



Exford Primary School

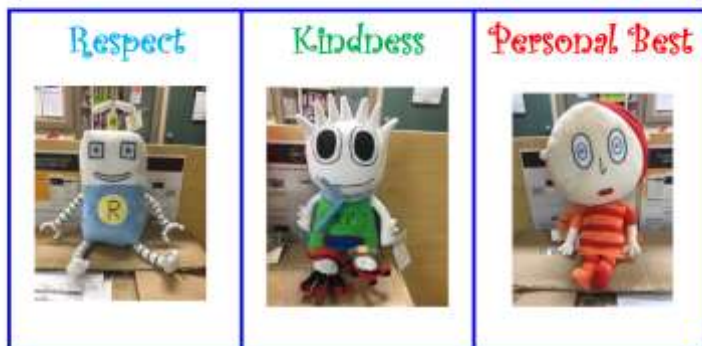
Where Children Count!

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Artist impression of our new school entry - ready 2022!

At Exford, these qualities are really important:



... and it's up to all of us to show them every day in every thing we say and every thing we do!

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NEWSLETTER No.11 (Term 3, 2021)

Friday 16 July 2021

You are represented on School Council by:

Parents: Amanda (Caitlyn), Cherry (Jaron), Joel (Gus), Kylie (Peyton), Laura (Ollie), Naomi (Kallan and Ashlyn), Rebecca (Hannah, Joshua and Thomas), Sharon (Charlie & Archie)

Community Representatives: Graham and Jacki (SC President)

Staff: Ms Campo, Mrs Cassar, Ms Mastrop and Mr Wilson

Ms Campo's News...

Return to Remote Learning

A return to lockdown and Remote learning is not what we were hoping for...but we just have to make the best of the situation.

We will have our learning plan out to our families this afternoon.

As always, children of Essential workers where both parents are working away from home can be on site. Please contact the school on exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au if you need onsite supervision.

Construction of our new school ... it's started!!

We returned after the holidays to a vastly different Exford PS landscape. As you would have seen from the photos we sent you last Friday, lots of our existing buildings have been removed or demolished - the old OSH Club, Sports and Garden sheds, the Cubby House and its gardens, the two sandpits, the farm side playground and covered ways. See the next page for some photos.

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2021 Dates

Term 3

Wednesday 21 July

School Council Meeting - 6.30 pm

Thursday 22 July

Reports to Parents (lock down depending)

Friday 6 August

Year 1-2 Sovereign Hill Excursion

Monday 9 & Friday 13 August

Teeth on Wheels

Thursday 19 August

MPSSA Group 1 - Athletics Carnival

Monday 23 - Friday 27 August

2021 Book Week

Thursday 2 September

MPSSA - Yr 5 - 6 Basketball

Wednesday 8 - Thursday 9 September

Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp

Friday 10 September

Year 5-6 Swimming & Water Safety Program

Monday 13 - Wednesday 15 September

Year 3 - 4 Phillip Island Camp

Monday 13 - Thursday 16 September

Year 5-6 Swimming & Water Safety Program

Friday 17 September

Footy Colours Day - kids come in their footy / soccer / sporting teams apparel

Last Day of Term 2

2.10 pm - Assembly
2.30 pm - Dismissal

Construction of our new school ...

The children and staff are watching our works with great excitement and there's been some seriously 'AWESOME!' machinery on site, or so I was informed by some little ones the other day! As our Stage 1 Upgrade works (new Junior Learning Building and new Administration building) commence, we continue to meet with the Architect team twice a week (both are 3 hour meetings) to plan Stage 2 (Senior Learning Building, renovation of the Gallery Building, new Gymnasium, landscaping and playground installation).

Huge thanks to Mr Wilson, Jacki (our School Council President) who join me in the planning meetings twice weekly. It's a very big time commitment, but we are thrilled at being able to strongly influence the learning environment our new school will offer for our kids and staff. 😊



Please note we have asked for this gate to be extended to be double gate width.

Welcome

Welcome back to Mrs Szelest who returns from her maternity leave for two days a week. Mrs Micallef is due back from her maternity leave for three days a week from the end of Term 3.

