Claude the Crow and friend visited the school this week to talk to students about a program called “Growing with Gratitude” that the Adelaide Crows are supporting.

Meet and greet afternoon tea for parents was held in the library on Friday afternoon.

A pair of glasses have been found in the school. If your child has been missing a pair please contact the front office.

Port Broughton Area School
Presents an
EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT
With GUEST SPEAKERS . . .

Maggie Wood
Comedian

Les Burdett
Former curator of the Adelaide Oval

Scott Dalling
Owner / Operator of Trident Plastics and former PBAS Student

Dr. Alison Edwards
Local Doctor

Port Broughton Town Hall
Friday, 24th March 2017
Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start

Light supper provided
Licensed bar serving: beer, wine and spirits

SILENT AUCTION

Tickets available for sale on
Monday at the Front Office
$50 per person. Tables of 10 or single seats available
Principal’s Comment

This term has certainly started off with a variety of activities with the calendar looking quite full for the remainder of the term.

Thank you to Sarah Wilson-Turra for her work in organising the Governing Council afternoon tea last week. It was a great opportunity for new parents, staff, students and governing councillors to meet each other and put some faces to the names.

Many teachers have been meeting with parents to discuss Negotiated Education Plans and we certainly appreciate it when parents have been able to make it in to the school to meet and discuss how we can all work together to provide the best opportunities for children.

A reminder there will be an early closure day on 28th February. Teachers will be part of a Network Learning Group across the partnership and will meet to discuss and plan how they might incorporate new ideas and technologies into their classes. Our teachers are involved in sessions on Flipped classrooms, Jo Boaler Maths, Technology in PE, Mindfulness and Developing Student Vocabulary to name a few.

A reminder about the Governing Council AGM, which will be on Monday 6th March starting at 7pm. More details are included later in the newsletter.

There is no supervision provided at the school for students until 8.30am. Whilst we appreciate their keenness to get to school please ensure that students don’t arrive before 8.30am when teachers are then able to provide a duty of care.

Please find enclosed a “Raising a Complaint with DECD” brochure.

Tyler Hogan
Principal

Notice of Election

Included in this newsletter is a nomination form for Governing Council and or various committees at the school. The AGM will be held on Monday 6th March in the community library starting at 7pm.

There are currently 6 vacancies so if you would like to be more involved in your school and represent the parent body please consider nominating.

Learning Assistance Program (LAP)

We are currently seeking any interested community members to work with students for our Learning Assistance Program (LAP). If you are interested please contact the front office.

Free Learners Permit — Kadina Wednesday 29th March 9am – 3pm.
Port Pirie Thursday 16th March 10:00am – 4:00pm

This short course run by TAFE SA is suitable for individuals who require support in obtaining their Learner’s Permit through contextualised delivery. You will undertake the Learner’s Permit assessment at TAFE SA instead of Motor Vehicle Registration. This course will prepare you with skills and knowledge to obtain your Learner’s Permit quicker and with less stress.

See Mrs Wilden for more information.
Another sports day is fast approaching and preparations are under way to ensure the day is a successful and enjoyable one for all. The structure of the day is as follows.

**Competition Shields**
- **Primary Sports Day Shield (Port Broughton, Snowtown & Bute Year 3 - 7)**
  - The Primary Sports Day Shield is a HANDICAP competition.
- **Secondary Sports Day Shield (Year 8 -12)**
- **Secondary Participation Shield (Year 8 -12)**

**R-2 Students (includes Snowtown and Bute Primary students)**
These students undertake a series tabloid events organised by the junior primary teachers from Port Broughton, Bute and Snowtown.

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

**U12 – OPEN Students (U12 & 13 includes Snowtown and Bute Primary students while U14 to Open includes Port Broughton Blue and Gold only)**
These students compete in 100m, 200, 600m or 800m, high jump, long jump, shot put, discuss, javelin, 4 x100m and team games.

**Individual Medallions and Trophies**
Each age group (U12 – OPEN) has an individual medallion and runner up certificate awarded.
Trophies are awarded to the fastest time run in the 100m and 800m girls and boys events.

**Team Games**
- Year 3 – 7 students compete in tunnel ball, corner spry and wheel and ball. These are mixed teams.
- Year 8 – 12 students compete in tunnel ball, corner spry and wheel and ball. These are single sex teams.

The back page of the newsletter has a return slip asking for volunteers on the day. **We rely heavily on parent/community volunteers and are unable to run the day with only school staff.**

Our day is made all the more special by the large attendance of our community and we look forward to seeing you on the day to help support the students.

**General Information**

**Sports Day** will be held on **Friday 17th March (school week 7)** at Port Broughton Area School commencing at 8:45am (unless hot weather policy is used – see below).

If cancelled due to hot weather (see attached policy) the next available day is **Monday 21st March (school week 8).**

**Hot Weather Policy**

**Hot Weather** (33-35 degrees)
Sports Day commences at 7:45am (1hr early) when the forecast temperature in Port Pirie for PBAS Sports Day (as advised by the Bureau of Meteorology) three days prior to the event is **33 to 35 degrees**.

