

ΙΕΡΑ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗ ΑΥΣΤΡΑΛΙΑΣ



NEWSLETTER NO. 1 – 2015

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

WELCOME TO 2015 SCHOOL YEAR

We are delighted to welcome everyone back to another year at our school. A special welcome is also extended to our new families who have joined our community. As in previous years, we will continue sending you, through your child, or by e-mails our School Newsletter, so that you will be informed about upcoming events.

Please keep the school calendar, so that you will be able to organise your social and other commitments outside these days.

SEMAPHORE GREEK FESTIVAL

I would like to express my sincere congratulations to the Executive Committee of our Community, the Organizing Committee of the Semaphore Greek Festival, the several sub-committees, as well as to the – more than 250 – volunteers, the performers and the 40,000 people who, according to the Greek newspaper NEOS KOSMOS, attended. What a pride to be associated with such a wonderful group of people!

TEACHING STAFF

I would like to sincerely thank my teaching colleagues and dance instructor for their hard work during the 2014 school year and behind the scenes in preparation for the festival. The children did amazing work throughout the year and we had the pleasure in displaying them in our school marquee. Congratulations also to Maria Zissopoulos and all her dance students for their wonderful performances on both days.

What a dedicated staff! What a wonderful group of students! What a supportive team of parents and grandparents. Thank you all!

SCHOOL COUNCIL

I would like to give my heartfelt thanks to our **School Council**. Their continued support during the school year, their dedication and tireless work at both the Glendi and the Semaphore Festival is greatly appreciated by the whole school community. It is with these funds that we are able to provide wonderful resources for our students.

GOYPA (The Youth Group of our Community)

They were the pleasant surprise of the Semaphore Festival! These very polite young members of our Community ran the Merchandise Store with such maturity and professionalism. As dancers, with their creative and outstanding performances, became the main attraction of both days. Keep up the good work! You are the future of our Community.

If you would like to approach them for information you can ring Miss Anastasia Kerton on 0450047428.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school students exhibited their work in the School marquee. During 2014 I had the pleasure in visiting our Sunday School which takes place on Sunday mornings at 10.00a.m. - in the office of Port Adelaide Greek Community, next to the church. I was impressed by Mrs Moutos' professionalism and the children's enthusiasm was very evident.

If you would like your children to attend Sunday School and become a member of this very young group you can ring Mrs Christina Moutos on 0408668820 or approach our priest father John Choraitis on 0409396213.

PUNCTUALITY

On Fridays evenings lessons start at 5.00p.m. The doors close at 5.30p.m.

On Saturday mornings, classes commence at 9.00a.m. sharp. Please note that at 9.30a.m. the doors will be locked for security reasons. Please be prompt.

If for any reason you might be late please inform your child's teacher or Mr Botsaris on 0449500480.

SCHOOL FEES

Invoices will be sent out shortly, please note on the invoice how payments can be made.

SCHOOL CANTEEN

Our school provides healthy snacks for purchase during the children's recess break. Prices are between \$1 and \$1.50

As we have children with severe nut allergies *could you please ensure that your child does not bring to school food that may contain nuts.*

EMERGENCY PHONES

Andreas Botsaris: 83562426 0449 500 480.

Helen Iliou: 0412844176.

SCHOOL POSTAL ADDRESS

Please note that the School's postal address is:

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FOR YOU CALENDAR

February 21st, 11.00am. School blessing. Parents/caregivers are all welcomed.

March 7th, 9.00am. Annual General Meeting. We urge everyone to attend particularly for those parents who are keen to be involved in the Greek School Committee. This will be a great opportunity!

Please keep the attached school calendar for reference.