Welcome to our new Education Support staff -

- Mrs Nicole Clare - working in Year 3-4 Gashi and Year 1-2 Parker
- Mrs Susanne Greenslade - working in Year 1-2 Jenner and Year 5-6 Gundry
- Ms Tayla Ozdovska - working in Year 3-5 Patty



2022 Enrolments

Now is the time to collect an enrolment for the little brothers or sisters who will begin school next year. If you have not yet collected an enrolment form, would you please email Mrs Kelly and she will send home an enrolment form for you. Equally, if you know of neighbours who are

intending to enrol at Exford PS for later this year or for the start of 2022, would you encourage them to make contact, please? Please email Mrs Kelly at kerrie.kelly@education.vic.gov.au

Get Active Victoria

Does your child love sport and being active? Does your family have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card? You may be eligible for up to \$200 to put towards the cost of your child's participation in physical activities.

The Get Active Kids Voucher Program helps [eligible families get their kids involved in organised sport and active recreation activities](#).

Under the program, children may be eligible to receive up to \$200 to help with the cost of membership and registration fees, uniforms, and equipment.

Special consideration also applies for children named on their own Australian Government Health Care Card or residing in care services as well as temporary or provisional visa holders, undocumented migrants or international students.

Applications for vouchers in round two of the program close at 5pm Friday 30 July.

For eligibility requirements and to apply, visit the [Get Active Victoria website](#).

Attendance Challenge

We look forward to students receiving their attendance trophies in Seesaw on Friday 23 July.

Ms Killeen in the Office sends out a trophy every ten days to the children who have attended two week blocks of school without any absences - this includes Remote Learning attendance.

Our challenge to everyone -
BE AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY
(unless you are sick, of course).

Congratulation to the kids who were at school for the first ten days in a row!

(Friday 23 July is the next attendance trophy day.)

Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge



The Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge is now open and Exford Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 17 September 2021.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books. All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

Your child's log in details were sent home via Seesaw.

Office News

CSEF - Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible students to attend school activities.

Who can apply?

Families holding a valid means-tested concession are eligible to apply.

Please visit our Office to collect CSEF forms if you believe you are eligible for the CSEF payment.

Parents who receive a carer allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with the above. Eligibility will be determined when the parent's concession card successfully validates with Centrelink.

The 2021 cut off date is 13 August. We can not process any applications after this date.

Attendance ... Every moment of every day counts

Did you know that:

When children regularly arrive late, they miss out on so much:

- They miss on the lovely morning meet and greet that connects children to their classmates, staff and classroom environment and is an important part of children feeling that they belong
- We schedule literacy and numeracy for our morning lessons - so regular lateness means that children are missing critical learning
- The opportunity to prepare for the school day (including changing their Take Home book for reading that night)

Please help your child to arrive on time for school every day - especially as we try to support children even more after the Remote Learning challenges of 2020.

Please make sure that your child is only absent if they are unwell - EVERY day at school counts.

If your child has missed 5 days or less this school year.

This will support your child to achieve their best at school - academically and personally.

If your child has missed more than 10 days this school year.

The amount of time your child is missing will impact on their learning and their friendships.

CAUTION - If your child has missed more than 15 days this school year - your child is missing so much time from school that it will be extremely difficult for them to keep up with their learning, their friendships and to feel connected to school.

A reminder that all holiday absences require an Absence Learning Plan, developed with your child's teacher and signed by the Principal or Assistant Principal to cover your child's absence.

Please make sure that you use the FlexiSchools app or email the school directly on exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au - all student absences must be explained in writing.

Fundraising News



Our 2021 target is...
\$5,000 - \$10,000.

Our Tally so far... \$3,572.00

Our Fundraising efforts work hand in hand with our school's ICT budget to provide our kids with iPads, laptops and other technologies.

We will hold a range of fun fundraising activities throughout the year, some are traditional parts of our fundraising approach and these happen each year.

- Term 3 Book Week - Read-A-thon' activity
- Term 4 - End of year Raffle and Christmas Concert BBQ

If you are interested in helping out with the Fundraising activities at our school, please contact Ms Campo through the FlexiSchools 'Contact the Principal' link.

Happy Birthdays!!



To our students who celebrated their birthdays from 1 - 15 July 2021

Addison, Zane, Aritrika, Aryan, Jonah, Charlotte, Sienna B, Lincoln, Elissia, Sach and Chloe-Louise.



