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Major Award Winners for 2023



Congratulations to our major award winners for 2023. Left to Right: Skye Flowers (Peace Medal), Max Mildren (Primary Student of the Year), Max Marchant (Senior Student of the Year) and Karsha Ireland (Middle School Student of the Year)





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Principal's Comment

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Dates to Remember

Friday 15 December Last day of the year Early dismissal at 2.10pm **Tuesday 23 January Front Office Re-opens Thursday 25 January School open for Book Collection 1-3pm** Friday 26 January **Australia Day** Monday 29 January First day of Term 1 **Tri Skills Tuesday 30 January Tri Skills** Elevate Friday 8 March **Sports Day** Monday 11 March Adelaide Cup Holiday **Tuesday 12 March Student Free Day** Friday 29 March **Good Friday** Monday 1 April **Easter Monday**

It was great to celebrate our students' achievements at the awards assembly today. Thank you to all the staff that made this event run smoothly. Well done to our primary classes for the entertaining us with their performances. Some of you may have noticed the shelter over the basketball court has been fenced off. For several years, we have been closely monitoring and reporting the corrosion of the columns. This week, we received the latest engineer's report, which recommends the demolition and replacement of the structure. An exclusion zone has been implemented until the demolition. We keep you informed as we know more and hope to have a more detailed timeline for replacement early next year.

We have several staff farewells this year. At the end of term 1, we farewelled Ms Ashleigh Schrader when she accepted a 3 term position in behaviour support. Ms Schrader has now won a position elsewhere and will not be returning to Port Broughton. We are pleased to say that Ms Kristy Patterson will continue in the student wellbeing leader role next year.

We also farewell, Mr Riley Williams who joined us in term 2 this year. He has provided primary health and PE 2 days a week. Mr Michael Cook joined us half way through 2022 teaching art, photography, music and performing arts. Ms Mellisa Bloksgaard, curriculum and intervention coordinator, joined the staff in term 2 last year. This year she has taught year 7/8 English, 1/2 HASS and small group intervention.

I wish all these teachers the very best as they embark on new adventures and thank them for their contributions to our school.

Next year, Mrs Jackie Mcloughlin is taking leave. Whilst this isn't a farewell, I wish her all the very best and hope she has an enjoyable year.

We will welcome back Mr Corey White as the year 3/4 teacher next year. Corey was with us for a term in 2022 and he is looking forward to returning. Ms Stacey Cook will be teaching secondary maths and science. Stacey comes to us with experience and expertise in these subjects. Mr Josh Champion has won the excellence and equity coordinator position and brings diverse experience from a range of educational settings. I'm sure you will join me in welcoming these new staff members to our school community next year.

Thank you for a successful year, have a very merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous new year.

Joelene Anderson Principal





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SRC End of Year Celebrations

The SRC had a celebration lunch and acknowledged all the great things they achieved this year. SRC students stated:

- We developed leadership and communication skills
- Our school raised \$2400 for Jump Rope for Heart
- I like fund raising money
- It was fun talking with people
- We purchased equipment and sports equipment
- Our celebration lunch was yummy.
- Thanks to everyone who donated gifts to the Christmas Raffle



Second Place in Eden School Prize

Congratulations to Zali, who was recently awarded second prize in the 2023 Eden School Prize essay competition. This is a competition for Year 10 students in South Australian government schools.

The topic of this year's essay was "How can artificial intelligence (AI) make the world a better and happier place?"

Zali wrote a thoughtful entry which detailed how AI has the potential to revolutionise health care, help individuals prioritise and manage their time, as well as how AI might challenge and change the future of work.

As a prize for her entry, Zali was awarded \$750. Zali completed this project as an extra-curricular task and we commend her for her enthusiasm and hard work. Well done!





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2023 Award Winners



School Values Award

Front Row: Hudson Hewett - Reception, Everly Hewett - Year 2 (2/3 class), Connie Stringer - Year 1, Hunter Lowrey - Year 2 (1/2 class) Middle Row: Willa Palmer - Year 3 (3/4 class), Daisy Mulraney - Year 4, Harley Palmer - Year 5, Charlotte

Lowrey - Year 3 (2/3 class)

Back Row: Julie Norman (Chairperson Barunga Village Board), Tarquin Wilden - Year 6, Jake Mildren - Year 7, Naish Ireland - Year 8, Karsha Ireland - Year 9, Amber Cameron - Year 11

Absent: Zali Kerley - Year 10 and George Burckett - Year 12



SRC Christmas Raffle Winners

Thank you to everyone who donated gifts for the SRC Christmas Raffle. Money raised will be used to purchase activity equipment for our students, next year. We would like to congratulate our prize winners. If you hear your name, please come forward and collect your gift.

