

Exford Primary School

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Ms Campo's News....

Stage One Opening Ceremony



What a perfect day we had on Tuesday 9 August! Our Stage One Opening Ceremony was a very special occasion and we were able to share it with our families, students, staff and invited guests.

Our School Captains and Student Ambassadors worked with me at the end of last term and again this term to plan our Ceremony and the speeches. The School Captains and Student Ambassadors all acted as hosts, greeting our invited guests with confidence and charm and chose whether they would be part of the speech making group.

The student leaders who presented to our school community and invited guests spoke beautifully, confidently and with poise.

Our students were beautifully behaved throughout the Assembly and demonstrated our school values of Respect, Kindness and Personal Best at all times. I was very proud of them all. To our families who were able to attend, our thanks for sharing in this special day with us.

Coming up

- Monday 15 August
 - Year 5-6 Life Education Puberty Session
 - Father's Day gift ordering opens in QKR
- Wednesday 17 August – MPSSA Year 3-6 Athletics Day
- Friday 19 August – Book Week Activities

Due to the Office

- Friday 12 August - Year 3-4 Campaspe Downs Camp – Final payment due.
- Monday 15 August – MPSSA Athletics Day
- Friday 19 August – Year 2 Lady Northcote – Final payment due.

*At Exford these qualities are really important:
and it's up to all of us to show them every day in everything
we say and everything we do!*



RESPECT



KINDNESS



PERSONAL BEST

Mr Wilson is taking some leave

Mr Wilson will be taking some leave from Monday 15 August until the end of Term 3. Ms Littlewood will be Acting Assistant Principal in his absence.

Steve McGhie and the Treasurer

At our special Assembly on Tuesday, Steve McGhie announced that he would be bringing Tim Pallas, the State Treasurer, out to Exford PS to have a look at our wonderful school. How exciting!

Stage Two

Stage Two of our building works will commence early in Term 4. The Victorian Schools Building Authority is in the stage of selecting the Building company which will be awarded our Stage Two contract.

Our Stage Two works will be divided into four 'separable portions':

- SP 1 – The Senior Learning Building
- SP 2 – Renovation of the Gallery building – new Library, Food Preparation room and Science and Tech classroom
- SP 3 – The Gymnasium
- SP 4 – New playgrounds, landscaping and sports field

Look at the view! It's amazing to see the paddocks where normally we would be looking at six Mod 5 portable buildings.

The classroom buildings have been removed to clear the space for the construction of our Senior Learning Building.



Year 3-4 Camp

Our Year 3-4 Camp is not very far away now, and it will be the first Camps experience for Exford kids since the start of 2020. A detailed letter went home yesterday for students attending Camp to provide some handy hints for preparing for Camp. I will be attending in Mr Wilson's place and am looking forward to sharing the experience with our kids. Ms Littlewood will be in charge of the school whilst I am at Camp. A reminder that all medications need to be signed in on the morning of our departure. We remind our families that no electronic or smart devices can be brought to Camp (excepting medical devices, of course).

Book Week

You will have seen the Seesaw post about our Book Week activities on Friday 19 August. This will be the first in-person Book Week Parade we have had since 2019! We invite our families to join us and for little brothers and sisters to also join in with their school aged brothers and sisters. Our Book Week Assembly will be on the oval at 9 am on Friday 19 August - all welcome!

2022 Dates to remember

Term 3

Monday 15 August

- Year 5-6 Life Education Puberty session
- Father's Day gift ordering opens in QKR

Wednesday 17 August

- Year 3-6 MPSSA Athletics Day

Thursday 18 August

- Parent Tours of our new Admin and JLB

Friday 19 August

- Book Week Parade and Assembly and class activities

Wednesday 24 to Friday 26 August

- Year 3-4 Campaspe Downs Camp

Monday 29 August

- Father's Day Stall

Friday 2 September

- Year 1-2 Sovereign Hill Excursion

Monday 5 September and Thursday 8 September

- Parent Student Teacher conferences – Session 1 and 2

Tuesday 6 September

- MPSSA Basketball Clinic

Friday 9 September

- Pupil Free Day for all students – there will be an OSH Club program available on the day

