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Our gracious and elegant young debutantes had a great night at the Miniature Debutante Ball.

a little more thankful and we may see colouring finding its way into classrooms. There is a blessedness and sacredness about praying in colour. The value that we have as a staff is to find connection with the spirit, with our heart, with the mystery of the presence of God.

**The Miniature Debutante Ball**
The College was invited to be part of an outstanding gathering called ‘The Miniature Debutante Ball’. It was a wonderful fundraiser created by the Port Pirie Italian Committee to help pay for the ‘boat shed’ which will be built to display an original Port Pirie fishing boat from the late 19th century. Situated near the Italian memorial, at the boat ramp, this will be an important cultural icon. The evening celebrated the anticipation of a boat shed and the wonder of Year 3s, 4s and 5s and their families. The students were guided through a format similar to the Blessing of the Fleet Deb night. There was a presentation and they dressed with simple elegance and they danced. There was the excitement and care of a Deb and they looked so beautiful. It was a kind of ‘Deb’ simply in miniature but there was certainly no miniature organisation. There was the enthusiasm and energy of Melissa Gadaleta, the astute and judicious touch of Vianna Fasciano and the gentle reassurance of Rosalyn Giancaspro. I was so proud of our young ones and the gracious and elegant way that they entered into the night. It was a delight of innocence. There was purity in the effort and smiles and furrowed brows to get dance steps right. There was support of a family and we acknowledged the great financial accomplishment of the gathering. It was my honour to share a public moment with St Mark’s sons and daughters.

**Year 10 Work Experience**
I extend my congratulations to the Year 10s who immersed themselves in the world of work. Work Experience is such a challenging experience but once the students dip their toe they get a wonderful opportunity to understand themselves and the adult world that they must soon embrace. Simone Atkinson has done an outstanding job to ensure that all students get a chance and they will grow from this experience.

**Reports – A Partnership**
I have had a chance to read the School Reports for each student. I see that much has been achieved. Parents will get a chance to talk with their child about this achievement and the efforts made during our semester together. The reports reflect some very hard work and moments of challenge. They are about student accomplishment and the efforts of a teacher to guide. The Reports are part of that important partnership that we share with parents. I certainly hope that we hear from you if there are any concerns.

Enjoy those holidays.

**Greg Hay,**
Principal

**Year 11 Drama**
There was a delightful expression of the creative arts in the College. Last week we saw a production called ‘The Rehearsal’, which is a romp through the craziness of Drama Club productions. It was a drama about drama and all the zany self-absorbed thespian qualities were laughed at. The Year 11s produced the piece and there was discipline and organisation, humour and energy. The script was clever, the direction smooth. The students were clearly well prepared and worked with generosity. I congratulate the class on an entertaining evening of theatre. They obviously had much fun and were united in the achievement.
SMC Uniform Update

The parent feedback received from the Uniform Survey undertaken in October last year has been the focus for the Uniform Committee to undertake the following improvements in partnership with our Uniform Supplier (Sportscene Super Warehouse).

PE Shorts
The new PE microfiber stretch short has been extremely popular and therefore there has been no demand for the non-stretch fabric. It has been decided that the non-stretch short will be discontinued when current stocks run out.

TrackSuit Pants
65% of the survey respondents indicated that they don’t wear the current tracksuit pants due to the style and almost 50% supported a change to a microfiber stretch fabric.

As a result of this a number of options have been explored in consultation with parents and students and a new style “stretch fabric” track pant with embroidery on upper left leg has been selected. Some stocks have now arrived and Sportscene will be monitoring purchases before increasing orders. The new trackpants will sell for $75 and the old ones can be worn indefinitely.

School Blazer
The Uniform Committee were surprised that almost 60% of respondents supported the introduction of a non-compulsory school blazer as a winter garment option? We are just waiting on a sample for review before a final selection is made. The costs of the Blazer will be around: Childs $200, Youths $210, Adults $215. Minimum orders of 6 will be required.

Non-compulsory St Mark’s sport sock
Almost 60% of respondents supported the introduction of the non-compulsory sports sock and samples have been requested for final sign off.

Bucket Hat Sample
We have received a Bucket Hat sample for consideration.

