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Newsletter



Welcome to
Term 4 2024.

Our school is looking amazing with the new back area open for school use. Students and staff are enjoying the new items which include a slide, path, spinning wheel and rope climbing.

Congratulations to Amy and Ashley on your graduation of the (P2E) Passport 2 Employment course last Term. Lots of work paying off towards your certificate and work futures. Well done!



Next week events

Term 4
Friday 11th Oct

Week 2
Monday 14th Oct

Tuesday 15th Oct

Wednesday 16th Oct

Thursday 17th Oct

Friday 18th Oct
NAIDOC Week —
celebrations at Hanlon
Park 10am.

DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC
Book Club

Issue 7 book orders
are due by
Friday 26th October
Thank you



We welcome Rebecca Jones back on Monday 14th October, as Acting Principal. Rebecca has loved her time at Portland Primary and is looking forward to being back to be part of our very busy term 4 and preparing for 2025.

A few reminders - Please keep an eye on the newsletter calendar, Facebook and chat books as we have a busy few months, lots happening and exciting activities for everyone to be involved in.



Don't forget to be Sun Smart this season. Portland Bay School is a SunSmart school.

Term 4 also starts our **Sun Smart policy** of hats and sun screen on when out doors. These are readily available at school. Students and staff are encouraged to follow policy at all times.

Bus travellers—please be ready for your pickup at least 10 mins before the buses arrive. They are on a tight schedule to do our door to door runs and can be 5 mins either side of times allocated. We appreciate your help in making bus travel smooth for everyone. Buses can not wait for late students and you will need to make your own way to school if missed.



Thank you to everyone on letting us know if your students will be away from school, we appreciate your call, text or prior notice in chat books as this helps us structure the days and enables the correct reason on school stats to the Department.

The sensory garden in the court yard is progressing nicely, thanks to the hard work of the senior area. Please see the photos showing all the hard workers in actions.



The sausage sizzle and raffle at the end of last term raised \$1,547.35.

Congratulations to Sarah Edwards, winner of the meat Tray, kindly donated by Upper cut Butchers.

Have a great weekend.....
Charlotte Elliott, Acting Principal.



Upcoming calendar events

Term 4

Friday 18 October

NAIDOC Week—celebrations at Hanlon Park 10am.

Tuesday 22nd October

School Finance 6pm
School Council 7pm

Monday 4th November

Curriculum Day - No students to attend school

Tuesday 5th November

Melbourne Cup
Public Holiday

Tuesday 19th November

School Finance 6pm
School Council 7pm

Tuesday 3rd December

Glenelg Shire International Day of People with Disabilities

Thursday 19th December

11.30am Final Assembly



Footy Colours Day was a great success on the last day of Term 3. Thank you everyone, we raised \$265.35 for Kids with Cancer. Well done and awesome effort.





Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrate their birthdays over the next few weeks.

- Tyler Pendlebury - 6th October**
- Blake Ward - 7th October**
- Brodie Pumpa - 18th October**
- & staff members**
- Jessica Lynch - 8th October**
- Julie Lamond - 10th October**
- Rose Wombwell - 12th October**

We hope you all enjoy your days.

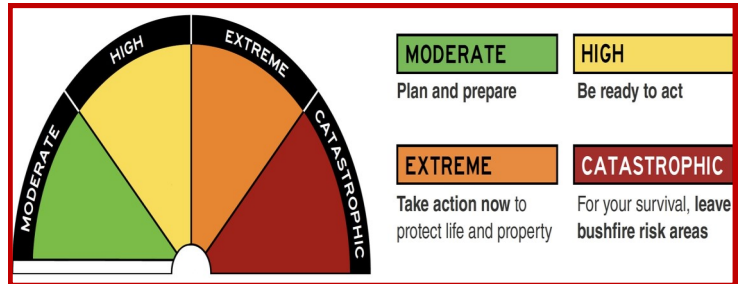
Code Red Fire Danger Season.

Portland Bay School is classified as a high-risk school on Code Red days. Code Red days are the highest risk days and are fairly rare.

This means that the school will be closed when Code Red days are called in the South West Fire District.

Usually we will be notified the day before this happens so we will be able to notify parents, carers, students and staff in a timely way.

Parents will be notified either by newsletter, email, text message or via our facebook page depending on the timing of the authorities calling a Code Red Day.



Community Announcements

EmmaHouse 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

WARRNAMBOOL • PORTLAND • HAMILTON
TERANG • CAMPERDOWN

Emergency Numbers

Police 000

24 Hours Statewide Response Service 1800 015 188

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

ONLINE SAFETY

(Adapted from www.thinkyouknow.org.au)

What you can do to help keep your kids safe online...

- Always supervise your child when they are online
- Encourage your child to identify trusted adults who can help.

It's never too early to start teaching young children about technology and online safety. The early learning resource Playing IT Safe can help you do this.

Playing IT Safe is a free resource developed for young children. It includes a series of play-based activities that children can play at home with parents and carers to help learn about safety online. You can access Playing IT Safe at <http://www.playingitsafe.org.au>

Find us on our Facebook "Portland Bay School".

