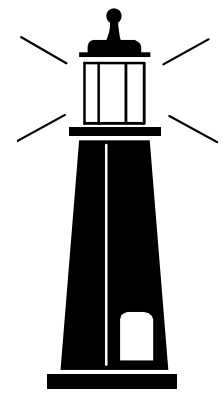


# Portland Primary Pulse



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Children are actively supervised between **8:30am and 3:25pm**. Children who are at school outside these hours will not be actively supervised by school staff.

Portland Primary Banking Details:  
**BSB: 063 536 Account: 1006 1234**  
Please ensure you state your family name & what the payment is for.

## You Can Do It! Great Students

The following students will receive their awards at assembly this **Friday** in the MP Room **at 3pm**.  
Everyone is welcome. This week's students are from 3/4 Scott

**Charlotte Von Tunk** is a great student because she:

- likes listening to Lady Gaga and dancing and singing
- shares her interests with other children
- she is a really good hand writer
- she tries her hardest to get her work done
- she is funny and nice
- has a funny sense of humour

(by Callum W and Violet B)



**Stacey Finck** is a great student because:

- she is confident at writing and she does what the teacher asks all of the time
- she plays sensible games that are appropriate for school
- she plays with her nice friends and she is nice to people all the time

(by Jaiden S and Isaac S)

**Jayden Job** is a great student because he:

- likes playing computer games and he shares them with others
- he is a really good friend
- tries hard at his work
- tries hard at his reading
- he tries to be a steady hand writer

(by Callum W and Jaiden S)

## NEXT FRIDAY JUNE 27<sup>TH</sup>

Reports go home with students and school finishes at 2:15pm

## Prep 2015:

If you have a child starting Prep next year, or you know of someone who has a child of school age, please pop in and see Wendy or myself to get an **enrolment pack**. Anyone wanting to have a look around the school can **make a time for a tour**. It is good to have enrolments happening sooner rather than later, as it assists with our planning for grade structure and staffing for next year. There are some rumours going around that our Prep classes for 2015 are full – this is not correct and we do not have a limit to the amount of children we can enrol.

## Whole School Photo Day:

Next Tuesday (weather pending) we are all taking a walk around the Portland area to get some photos of our **whole school** at various Portland Landmarks. Thank you to Tammy (Jonah's mum) who is kindly donating her time to take the photos. This will be a great afternoon for all involved. We will be leaving at 12:30pm and returning before home time. **Please make sure your child/ren are in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM** and have their asthma medication with them. Thanks!

## Working Bee:

Thank you to the families who came along to the working bee on Sunday. We got a lot achieved for a small working party. We got a lot of trimming and tidying done on the path to Henty st, as well as the Kitchen Garden being weeded, fertilized and tidied. We also got the gutters cleaned on the main building thanks to Troy & Melissa Stone. We appreciate the commitment of those families who came along to help keep our school looking amazing.

## Solstice Fun Run:

The Winter Solstice Fun Run is THIS SUNDAY. We have a team training for the 5km event, as well as a number of students keen to run the 1km kids event. Portland Primary are running the BBQ on the day, so it would be great to see lots of families there on the day to support a great community event and to support our students. If you have not yet registered for the 5Km event, you need to do that ASAP. The school with the highest percentage of entries will win a \$200 Sportspower voucher!

# PORTLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL:

"Parents, Teachers, Students and the Community; Working Together for Educational Excellence"

## **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

Friday June 27<sup>th</sup> – Last Day of Term – Reports go home & early dismissal & Subway Lunch



## **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

We would like to wish the following children a very happy birthday and we hope that they enjoy their day:  
June 21<sup>st</sup> – Afiq Ahmed

We need more **CANS** in our trolley at the office...

# extra-curricular activities for term 2:

School Choir  
Music Festival Rehearsals  
ANZAC Day Ceremony  
Zone Athletics  
Golf Tournament  
Swimming Program  
Cross Country  
Reconciliation Day Activities  
Reconciliation Art Exhibition  
AFL Football Clinic  
Jamie & Kym's Mobile Zoo  
Winter Series  
Meals on Wheels  
Kinder Visits  
Harbour side Lodge  
Lunch time sports activities  
Education Week activities  
Garden Club  
Cultural Performances  
Solstice Fun Run

**Dim Sims @ Lunchtime**  
**50c Each**  
**Tuesday & Thursday**

## STAFF @ PORTLAND PS

### Miss Osborne

**Family:** Mum and Dad, My big brother Wayne, big sister Robyn, and a little brother Stephen. I have partner Chris, a son Tyler and two step sons Philip and Grant. Philip has a partner Terri-Anne and Tyler has a partner Maggie. Tyler has two children Luca 9 and Marlia nearly 5 and Maggie has a daughter Skyela who is also nearly 5. Making three beautiful grandchildren, but I could be a little biased about that.

**Pets:** I have two pet dogs. Able and Thor they are Tibetan Spaniels.

**Hobbies/Interests:** I love hockey and have been enjoying the World Cup. I enjoy reading, swimming and going for walks.

