



Exford Primary School

Where Children Count!
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At Exford, these qualities are really important:

Respect **Kindness** **Personal Best**

... 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 2018 No.13 (Term 3, 2018) Thursday 2 August 2018

You are represented on School Council by:

Parents: Adele (Olivia & Alexander), Amanda (Caitlyn, Ava & Hayley), Belinda (Nicholas and Kade), Jackie (Claire), Jenny (Aimee), Sarah (Lily and Oscar), Sharon (Charlie & Archie) and Susan (Jessica).

Community Representatives: Graham

Staff: Ms Campo, Mrs Farrugia, Mr Jenner, Mrs Talbot and Mr Wilson (non-voting member)

Follow this link to Exford's YouTube Channel
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRQsi70kyo0V7OFJsBcOF3w>

Ms Campo's News...

100 Days of School for our Preps

Our Preps had a great day on Tuesday with their 100 Days of School Celebrations! There were lots of little 5 year old grannies and grandpas hobbling about the school and some amazing costumes to cheer on our Preps. Cookies were baked in the shape of 100 and some amazing collections of 100 were shared in the classrooms.

Here is a photo of Grandpa McFarlane and Grandma Comer (aka Mr and Mrs Sausage!) who took over in Prep McFarlane for the day ...Ms Ciantar, Mrs Cassar and Ms Osborne were hardly recognisable either!



Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2018 Dates

Friday 3 August

Preps - Yoga Bubbles program

Tuesday 7 August

Year 5-6 Science Works Excursion

Friday 10 August

Preps - Yoga Bubbles program

Wed 15 and Thurs 16 August

MPSSA Athletics Carnival

Friday 17 August

Preps - Yoga Bubbles program
Year 1-2 Excursion to Sovereign Hill

Wed 22 - Fri 24 August

Year 3-4 Camp to Campaspe Downs

Friday 24 August

Preps - Yoga Bubbles program

Friday 7 September

Prep - Year 2 Sports Day @ EPS

Friday 24 August

Preps - Yoga Bubbles program
Parent Student Teacher Conferences

Monday 17 - Friday 21 August

Term 3 Planning Week
(Classes have all their specialist subjects on the same day to release teaching teams)

Tuesday 18 and Wed 19 Sept

Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp

Friday 21 September

Footy Colours Day - Assembly @ 9 am
Preps - Yoga Bubbles program

End of Term 3

Assembly @ 2:10 pm

2:30 pm - Early Dismissal

(Eynesbury Buses from 2:30 pm)

Monday 8 October

Term 4 begins for students and staff

Enrolments

We ask that our families who have little brothers or sisters beginning Prep for 2019 return an enrolment form - we sent home forms a little while back. If you know of families who intend to enrol their children at Exford, we ask that you encourage them to do so promptly.

As well as being able to plan for our new and existing students in 2019 and 2020, we would like to have clear enrolment data to use in our continued campaigning for better facilities. At this stage, the Eynesbury Station PS remains unfunded (e.g. construction funds) and is therefore not going to open in 2020 as earlier thought.

If you have a younger child due to begin school in 2020, it would help to have their enrolment forms as well so that we can demonstrate that we will need more buildings and that DET need to act quickly to remove Mod 5 classrooms and replace them with Mod 10 (2 storey) classrooms, for example.

The Department will be looking very closely at our 2019 enrolment projection figures which we will need to supply in August 2018.

Staff selection

We have completed our third selection process and Mrs Donnelly was the successful applicant and will continue with Year 3-4 Lynch for the remainder of the 2018 school year, covering Ms Lynch's leave.

Shadow Minister Tim Smith

The Shadow Minister for Education, Tim Smith, was due for a visit today but was an apology due to being unwell. We are hoping for a rescheduled visit in the next month or two.

Term 3 dates!

There are lots of exciting events at Exford this term for our students - here is a list for you:

- **Fridays in Term 3**- Yoga Bubbles program for the Prep students
- **Tuesday 7 August** - Year 5-6 Science Works Excursion
- **Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 August** - MPSSA Athletics Carnival for Year 5-6 kids
- **Friday 17 August** - Year 1-2 Sovereign Hill Excursion
- **Wednesday 22 - Friday 24 August** - Year 3-4 Campaspe Downs Camp
- **Tuesday 11 and Thursday 13 September** - Parent Student Teacher Conferences (we will let you know when the bookings website opens)
- **Friday 7 September** - Year Prep - 2 Sports Day (@ Exford)
- **Tuesday 18 - Wednesday 19 September** - Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp
- **Friday 21 September** - Footy Colours Day (Assembly @ 9 am)

Morning arrival times

Please be aware that children **cannot** be left at school before 8:30 am which is the time that Yard Duty starts. If staff are here at school (teachers technically are on duty at 8:45 am), they are here conscientiously preparing for their classes and taking care of children whose parents have appointments is not possible. You are welcome to use OSH Club on a casual basis for the one-offs where you need morning care.