Tuesday 13 to Wednesday 14 September

- Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp

Friday 16 September

- Last Day of Term 3
 - 2.10 pm – Assembly
 - 2.30 pm - Dismissal

Term 4

Monday 3 October

- Term 4 commences for students and staff

Monday 3 October to Friday 7 October

- Swimming Program for Year 3-4 students

Tuesday 4 October to Thursday 5 October

- Year 5-6 Lorne Camp

Tuesday 1 November

- Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Monday 7 to Friday 11 November

- Swimming Program for Year 3-4 students

Tuesday 15 November

- 2023 Prep Transition Visit 1

Tuesday 22 November

- 2023 Prep Transition Visit 2

Tuesday 29 November

- 2023 Prep Transition Visit 3

Wednesday 14 December

- Exford Christmas Concert (we hope!)

Fundraising

After our relocation into the new Admin and Junior Learning Buildings, we now have an amount of furniture that we no longer need. We will make this furniture available for sale to our community (or your friends and family).

This furniture was made or purchased for use in our Mod 5 classrooms, but doesn't fit our new Stage One classrooms and Admin building.

All proceeds made from the sale of the furniture and equipment will go to our Fundraising efforts. Our Fundraising supports the costs of Reading Eggs (Prep – Year 2) and Mathletics (Year Prep -4), which the school provides to our students at no cost and also aims to contribute to the cost of the iPad leases).

We will put these items available for sale into QKR, along with the quantities of each item. Mrs Humprik will add these to QKR next week (a Seesaw and FlexiSchools message will be sent out) and once paid for, they are available for immediate collection.

Fundraising

Fundraising efforts work hand in hand with our school's ICT budget to provide our kids with access to Reading Eggs, Mathletics and iPads.

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 – Father's Day Stall
- Term 4 – End of year Raffle and Christmas Concert BBQ



**Our 2022 target is...
\$5,000 - \$10,000.**

Our Tally so far...

\$2,137.50



These grey bookshelves were used in our Gallery.

Measurements - 1800 mm (h) x 1200 mm (w) x 300 mm (d)

For sale \$50 per shelf



These bookshelves were made for our classroom libraries, they are made from solid pine.

Measurements - 1510 mm (h) x 900 mm (w) x 350 mm (d)

For sale \$150 per bookshelf



This is the dresser from the old front Office.

Measurements - 1100 h x 1600 w x 400 d – 3 deep drawers on extension runners and 2 doors with adjustable shelves.

For sale \$250



This bookshelf is floor to ceiling and was made for our Business Manager's Office. It is made from solid pine.

Measurements – 2500 mm (h) x 1500 mm (w) x 350 mm (d)

For sale \$250

50 litre Rheem Hot Water service from the Art Room



For Sale \$250



Metal bookshelf –

Measurements - 2200 h x 900 w

For Sale \$50

There will be other items of furniture for sale in the coming weeks, including the bag box units from the classrooms (ideal for a shed).

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 and 2021.

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.

Happy Birthdays!!

To our students who celebrated their birthday 1 - 11 August

Patrick, Eamonn, Aydin, Axel, Olivia, Noah, Emity & Jack.

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.



Student of the week



Week 3

Week 4

	Student	Exford Value	Student	Exford Value
Year Prep Micallef	Cameron	Personal Best	Daman	Personal Best
Year Prep Smyth	Grace	Personal Best	Kina	Respect
Year 1 - 2 Ambrose	Ari	Kindness	Emmanuel	Personal Best
Year 1 - 2 Higgins	Taela	Personal Best	Rableen	Personal Best
Year 1 - 2 Monagle	Kabir	Personal Best	Axel	Personal Best
Year 1 - 2 Roe	Ameliah	Personal Best	Sienna	Personal Best
Year 3 - 4 Fyfe	Faatea	Respect	Leroy	Personal Best
Year 3 - 4 Gundry	Marli	Personal Best	Amelie	Personal Best
Year 3 - 4 Tekin	Aarish	Kindness	Umar	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Mounsey	Caelan	Respect	Ashton	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Mastrop	Maya	Kindness	Mariah	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Talevski	Elisa	Respect	Isabell	Respect
The Arts	Ella B	Kindness	-	-
Physical Education	Daniel	Personal Best	Tanya	Respect
French	Bailey H	Personal Best	Harper	Personal Best

OSH Club

**Congratulations to the following students who received
Student of the Week Certificates for Week 3 & 4**



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LEARNING ABOUT LOCATION IN MATHEMATICS

1 / 2 MONAGLE



WHAT WE LEARNT!