**Favourite Food:** Chocolate biscuits

**Favourite Holiday Destination & why:** Lara because that is where my family live.

**Why do you love your job?** I love watching children achieve their goals. It is great when they realise that they can do something new.

**What is the best thing about working at PPS?**  
The smiling faces of the students first thing in the morning always brightens my day. Watching Mr Hamilton and Mr Keem joking around is always very entertaining.

## DROP OFF SAFETY:

Please make sure your child or children are exiting the car on the side closest to the footpath... It is very dangerous when children exit the car onto the road. Drop off time and pick up time are very busy, so please remind your children to make safe choices.

## How many CANS can PPS donate???

We are currently taking donations of canned foods for Loaves & Fishes... The school with the most cans wins some cool prizes... Plus we will be helping to provide food for those who need it through winter.

Please bring your donations to the office.

**Thank you** to all of the families who supported our recent **Pie Drive**. It was the most successful yet, and we raised over \$300 profit. Thank you to Natalie Hill who did all of the organisation.

**Solstice Winter  
Fun Run...**  
**THIS Sunday...**  
**5km at 10am**  
**1km at 11:30**

**LOOM BANDS**

## Special Deal

2 packets for \$2

Until the end of this term

**They will only be available before school, between 8:30am  
and 8:50am.**



Rugby Tops, Winter  
Jackets and School  
Polo shirts are  
available at the  
office.

Rugby Tops - \$50  
Winter Jackets - \$40  
School Polo - \$ 17

**Loaves & Fishes** are asking schools to collect canned food products from soup to vegetables until the end of term, June 27<sup>th</sup>.  
**The school that collects the most cans of food products will win a prize pack.**

There will be 2 Categories Schools under 150 students and above 150 - that way everyone **Can** have a go!

There is a Voucher from Sports Power for the school that has the Best **Poster** for "**Kids Can Help Kids**"

**Portland Primary School has done this before and collected an amazing number of cans. A small school with a big heart, that's Portland Primary.**

**PPS kids helping other kids to have some warm food through winter!  
Please bring your cans to the office...**

# Free Kids Winter Fun Run

**Looking for a free and fun activity for your child this winter?** Let them burn off some energy in the kid's fun run at 11.30am on Sunday June 22 at Portland's Ploughed Field (opposite the hospital). This free, non-competitive event is part of the Portland Runners Club's Winter Solstice Fun Run, and parents are welcome to run alongside their child or run with a pram. Open to primary-school aged children and under. Every child gets a free water bottle, medal and treat for participating!

Perhaps mum and dad can also pull on their sneakers and join the 5km, 9km or 15km walk or run events starting from 9am. There is a discount for family entries in the 5k, 9k and 15k categories, and there will be a prize for the primary school with the highest percentage of students in the 5k event. Online registrations close June 19 at [www.webscorer.com/register?raceid=20540](http://www.webscorer.com/register?raceid=20540) Registrations welcome on the day of the event, come along and have some fun!

Enquiries to Maya Eats 0427 704 251.

PORTLAND RUNNERS CLUB PRESENTS

# WINTER SOLSTICE FUN RUN

June 22 2014

KIDS RUN - 5K - 9K - WALK OR RUN  
15K 'LIGHTHOUSE TO LIGHTHOUSE'

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AND REGISTER BY JUNE 1 FOR YOUR CHANCE TO RUN FOR FREE  
[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/PORTLANDWINTERSOLSTICEFUNRUN](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/PORTLANDWINTERSOLSTICEFUNRUN)

TEAM ENTRIES - HOT FOOD - LIVE MUSIC

**RACE ENTRY FROM \$15**

REGISTER ONLINE AT

[WWW.WEBSCORER.COM/REGISTER?RACEID=20540](http://WWW.WEBSCORER.COM/REGISTER?RACEID=20540)



# KINDERGARTEN OPEN DAY 15 July 2014

An innovative program is provided and implemented by a qualified early childhood teacher with small group sizes in safe and secure learning environment. Healthy and nutritious meals are provided daily along with the option of before and after kinder care.

Parents and children are invited to the 4 year-old Kindergarten Open Day on Tuesday 15 July 2014 from 9:30am-11:30am or 2:30pm-4:00pm

Open day will involve;

- Parents accompanying children to explore the kindergarten program both indoors and outdoors
- Teacher to introduce themselves and spend time interacting with the children and families
- Parents to become aware of the Kindergarten Program being offered in 2015 and an opportunity for parents to ask any questions
- Morning tea and afternoon tea will be supplied

For expression of interest and further information, please contact;  
Karen Meyrick  
email: [kmeyrick@glenelg.vic.gov.au](mailto:kmeyrick@glenelg.vic.gov.au)  
phone: (03) 5522 2211



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## Grade 5/6 iPad payments are now due. Please make payment ASAP to the office.

