



Port Augusta Special School

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ISSUE 1

FEBRUARY

DATES TO REMEMBER

SWIMMING

3 FEBRUARY -
21 FEBRUARY

GOVERNING COUNCIL

19 FEBRUARY
ACTIVITY ROOM 9:15AM

ONE PLAN MEETINGS

2 MARCH

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

9 MARCH

GOVERNING COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

18 MARCH
ACTIVITY ROOM 9:15AM

SPORTS DAY

3 APRIL

ASSEMBLY DATES

5 MARCH
9 APRIL

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

THURSDAY 9 APRIL

From the Principal

Welcome back to the 2020 School Year. It was lovely to see the students' happy faces back from holidays. And what a busy few weeks we have to start the year off.

I would like to welcome our new students: Odin Petty in Reception and Amiah Plevin in Year 8. We also welcome two teachers: John Rivandi in Room 4 and Kelsey Kruger in Room 6. We hope that they all enjoy the learning experience within our school.

The senior students participated in the Aquatics program in Week 1 and even though the weather was a bit all over the place, the students had some great experiences challenging themselves. Two weeks of swimming so far for the primary students have seen many happy achievements, some first timers of placing their heads under water. By the end of the day the physical activity has really made for many tired little bodies.

As I walk into and passed classrooms, I see students being very attentive to learning and following instructions. Staff have really made a huge effort in getting to know students and find out what their needs are and where their learning should begin this year. It was a difficult start to the year for staff, with a network server that was out of action for two weeks. I want to thank staff for their patience and attitude to go with the flow and get on with it. Well done!

In Week 0, staff participated in discussions around professionalism and working together as a team to support one another. As a team we will be following the agreed values of **Belonging**, **Acceptance** and **Growth** which will see us working together on the same page to support the learning goals of every student.

One Plan discussions are coming up soon in Week 5. Interview times will be coming out shortly. If you are unable to make the times given, then please ring your child's teacher to arrange an alternative. Discussions about your child's learning are always welcome, so please don't hesitate to ring the school.

I will be Acting as Principal for both Terms 1 and 2, until a new Principal is appointed in Term 3. I look forward to talking with you.

Sue Duffy

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS



Amiah



Odin

GOVERNING COUNCIL

Welcome to the beginning of a new year at the Port Augusta Special School, and a very warm welcome to those families joining us for the first time. Each year our school community continues to expand the opportunities for our students on their learning journeys.

I'd like to invite you to be involved; meeting with other parents, a teacher representative and Principal; twice per term; to discuss matters relating to the school, learning programs, policies, finances and future goals.

We are a relaxed group who are doing our best for our children, and we would love your help.

I am extremely excited to be involved and would welcome your ideas and company. Please join us:

Governing Council
Next Meeting
Wed 19 Feb 9.15 am
Activity Room

Annual General Meeting
Wed 18 March 9.15 am
Activity Room

If you have any questions, please ask Acting Principal, Sue Duffy or Chairperson, Emily Holden (Tilly's mum).

Kind regards,
Emily
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