Undergarments at Benedict Campus
As a result of the cold weather the Committee is aware of requests from some parents for Primary students to wear undergarments as part of their uniform.

The Uniform Committee has agreed that undergarments would be allowed however they must be plain dark navy in colour.

Sportscene are investigating the possibility of source undergarments so that we are able to maintain the consistency in the Uniform. In the interim a dark plain navy undergarment would be acceptable.

Update on stock orders
Sportscene have advised that new stock orders have now arrived in the store.

Price Review
As part of the Uniform contract management the Committee has undertaken a detailed price comparison of the current uniform items compared with the original prices under the contract. This confirmed all prices are the same as 1st August 2014 with the exception of the PE Shorts which is a new product. Other price increases relate to new or change in product. Sportscene advised that despite price increase due to the fall in the Australian dollar they have kept prices the same as the contract.

SMC Uniform Committee

Australian Catholic Youth Festival
Thursday 3 December until Saturday 5 December 2015 in Adelaide at the Adelaide Convention Centre.

If students are interested in attending this event please put your name on the expression of interest form located at the Bosco Admin Office.

Religious Education

Last weekend we had a number of students and their families participate in the Parish Family Mass. It was a wonderful faith-filled celebration to help us focus on the Year of the Family in our church. This time we particularly invited our Year 4 and 7 Sacramental classes to participate. It is anticipated that we will hold a Family Mass each term. All families are encouraged to come along and join in.

Our House Masses have been well received by the students this term. Next term some of the Benedict Masses will involve a greater number of students. These Masses will be held in the Good Samaritan Hall. Masses will still be held at the regular time of 10am on Thursday alternating between the Hall and the Chapel.

In Term 3 the Year 4 students will continue their Eucharist program and begin the commitment program ready to receive their First Holy Communion on the 22 and 23 August.

I would like to thank all students and families for participating in the Casual Clothes Day on the last day of term. Money raised will be donated in support of the work St Vincent De Paul are doing with Fred’s Van in the Spencer Gulf. Anyone wanting more information on Fred’s Van or wishing to get involved can contact the local Port Pirie Conference of Vinnies on 8633 2419.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a blessed and safe holiday.

Katie Pole,
RE Liturgy/Sacramental Coordinator
From the Deputy Principal

Year of the Family
At this year’s Diocesan Assembly, Bishop Greg announced that 2015 was to be the ‘Year of the Family.’ As part of our commitment to this, all families and friends of St Mark’s School community were invited to attend a ‘Family Mass.’ This was held on Sunday with Fr Paul Quirk presiding. It was a joyous celebration with many of our students taking part in the readings and processions. Singing some of our favourite songs was a highlight, with all parishioners joining in with great gusto! Thank you to Katie Pole for organising the students and to the families for coming and joining us. We will continue with a Family Mass once a term, so keep a look out for the next one and come along!!!

If you would like to do more as a family and are looking for some ‘holiday’ ideas, the Port Pirie Diocese website has a great array of these (www.pp.catholic.org.au/). Just click on the ‘Year of the Family’ link on the homepage.

Future Building Plans
Benedict Year 1 and 2 staff are currently looking at and planning a design for our next stage of building on campus. This stage is to re-design the four transportable classrooms that are currently Year 2 and Year 1 Red and Blue. The design will be similar to the Magdalen Centre, with landscaping being upgraded in between. Building for this new development will begin in Term 4.

Contagious Illnesses
If your child, a relative or someone that you have been in contact with is suffering from a ‘contagious’ illness, please inform the Front Office as soon as possible. We are required to inform families if there is a risk of infection to our students.

Car Park Trial
The car park trial has been a great success, with families ensuring that the process was adhered to in maintaining a constant flow of traffic. Our afternoon pick-up time has gone from 20 minutes - start to finish - to just 11 minutes. Local SAPOL Superintendent Scott Denny came to observe our pick-up time on Wednesday and was very impressed. He has offered some suggestions for the future, but felt that it was working very well. The next step is to write up a proposal which will go to the College Board early in Term 3. In the meantime, the car park process will continue as per the trial.