Please remember that Public Transport Victoria has only allowed us to have the two buses, but does permit them to do two runs each (morning and afternoon) to give all the kids a bus place. The Eynesbury buses sometimes arrive a bit earlier and I start my Yard Duty a bit earlier to accommodate this (thereby fitting in 2 bus runs by 8:50 am). This means the school provides morning and afternoon Yard Duty supervision well above what is required for schools to provide - therefore **no child should be dropped off at school by their families before 8:30 am.**

2018 Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

From the Fact Sheet sent out on FlexiBuzz on 30 July.

What is the NCCD?

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the national data collection) is an annual collection that counts the number of school students receiving an adjustment due to disability and the level of adjustment they are receiving to access education on the same basis as other students. Each of the included students has been identified by a school team as receiving a reasonable adjustment to address a disability under the [Disability Discrimination Act 1992](#) (the Act) (www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00339).

Why is this data being collected?

All schools across Australia collect information about students with disability. However, until recently, the type of information collected has varied between each state and territory and across government, Catholic and independent school sectors. The national data collection ensures that, for the first time, information about students with disability is transparent, consistent and reliable at a national level.

From 2018, the student with disability loading provided by the Australian Government is based on the national data collection. Funding is being provided via a loading at different rates based on students' received level of adjustment (supplementary, substantial or extensive). This will enable funding to be better targeted to student need as identified through the collection. Schools will continue to manage their total resources to meet the learning needs of their students based on the educational expertise of their staff.

Better information about school students with disability helps parents, carers, teachers, principals, education authorities and government to gain a more complete understanding of students who are receiving adjustments because of disability and how to best support them to take part in schooling on the same basis as other students.

Please contact Ms Campo if you have any questions.

Attendance ... Every Day Counts

A reminder that family holidays should be taken during school holidays wherever possible and **not during term time**. When children miss out on learning due to prolonged absence (e.g. a holiday in school time), it is very difficult to catch them up - they often miss entire units of class work.

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.

Did you know that:

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.

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.

Fundraising News

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



Our 2018 target is...

\$18,000 ~ \$25,000.

Our Tally so far...

\$4,562.32

Fundraising this term

Labels

We will have a labels fundraising activity as well - that way all these lovely beanies and scarves can be labelled easily!

<https://www.thatsmine.com.au/fundraising-with-thats-mine-labels/>

Fundraising in Term 3

Tony's Pies

Thank you to our families who placed a Tony's Pies order and we will confirm the August 7 delivery for you - a reminder that you will need to pick up the orders on the day of delivery as we don't have the fridge space to store any orders for you. We will provide the fundraising figure in the next newsletter. If you are able to help on August 7 to sort the pies and get them ready for collection, we'd love to hear from you.

Beanies and Scarves Fundraiser

Thank you to all the families and staff who ordered Exford Beanies and Scarves. Don't the kids look cozy and stylish in their beanies and scarves!

Happy Birthdays!!



To our students who celebrated their birthdays - 2 - 15 August

Tyler H, Olivia H, Ridley, Will H, Noah M, Noah P, Trinity, Connor O'B, Sophie S, Emilia, Oscar C, Symone, Sienna B, Amelia P and Maya.



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 birthday cup-cakes are always welcome! We also love for birthday children to visit us in the Office for a sticker and birthday song (and a photo for Seesaw!).

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.

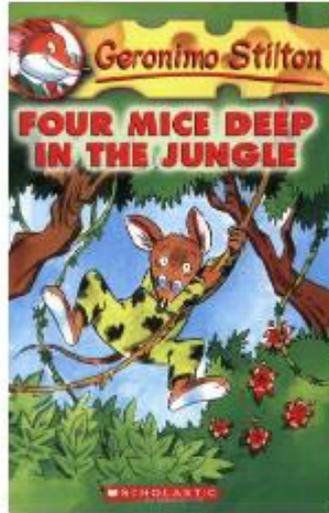
Hope you enjoy reading our newsletter!

Please see the pages from -

- Mrs Ambrose and Year 1-2 Ambrose
- Ms Graham and Year 6 OMG
- Ms McFarlane and Year Prep McFarlane



Ms Campo



GERONIMO STILTON IN 1/2 AMBROSE

We have been reading Geronimo Stilton 'Four Mice In the Jungle' and learning to ask questions before, during and after reading.