The 1st Prize winner is: Jason Dalling, 2nd Prize winner is: Jaida Hewett, 3rd Prize winner is: Ryan Hewett 4th Prize winner is: Valerie from Mundoora, 5th Prize winner is: Chloe Hewett, and our final 6th Prize goes to: Merredy Bawden.

Congratulations to our winners.



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2023 Award Winners



Sportsperson of the Year

Tarquin Wilden - Primary School Karsha Ireland - Secondary School Jaspa Barnes - Primary School

Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award

Skye Flowers and Zali Kerley

ADF - Future Innovators Award

Brooke Jamieson and Max Marchant





Rowan Ramsey Award Andrew Smith and School Volunteer Award

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Well Being in the Holidays

Holidays can take students away from friends and their usual school supports. Changes to routine can cause some young people to feel stressed, isolated, and alone. Parent/Carer support is very important during this time.

Tips for adults supporting young people:

- Encourage them to stay connected: Social relationships are an important aspect of young people's general wellbeing. Friends can provide both play and support, and spending time with friends is also important for keeping and building existing friendships.
- Encourage them to stay involved: Whether it is work, hobbies, clubs, or sports involvement with these can help a young person feel connected to their wider community.
- Partake in physical activity: If your young person is feeling down or finding things difficult, physical activities such as walking around the block can help relieve stress and frustration.
- Keeping to a regular routine: Getting a good sleep each night helps young people feel energised, focused, and motivated. Getting up and going to bed at the same time each day can help normalise their body clock.
- Help-seeking & support: Ensure that young people have access to support numbers, locally and nationally; and that Parents/Carers also are provided with these details.

Emergency Contact Numbers					
In an Emergency (Police, Fire or Ambulance) respond to the operator's question 'Emergency. Police? Fire? Ambulance?' stay calm, don't shout, speak slowly and clearly say exactly where to come - give an address or location.	000				
Telstra transfers the number to 000	112				
SAPOL	131 444				
Port Broughton Police Station	(08) 8635 2255				
Port Broughton District Hospital and Health Service	(08) 8635 2200				
Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service - Port Pirie (CAMHS)	(08) 7117 3700 1800 819 089 Toll Free				
Kids Helpline (WebChat Counselling or call)	1800 55 1800				
Headspace (eheadspace or call)	1800 650 890				
Lifeline	13 11 14				
Beyond Blue (call a counsellor)	1300 224 636				
Health Direct	1800 022 222				

Please add your contact numbers of family members and friends.

• Then place this list is a place everyone in your house can easily access (fridge or pin up board).

Well Being in the Holidays

Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service - Port Pirie (CAMHS)

- TAFE 59 Mary Elie St, Port Pirie, SA 5540.
- (08) 7117 3700. 1800 819 089 Toll Free.
- camhs.country@health.sa.gov.au. CAMHSResources@sa.gov.au.

www.wchn.sa.gov.au/our-network/camhs/camhs-locations. www.wchn.sa.gov.au/our-network/camhs.

CAMHS is a free community-based mental health service

Hours: Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm

Eligibility:

Children 0-12 years and Adolescents (young people) 12-18 years (16 in some areas) and their families who are experiencing complex emotional issues, behavioural issues, social issues, mental illness or psychiatric problems. Support given for perinatal women too. Young people and their parents are encouraged to seek advice via their GP or current mental health service provider before contacting CAMHS, as we can only provide services to those that meet our intake criteria.

Country & Outback Health

Mental health service in Port Pirie, South Australia

Address: 104 Florence St, Port Pirie SA 5540 Hours: Monday - Friday 9am-5pm Phone: (08) 8638 3900



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Class of 2023 Graduation



Goodbye and good luck, and all the best in all your future endeavours.

Term 1 Calendar

Term 1 2024							
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun	
Week 0	22/1	23/1 Front Office Reopens	24/1	25/1 School open for Book Collection 1 - 3pm	26/1 Australia Day	27/1, 28/1	
Week 1	29/1 First day of Term 1 Tri Skills	30/1 Tri Skills Elevate	31/1	1/2	2/2	3/2, 4/2	
Week 2	5/2	6/2	7/2	8/2	9/2	10/2, 11/2	
Week 3	12/2	13/2	14/2	15/2	16/2	17/2, 18/2	

Poll Results for 2024 Fees

We are pleased to inform you that the poll for 2024 M&S School Fees was successful.

The fees for 2024 will be Years R-6 \$300 and Years 7-12 \$400, you will be invoiced in January 2024 (please do not pay until invoiced).

Located in your child's report folder is a Family Information form, this needs to be completed and returned with any changes, a year 7 locker form that needs to be completed if your child is going to be in year 7 next year, and a year 7 to 12 stationary list that contains all stationary requirements for your child's subject selection.