

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RECEPTION STUDENTS

WELCOME BACK TO ALL STUDENTS



Reminder to all parents - if you are planning on taking your children out of school, for anything other than sickness, for a period of over 2 days, could you please contact the school and complete an exemption form.

Thank you



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Welcome to the 2024 school year! It was wonderful to welcome so many smiling faces to school on Monday. A sense of belonging is positively associated with wellbeing and mental health. To help students transition to school after the summer holidays we started the year with 2 days of activities. This gives students a chance to reconnect with friends, make new friends, get to know their teachers and their expectations, and prepare themselves for learning. This year, TriSkills were here with their trampolines and gymnastic equipment and the year 11/12 students were involved in a study skills workshop with Elevate.

Welcome to new staff: Mr Josh Champion - Equity and Excellence Coordinator, Mr Corey White – Year 3/4 teacher, Ms Stacey Cook – secondary maths/science teacher and Ms Marni Freer SSO. I'm confident that you will warmly welcome these staff to our school community.

It is very disappointing to report that we had some visitors to the school during the holidays, and over the recent long weekend, causing minor damage to some areas and equipment. We are investigating this on our security cameras, but if you have any information, please contact the school. A reminder that the bike track is for school use and should not be accessed by students or the public outside of school hours.

Congratulations to our graduating class of 2023. These students have been successful in gaining employment and university entrance. Our Senior Student of the Year, Max Marchant, achieved an ATAR of 94.9 and gained university entrance into his first preference of Bachelor of Engineering – Chemical (honours).

NAPLAN is in term 1 (Wednesday 13th – Monday 25th March). Students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will participate in NAPLAN. All tests, except the year 3 writing test, will be completed online. If you would like more information, please don't hesitate to contact me at school. It is very important that all eligible students participate in the testing. You can visit the NAPLAN public demonstration site <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site> to see an example of the online assessment.

We are holding an R-6 Open Morning on February 28th, 9:00-10:40 and invite parents/caregivers to come and observe the learning in classrooms. You will be free to move between the classes enabling you to visit multiple classes during your visit.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's schooling, please don't hesitate to contact their teachers.

Joelene Anderson
Principal

MERIT AWARD FOR AMBER CAMERON

Next week Amber Cameron will be attending Government House for the SACE Merit Ceremony. This event is hosted by the Governor of South Australia, Her Excellency, the Honourable Frances Adamson and recognises the outstanding academic achievements of South Australian students.

Amber has received her merit award for the Research Project which she completed in 2023. For her project she chose to research the effectiveness of the strategies used for the regeneration of native flora on Kangaroo Island after the devastating bushfires in 2019-2020. Amber's detailed research was presented in the form of a magazine article that had a professional and eye-catching appearance.



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Welcome to New Staff

Welcome to the 2024 school year. My name is Stacey Cook and I'm excited to be teaching for the first time at Port Broughton Area School. This is my 10th year of teaching, having taught at Kadina Memorial School. I am looking forward to working in a smaller school and embracing the community that PBAS has. I will be starting the year teaching Year 9/10 Maths and Science and Year 11/12 Maths and Biology. Later I will be on maternity leave, with my husband and I expecting our first child.

Outside of school, I like to keep active through playing tennis and netball or going for a walk to relax. I enjoy keeping busy in the garden and occasionally bake desserts. I look forward to getting to know the students and families of PBAS.



My name is Josh Champion, and I am 30 years old. I am married and have two children who are my absolute world.

I have been in education now for 8 years and have worked in many different environments, which has set me up with the skills and knowledge I know and use today, but the biggest area has been around learning and behaviour and working with students who have come from challenging backgrounds and have challenging behaviours.

When I am not at school or at home, I am usually involved in SANFL football, spending time with my family, playing golf, or going for drives.

I am incredibly excited to be here at Port Broughton Area school and working in my new role as excellence and equality coordinator as well as Arts teacher. I have a large focus of wellbeing in my teaching and really looking forward to meeting and working with everyone. If you have any question or just want to say hello please feel free to come over and chat, my door is always open.

G'day all!

My name is Mr. White and am teaching the year 3/4 class this year.

Since being here last in 2022, I have been teaching out in the Mallee at Karoonda Area School where I had a year 5/6 class.

I'm very excited to be back in Port Broughton and I can't wait to see where the year takes us.



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Sports Day Information

Sports Day Overview 2024 Friday 8th March (week 6)



Sports day begins at 8:45am with a welcome from Joeline Anderson. The first events get underway at 9am. A program will be supplied to all competitors, families and staff prior to the day.

The structure of the day is as follows.

R-2 Students (includes Snowtown and Bute Primary students)

These students undertake a series of tabloid events organized by the junior primary teachers from Port Broughton, Bute and Snowtown.

U9, U10 and U11 Students (includes Snowtown and Bute Primary)

These students walk around in their age/gender groups and compete in the following: sprints race, 300m (U9&U10) or 600m (U11), long jump, shot put, accuracy throw, long kick, long throw and team games.

U12 includes Snowtown and Bute Primary students

These students compete in 100m, 200, 600m, high jump, long jump, shot put, discuss, javelin, 4 x100m and team games. These students must independently manage their program with support from parents and staff.

U13 to Open includes Port Broughton Blue and Gold

These students compete in 100m, 200, 800m, high jump, long jump, shot put, discuss, javelin, 4 x100m and team games. These students must independently manage their program with support from parents and staff.

