

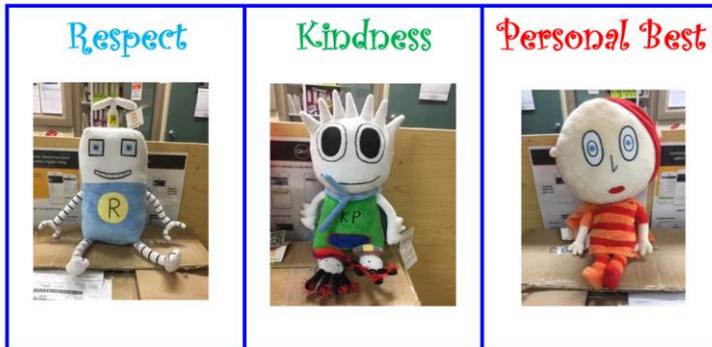


Exford Primary School

Where Children Count!
www.exfordps.vic.edu.au



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 2019 No.16 (Term 3, 2019) Thursday 12 September 2019

You are represented on School Council by:

Parents: Amanda (Caitlyn, Ava & Hayley), Belinda (Nicholas), Emma (Ella and Maddie), Jackie (Claire), Michael (Eamonn), Sarah (Lily and Oscar), Sharon (Harry, Charlie & Archie) and Susan (Jessica).

Community Representatives: Graham

Staff: Ms Campo, Mrs Farrugia, Mr Jenner, Mrs Talbot

Visitors: Mr Wilson and Mrs Bennett (minutes-taker)

Assemblies -

- Mondays at 8:50 am - Welcome to the week - Acknowledgement of Country and the National Anthem
- Fridays at 3:10 pm - Celebrations - including Students of the Week

Ms Campo's News...

End of Term 3

Term 3 ends next week, with our Footy Colours Day to be held on Friday 20 September. There will be a special Footy themed lunch order which needed to be pre-ordered.

The children are encouraged to come in their favourite team colours and to bring a gold coin donation - see flier later in this newsletter. Families are welcome to join in the special Assembly - and you are welcome to wear your colours too!

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2019 Dates

Term 3

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Terms 2 & 3 - closes early November

Tuesday 10 and Thurs 12 Sept

Parent Student Teacher Conferences
from 3 - 6:30 pm

If you were unable to make a Parent-Student-Teacher Conference appointment with your child's teacher for any reason, please contact them to make an alternate appointment time.

Monday 16 - Wednesday 18 Sept

Year 3-4 Phillip Island Camp

Friday 20 September

End of Term 3

Footy Colours Day

Footy Lunch order Day - recess counter sales (orders closed this day - pre-ordered Footy lunches only)

2:10 pm - Assembly

2:30 pm - Dismissal

Monday 7 October

Staff only

(Final Pupil Free Day for 2019)

Tuesday 8 October

Term 4 starts for the students

Staffing News

Congratulations to Ms Jaclyn Littlewood who has been appointed as our new Learning Specialist Teacher. This is a new leadership position at our school for the 2020 school year.

Congratulations to Ms Lesley Bennett who has been appointed to the Business Manager position at Stevensville PS. This is a promotional position for her and has the added advantage of being just around the corner from her home. Ms Bennett is hoping to return to Exford for next week, the last week of term. She begins at Stevensville from the start of Term 4. We will advertise our Business Manager vacancy by the end of term.

Congratulations to Mrs Kim Scalzo who has been appointed as a new Education Support staff member, replacing Mrs Kelly Bissell. Mrs Scalzo begins with us on Monday 16 September.

Our School Upgrade - Stage 2

Our architects and the VSBA had their consultation day at our school yesterday, following on from our Book Week activities. They began with our parents at 11 am and then worked with our staff and student leaders throughout the day.

Thanks to these family members who were able to attend:

- Amy (Pearl and Hayden)
- Jacki (Claire)
- Joy (Candy, Aleks and Casie)
- Lorelle (Sophie, Ryan and Amelie)
- Pam (Jeremy and Rachel)
- Renee and Michael (Eamonn)
- Tania (Luisa)

The information our architects, the facilitator and the VSBA Project Manager will gather from these consultation sessions will inform our Master Planning stage.

We looked at plans of the school and were then able to think about what we would love to have at our school and how we could design our new school. The architect team will take away all the sketches and ideas to start to formulate our Master Plan.

2020 Enrolments

If you have a little one starting school next year, please collect an enrolment form from our school Office and return it promptly, along with the birth certificate (we can copy it for you). From Term 3, we begin our detailed planning for next year and having accurate enrolment numbers is always helpful - particularly with our school upgrade planning happening at the same time. I need to be negotiating with the Department about classrooms and I need accurate enrolment numbers to do this well.

