



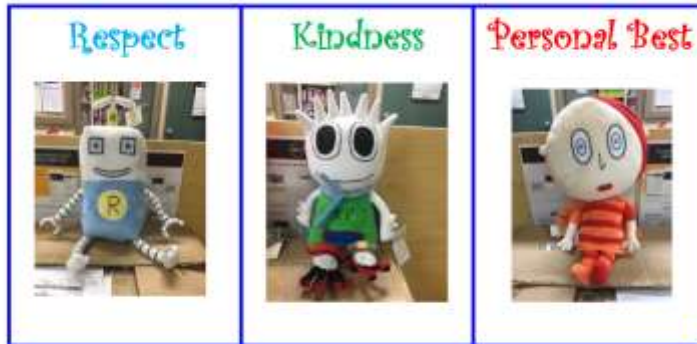
Exford Primary School

Where Children Count!
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.14 (Term 3, 2021) Thursday 26 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

Remote and Flexible Learning arrangements will continue until Thursday 2 September ... at this stage.

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. We do look forward to the day when we can all come back to school. As always, please reach out to us if you need a helping hand.

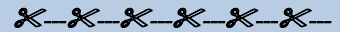
School Camps

Our Year 2 Lady Northcote and Year 3-4 Phillip Island Camps are still tentative, pending any further announcements from the Premier. When we have more information, we will let you know.

Pupil Free Day No 4

We have one more Pupil Free Day left for 2021 and as we discussed at last week's School Council meeting, we plan to hold it whilst the children are still engaged in Remote Learning, rather than hold the day once the children return to school. We will announce the date next week, pending any further announcements from the Premier re the Lockdown ending / extending. There will still be onsite supervision for the children attending.

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2021 Dates **Term 3**

Thursday 2 September

MPSSA - Yr 5 - 6 Basketball - to be rescheduled

Wednesday 8 - Thursday 9 September

Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp - TBC

Friday 10 September

Year 5-6 Swimming & Water Safety Program - TBC

Monday 13 - Wednesday 15 September

Year 3 - 4 Phillip Island Camp - TBC

Monday 13 - Thursday 16 September

Year 5-6 Swimming & Water Safety Program TBC

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 Group 1 - Athletics Carnival -

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.

If you have received your Prep child's enrolment form already, we'd appreciate your sending it back so that Mrs Kelly in the Office can process it for you - please note that she is not able to process enrolments without the birth 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 have now set up our 2022 Preps journal in Seesaw and will begin to send out information for you.

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?

Strathtulloh PS is now advertising for their staff, so it's important to let them know if your child will be transferring there, so that they can be included in the numbers. They had 300 enrolments confirmed in early August and these numbers are growing as families enrol.

Equally, if your child will not be at Exford PS next year, we also need to know not to include them in our enrolment count. All children who are currently enrolled at Exford PS are entitled to remain at our school and little brothers and sisters are also able to enrol.

Book Club



In response to the current lockdowns, Book Club have temporarily added the option for parents to have their orders sent directly to their homes.

To view issue 6, please click on the following link:

<https://scholastic.com.au/media/6421/bc621web.pdf>

Office News

Father's Day Stall

We had our Father's Day Stall all ready to go, but will need to cancel the activity due to being in Lockdown. We are disappointed not to be able to run this much loved activity for our kids.

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.

We can no longer process any applications for 2021.

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.

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 - 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 - canceled for 2021 ☹️
- Term 4 - End of year Raffle and Christmas Concert BBQ - TBC

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 13 - 26 August 2021

Kallan, Aria R, Ayanna, Minnie, Sumair, Uvraj, Ava M, Ashlyn, Ryan B.P, Anshpreet, Daniel A, Ryder C, Amy, Taela and Marcus.



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:

- Remote Learning Roundup
- Construction update

☺️ Ms Campo

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



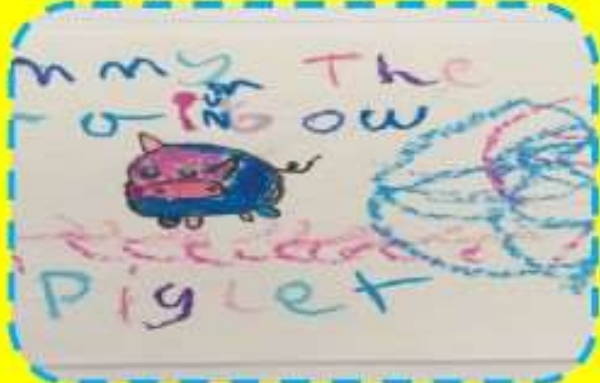
Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week Certificates for **Week 5** and **Week 6**

	Week 5		Week 6	
	Student	Exford Value	Student	Exford Value
Prep Monagle				
Prep Smyth				
1 / 2 Ambrose				
1 / 2 Higgins				
1 / 2 Jenner				
1 / 2 Parker				
3 / 4 Gashi				
3 / 4 Roe				
3 / 4 Patty				
4 / 5 Mounsey				
5 / 6 Gundry				
5 / 6 Mastrop				
5 / 6 Talevski				
The Arts				
Physical Education				
French				
OSH Club				

No Student of the Week

Week 5 & 6

Due to Remote Learning

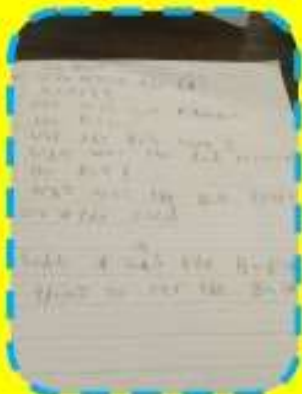


REMOTE LEARNING ROUNDUP

Beginning Middle End



Year 2 activities
Make these times on the clocks.



GRADE 3 TASK

TO DO:
Add up the dollar and cents and write down how much money there is in each row. Remember to use the \$ symbol.

\$14.15c



REMOTE LEARNING

ROUNDUP



Things are starting to take shape



HOME DELIVERY NOW AVAILABLE

ISSUE 6 ONLINE NOW



Book Club is open and home delivery is available!

In response to the current lockdowns, we have added the temporary option for all parents to have their orders sent directly to their homes. This option will enable them to place and receive orders while their children are undertaking schooling at home.

- When parents place their Issue 6 Book Club orders, they'll have the option to select **home delivery** or **school delivery** if you have Book Club opened—if not, the default will be home delivery.
 - The home delivery option will automatically be added to schools in the lockdown area.
 - The home delivery option can be selected by parents at the time of ordering for \$7.50
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Victorian
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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





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
Search for Eynesbury Cricket Club

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