Individual Medallions and Trophies

Each age group (U12 – OPEN) has an individual medallion and runner up certificate awarded. This is based on a student's best 5 individual results.

Trophies are awarded to the fastest time run in the 100m and 800m girls and boys events.

Team Games

- Year 3 – 6 students compete in tunnel ball, corner spy and wheel and ball. These are mixed teams (3/4 combined & 5/6 combined).
- Year 7 – 12 students compete in tunnel ball, corner spy and wheel and ball. These are single sex teams (7/8/9 combined & 10/11/12 combined).

Competition Shields

- Primary Sports Day Shield (handicap): U9 - U12 students (Year 3 – 6).
- Secondary Sports Day Shield: Blue and Gold U13 – Open (Year 7 - 12)
- Secondary Participation Shield: Blue and Gold U13 - Open (Year 7 - 12)

Nick Turra



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Sports Day Information



Sports Day @ PBAS 2024

General Information

- Sports Day will be held on Friday 8th March (school week 6) at Port Broughton Area School commencing with a welcome at 8:45am. Events start at 9am.
- If cancelled due to hot weather (see attached policy) the next available day (at this stage) is Friday 15th March (school week 7).

Hot Weather Policy

- a) Sports day will be cancelled if the temperature for Port Pirie is 37 degrees or above.
- b) A decision for cancellation will be made two days prior to sports day to inform parents (Wednesday 6th March). This decision will be made by the school based on the weather forecast made by the Bureau of Meteorology website for Port Pirie.
- c) If 37 degrees or over the school will cancel sports day and run on the next available day. **At this stage** Friday 15th March.

Parent and Community Volunteers

Each year we rely on volunteers to help us manage Sports Day. We are again asking for the names of anyone interested in assisting in the following areas. Please fill out the information below and return it to the front office.

We are not able to fill all jobs required on sports day without parent volunteers.

I am willing to help out in the following (please tick):

1. Track events
Any specific job? _____

2. Field events
Any specific job? _____

3. Tabloids
You will be placed with your child's group.

Tear off and return to front office or Nick Turra

Name: _____

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School and Community Notices



Term 1

R-6 Open Morning—Wednesday 28
February

Sports Day—Friday 8 March

Adelaide Cup Day (public holiday) - Monday 11
March

Student Free Day—Tuesday 12 March

Easter -Friday 29 March—Monday 1 April

End of term 1—Friday 19 April (2:10pm dismissal)



The Governing Council is also looking for some helpers for the sports day canteen. If you are able to help out please put your name down on the roster in the front office.

See below for available times.

Governing Council Sports Day Canteen		
Time	Person 1	Person 2
9am - 10am		
10am - 11am		
11am - 12am		
12pm - 1pm		
1pm - 2pm		
2pm to end		



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PORT BROUGHTON AREA SCHOOL R-6 OPEN MORNING

You're invited to our R-6 Open Morning. Come and observe the learning in the classrooms.

You will be able to move between the classrooms enabling you to visit multiple classes during your visit.

When: *Wednesday 28th February 2024*

Where: *PBAS R-6 classrooms*

Time: *9:00–10:40am*

**Optional school tour of some of the school's facilities (computer suite, 3D printers, Art, Science, Tech, Automotive, Food Tech, etc.) Please meet at the basketball court at 8:30am.

Tea/coffee available in the library at the conclusion of the Open Morning 10:40-11:00am.



IF YOU WOULD LIKE A PAPER COPY OF THE NEWSLETTER, PLEASE COMPLETE THE DETAILS BELOW AND RETURN TO THE FRONT OFFICE.

THANK YOU

STUDENT NAME:..... CLASS:.....

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Term 1 Calendar

Term 1 2024						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Week 2	5/2	6/2	7/2	8/2	9/2	10/2, 11/2
Week 3	12/2	13/2	14/2 Bushfire Drill (Dismissal from Activity Hall)	15/2 ID Photos	16/2	17/2, 18/2
Week 4	19/2	20/2	21/2	22/2	23/2	24/2, 25/2
Week 5	26/2	27/2 Coordinated Naplan Practice (Year 3)	28/2 R - 6 Open Morning	29/2 1500m	1/3	2/3, 3/3

Events run prior to sports day

The Sports Day Committee will be running some events prior to the day, which allows us to complete what we need to on the day within a reasonable frame. Listed below is a schedule of events.

Tuesday 13th February	
12:45pm lunch	U15 G/B long jump
Wednesday 14th February	
12:45pm lunch	U14 G/B javelin
Monday 19th February	
12:45pm lunch	U12 G/B long jump
Tuesday 20th February	
12:45pm lunch	U15 B/G shot Put
12:45pm lunch	U13 B/G long jump
Wednesday 21st February	
12:45pm lunch	U16 B/G long Jump
Thursday 22nd February	
12:45pm lunch	U14 B/G long jump
Tuesday 27th February	
12:45pm lunch	U12 B/G high jump
Wednesday 28th February	
12:45pm lunch	U13 G/B discus
Thursday 29th February	
Lesson 1	1500m ALL competitors
12:45pm lunch	OPEN B/G long jump

Year 9-11 Agriculture Feed Donations

Our Agriculture class are preparing for the stock arrival in March, as part of our course. To support with our program, we would appreciate donations of grains, straw and hay. We are also looking at any farmers who would be willing to sell us bales of hay, throughout the year. Please contact Kristy Patterson, if you are able to assist in any way.