**ΗΜΕΡΟΛΟΓΙΟ ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ
ΣΧΟΛΙΚΟΥ ΕΤΟΥΣ 2015**

30.1.15	Έναρξη μαθημάτων Γυμνασίου-Λυκείου
31.1.15	Έναρξη μαθημάτων Νηπιαγωγείου και Δημοτικού
21.2.15	Αγιασμός του Σχολείου μας (Σάββατο 11.00 π.μ)
7.3.15	Ετήσια Γενική Συνέλευση (9.00 π.μ)
21.3.15	Κοινός Σχολικός Εορτασμός 25 ^η Μαρτίου.
22.3.15	Εκκλησιασμός και μετά Παγκοινοτικός εορτασμός 25 ^η Μαρτίου
28.3.15	Πασχαλινές δραστηριότητες
4.4.15	Κανονικά μαθήματα στο Seaton High School
5.4.15	ΠΑΣΧΑ ΛΑΤΙΝΩΝ (ΚΑΘΟΛΙΚΩΝ)
10.4.15	<i>Μεγάλη Παρασκευή</i>
11.4.15	<i>Μεγάλο Σάββατο</i>
12.4.15	ΠΑΣΧΑ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΩΝ
10, 17, 24 - .4.15	Διακοπές 1^{ου} τριμήνου – Γυμνάσιο (Τρεις εβδομάδες διακοπές)
11, 18, 25 - .4.15	Διακοπές 1^{ου} τριμήνου – Δημοτικό (Τρεις εβδομάδες διακοπές)
1.5.15	Έναρξη 2 ^{ου} τριμήνου - Γυμνάσιο
2.5.15	Έναρξη 2 ^{ου} τριμήνου - Δημοτικό
10.5.15	Γιορτή της Μητέρας
16.5.15	Walkathon
19.6.15	<i>Συνεντεύξεις γονέων/καθηγητών γυμνασίου 7.30μ.μ.-9.00μ.μ.</i>
20.6.15	<i>Συνεντεύξεις γονέων/δασκάλων δημοτικού 9.00π.μ.-11.00π.μ. ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΗ ΜΕΡΑ ΓΙΑ ΤΑ ΠΑΙΔΙΑ - Επιμορφωτικά Μαθήματα Δασκάλων</i>
10 - 17.7.15	Διακοπές 2^{ου} τριμήνου - Γυμνάσιο
11 - 18.7.15	Διακοπές 2^{ου} τριμήνου - Δημοτικό
24.7.15	Έναρξη 3 ^{ου} τριμήνου - Γυμνάσιο
25.7.15	Έναρξη 3 ^{ου} τριμήνου - Δημοτικό
22.8.15	ΕΤΗΣΙΑ ΧΟΡΟΕΣΠΕΡΙΔΑ
6.9.15	Γιορτή του Πατέρα
2 - 9.10.15	Διακοπές 3^{ου} τριμήνου – Γυμνάσιο
3 - 10.10.15	Διακοπές 3^{ου} τριμήνου Δημοτικό
16.10.15	Έναρξη 4 ^{ου} τριμήνου - Γυμνάσιο
17.10.15	Έναρξη 4 ^{ου} τριμήνου - Δημοτικό
31.10.15	Εορτασμός 28 ^η Οκτωβρίου – Δημοτικού και Γυμνασίου
1.11.15	Κοινός Εκκλησιασμός – Εορτασμός 28 ^η Οκτωβρίου
14.11.15	Αργία δημοτικού σχολείου – Χριστουγεννιάτικη παρέλαση
28/29.11.15	Φεστιβάλ Γλέντι
4.12.15	Λήξη μαθημάτων – Γυμνάσιο
6.12.15	Τελετή λήξης μαθημάτων – 6.00μ.μ. (Ο τόπος θα ανακοινωθεί αργότερα)
16 & 17.01.16	ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΦΕΣΤΙΒΑΛ ΣΕΜΑΦΟΡ
29.1.16	Έναρξη μαθημάτων για το Σχολικό Έτος 2016 – Γυμνάσιο
30.1.16	Έναρξη μαθημάτων για το Σχολικό Έτος 2016 - Δημοτικό