Please remember the following, which continues to cause congestion:
- ALL pedestrians are to wait for traffic to pass. This is on ALL crossings. Most congestion occurring is due to cars waiting for pedestrians.
- Drivers please do not wait for pedestrians to cross. Make eye contact with them and ensure that they are going to stop before proceeding.

Morning Drop Off
- ALL cars are to drop off children when within the coned area (not just the front three!!)

Afternoon Pick-up
- ONLY front three cars to pick up.
- Cars are to move to the very front of the Pick-up area. Students will come to you. Please do not stop where your children are along the fence.

It has been a real joy to watch the car park trial unfold. Being out every morning and afternoon has been a wonderful opportunity to chat with parents and significant others. Opening car doors, welcoming students and families and waving to cars as they go past has been a highlight of my last two weeks. Thank you everyone for taking our trial on-board and ensuring that it has been both hassle-free and a positive experience for everyone. It has definitely been a team effort.

Holiday Break
I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and enjoyable holiday break. I hope that you are able to spend time with your family and friends and take a well-earned rest from the routines and restraints of the school term’s busyness. I look forward to seeing all those lovely smiling faces on your return to school for the start of Term 3, Tuesday 21 July.

Kylie Smith,
Deputy Principal - Benedict Campus
**Woolworths Earn and Learn 2015**

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop at Woolworths and collect the stickers.

From Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

Collect a sticker card from the school or our local Woolworths store closer to the start date.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our Library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

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**Star Students**

**Year 7 Red**
- Bailey Congdon
- Leah Finlay

**Year 7 Blue**
- Ardia Mead
- Hamish Barr

**Year 7 Green**
- Tallen Swearse
- Lillian Keain

**Year 6 Blue**
- Ethan Markham
- Georgia Murray

**Year 6 Red**
- Bianca Hay
- Ainsley Memen

**Year 6 Green**
- Chloe Wright
- Rebecca Connor

**Year 5 Red**
- Ryan Finlay
- Charlise Caputo

**Year 5 Blue**
- Tien Nguyen
- Sheridan Jones

**Year 4 Red**
- Antonio Amato
- Fraser Doyle

**Year 4 Blue**
- Mitchell Cretan
- Kayla Lorusso

**Year 4 Green**
- Ethan Park
- Evie Dennis

**Year 4 Blue**
- Kylan Malycha
- Amahli Farinola

**Year 3 Red**
- Ciara Hadert
- Ruby Stark

**Year 2 Red**
- Tyson DeGioia
- Tate Anderson

**Year 2 Blue**
- Cohen Amato
- Jayden Hawkins

**Year 1 Blue**
- Rafael Shanzadeh-Safavi
- Deklin Trezise

**Year 1 Green**
- Archie Simpson
- Taylah Cameron

**Year 1 Red**
- Lucy Evely
- Charlie Kendall

**Foundation Blue**
- Joel Gebert
- Henry Watt

**Foundation Green**
- Dylan Cagney
- Alyssa Paparella

**Foundation Red**
- Lucus-Lee Karatepelief
- Mina Muazam

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**Special Education News**

Wow! What a busy and productive term it has been. The focus for the semester has been on our intervention programs offered at the Benedict Campus: Rainbow Reading coordinated by Lyn Howell, Mini-Lit coordinated by Hannah Lavis and Multi-Lit coordinated by Michelle Malchow.

I believe “Early intervention is the best prevention” and this is my motto that I like to follow.

And… what amazing results are coming in from the post testing at the end of week nine. There have been significant improvements in the majority of the students on these programs which is reaffirming that what is in place is working for these students as well as the hard work of our wonderful teachers.

Last week we had a visit from Erica Handley from Autism SA and I released relevant staff to participate in one to one support sessions. Whilst juggling reports, there were a number of staff including myself who attended a Professional Development session after school at Airdale Primary. The training was very practical and has given staff many additional ideas of how to work with students with tricky behaviours, as well as those students with autism.

This week I will be travelling down on Thursday to attend the final session on an On-Line Dyslexia training course that I have been doing all term in my spare time. I will now be able to conduct training sessions for staff on dyslexia which is exciting.

I hope everyone has a safe and restful break and we look forward to sharing more exciting news in the next semester.