We use the question starters such as WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY, HOW and think about the questions we have about Geronimo and his adventures.

Geronimo was afraid to leave his mouse hole and that's when Thea and Trap put him on a plane all the way to the jungle. He was forced to eat bug soup, climb trees as high as skyscrapers, swim in raging rivers and even wrangle snakes! How would a mouse like Geronimo survive?

RYLAN-Why is Geronimo scared of everything?

ZAC-What will happen when Geronimo goes to the jungle?

CASIE- How will Trap trick Geronimo to leave his room?



SUMMER-Why did they go to the airport?



BLAKE-Why was Trap racing through the airport?

LACHI-What will happen after he signs the form?

SOPHIE- What is PP planning for Geronimo?



ELLA F- Will he complete the course in the jungle?

ROSE- Why did they build a treehouse?



JASPER- Will Geronimo fall from the treehouse?



ELLA B- What is the strange noise coming from the tree?



MEHMA- Will the scorpion bite him?

RIDLEY- Why did they leave Geronimo all alone in the forest?

RHIANNA- Will Geronimo learn how to use a compass and find his way back?



MADELYN- Will they see the camp from the top of the tree?

JAMES- How will Geronimo get out of the deep hole?

CONNOR- Why did Geronimo trick Penelope?



NATE- How did Geronimo feel when the spider was on his nose?

LILY- Is the spider dead?



SLATER- Is the snake a real snake?

CASIE- Did Geronimo have fun in the jungle?



CHLOE- Will he end up being brave?



OLIVIA-What is Geronimo's favourite sandwich?

ELISE-Will the snake bite Geronimo?

SARAH- How will Geronimo feel when he goes back to his family?



In 6OMG we have been developing our **Growth Mindset**, learning the **7 HABITS FOR HAPPY KIDS** and speaking to **SPORTING LEADERS** to help us find the **LEADER IN US!**



**LEADERSHIP HABIT 1:
BE PROACTIVE**

- I'm In charge of me
- I am a responsible person
- I take initiative
- I choose my actions, attitude and moods
- I do the right thing, even when no ones watching

**LEADERSHIP HABIT 2:
BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND**

- I have a plan
- I set goals
- I do things that have meaning
- I am an important part of my classroom and school

**LEADERSHIP HABIT 3:
PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST**

- I work first then play
- I spend time on things that are the most important
- I set priorities and follow my plan

**LEADERSHIP HABIT 4:
THINK WIN-WIN**

- Everyone can win
- I balance between what I want and who others want
- When a conflict arises I look for win-win solutions





**LEADERSHIP HABIT 5:
SEEK FIRST TO UNDERSTAND THEM TO
BE UNDERSTOOD**

- I listen before I speak
- I listen to other peoples Ideas and feelings
- I try to see things from their paradigm
- I listen without interrupting



LEADERSHIP HABIT 6:

SYNERGISE!

- Together is better
- I value other people's strengths
- I learn from others
- I get along with others, even if they're different than me
- I seek out other people's ideas



LEADERSHIP HABIT 7:

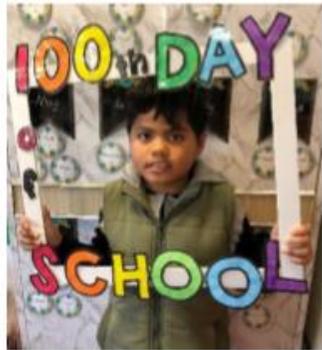
SHARPEN THE SAW

- Balance feels best
- I eat right, exercise and get enough sleep (body)
- I learn in lots of ways and lots of places (brain)
- I spend time with my family and friends (heart)
- I find ways to help others (soul)



Prep M Celebrate...

100 Days of School!



'I wish I had 100...'

'I wish I had 100 Easter eggs' – Xavier

'I wish I had 100 lolly pops' – Lani

'I wish I had 100 Shopkins' – Addison

'I wish I had 100 puppies' – Havana

'I wish I had 100 sandwiches' – Nixon

'I wish I had 100 M&Ms' – Emily

'I wish I had 100 chocolates' – Paige

'I wish I had 100 elephants' – Lenie-Rose

'I wish I had 100 puppies' – Noah

'I wish I had 100 LOLs' – Pearl

'I wish I had 100 LOLs' – Avah

'I wish I had 100 puppies' – Harper

'I wish I had 100 Power Rangers' – Blake

'I wish I had 100 gummy bears' – Eddie

'I wish I had 100 puppies' – Kai

'I wish I had 100 LOLs' – Olivia

'I wish I had 100 toys' – AJ

'I wish I had 100 T-Rex dinosaurs' – Toby

'I wish I had 100 lolly pops' – Ethan

'I wish I had 100 water balloons' – Nathan

'I wish I had 100 powers' – Millie





Look for the Orange dot in our School Library for books included in the Challenge.

Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is BACK at EXFORD PS

The Victorian Premiers' 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 7 September 2018.

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 students will have received their login username and password this week from their classroom teacher. These login details are used to log the books your child has read. To make this easier, I have attached QR codes below, (using a QR Reading App – Android or Apple device) you can quickly view the **Student Login Page** and **Challenge Booklists**. *These QR codes can also be found in every classroom, the library and at the display board at the front of the school.*

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll. If you would like your child's name to appear on the Honour Roll, please request a form via email (jenner.nathan.n@edumail.vic.gov.au) and I will send one home with your child.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Mr Jenner
Leading Teacher – Educational Leader



 QR CODE	 QR CODE	 QR CODE	 QR CODE
			
Student Log in	Challenge Picture Booklist	Challenge Chapter Booklist 1	Challenge Chapter Booklist 2



Rules for Student Challengers

1. Keep a record of your reading on the Premier's Reading Challenge website, using your login information provided by your child's teacher.
2. You must be a student in a year level from Prep to Year 10. You can be learning at a school or learning at home.
3. Between March and closing date of the challenge:

If you are in:	You must read:	Number from the Challenge Book list:
Prep	30 books	20 or more
Year 1	30 books	20 or more
Year 2	30 books	20 or more
Year 3	15 books	10 or more
Year 4	15 books	10 or more
Year 5	15 books	10 or more
Year 6	15 books	10 or more
Year 7	15 books	10 or more
Year 8	15 books	10 or more
Year 9	15 books	10 or more
Year 10	15 books	5 or more

4. If you are in Prep, Year 1 or Year 2 you can read books by yourself or with someone else, for example, a parent, teacher, brother or sister, classmate, buddy or friend. They can help you or read the book to you if you are just learning to read.
5. Your online books must be verified as read by a Coordinator/Teacher in your school.
6. All your information must be completed online before the closing date (September 7th) of the challenge.

OSH Club News

Before School / After School Care Program



Program Update

This week at OSH we have been learning through cooking. We have cooked our afternoon tea each day. The children have showed great skills in the kitchen, cooking mini quiches, carrot cake, vegemite scrolls, apple slice and pea and corn fritters. The children have really loved learning all about the nutritional information with these recipes and knowing where all their food at OSH comes from.

Bec also taught the children a card game called 'Spit', this has definitely been the activity of the week with children even roping their families in on the game both at home and at OSH. Each session, the children challenge their peers until there is one winner for the session, then challenge Bec as she is the OSH champion. We are hoping to run a huge tournament over the next couple of weeks, with one winner being crowned the OSH 'Spit' champion.

Bec and Sharyn

Friendly reminders:

PLEASE ensure that if your child/ren are booked into OSH Club that they are NOT booked on the School bus. If your child does not know / remember to go to OSH Club, they may end up leaving the school on the bus.

If your child is due to be absent or needs to be booked in on late notice (less than 24 hours) please ensure you call and leave a message to ensure we have adequate staffing - although this is only for emergencies. Please make the bookings online as much as possible.

Please keep the enrolment form updated all the time. If you want someone other than yourself picking up your child, please add them to the emergency list or provide us with a written request.

Thankyou from the OSH Club Team!



Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0419 207 638

Co-ordinator: Sharon Assistant: Rebecca OSH Club Head Office: 03 8564-9000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Co-ordinator direct at the program.

IT'S
SHOPPING
TIME!



JOIN US

for a wonderful day of great
bargains and lots of fun.

SHOPPING TOUR FUNDRAISER

SHOP AT FACTORY WAREHOUSE SALE PRICES

Women's and children's fashion,
cosmetics, homewares, toys,
books, sporting wear etc.

WHEN: Saturday 20th October 2018

Departing approx. 7.30am from Woodgrove Carpark
near Medicare.

Returning to Melton approx. 6pm

COST:

\$50 each

**\$25 cash deposit required by 23rd August –
payable to the Office**

Lunch is at your own cost (a selection of Foodcourt outlets)

Any questions or to book your spot please email Jacki at
jacanddan@bigpond.com

Using FlexiBuzz - Exford's school app!!

