

NEWSLETTER



20 March 2018

This is the last newsletter for term 1, 2018. Isn't it amazing how quickly time passes!

These holidays coming include Easter time – the very basis of our Christian Faith and I encourage you to remind your children about the real meaning of Easter.

I would like to invite all of our parents and their families to join us for a picnic church service on Resurrection Sunday, April 1st, on the Town Library lawn at 9 a.m. Bring along a picnic basket and chairs or a blanket to sit on and enjoy a church service with a difference.

In line with the Easter message, I found this beautiful poem online to share with you...

His Love

God sent His Son to take the punishment
For all the thoughtless, sinful things we do;
Jesus gave his life because He loves us;
His love is boundless, sweet, forever true.

On Easter morn He showed He is our Savior;
His resurrection proves He is our Lord.
That is why we tell you, "Happy Easter!"
He secured our heavenly reward!

By Joanna Fuchs

Calendar of Events



Tue, 20 March	Chess @PAHS
Wed, 21 March	Public Holiday: Human Rights Day
Tue, 27 March	Grd RRR – 3: Easter Mask parade Reports issued
Wed, 28 March	School Closes @ 10a.m.
Sun, 1 April	Easter Sunday picnic @ Library lawns @ 9 a.m.
6 - 8 April	Bathurst Show

These dates may be changed as the term progresses.

BACK A BUDDY

This is a fantastic way to raise funds without actually spending any of your own money (unless you want to). All we ask is that you please share the **BACK A BUDDY** links from our Facebook page 'El Shaddai Christian Academy Port Alfred' with as many friends as possible – send the message as far and wide as you can and let's see what we can raise.



- Please take note of all the events on the calendar.
- CAPS: Our Peak caps are available at R90 at Sports-an-All.
- **BATHURST SHOW ART** – We apologise that we are unable to take any further new entries for the Bathurst Show. The final date was the 13th of March. Please note that all the beautiful

- art that has been entered must be handed in on the 22 March (this Thursday).
- **MASK PARADE:** In previous years we've had a super slipper parade and a hat parade. This year, our Grades RRR to 3 will be having great fun on Tuesday, 27 March with a mask parade. Learners must come to school wearing a mask and civvies – Cost R5. Have fun making masks!
- **PAY-IT-FORWARD: WIN R1 000 CASH!!!:** As soon as we have sold 100 tickets, we will do the next draw. Remember that you can win R1 000 off your school fees or R1 000 cash if your fees are paid. I'd say that's quite a great return for R40. Last year's ticket sales will be added to the up-coming draw. If you are interested in this draw, please send R40 clearly marked for Pay-it-Forward and your name will be entered.
- **BATHURST SHOW** – Visit our stall at the Bathurst Show on the 6 – 8 April.



- The **Science Festival** was amazing as always and our learners had a wonderful time watching laser shows, extracting DNA from strawberries and viewing all the interactive displays.
- Our grade 8 learners and grade 10 history learners explored the museums in Port Alfred. Kowie Museum and Richmond House Museum and Music Room were visited, appreciated and the history explained. The learners visited Wimpy for breakfast and then the Wharf Street Brewery to learn about the historical significance of this building's cellar.
- Our learners had the wonderful opportunity to be educated about cyber bullying at assembly on Monday morning by Sergeant Sindy and Constable Catherine. We are most grateful to the SAPS for their support of and care for our school.
- Archery - Congratulations to Hannah Ford who earned herself a bronze medal at the Archery competition held last Saturday.
- Thank you so much to the parents who were invited and attended the Parent's Meeting last week. It is wonderful to see such supportive parents!

Finally

School closes next week! The children will receive their reports on Tuesday the 27th of March. We close for the holidays on Wednesday the 28th of March at 10 a.m. Children do not have to attend on this last day of school for term 1.

Be blessed this holiday!

Miss Payne