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# Newsletter

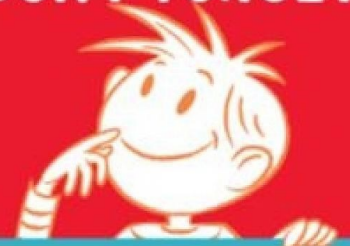
Portland Bay School



**Anzac Day  
Parade  
Thursday 25th April  
2024**



**DON'T FORGET!**



**SCHOLASTIC  
Book Club**

**Monday 6th May  
for Issue 3 please**

**Thank you everyone for  
showing your respect and  
support on ANZAC Day  
"Lest we Forget"**



**Next week events**

**Term 2**

Friday 3rd May.

**Week**

Monday 6th May

Tuesday 7th May

Wednesday 8th May

Thursday 9th May

Friday 10h May.



## Anzac Day

Thank you to all the students, staff and families who participated in some way on ANZAC day. It is always a pleasure to see our little school so well represented in the community. Some lovely photos are on today's front page.

## School Photo Day

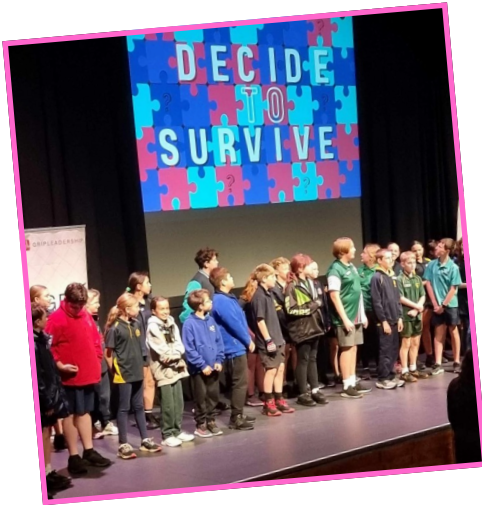
We had glorious weather for our school photo day on Tuesday. It was wonderful to see so many students dressed proudly in their school uniforms. Everyone did their best to smile into the lens and as always Frank the photographer had everyone in stitches with his antics. Photos are still available to order online by going to [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au) and clicking on the link provided.

## Farewell Ruoyu Cao

This week we farewelled Ruoyu Cao who finished her 2-week teaching placement with us. Ruoyu was here as a student teacher with RMIT and worked predominantly in P3. She expressed how much she enjoyed her time at Portland Bay School and has promised to come back to visit us in the future. We wish her well with the continuation of her studies.

## Literacy CoP

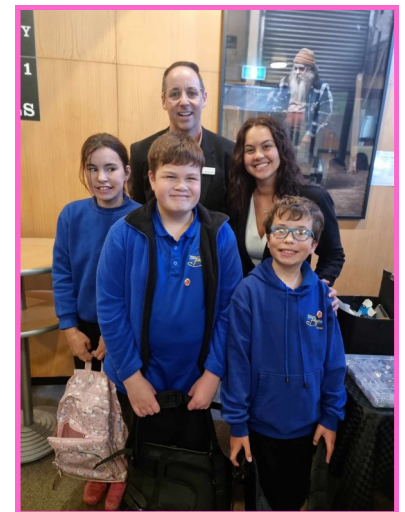
Charlotte and Meghan attended another literacy workshop in Hamilton this week. This regular catch up allows our staff to work alongside other literacy leaders in the region on improving the way in which we at PBS deliver and teach reading, writing, speaking and listening. Meanwhile back in the classrooms we have continued to run our abilities-based literacy groups every morning across our lower secondary and primary school. We have also begun to investigate running a hybrid model of Little Learners Love Literacy for our upper secondary students.



## Grip Leadership

Meanwhile in other news, 3 of our primary student leaders were off fine tuning their leadership skills with other young leaders from across the region at the GRIP Student Leadership Conference on Thursday.

This conference is unique in that it concentrates specifically on training student leaders for their role as SCHOOL LEADERS. The purpose of the conference is to prepare students for one day being leaders of some capacity in their own school. It was a great day and Villie was so proud to see our 3 students



volunteering to go on stage and participate on the day. Well done.

**Foodbank Food Fight** - A huge thank you once again to everyone involved in taking part in our Foodbank Food Fight, either by participating in the run, coming along to watch or simply donating to this worthy cause. There is still time to make donations online at [www.foodfight.com.au](http://www.foodfight.com.au). Donations will be welcome up until the 9<sup>th</sup> of May. A notice went home earlier this week with more information. Please see this newsletter for some great photos.

**Bus Travellers** - Just a quick reminder for our bus travellers. We appreciate that on some occasions a students' typical parent/carers may not be available to meet the bus and in this instance a relative or family friend may greet a bus traveller instead. In the interest of student safety is it requested that families first message the school to let staff know of this change in advance. Much like we wouldn't let an unfamiliar person come through the foyer and collect a child, we ideally prefer not to leave a student with someone who is unfamiliar to bus staff without prior approval by the students' primary carers or parents. Moving forward, bus staff will attempt to contact parents/carers for verbal permission where this has not already been established prior to drop off.

Until next week..... Rebecca Jones, Acting Principal





A huge thank you once again to everyone involved in taking part in our Foodbank Food Fight/run last, Wednesday, 24th June.

There was lots of fun, laughter and colour.





# Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the following staff member who celebrates his birthday over the next few weeks.

**Dael Radcliffe - 8th May**

We hope you enjoy your day.

## Get to know your SRC

Hi my name is...

**O S C A R**

I'm representing

**P1**



I like the playground and being called Godzilla.

I don't like it when my Poppy's phone is flat.

When I grow up I want to be able to do whatever I want.

## Community Announcements

### Emma House SINCE 1979

Domestic & Family Violence Service

Emma House is a not-for-profit organisation providing free services to victim survivors in South West Victoria.

*Interpreter and National Hearing Services are Available*

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#### Emergency Numbers

Police ..... 000

24 Hours Statewide ..... 1800 015 188  
Response Service

A state wide 24/7 service providing women and their children with information, advocacy, referral and emergency accommodation.

Sexual Assault Crisis Line ..... 1800 806 292

Respect ..... 1800 737 732

**1800 366 238**

131-133 Kepler Street Warrnambool, VIC 3280

Phone: (03) 5561 1934

Open: Monday - Friday, 9am to 5pm

[emmahouse.org.au](http://emmahouse.org.au)

## Upcoming calendar events

### 2024 Term 2

#### Tuesday 21st May

School Finance 6pm

School Council 7pm

#### Friday 7th June

Curriculum Day - No students to attend school

#### Monday 10th June March

Kings Birthday Public Holiday

#### Tuesday 18th June

School Finance 6pm

School Council 7pm

#### Friday 28th June

Last day of Term 2.

#### Monday 1st July to Friday 12th July

School Holidays 2 weeks.

### Term 3

#### Monday 15th July

1st Day of School

#### Friday 26th July

Winter Series Sports—Warrnambool

#### Friday 9th August

Curriculum Day - No students to attend school

#### Tuesday 20th August

School Finance 6pm

School Council 7pm

#### Monday 9th to Friday 13th September

S1 Blackwood Camp

#### Tuesday 20th August

School Finance 6pm

School Council 7pm

#### Tuesday 17th September

School Finance 6pm

School Council 7pm

#### Friday 20th September

Last day of Term 3.

### Term 4

#### Monday 7th October

1st Day of School

#### Tuesday 22nd October

School Finance 6pm

School Council 7pm

#### Tuesday 19th November

School Finance 6pm

School Council 7pm

#### Friday 20th December

Last day of Term 4



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