- School buses run exactly 1 hour early delivering students between 7:30am & 7:35am.
- Morning home group and class time is dispensed with and students move straight to the oval on arrival.
- Tunnel Ball will be excluded from the Sports Day program
- Girls and boys relay events are run concurrently. They remain separate events, are scored and ribbons awarded as two events but happen at the same time.
- **Consideration will be given to cancelling other events on the day. This will be a joint decision made by the two schools sports coordinators and made in the best interests of students.**
- Every effort will be made to conclude Sports Day as early as possible. Buses will run at the conclusion of Sports Day.
- A Sports Day update will go home two full days prior to Sports Day to inform parents.

If 36 degrees or over we cancel and run the next available day going with ‘Hot Weather’ policy above.
Welcome back. I certainly feel we have had a great start to the year. The senior students have approached their new subjects positively and enthusiastically and I hope they can maintain this throughout the year.

We are offering a very broad range of subjects across the senior school. Some of the subjects being offered in semester 1 include:

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As you can see this is an extensive list that enables our students to pursue subjects that interest them. In addition to these subjects we also have senior students studying Certificate I and II in Automotive, Certificate II in Creative Media and Legal Studies (open access).

Have you logged on to the parent portal lately? [https://sentral.pbas.sa.edu.au/portal](https://sentral.pbas.sa.edu.au/portal)

If you are yet to create an account you will have received a letter outlining how to register. On the portal you can view your child’s attendance and timetable, see previous reports and newsletters. You can also explain any absences.

We have a new mobile number directly linked to our Sentral System 0476 857 216. Please note this number can only accept messages, NOT phone calls. You are able to message this number to explain an absence or contact the school regarding a non-urgent matter. Your message will be sent straight to our Sentral account and monitored by administration staff. However, it is imperative that no urgent matters are sent via SMS. If you need to get a message to your child regarding buses, pick up, or anything else of an urgent matter, please phone the school and we will be more than happy to pass this message on.
This term as part of the Health and Physical Education Curriculum, the Year 1 – 2 class has been participating in the Smiling Mind Mindfulness Meditation Program aligned to the Australian Curriculum.

Throughout the program, students develop and practise strategies to promote their own health, safety and wellbeing and learn how to manage physical, social and emotional change.

We are learning to meditate in a number of places (lying on the ground or sitting in chairs) and at different times of the day to give the students the broadest range of experience in applying these techniques. We hope that they will not only use them in the school environment to manage emotional wellbeing but also at home.

We encourage parents and caregivers to visit the Smiling Mind webpage and examine the resources for themselves (https://smilingmind.com.au). The program is secular (non-religious) and based on scientific research into the benefits of meditation on stress and anxiety reduction.

Students have already found how difficult it is to sit or lie still and just concentrate on breathing. In our first week, about a third of the class found it hard not to want to move around. After about three sessions though, we have reduced our “wriggle pot” quota to a handful and even these students, by concentrating and working hard, have shown great improvement.

Some students have proven to be very capable and have started reporting back that while practicing meditation, they feel much calmer and generally happier with themselves and others.

Sean Broughton -Wright
Year 1/2 Teacher

Friday wk2:
The year 11 physics students took part in a high-octane experiment, measuring the speed and acceleration of a dirt bike as part of their topic on motion.

Taylor, Lachlan, and Jake are the intrepid students undertaking physics at Stage 1.

“We chose physics because it has some of the most interesting topics in science. It also gives us the opportunity to discover why and how things work.”
## Planner/Canteen Roster

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**Did you know?**

The school yearly planner is now available on the PBAS website at [www.pbas.sa.edu.au](http://www.pbas.sa.edu.au)

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Not receiving your email every fortnight from your wonderful child?  
Feel like your missing out?  

**WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR NEWSLETTER EMAILED OUT TO YOU.**  
We can do this. Complete and cut out this slip and send it back to us and we will email your newsletter from now on.  

Name: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________
Community Notices

Can you complete

The 1001 books before school initiative aims to encourage families to participate in

Contact your library for more information or to

Wanting to become a Fisherman Coxswain Grade 1 Near Coastal Certificate II in Maritime Operations (MAR20313)

Tafe SA Kadina

4 weeks training
March 6th-31st

Contact
Hannah Dayman 8821 0100 or 0458 564 717
Volunteers Needed

2017 GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

I wish to nominate for a position on Port Broughton Area School Governing Council and I understand that this position is for a period of 2 years.

I am aware that in the event that we have more than the required nominations, elections will be convened at the AGM of the Governing Council to be held on Monday 6th March @ 7pm in the Community Library.

Further details about the Governing Council Constitution and Code of Practice for Councillors can be obtained by contacting the school.

To be nominated you must meet the following criteria:

I have not been bankrupt.
I have not been convicted of an offence of dishonesty or of a sexual nature involving a minor, or of violence against a person.

Name .......................................................... Signature ..........................................

I wish to nominate for: Governing Council

And/or the following Sub-committees

(You do not have to be in Governing Council to nominate for one of these committees):

0 Finance Committee 0 Bus Committee as a rep for the
0 Grounds Committee .......................................................... bus run.
0 Canteen Committee 0 Fundraising Group
0 Uniform Committee

Please return to the front office by Wed 1st March 2017

Sports Day Help Needed

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.

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
   Which year level? __________

Name: ______________________

Tear off and return to front office or Nick Turra