Happy Birthday to you!!
Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday dear kids,
Happy Birthday to you!



We love celebrating birthdays at school, making a fuss over the child who is celebrating and (individually wrapped store-bought) birthday treats are *always* welcome! We also love for birthday children to visit us in the Office for a sticker and birthday song.

Having birthdays at school is a very special event and if your child is absent on their birthday, they miss out on all the fuss made over them.

Hope you enjoy reading our newsletter!

Including pages from:

- Term 3 Teams Newsletter
- Year Prep Monagle
- Year 3-4 Gashi
- Pyjama Day
- Year 5-6 Student Ambassadors

☺ Ms Campo

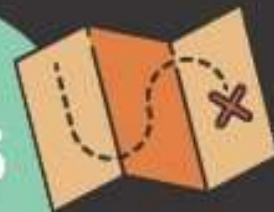
STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week Certificates for **Week 9** and **Week 10**

	Week 9		Week 10	
	Student	Exford Value	Student	Exford Value
Prep Monagle	Marlee	Kindness	Aurora	Respect
Prep Smyth	Tyer	Kindness	Kabir	Respect
1 / 2 Ambrose	Indianna	Personal Best	Lucas	Personal Best
1 / 2 Higgins	Faatea	Respect	Ayaan	Personal Best
1 / 2 Jenner	Talisha	Personal Best	Uvraj	Personal Best
1 / 2 Parker	Lucas	Personal Best	Peninnah	Personal Best
3 / 4 Gashi	Caelan	Kindness	Eddie	Personal Best
3 / 4 Roe	Nofil	Personal Best	Cadin	Personal Best
3 / 4 Patty	Candy	Personal Best	Joshua	Respect
4 / 5 Mounsey	Anoshka	Personal Best	Lachi	Personal Best
5 / 6 Gundry	Ryan	Kindness	Sudeeptha	Kindness
5 / 6 Mastrop	Ryan	Personal Best	Lily	Kindness
5 / 6 Talevski	Liam	Respect	Heath	Personal Best
The Arts	Kaelan	Respect	Levi	Respect
Physical Education	Adele V	Respect	Marli	Respect
French	Jack.T	Personal Best	Armeet	Personal Best
OSH Club				

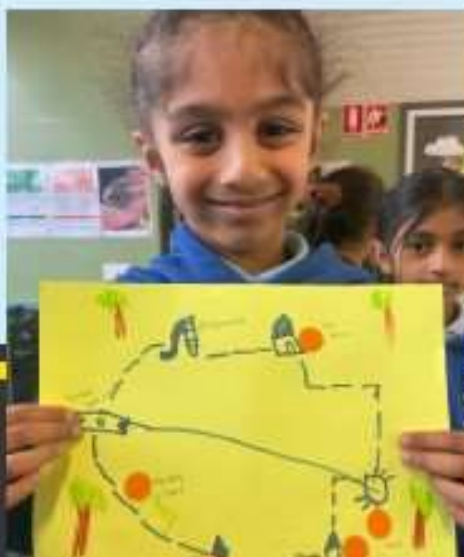
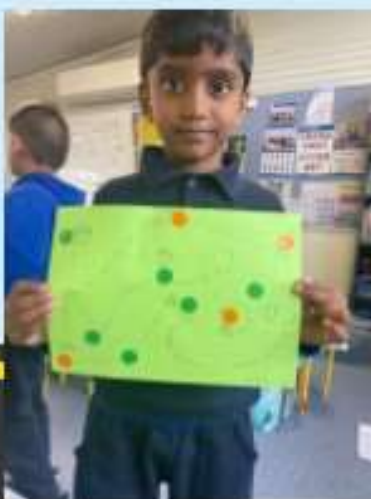
Prep Monagle Creating Maps



In Prep M this week, we have started to learn about different types of Procedures. We are learning that procedures can teach you how to do something or make something.

During this unit, we will be looking at different types of procedural texts including recipes, and instructions. This week we have learnt about maps and how they relate to procedures as they teach you how to get somewhere.

In this lesson, students used sticker dots to mark important locations at Exford and then gave instructions on how to get around our school.



WHAT IS HAPPENING IN 3/4 GASHI?

