



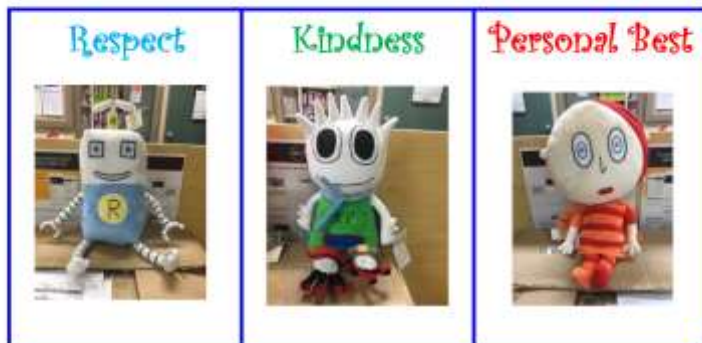
**Exford  
Primary  
School**

Where Children Count!  
[www.exfordps.vic.edu.au](http://www.exfordps.vic.edu.au)



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.13** (Term 3, 2021)

**Thursday 12 August 2021**

**You are represented on School Council by:**

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

**Community Representatives:** Graham and Jacki (SC President)

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

## ***Ms Campo's News...***

### **Lockdown 6.0**

Yesterday's announcement by Premier Andrews means that Remote and Flexible Learning arrangements will continue until Thursday 19 August. As we said in our communications yesterday, we will continue with all our online learning activities for our kids, keeping our routines and motivations for learning from home in place for as long as they are needed.

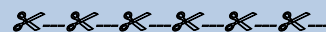
### **Onsite students**

We have sent home the new forms for onsite learning and they need to be returned asap so that we can arrange staffing for the coming week.

Please note that parents must follow our drop-off and pick-up arrangements each day.

As we have different staff in every day, who may not be familiar with who belongs to who, and as we are all wearing masks it's sometimes hard to recognise people, we have a daily attendance roll system. In the mornings, we mark the children off on their arrival from OSH, the buses or if brought by their families. In the afternoons, we ask that parents are patient and wait politely for their child to be released to them. If you finish work earlier than expected and are able to collect the children, please ring the Office and we will have the children waiting for you.

*Cut out & stick me to the fridge!*



## **Dates to Remember:**

*Please add them to your calendar!*

## **2021 Dates**

### **Term 3**

**Monday 23 - Friday 27 August**

2021 Book Week - stay tuned!

**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

**Events and activities to be rescheduled**

Year 1-2 Sovereign Hill excursion

Teeth on Wheels Van

MPSSA sports activities, such as the Group 1 - Athletics Carnival -

## Term 3 events

We will all be thinking the same thing - will our Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp (Wednesday 8 and Thursday 9 September) and our Year 3-4 Phillip Island Camp (Monday 13 - Wednesday 15 September) go ahead?



Mr Wilson, as our school's Camp Program Co-ordinator, is in close contact with both camp venues about contingency plans if we are unable to go this term. We will, of course, keep you informed as we get closer to the school camp times.

## Prep children for 2022

We are at the time of year where we begin planning for the following year.

If you have a child who will be starting school with us next year, would you please contact the Office and we will send home an enrolment form for you. We also need a copy of the birth certificate and the immunisation certificate.



Our 2022 Prep Transition Program is in the planning and we would like to include all our little ones so that they can have a great start at our school. We hope to send out invitations to our 2022 Prep Transition Program early in Term 4 and we don't want anyone to miss out.

If you have friends or neighbours hoping to enrol at Exford PS for 2022 (in any year level), would you ask them to contact our Office, please?

Little brothers and sisters of students already enrolled are automatically given a place at our school.

Here is the link to the Department's Find My School website to check if new families are in our enrolment zone - [Find my School](#)



## Attendance Challenge

We look forward to students receiving their attendance trophies in Seesaw on Friday 20 August.

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 ten days in a row!**

(Friday 6 August is the next attendance trophy day.)