## Subway Lunch next Friday... Orders are due back with money by Wednesday June 25<sup>th</sup>.



## SCHOOL BANKING DAY REMINDER - THURSDAY

Don't forget that **Thursday** is School Banking day. Students should fill in their deposit books then bring in their wallets with money and give it to their teacher.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Portland Primary School. Any enquires to Paula Finck, School Banking Co-ordinator at school Thursday morning or Wendy.



Kalbarri Kindergarten as one of our fundraisers this year are selling Fundraiser first aid kits. There are four to choose from as well as two first aid manuals. The four first aid kits are on display at Kalbarri Kindergarten (11 Mitchell Cres Portland).



**Mini pocket kit (28 pieces) for the purse or pocket \$5.00**  
**Personal kit (46 pieces) to clip onto bags or belts \$12.50**  
**Car kit (75 pieces) for the glove box of car or boat \$20.00**  
**Family Kit (118 pieces) for the home and caravan \$30.00**

For a detailed list of items in each kit or to place an order please send an email to

[kalbarrikindergarten@gmail.com](mailto:kalbarrikindergarten@gmail.com) or head to our facebook page.

**Orders and payment are due no later than FRIDAY 13th JUNE**

**(orders will not be taken unless payment has been received)**

### **Karen Pickin - Ballet teacher**

Having recently moved to Gorae West with her family from Western Australia, Karen is a registered teacher with the Royal Academy of Dance, one of the world's largest dance teaching organisations. She is starting classes in Portland North for children from 4 years old. Karen believes in dance teaching providing children with fitness, musicality, good posture, and technique in a fun, non-competitive environment. She takes a down to earth but professional approach with a focus on the children learning good technique in a fun environment rather than focusing on theatrical costumes and make up. Children will be given the opportunity to perform in a small annual concert for family and friends as well as take part in Royal Academy of Dance examinations. Royal Academy of Dance qualifications are recognised worldwide and classes offer children the opportunity to learn and develop at their own pace, with children learning to dance using a safe, extensively researched syllabus, taking into account the latest research in child development, and sports science. More information on the Royal Academy of Dance syllabus can be viewed on the RAD website, [www.rad.org.au](http://www.rad.org.au). Please phone Karen on 0418375183 for further information or enrolments.

### **Portland YMCA**

#### **School Holiday Swimming Program**

Monday June 30 – Friday July 5  
30 minute classes run every day for 5 days

Stroke technique, water safety skills,  
age appropriate classes  
Phone Kerri Jennings on 5521 7174 for  
more information or email  
[kerri.jennings@ymca.org.au](mailto:kerri.jennings@ymca.org.au)

**School Reports** will go home on the last day of term – please let Wendy know if you require more than 1 copy.

**Please make sure your phone contacts are up to date...** we have several times this term where we have not been able to make contact with parents. It is your duty of care to ensure you inform us if you change your number or address.

# Whole School Photo Day

Tuesday June 24th

12:30 onwards

Full school uniform required

Reports go  
home on  
June 27<sup>th</sup>

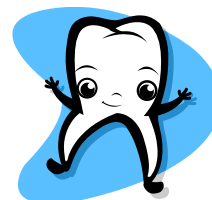
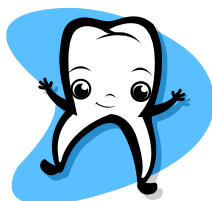
## Portland District Health Dental Clinic is currently offering dental examinations and treatment to eligible Students attending schools.

### Who is eligible for our service?

- All Children aged 0 – 5 years
- All primary school children in grades prep to six.
- All children enrolled in Special or Special Development Schools.
- Students in years 7 - 12 who are dependents of a concession Card Holder.

### What type of care is offered?

- Examinations (check-ups).
- Treatment, including:
  - Dental sealants to prevent decay
  - Application of fluoride
  - Fillings
  - X-rays
  - Extractions



### What does it cost?

- The service is **free** for children of parents with a valid pensioner concession card or health care card.
- Primary School Aged Children who are Non cardholders pay a fee of \$31.00 per child, per course of care, which includes a check-up and all general treatment.
- The service is free for all children enrolled in Special or Special Development Schools.

If your child is eligible and has never visited the PDH Dental Clinic you can contact the clinic for an appointment.

### Where is the service located?

Portland District Health dental Clinic  
Bentinck Street, Portland Vic 3305  
Phone Number: (03) 55210390

## HEYWOOD & DISTRICT SECONDARY COLLEGE INFORMATION EVENING

TUESDAY, 24th JUNE

Grade 6 students and their parents/carers are cordially invited to attend Heywood & District Secondary College for our second Information Evening on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> June, in our science building from 6:30 – 7:30pm.

This session has been added after requests from Grade 6 students after recent transition visits to primary schools. We encourage you to be fully informed about the different options available for secondary education – coming to see a potential school is an excellent way to be informed!

The evening will include an address from our Principal, Glenn Kane, and our student leaders, followed by a tour of the school and light refreshments.

**To register interest in attending  
please contact the General Office on 5527 1303**

For any questions relating to our programs, contact:  
Glenn Kane, Principal  
Kelly Webster, Assistant Principal  
Steph Tashkoff, Transition Coordinator