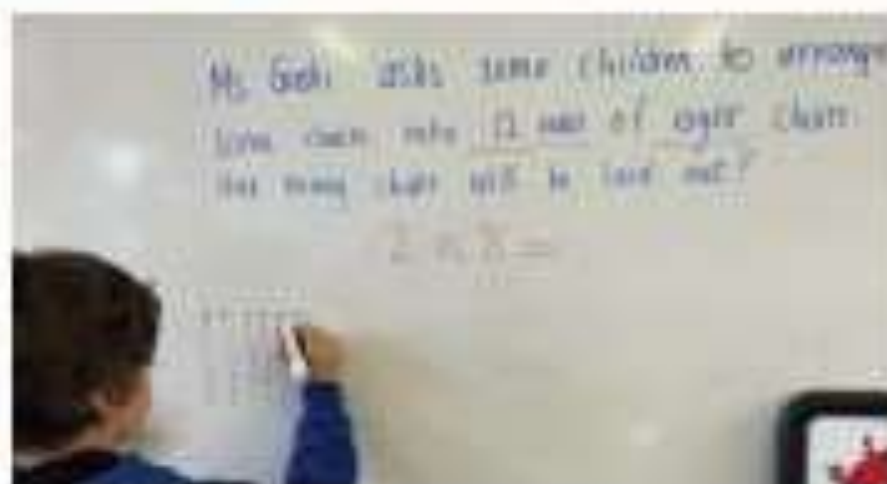
**TERM 3
2021**

HERE IS SOME INSIGHT INTO OUR MATHS UNIT OF 'MULTIPLICATION'

WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING TO:

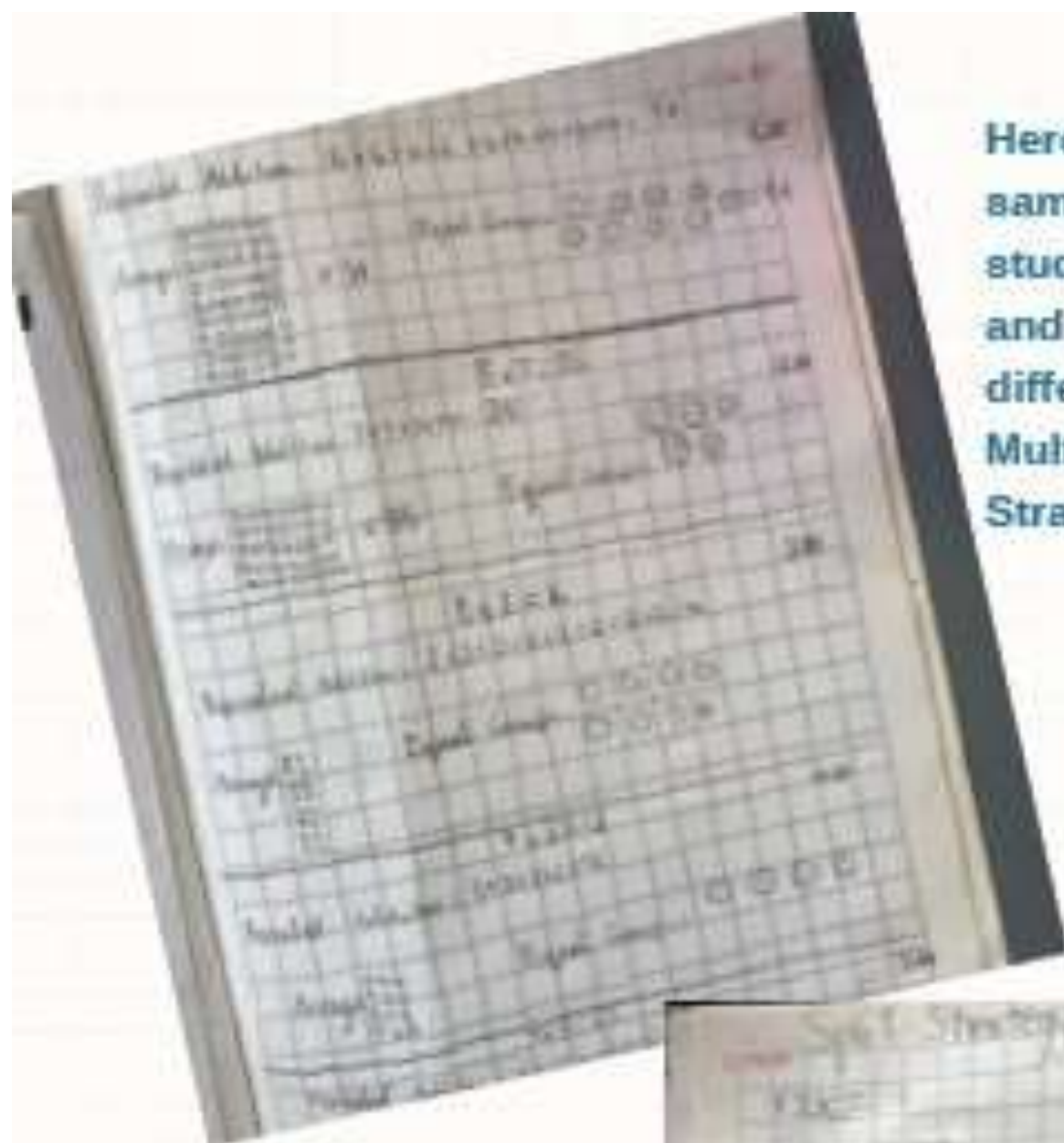
- Model sharing as repeated addition, groups of and arrays.
- Develop efficient strategies to solve multiplication problems.
- Recall multiplication facts up to 10×10 .

