FROM THE PRINCIPAL

100 Year Anniversary of Public Secondary Education in Port Pirie

Port Pirie and District High School was opened on the John Pirie Secondary School site on 15 February 1910. One hundred years ago this February.

A working party is being formed to plan a weekend to celebrate 100 years of public secondary education in this city.

The meeting on 23 February at 7.30 pm will establish the working party and begin sharing ideas, including setting the dates, which will need to take the sporting seasons into account.

NAPLAN Results

There has been a fair bit of discussion about the My School website recently in the media.

I like the concept of the site in most ways, but there are some issues around the use of the data on it.

As you would expect, all of our Year 9 students in 2009 did the NAPLAN literacy and numeracy testing. Included were the students who have identified learning difficulties, and others who also need some extra support. The NAPLAN results identify these students to DECS and we will receive extra funding to put further interventions in place.

We already have much support happening, but literacy and numeracy remains a very high priority for John Pirie as it is for all schools.

COMING EVENTS

Thursday 18 February and Friday 19 February
Year 12 Camp

Tuesday 23 February
Meeting to form committee to celebrate 100 years of Secondary Education in Port Pirie

Wednesday 24 February
Year 8 Parent BBQ
Year 11/12 Parent Information Evening

Friday 12 March
Sports Carnival

GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM will be held on Tuesday 16 March 2010.
Nomination forms are available from the Front Office of the school.
We have recently appointed Melissa Gray as our Literacy Coordinator, who will work with teams of staff to ensure existing interventions such as Accelerated Literacy are effective and that in-class support for individual students happens.

With our focus on successful student pathways to careers, we also know that some students need assistance to be vocationally literate and numerate. We have an increasing number of students accessing full certificate industrial courses that all have required written work. We are putting in place additional resources to assist students to be successful in this area.

**Vocational Education and Training Coordinator**

Graham Hoile has just been appointed to this position. As a teacher he was already doing some of this work, but now he will be able to assist students more directly in career counselling, placement of students in certificate courses, and negotiating with registered training organisations including TAFE.

**S.A. Aboriginal Sports Training Academy Coordinator**

Matt Gale has been confirmed in this position after a period of time as a key teacher. His role is essential to the successful completion of the SACE by more students. The Aboriginal Education Team has been strengthened with Matt’s appointment, as well as the appointment of Nathan Agius as Aboriginal Education Teacher.

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2010**

The annual whole school Swimming Carnival was held Friday 5 February (Week 2). The day started early for some with set up commencing at 7:00am. Students arrived steadily from 8:30am, with increased numbers from previous years setting a good precedent for the day. With Mr Matt Gale in control of the mic, students were provided with running commentary throughout the day as well as being informed of the Sunsmart message. The highlights for the day included the reintroduction of the Staff Relay with the awesome Hewett team coming up trumps and 7 new records being set by students, with 5 of these coming from Alice Meyer in the Open Girls division.

New Records included:

- **U14 Girls 25m Backstroke**
  - Makayla Agius
  - 27:64sec
  - (previous record 27:85sec)

- **U15 Girls 25m Breaststroke**
  - Emily Lepinath
  - 20:02sec
  - (previous record 25:47sec)

- **Open Girls 50m Freestyle**
  - Alice Meyer
  - 33:45sec
  - (previous record 33:93sec)

- **Open Girls 50m Breaststroke**
  - Alice Meyer
  - 44:13sec
  - (previous record 47:81sec)

- **Open Girls 25m Freestyle**
  - Alice Meyer
  - 16:58sec
  - (previous record 18:11sec)

- **Open Girls 25m Backstroke**
  - Alice Meyer
  - 19:67sec
  - (previous record 22:38sec)

- **Open Girls 100m Invitation**
  - Alice Meyer
  - 1:12:46min
  - (previous record 1:17:23)
Team scores stayed neck and neck for the day with the final few events ultimately deciding the winner. The overall winner for the day was the ROSS house, Herr Hawdio being a very happy man – Ross students be sure not to let your celebration BBQ slip past him!!

Thank you must go to the Port Pirie Swimming Pool and Club for the use of their equipment and facilities, to the parents who attended and supported the day, to all the staff of John Pirie Secondary School, in particular Kate Greenhalgh and Graham Hoile, and finally (but by no means least) the students who attended the day and made it one of the most successful days we have in terms of participation, behaviour and enjoyment at the school. Well done!