WE HAVE HAD AN EXCITING START TO TERM 3 IN YEAR 1/2 MONAGLE. THIS WEEK WE HAVE EASED BACK INTO OUR LEARNING IN MATHEMATICS, LEARNING ALL ABOUT LOCATION.

THE OBJECTIVE IN THIS UNIT, IS FOR STUDENTS TO UNDERSTAND HOW TO GIVE AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS. TO DO, THIS THEY NEEDED TO UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF VARIOUS DIRECTIONS SUCH AS LEFT/RIGHT, ABOVE/BELOW, OVER/UNDER AND SO ON.





PROGRAMMING THE PRO-BOTS!

ONE OF THE ACTIVITIES WE ENJOYED AS PART OF THE UNIT WAS PROGRAMMING USING OUR SCHOOL PRO-BOTS. THESE YELLOW CARS WILL FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS YOU PROGRAM INTO THEM AND THEN DRIVE! THE STUDENTS LOVED THIS!

FIRST, WE HAD A GO AT USING THEM, PLAYING AROUND WITH THE CONTROLS. THEN WE STEPPED IT UP AND STUDENTS HAD TO CREATE A TRACK FOR THE CAR TO FOLLOW, GETTING FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER. SOME STUDENTS HAD FUN MAKING A TUNNEL FOR THE CAR USING THEIR LEGS OR CHAIRS.

FINALLY, WE HAD A CLASS CHALLENGE! STUDENTS NEEDED TO WORK IN COLLABORATIVE GROUPS TO SUCCESSFULLY PROGRAM THE CAR TO FOLLOW MS MONAGLE'S TRACK AND REACH THE 'GARAGE' TO PARK THEIR CAR. THEY NEEDED TO DRAW THE DIRECTIONS THEY THOUGHT WOULD WORK USING ARROWS.

WE ALL HAD A LAUGH DOING THIS ACTIVITY AND WE GOT A BIT COMPETITIVE! A FEW GROUPS WERE SUCCESSFUL AT PROGRAMMING THE PRO-BOT TO REACH THE END OF THE TRACK, WHILE SOME HAD SUCCESS THE NEXT DAY. IT WAS A FUN TASK AND WE HEARD LOTS OF "NO-I WAS MEANT TO TURN LEFT" "I WENT TOO FAR FORWARDS" A GREAT WAY TO PRACTISE GIVING AND FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS.





What's happening in 3/4 Fyfel

In Writing, we have been learning about Procedural Texts. We have been focussing on 'How to Make' and 'How to Do' something. Our favourite thing to write about was 'How to pack a bag for CAMP'. We made sure we included everything that will be needed – we do not want to forget anything! 😊

