of the latest movie releases from the Glenelg Street theatre space.

Movies will be screened Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays with additional screenings during the school holiday period working around the Portland Arts Centre program, which hosts a variety of regular gallery and theatre events.

Florence Foster Jenkins, a new biopic featuring Hollywood headliners Hugh Grant and Meryl Streep, will be the debut screening for the enterprise airing this Friday at 11am. Finding Dory, Ghostbusters and the Legend of Tarzan will screen later in the day and evening.

Glenelg Shire Council chief executive officer Greg Burgoyne said council was pleased to enter the partnership, which will return a cinema experience to the shire after a three year hiatus.

"Every weekend people are leaving Portland to travel up to an hour to watch a latest release movie in some of our neighbouring centres, outside our shire. This takes away important money from our economy and support for local businesses," he said.

"Twilight Cinemas showed an interest in setting up a base in Portland and council supported the idea because we knew there was a huge opportunity to return this much loved past time to our community.

"The cinema, which will screen on the Portland Arts Centre stage with capacity for 144 patrons, will include all of the latest blockbusters ensuring something for all tastes and ages.

"I strongly encourage our community to get behind this important operation to ensure it is a success and continues beyond the six month trial."

Minor works are currently being completed on-site to make way for the operation, including the fitting of the projection equipment.

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