**OVERALL RESULTS FOR THE DAY**

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**U14 PLAQUE**

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**AGE GROUP TROPHIES**

**U14 GIRLS CHAMPION:**
Makayla Agius (Hewett) 47points

**U14 GIRLS RUNNER UP:**
Hannah Joyce (Ross) 43points

**U14 BOYS CHAMPION:**
Reece Meyer (Neilson) 46points

**U14 BOYS RUNNER UP:**
Jaiden Strawbridge (Lewis) 44points

**U15 GIRLS CHAMPION:**
Emily Lepinath (Neilson) 48points

**U15 GIRLS RUNNER UP:**
Hayley Griffiths (Neilson) 41points

**U15 BOYS CHAMPION:**
Jaydon Heppleston (Neilson) 45points

**U15 BOYS RUNNER UP:**
Ben Higginbottom (Hewett) 44points

**OPEN GIRLS CHAMPION:**
Alice Meyer (Neilson) 48points

**OPEN GIRLS RUNNER UP:**
Brittany White (Hewett) 43points

**OPEN BOYS CHAMPION:**
Bradley Scarman (Hewett) 48points

**OPEN BOYS RUNNER UP:**
Bradley Joyce (Ross) 42points
BEST EFFORT AWARDS
FEMALE: Skye Elliott (Hewett)
MALE: Tyler Solomon (Neilson)

Thanks Carly Pavy (HPD coordinator)

MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGES
2010

Materials and Services Charges are now due. $263 is the fee for 2010. If you are eligible for School Card assistance and have not yet applied, please do so now. Forms are available from the school.

Fees can be paid during office hours: 8.30am to 5pm each day.

Lynne Madigan
Finance Officer

UNIFORM SHOP PRICE LIST
2010

CREW NECK WINDCHEATEERS
ALL SIZES $10.00

ZIP JACKET
SIZE 12/14 $44.00
“ S, M, L, XL, $53.00

MAROON HOODED WINDCHEATER
SIZE 12/14 $51.00
“ S, M, L, XL $57.00

GIRLS WOOLLEN JUMPER
SIZE 8 – 16 $72.00
“ 18 – 20 $80.50

GIRLS WOOLLEN VEST
SIZE 12/14/16 $57.00
“ 18 $62.00

SKIRTS
ALL SIZES $40.00

POLO SHIRTS – WHITE AND MAROON
OLD STYLE ONLY
SIZE 10-14 S, M, L $20.00
“ XL, 2XL $20.00

POLO SHIRTS MALE AND FEMALE
DESIGN – MAROON
ALL SIZES $25.00

LADIES BOOTLEG PANTS GREY/BLACK
ALL SIZES $38.50

UNISEX SHORTS
ALL SIZES $17.00

UNISEX TRACKPANTS
ALL SIZES $22.00

GIRLS SUMMER UNIFORMS
ALL SIZES $66.00

SCARVES $14.00
OLD STOCK SPECIAL
GIRLS SKIRTS (older style) $25.00

NOW AVAILABLE
PE TOPS – FOR PE ONLY $25.00

Bucket hats $5.00 until stocks lasts

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CONGRATULATIONS
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Cameron Joyce, a Year 12 student in 2009 at John Pirie Secondary School, was selected as the 2010 Port Pirie Young Citizen of the Year at the Australia Day celebrations.

He received this award in recognition of his sporting achievements. This year Cameron has started his SASI scholarship for hockey. He has been selected in the South Australian U18 Men’s Hockey team which travels to Canberra to play in the National Championships in Canberra. Cameron is also a member of the U21 squad which is training for a national competition in Melbourne during July.

He will also soon begin work as an Apprentice Locksmith with API Security.

We all wish Cameron the best in the future and the school is proud of his achievements.

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YEAR 11 HEALTH CLASS
GET PHYSICAL AT THE
HEALTH AND FITNESS CENTRE
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COMMUNITY NEWS
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BINGO NIGHT

MAKE A WISH Australia is holding a Bingo Night on Tuesday 23 February 2010 at the Pirie Sporting and Community Club, 102 Broadway Road, Port Pirie starting at 8pm. Raffles and Lucky Draws plus supper and drinks will be available for purchase.

For further information contact
Rosa-Lee Pisani
Phone: 0408 827 608 or 8632 6667.

LAURA FOLK FAIR

The fair is being held this year on the 10 and 11 April 2010. Enjoy the stalls, Laura Art Exhibition, competitions, free entertainment, fun folk dance and fireworks display on Saturday night (weather permitting).
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