## 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 cannot process any applications after this date.**

### Lost Property

We are receiving an increasing number of items in our lost property tub, which are either unnamed or still have the previous owners' details.

Please ensure all items are clearly marked, particularly items that are removed during the day such as hats, jumpers, scarves and beanies.

Lost property is checked daily and items which are clearly labelled can be returned to the child, without delay.

## Colouring Competition

Before the school holidays, we celebrated the end of Term 2 by all coming to school in our pyjamas! It was great to see everyone dressed for the occasion.



Ms Mastrop and the Special Event Ambassadors held a colouring competition for everyone. We had some amazing entries and it was definitely a difficult task to pick the winners. Thank you to everyone for putting in such great work to complete your pieces, they were truly outstanding.

We would like to especially congratulate the following students on winning with their amazing colouring pieces:

- Serena from Prep Smyth
- Charitha from Year 1-2 Higgins
- Harry from Year 3-4 Patty
- Anna from Year 5-6 Mastrop

Well done to everyone!



## 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.



## 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](mailto: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 Father's Day Stall (info coming)
- 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 30 July - 12 August 2021**

Serena, Eamonn, Aydin, Axel, Olivia H, Noah M, Akshan, Emity, Trinity, Harrison F, Sophie and Oscar C.



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:

- Lunch Time Clubs
- Learning photo from all classes
- Year 3-4 Roe
- Green and Gold Day
- Construction update

☺ Ms Campo

# STUDENT OF THE WEEK



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

	Week 3		Week 4	
	Student	Exford Value	Student	Exford Value
Prep Monagle	Riley	Personal Best	-	-
Prep Smyth	Ehan	Kindness	Yana	Personal Best
1 / 2 Ambrose	Ryan	Personal Best	Lakotah	Personal Best
1 / 2 Higgins	Ashlee	Kindness	Siri	Kindness
1 / 2 Jenner	Liam	Personal Best	Prynce	Respect
1 / 2 Parker	Amber	Personal Best	Xavier	Personal Best
3 / 4 Gashi	Sach	Personal Best	William	Personal Best
3 / 4 Roe	Ranvir	Personal Best	Chloe-Louise	Personal Best
3 / 4 Patty	Maci-Leigh	Personal Best	Isabell	Personal Best
4 / 5 Mounsey	Isaac	Kindness	Sienna	Kindness
5 / 6 Gundry	-	-	-	-
5 / 6 Mastrop	Hayley	Personal Best	Dayne	Kindness
5 / 6 Talevski	Jabez	Personal Best	Joshua	Personal Best
The Arts	Seana	Personal Best	Blake	Personal Best
Physical Education			Isabelle & Sophie	Respect & P Best
French	Brydie	Personal Best	Allayna	Personal Best
OSH Club	Noah	Respect	-	-





LUNCH TIME CLUBS



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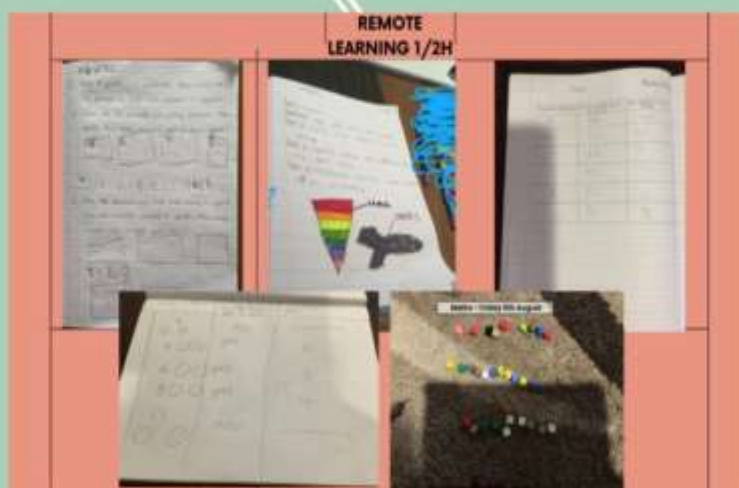


## What's on in 3/4 Patty

This term in 3/4 Patty we have been focussing on writing poetry, here is some of the fantastic work we have been doing!