*Louise Richards,*
Special Education Teacher - Benedict Campus

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**Foundation Excursion**

On Thursday 18 June the 3 Foundation classes went on a Local excursion to finish off their History unit of Family History. Students visited the RSL, Library and Museum.

Here are some reflections of the excursion:

I liked reading the books at the Library. I’ve been there hundreds of times. *Jack - Foundation Blue*

I liked going on the bus and the helicopter at the RSL. *Chelsey - Foundation Blue*

I like when the helicopter was moving at the RSL. *Eve - Foundation Blue*

I liked seeing all the Army things. *Finn - Foundation Green*

I liked the dinosaur bones at the Museum. *Angas - Foundation Green*

I liked hearing 2 stories at the Library. *Joseph - Foundation Green*

I liked the RSL because my Great Grandpa’s picture is there. *Liam W - Foundation Red*

I liked when the Huey was about to take off. *Molly - Foundation Red*

I like the Library because it had lots of books. *Jaida - Foundation Red*
From the Deputy Principal

Here we are, the end of a busy term, a term that was full of so many life-giving moments. In the final weeks students engaged in a little friendly competition with their teachers, they took time to reflect at Retreat and paused as a whole school community to say farewell to our Pilgrims and Exchange student Diane.

Friendly Competition at its finest

On Tuesday of this week staff and our senior student leaders gathered in the gym for the annual staff vs student netball match. There was much hype and anticipation that filled the air. Apprehensive glances were shot to the student huddle as staff tried to size up their opposition, nervously waiting for that first whistle to go. It was a great display of teamwork and skill as both teams fought hard for the win. The staff team worked together to execute plays seamlessly. The defensive pressure all over the court was exceptional with Mr Murphy creating many turnovers. Accuracy of shooting was most impressive as was the communication out on court. It was clear that the team had been well drilled by coach by Mr Gibson.

There was a good tussle between Mr Phillips and our College Captain James, both fighting hard for the possession of every ball. The student leaders were quick off the mark, determined to take the win. Defensively they were strong with Dylan Arney and Kane Daws taking clean intercepts, showing great anticipation for the play. John Seindanis was the glue in the attack line, moving the ball swiftly and finishing off his shots. While staff took out the win, (for the 5th year in a row I believe)… great fun was had by all, and even a few laughs. It was friendly competition at its finest.

Exchange Students

As the term draws to a close we also must say farewell to someone quite special to us. Diane, known by many of our students as ‘frenchie’ leaves us next week to return home to France. She has been with us now for one year and really became part of our community. Diane was kind enough to share her love of Piano and played a private concert for staff on her last day. It was a lovely way for the staff to farewell Diane and her performance was nothing short of exceptional. I also know that the Year 12 students had their own special farewell on the Retreat.

Next term we have three new exchange students joining our community from Spain, France and Denmark. We look forward to welcoming them at our opening assembly and hearing about their journey. I know that they will feel the warm hospitality of St Mark’s and the Port Pirie community.

Term 3 SAPOL Visits

In Week 2 and 3 of next term students across all year levels will participate in education sessions around safe online practices. SAPOL will work in conjunction with the College to ensure students develop appropriate practices on social media along with developing an understanding around their digital reputation and legal consequences surrounding electronic images. Students will be separated by gender and year level for these presentations.

Below is a brief snap shot of the content of the two presentations:

Year 8/9 - Digital Reputation

‘Your digital reputation is defined by your behaviours in the online environment and by the content you post about yourself and others. Tagged photos, blog posts and social networking interactions will all shape how you are perceived by others online and offline, both now and in the future. A poor digital reputation can affect your friendships, relationships and even your job prospects, so it is very important that you are aware of what picture you are painting of yourself online and protect your digital reputation today.’

Year 10/11/12 - Electronic Images and Social Media

‘Sending inappropriate photos, messages or videos. They are generally sent by mobile phone using Snapchat but can also include posting this type of material online. While sharing inappropriate images or text messages may seem innocent or be considered funny for young people, it can have serious social and legal consequences.’