Here are students from 3/4 G showing their working out of worded problems.



Here are students from 3/4 G showing practising their Timetables.





Here are samples of students work and the different Multiplication Strategies!



Friday July
30th

Wow, it's been

100 Days

of Prep!

let's celebrate!



DRESS UP

100 days smarter...and older!

Dress up in your best old person outfit and come to school!



Alternatively, you might decorate an old t-shirt with 100 things stuck to it like the ones shown!



COUNT TO 100

Can you find a collection of 100?

Bring your collection to school in a zip lock bag to display in the classroom!





NAIDOC **Week** 2021

In the Art Room



PIJAMA DAY



PYJAMA DAY



PYJAMA DAY



2021 STUDENT AMBASSADORS







STUDENT AMBASSADORS 2021



Newsletter



Welcome back to term 3!

We hope everyone that was able to have a break the holiday has enjoyed their time off. We look forward to seeing you all again over the coming weeks. This term we will be focusing adding new options on our menu We would love to hear feedback or your suggestions on what to include that your children enjoy. The children have expressed an interest in creating a 'cooking club' where they can create recipes to share with their families and friends.

QR CODE CHECK IN

Please note that all families/guardians are still required to check in via the QR code if entering the service. Children are still required to be escorted to the door by a parent or guardian even if they are not entering the service.



Excursions during vacation care

This holidays the children were excited to go to Bounce and Inflatable World with their friends. Koen and Ryan were eager to do a cliff jump before leaving bounce. Feedback from the children stated that they would like to go back to both of the venues as they had fun!



Special Events this term



14th-22nd August – National Science week



17th September – term ends



21st-27th August – Book Week



Newsletter



Incursions during vacation Care

During the first week of holiday a fire fighter came with some supplies to help us create our own 'castles'. We worked together in teams to build our creations.



During the second week Evie visited us with some of her friends. She brought a barking owl, some reptiles and, our favourite, tiny the python.



Recipe Corner

During the holidays the children enjoyed some sensory activities. Our sea foam was a big hit.

Sea Foam

- 1/3 cup water
 - 1/3 cup dishwashing liquid
 - 1 tbsp cornstarch.
- You can also add few drops of food colouring to color the foam.

Use a hand mixer in the mixture for 2 minutes until the foam forms.



CLUB NEWS

Train like the Olympic champions and complete your passport to the Moov Games!

This week we started our moov games on a Monday and Wednesday afternoon. During the Moov Games, students will prepare like athletes with 3 weeks of "training" in the lead up for the big finale – the final week of "Moov Games." Students will work individually to achieve their personal best, and in teams to promote positive behaviours and the value of teamwork.



Victorian
premiers'
reading
challenge



OPEN UP A NEW WORLD

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is led by the Premier with the support of former premiers.



To register, visit education.vic.gov.au/prc



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