Please come and see us if you need help with setting your Tiq Biz up.

STEP 1 – Download FlexiBuzz app from the App Store

STEP 2 – Search for Exford Primary School

STEP 3 – Tap School logo on home page to bring up Diagram 1

Please note: To access Eynesbury bus, uniforms and interviews buttons, slide area (to left) under logo where Absence, Canteen and Contact are visible (next to Calendar).

STEP 4 – Tap dashes (top right corner) as shown in Diagram 1 to show boxes as Diagram 2.

(When you can see the word 'Add', you need to **add** your choices.)

STEP 5 – Select your child/ren's classes **and** Eynesbury if your child/ren catch the bus as shown in Diagram 3.

(When you can see the word 'Remove', you have **made** your choices.)

Diagram 1

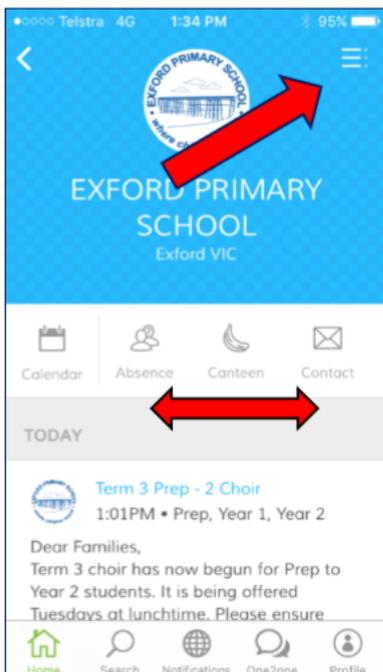


Diagram 2

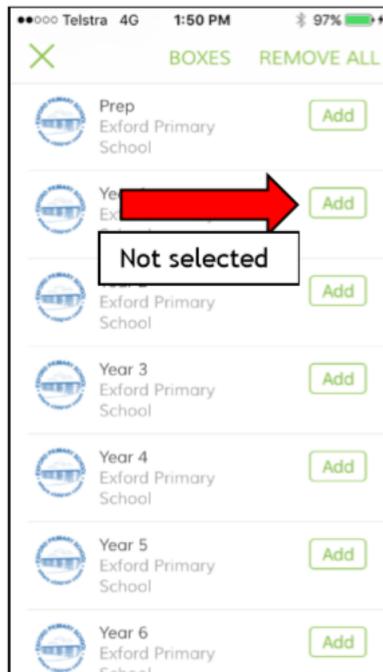
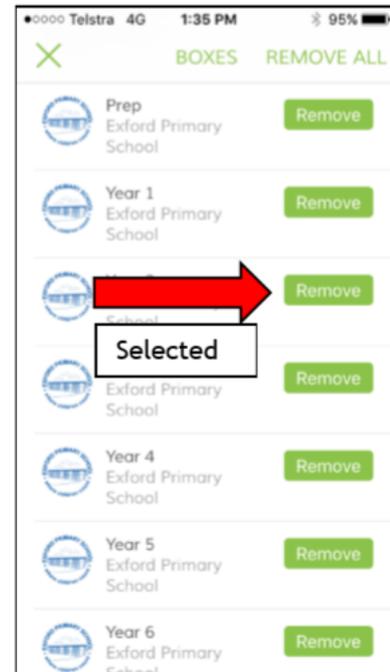


Diagram 3



Stay in touch with FlexiBuzz

**STEP
01**

Sign up for FlexiBuzz and then login



Search "FlexiBuzz" in your app store.



Go to web.flexibuzz.com and click "Sign Up".

**STEP
02**

Connect to us



Select the 'Search' icon and type in our name. Select us from the results.

**STEP
03**

Select your communication groups



Click the 'Add' icon beside the communication groups that apply to you.

**STEP
04**

Get started



Click the 'Home' icon to view our recent posts.

For further information or assistance please visit our website www.flexibuzz.com or email us via support@flexibuzz.com.

FlexiBuzz





Melton

***FREE* - Father & Kids Night**
Thursday 30th August 6-8pm



***FREE* – Kids D.I.Y. workshops,**



**including Ryobi helping to build a truck with
Dad & the kids**

***FREE* – Photo Booth & Fairy Floss**

***FREE* – Sausage Sizzle cooked by
Bacchus Marsh Model Aircraft Association**

Bloom – *FREE* hearing test

**Melton City Council Pop Up Display – they
will be giving away *FREE* Local Coupons**

Please Book in at the Service Desk

Or call - 03 9971 0300

Or email – MeltonWHAO@bunnings.com.au