Catholic Youth Festival

On Wednesday we were fortunate to be visited by James Meston, producer of Arch D Radio station and organiser/advocate for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival. He spoke to our Year 11 students about the opportunity to connect with around 3000 other young people across Australia to listen and discuss the issues and challenges present in the lives of young Catholics in Australia. The Australian Catholic Youth Festival is a national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. It exists to provide young people with opportunities to deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Church in Australia. The Festival will take place from Thursday 3 December until Saturday 5 December 2015 and will

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be held in Adelaide. The majority of the Festival will be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre on the banks of the River Torrens, (accessed from North Terrace). If students are interested in attending this event I ask that they put their name on the expression of interest form located at the Bosco Admin Office.

College Production

In Week 4 of Term 3 the Bosco production of High School Musical will be performed at the Keith Michell Theatre. Students across Year 8-12 have been rehearsing weekly in preparation and the excitement is starting to build. Students involved are gathering for an overnight camp in the holidays for workshops, character building sessions and rehearsals, rehearsals, rehearsals.

High School Musical is a show suitable for families of all ages and will have you dancing along in your seat. We encourage all families to attend this evening, which will be a wonderful showcase of the many gifts and talents of our students.

Details are below:
Production: High School Musical
Venue: Keith Michell Theatre
Dates: Thursday 13 August and Friday 14 August
Time: 7:30pm
Cost: $19 Adults or $15 students/concessions
Ticket Purchase: Keith Michell Theatre

We are still seeking volunteers to help with production elements such as set construction and painting, costumes and makeup. If you are interested and can give a few hours of your time, please call Janita DeGioia on 8633 8815 at the Bosco Office.

Finally, I would like to thank both staff and families for being part of another busy semester at the Bosco Campus. St Mark’s is a dynamic and rich community, which can be attributed to the people who are part of it. It is truly a wonderful place to work.

I wish families a restful and joy filled break and look forward to seeing refreshed faces next term.

Kate Kilpatrick,
Deputy Principal - Bosco Campus

STEM at St Mark’s College

Bosco students have been treated with a range of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) activities in the past three weeks.

On 11 July, Year 9 and 10 Year girls attended a special event celebrating Young Women in Technology run by The University of Adelaide. The students spent a day touring the Engineering facilities at the university and were able to participate in many hands on activities related to STEM, including a special 3D presentation into oil extraction, a dance-off with robots programmed by the students and practiced constructing earthquake proof model buildings. They heard inspiring speeches from leading women that had forged their own careers in engineering, all focussing on the theme of promoting women to pursue careers they have a passion for despite belonging to an under represented gender.

Last week St Mark’s College was involved in the annual Science and Engineering Challenge run by the University of Newcastle and generously supported by the Rotary Club of Port Pirie. They competed against local schools to solve Engineering-related problems such as building sustainable housing and developing bionic hands. Our students finished the day respectably in second place. Additionally, senior maths and science students had the opportunity to hear a representative from The University of Adelaide last week discuss reasons for choosing careers in STEM and where these careers can lead to at tertiary levels.

Jane Bennett, Bosco Science Coordinator

Some of our Year 9 and 10 students attended the Young Women in Technology event at The University of Adelaide.

Year 8 English

In Year 8A English, we designed and made crowns and masks to associate with our study of the movie "The Princess Bride". The crowns and masks were made in Ms Travers’ class. We worked really hard and created some fantastic crowns and masks. The crowns were like Princess Buttercup’s crown and the masks were like the mask the Dead Pirate Roberts wore. This was a creative task and we hope to do more like this in the future. We enjoyed it because we’ve never done anything like this before.

Franc Gadaleta and Crenie Kumar,
Year 8 students

This colourful, entertaining, high energy, fun-filled, adaptation of the TV movie will have you singing and clapping along to all your favourite songs.

Don’t miss out
Book your tickets now!

Year 8 students got creative making crowns and masks during English Class.
Around the College

Philippines Raffle

The College Philippines Raffle was drawn by Father Francis Montero on Tuesday 30 June. The College acknowledges the deep generosity of our sponsors. Beltana station – Two nights stay for eight people in the Overseers Cottage for two nights, including a dinner valued at $730.00.