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SCHOOL PROGRAMME 2015

30.1.15	Commencement of lessons – High School
31.1.15	Commencement of lessons – Kindy, & Primary School
22.2.15	Blessing of our School (12.00 pm)
7.3.15	AGM (9.00 am)
21.3.15	Celebration of 25 th March at the School – High School & Primary School
22.3.15	Church attendance by all students – All Communities celebrations of 25 th March
28.3.15	Easter Activity Day - To be held at the Port Adelaide Church
4.4.15	Lessons as normal (at Seaton High School)
5.4.15	Catholic Easter
10.4.15	GOOD FRIDAY – Holiday
11.4.15	GOOD SATURDAY - Holiday
12.4.15	EASTER – Orthodox
10, 17, 24. 4.15	1st Term holidays – High School (three weeks holidays)
11, 18, 25. 4.15	1st Term holidays – Primary School (three weeks holidays)
1.5.15	2nd Term starts – High School
2.5.15	2nd Term starts – Primary School
10.5.15	Mother's Day
16.5.15	Walkathon
19.6.15	Parent/teacher interviews – High School – from 7.30p.m. – 9.00p.m.
20.7.15	Parent/ teacher interviews – Primary School (pupil free day). STAFF meeting
10 - 17.7.15	2nd Term holidays – High School
11 - 18.7.15	2nd Term holidays – Primary School
24.7.15	3 rd Term starts – High School
25.7.15	3 rd Term starts – Primary School
22.8.15	Annual School Dance
6.9.15	Father's Day
2 - 10.10.15	3rd Term holidays – High School
3 - 11.10.15	3rd Term holidays – Primary School
16.10.15	4 th Term starts – High School
17.10.15	4 th Term starts – Primary School
31.10.15	OXI Celebrations - High School & Primary School
1.11.15	Church attendance by all students – 28 th October celebrations
14.11.15	Christmas Pageant Parade – pupil free day
28/29.11.15	Glendi Festival
4.12.15	Last day (Term 4) – High School
6.12.15	End of the school year function 6.00p.m. (place to be announced)
16 - 17.01.16	Semaphore Greek Festival
29.1.16	Commencement of School Year 2016 – High School
30.1.16	Commencement of School Year 2016 – Primary School



Student Learning Code

Our expectations of students as learners

Learning in all its forms is the fundamental purpose of our school. Port Adelaide Greek School has a strong record of academic achievement.

A. We have a clear set of expectations of our students as learners:

- Students will be organised
- Students will cooperate with their teachers
- Students will be engaged with their learning
- Students will be actively involved in our School and Community activities

B. Students who are organised display the following type of behavior:

- Attend all lessons
- Are punctual
- Arrive with all relevant materials and equipment
- Meet all deadlines
- Respond and do all given classwork or homework
- Use their Student Planner effectively: up to date, accurate, all details recorded, etc

C. Students who are cooperative display the following type of behavior:

- Pay attention in class
- Do not distract or disrupt the learning of other students
- Follow instructions
- Contribute positively to the lesson
- Behave in a courteous manner
- Are careful with all resources, facilities and equipment
- Tidy the workspace at the end of lessons

D. Students who are engaged display the following type of behavior:

- Complete all set work, including homework
- Work to achieve at their highest standard
- Work to understand themselves as an active learner
- Discuss their work and learning needs with their teachers
- Are actively involved in their learning program



STUDENT BEHAVIOUR CODE

Our expectations of students' behaviour as members of the school community:

A. To ensure that all students and staff can work within a safe, supportive and productive environment, the school has a clear set of expectations of its students:

- Students will accept responsibility for their behaviour and the consequences that flow from that behaviour and, where appropriate, they will engage in restorative justice practices to redress the impact of their behaviour.
- Students will interact with their fellow students and the school staff in a positive manner
- Students will behave according to the ethos and values of the school –

B. The Port Adelaide Greek School Community actively promotes a school ethos whereby its students will:

- pursue excellence, be confident in themselves and protect their own health
- care for and be honest in their dealing with others, understand and practise ethical behaviour and accept responsibility for their behaviour
- practise the principle of a 'fair go for all' and understand and commit to the freedoms and responsibilities we all enjoy as Australians; and support the process of reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- treat people with respect, and respect the diversity of identity, background and belief that characterises our society
- support their school, and play a positive role in both the school community and the wider community
- care for the natural environment, and understand the significant environmental challenges we face both here in Australia and on a global basis

C. Students will behave in ways that:

- reflect and strengthen the school's Learning Code
- promote the safety and well-being of all members of the school community
- reflect positively on the school's image and status in the community
- care for and not damage, degrade or compromise any school facility, service or equipment
- respect and not interfere with or damage other students' work, equipment or property

D. Language Appropriate for school

- Students are required to treat each other and the staff with respect and courtesy
- This applies to the language they use; swearing or obscene or abusive language of any kind has no place in the school community