# C L A S S R O O M L E A R N I N G







## CLASSROOM AND REMOTE LEARNING



This week in Literacy, 5/6M have been working on writing Historical Narratives. We have been focusing on the Eureka Stockade.



### MATHS: FRACTIONS & DECIMALS

157

#### Learning Intention:

WALT investigate equivalent fractions and use them in different situations

#### Success Criteria: I can:

- Recall my prior understanding of equivalent fractions
- Explain the definition of equivalent fractions

#### Task:

Please watch the video on your weekly journal titled "Fractions & Decimals 157"

then complete the attached worksheet to the best of your ability.

#### 17 STUDENT ASSESSMENT



#### 1. Find the equivalent fractions.

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4} \quad \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{8}$$

#### 2. Simplify each improper fraction.

$$\frac{4}{2} = 2 \quad \frac{12}{4} = 3$$

#### 3. Add two 24 soft toys. One third of them are green. How many?

$$24 \div 3 = 8$$

5/6 Talevski - Fractions & Decimals



5/6 Talevski - Historical Narratives on Eureka Stockade

# Remote Learning 6.0

## With 3/ 4 Roe

### Our Reflections of our time in lockdown

Mary I like remote learning because sometimes I get to finish my work early and have free time.



Addison You can eat whenever you want.



Koen Just because there is a huge virus we don't have to stop learning.

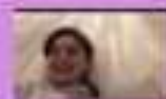


Cadin There is not as many people at school and it is not as crowded.

Georgia During remote learning we get to see our families all day.



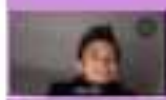
Rose We get to see our friends on WebEx because we can't go out, we can see people online.



Lily I like being at home with my family and go on bike rides and play the Nintendo Switch.



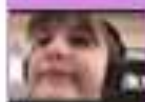
Jacob I like we are at home and our families can help us. We have the opportunity to do our work.



Billie I like to play with my baby brother and playing Mario Kart on the Nintendo Switch.



Aleks I like it because I don't have to do work the whole entire day.





**Ryan** You get to talk to your friends on WebEx before you start the class.



**Emma** After I do my work I get to exercise with my friends on a bike ride.



**Grace** it is quicker to do my work and it is quieter.



**Ryan** When I finished my work and I have free time and we get hard work.



**Jayvir** We can do our work at home even though the virus is here.

**Ryder** I get to sleep in rather than get up earlier.



**Elijah** I don't have to go outside to play after work.

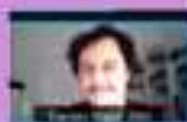


**Neema** I like to learn new things on remote learning and meet our friends on WebEx.

**Chloe** I get to stay home and have breaks when I want. I love the time I spend with my family.

**Gabby** In remote learning I like learning my times tables.

**Mr Major** likes how everyone can work at their own pace.



**Ms Cassar** Coming into school to support the kids in small groups.

**Mrs Roe** The amazing effort and interactions all the children showed towards their learning. Attending our 2 daily WebEx sessions and participating each day in their Literacy and Math Group. It was a delight to see their smiles and how they supported each other during discussions





# GREEN AND GOLD DAY AT EXFORD



On Thursday the 5th of August, students got into the Olympic Spirit by dressing in their very best Green and Gold!

Students participated in some novelty races at lunchtime ran by Mr Young and the Grade 5/6 Sports Ambassadors! It was a fantastic day to celebrate the Olympics









Victorian  
premiers'  
reading  
challenge



# OPEN UP A NEW WORLD

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



To register, visit [education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://education.vic.gov.au/prc)







Junior registrations are now open for  
Season 21/22

Join the EAGLES NEST as we fly into our very  
own true home ground in Eynesbury!

U11, U13, U15 & U17

Register online at [playcricket.com.au](https://playcricket.com.au)  
Search for Eynesbury Cricket Club

Get in quick as cricket season is just around  
the corner!