The Winners:
Beltana Station Prize - Sean Broadfoot
Harrison Thoman
Helen Devlin
Kylie Kauschke
Matt Ganley
Robert Wilde
Bernie Obong
Nina De Marchi
Deb McArthur
Pat Abell
Deb Clayton
Leo Coates
Sharyn Morrell
Ethyn Hards

Thanks to:
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Port Pirie News Agency
John Pirie Motor Inn
Trend Pool and Spas
Trend Party Supplies
New Wave Surf
Happy Birds
Bob Ward
Dennis Family
Home Flair Furnishings

We thank all members of the community who supported the fund raising program.

SMC Soccer

The season is progressing very quickly. Congratulations to all our players who competed in the State Championships on the June long weekend and to those who were selected in SAPSASA soccer teams which competed in Adelaide last week.

Behaviour

Just a reminder to players about your code of conduct both on and off the field during matches and also at trainings. Please also remember that coaches give up their time, so we need to be respectful towards them at all times. Please also remember to let your coach know if you are unavailable for training or games.

Thank you to all coaches for your fabulous efforts so far and to those parents and friends who assist by refereeing and being linesmen or in any other way during games or training.

School Holidays

During the school holidays there are no soccer games on the middle and last weekend – 11 and 18 July.

Under 8’s

Due to lack of numbers the Under 8 soccer training sessions (held on Thursday nights at Bosco) have been cancelled for the remainder of the season. Thank you to Joe Amato, Vinny DeGioia and other helpers for their time and effort. We hope that all our players enjoy the holiday break.

Pia Keain,
SMC Soccer Coordinator

Year 10 students visit TAFE SA Open Day

Our Year 10 students took time out of school to visit the TAFE SA Open Day on Thursday 25 June. Tour guides showed the students around the Campus, giving them displays of classes in action. Flinders University had a display and gave information on direct entry to the University with a Certificate 3 or 4 from TAFE. The students enjoyed a free sausage sizzle at the end of their tour. All in all it was a valuable and enjoyable experience.

Simone Atkinson, Student Pathways Coordinator

Sports News

Year 10 students recently attended the TAFE SA Open Day.
Visual Arts - Semester 1

While we eagerly await the completion of our new Visual Arts Centre, the temporary art rooms haven’t prevented the students from exploring and expressing their ideas through the creation of many wonderful works of Art and Design. Over the various year levels, students have had the opportunity to develop their skills in drawing media and techniques, acrylic painting, printmaking, digital media, product design and graphic design. Pictured is a selection of work by our many talented young artists and designers.

Megan Congdon, Visual Arts Teacher
Year 3 Excursion

Last Friday the Year 3s went on a wonderful excursion to Port Germein and Mambray Creek. I sat on the big bus next to Kloe. It was good because we could see out of the window really well. When we got to Pt. Germein we thought it was funny because it wasn’t even recess yet! We had fruit then walked on the gigantic jetty. **Taylor**

We walked along the very very long jetty. There were heaps of amazing things to look at, like the 3 dark stingrays. Addi said they looked like they were having a race. Taya let me look through her binoculars. I saw some interesting, tiny fish just swimming along in the little blue sea. **Ruby**

We went looking for cute and tiny mud crabs. I found 5 but I gave one to my friend Amahli. She called her crab “Crab Junior”. We explored the beach and observed more mud crabs. They crawled all over my hands. They tickled a lot! One even went up my sleeve! I named her Nikki. Kylan found a crab under a rock and he said it felt really weird on his hand. Sadly, we had to put the crabs back where they belonged then we had recess. **Meg**

At Mambray Creek we got to play in the creek. I tripped over a rock. I found a frog under a rock and showed everybody. I also found frog eggs. It is amazing how frog eggs are so pretty and how they look so cute all bunched up together in a jelly. **Angus**

On our first walk we got really close to the animals and we had to be really quiet. We saw lots of wildlife, like Euros, wallabies, kangaroos, joeys and emus. We saw and heard kookaburras. We went for another big walk that was a little scary but beautiful! We were very high and there was a nice bit where you were blown away with the view. You could see everything! It was really beautiful, just lovely. It was a super duper excursion, the best Excursion ever. **Emme**

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Opportunities:

- **Port Football and Community Sporting Club**
  Open daily from 10.00am

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**Notices**

- **Piano and Singing Lessons**
  Lessons available at school. Private 30 minute lessons. For more info contact Anne Hansen on 0429 866 242 or 86 36-2231.