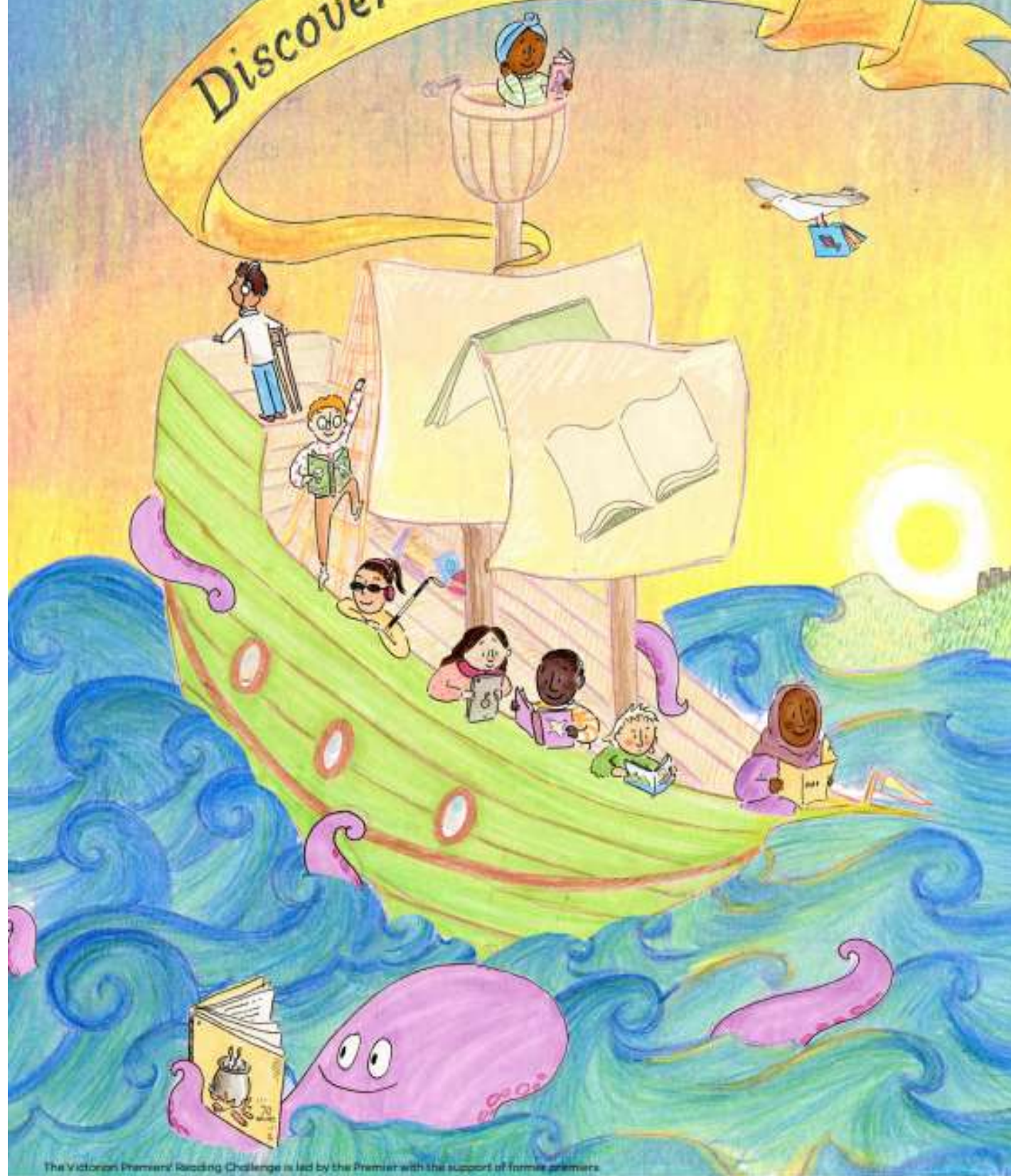


2022 - Exford PS's Term 3 Lunch Time Clubs for our Kids - Monday 25 July 2022

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1:30 - 2 pm	 Knitting Club with Ms Campo (not on CC Mondays)	 Yr 3-6 Knitting Club with Ms Campo in her room (come to Front office) 	 Yr 3-6 Knitting Club with Ms Campo in her room (come to Front office) 	 Knitting Club with Ms Campo in the French room 	 Yr 3-6 Knitting Club with Ms Campo in her room (come to Front office) 
		 Yr Prep -2 Lego Club With Ms Higgins in her classroom	 Origami Club - Year 3-6 kids with Mrs Roe in her classroom	Prep - 2 Story Club with Ms Smyth in the Library 	 Origami Club - Year 3-6 kids with Mrs Roe in her classroom
2 - 2:30 pm	 Year 3-6 Coding, Lego and Lego Technic Club With Mr Patty in the Gallery	 Arts Club with Ms Bramich in the Art room	 Year 3-6 Year 3-6 Coding, Lego and Lego Technic with Mr Mounsey in the Gallery	 Yr Prep-2 Lego Club With Ms Higgins in her classroom	 Year 3-6 Coding, Lego and Lego Technic Club with Mr Patty in the Gallery
	 2 pm - Arts Club with Ms Bramich in the Art room	 Library Time with Ms Anderson	 Library Time with Ms Anderson	 Library Time with Ms Anderson	
		 Board Games Club - BYO & school games with Ms Talevski in Ms Mastrop's room	 Board Games Club BYO & school games with Ms Mastrop in Ms Mastrop's room	 Board Games Club BYO & school games with Ms Talevski in Ms Mastrop's room	 Board Games Club BYO & school games with Ms Mastrop in Ms Mastrop's room
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