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#### Dates to Remember for Term 4

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**This week’s STAR STUDENT**

**IS**

**KOSTA SIMS**

“who works hard at using strategies to get over an upset”

Great Resilience Kosta!!
**Principal’s Message**

**Dear Parents, Carers and Families,**

Welcome to Week 2. Our term has started very positively and I’m sure everyone is happy to be back at school and in routine. I most definitely was!

This term’s diary is already jam-packed with things to do and special events to finish of the year. This term is all about preparing our students for next year. It is always around this time when students have a growth spurt and begin looking ready for the following year. At the moment we have some very tall Year 6 students! Later in the term, we will also welcome our newest students, when the Preps for 2017 take part in transition. This is always an exciting and really fun time.

**OCTOBER IS ‘WALK TO SCHOOL’ MONTH**- Our school is participating in VicHealth’s Walk to School month which encourages primary school children to walk, ride or scoot to and from school throughout October, to help them get the 60 minutes of physical activity they need each day. We would love to see as many of our students involved as possible!

**CURRICULUM DAY**- Next Friday the 14th October is a Curriculum Day. All staff will be involved in a Writing Trait PD which looks at authentic and engaging ways of teaching Writing. **NO STUDENTS will be required to attend school on that day.** Portland Primary School staff will be joining us on this day.

**SWIMMING**- Swimming has started and the children were very excited and keen about it. Reports back from the YMCA was that children were very well behaved. This coming Friday there will be **no** swimming due to our Curriculum Day. Swimming will resume the following Friday, October 21st.

**Reminder: ** Any student who takes part in our school swimming program will be able to enter the pool free of charge throughout Term 4.

**AGELESS ARTS REUNION**- This coming Wednesday the 12th October, the students who were in Grade 2/3 last year (Mrs. Morton’s 2015 class) will be invited to attend a Reunion with their ‘**AGELESS ARTS**’ special friends in the Portland South School library at 10.00am. The Ageless Arts participants would very much like to touch base with their special friends again. Students and participants will meet in the library for a story and then have morning tea together.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM AND HAT REMINDER**- Please remember that all students require hats this term. It is a requirement of our Sunsmart Policy that all students wear hats in term 1 and term 4. School hats are available to purchase at the office. Children who do not have a hat will need to play in the undercover area. **Please** also remember that school uniform is compulsory and that students should be in the correct school uniform every day. If your child is out of school uniform he/she should bring a note to explain why. At all times we want our students to be looking smart in their school uniform and wear it with pride. We thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL REMINDER**- The next School Council Meeting for School Councillors will be next week on Thursday 20th October at 7.00pm. The Finance Meeting will be held at 6.45pm.

Have a wonderful week everyone!

Vicki
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**

Taylah Convy, Browdy Smith, Kosta Sims, Max Suhina.

**READING AWARDS**

75 Nights
Max Suhina

100 Nights
Angel Napolis

125 Nights
Jayde Brydson

150 Nights
Dean Penrose, Erin McPhee, Karrie Sharam, Tamsyn Sharam, Mekenzie Barton

175 Nights
Britt Walder, Gracie Walder, Oliver Chow

200 Nights
Alistair Chow, Jack Matley, Kosta Sims

225 & 250
Caylei McGeary

**October**

**is**

**Walk To School Month**

**STAR STUDENT FOCUS FOR TERM 4**

**RESILIENCE**

This week’s ‘Star Student’ will be someone who uses effective interpersonal skills with other students and adults and is able to seek out assistance and support in appropriate ways."

**Book Club**

Orders due by Tuesday 20th October.
HATS

Students must wear hats during Term 4 when they are outside or they have to remain under the shaded areas.

Hats are available for purchase from the Office:

Wide Brimmed Hat—$16
Bucket Hat—$13

PARENTS’ AND FRIENDS’ MEETING

THURSDAY—13th October

(immediately after school until 4pm)

To be held in the library or if weather permits on the front playground.

Any questions please ring Angela 0416765492

WANTED

HELPERS TO CLEAN/TIDY GARDEN BEDS

LUNCH ORDERS

NO SPAGHETTI BOLOGNAISE AVAILABLE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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Asthma Australia
ART ROOM NEWS

The students have been working together to create our giant Eel Puppet for the Upwelling Festival. The younger classes have also made their own individual puppets. It has been a huge project, and has been great to see students working together as a team.

Our next project will involve weaving. The art room would love any donations of coloured wool!

Please checkout the Portland South Facebook Page for photos of our projects.

LIBRARY

A reminder that Library day is Monday. There are a few students with overdue books, and it would be great if they could have a good look at home and return to our library. If you cannot find your books please see Di at the office.

Thanks,

Mrs Saunders

RACQUETBALL ROCKETS

Racquetball skills for beginners

A 6 week programme to get your little rocket on fire!

Join Anne McIntyre on court to teach your child some skills. Aimed at primary school aged children who have never played and are keen for an introduction to Racquetball. This 6 week programme will see your little rocket hitting the ball and learning the hand eye co-ordination they need to play. $5 per week, all equipment is supplied.

4:00pm Mondays, starting October 10th
Please bring non-marchingsports shoes.

Fitzgerald St. Ph 5523 392

GROUP PARENT EDUCATION EVENT

Conducted by Bethany

1-2-3 Magic Parenting Program

This is a 3 week program devised to help build parents’ capacity in managing difficult behaviours in their children.

Commences: Wednesday, 23rd November.

Time: 6.00—8.00pm
Location: Kareeta Peeneeyt Mara Portland Child & Family Complex, 94 Julia Street

Contact: Rachel
Telephone: 5559 4747

Cost: Free
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