Equally, if your family are moving homes or schools and the children won't be continuing at Exford, would you let me know in writing, please.

'No Hat, No Play.'

A reminder that the children will be required to wear their school hats when outside at recess and lunch times, PE lessons and any outdoor activities. It is still cool, however, UV levels rise from September and all children will be required to wear their hats. Friday Assemblies will move to the undercover area from September. Only our school broad-brimmed hat with the Exford logo can be worn. We encourage parents to supply their students with sunscreen to reapply before recess and lunch times.



Mobile Phones

A reminder that mobile phones are **not to be brought to school** by students unless parents have had a conversation about the circumstances where a mobile phone may be needed (e.g. after school sporting activities). In these circumstances, the phone must be left at the office and collected at the end of the day. Under no circumstances can children have mobile phones in the playground, nor may they take photos or videos of their peers. We have had conversations with our Year 5-6 students particularly to support their understanding of cyber safety and their digital presence (internet content can **never** be deleted!).

Upcoming events for our school

Term 3

- Monday 16 - Wednesday 18 Sept - Year 3-4 Phillip Island Camp
- Friday 20 Sept - **Footy Colours Day** - everyone comes in their footy colours - gold coin donation

Term 4

- Monday 7 October - **Pupil Free Day** No 4 (final) - staff attending professional learning
- Prep Camp activity - date TBC
- Wednesday 16 October - 2020 Preps Play Date (begins our Transition program)
- Tuesday 29 October - 2020 Preps Transition Visit No 1
- Tuesday 12 Nov - 2020 Preps - Transition Visit No 2
- Wed 13 Nov - Year 1 'Dinner and a Show' Evening
- Tuesday 26 November
 - 2020 Preps Transition Visit No 3
 - New Year 1-6 New kids - Transition Visit
- Tuesday 10 December
 - Year 6 secondary school Transition Day
 - 2020 Preps - meet their 2020 class and teacher
- Monday 16 December - 2020 classrooms moving day if needed
- Tuesday 17 December - 'Step-Up Day' - where the children meet 2020 class and teacher (including new Year 1-6 kids)
- Wednesday 18 December - Christmas Concert
- Year 6 Graduation Evening - Thursday 12 December -
- Thursday 19 December - Semester 2 reports sent home
- Friday 20 December - end of 2019 school year!

Attendance ... Every Day Counts

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.

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.

Fundraising News



Our 2019 target is...

\$18,000 - \$25,000.

Our Tally so far...

\$11,064.73

(Our Fundraising figure does not yet include Tony's Pies, Beans and Scarves or Prep-2 Sports Day BBQ.)

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 small and some, like our 'Athon' activity and our end of year Raffle and Christmas Concert BBQ, our major efforts.

Father's Day Stall Planning

Thank you to Chantelle (Candy, Aleks and Casie) and Bec (Eddie and Jai) for taking on the responsibility for organising our Father's Day Stall.

The Father's Day Stall was held on Wednesday 28 August in the Staff room.

Happy Birthdays!!



To our students who celebrated their birthdays from 13 - 27 September

Isla, I, Addisson Z, Jabez, Eva H, Xavier W, Chanelle D, Jessica E, Stella C, Selena, Zachary L, Asha, Leilani, Leo C, Max D,

Patrick M, Ella F, Catherine A, Tara G, Andrew C, Jack T and Issy I.



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.

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.

Please enjoy pages from some of our classes.

- Book Week photos
- Year 2 Camp photos

Hope you enjoy reading our newsletter!

☺ Ms Campo

Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp



'Mrs Micallef is taking a selfie!!!'
- Everyone in Group 1



First I didn't want to go on the flying fox but then I saw others go down and I went and it was soooo fun!! - Charlotte 1/2 M



I was a bit scared of the flying fox but it was so fun! - Ashton 1/2 M





Our group went on the flying fox first. It was so so fun. – Alexia 1/2 M



My favourite activities were the flying fox and the giant swing! – Tyson 1/2 M



After breakfast, we went to kitchen garden to make Pizza. I had pineapple and cheese on mine. – Caitlyn 1/2 M



One of the games we played during free time was Gaga. It was so much fun! – Liam 1/2 M





The activities we did were the flying fox, the giant swing, orienteering, initiatives and making pizzas. – Joy 1/2 M



We got to go on the giant swing. It was so fun and a little bit scary. – Adele 1/2 M



I was in a group for orienteering with Isaac, Samuel and Blake. We got to explore the camp with the yellow map and try to find a secret message. – Cadin 1/2 M



The next activity was orienteering. Me, Isaac, Cadin and Blake had a yellow map. We found 8 signs out of 15. – Samuel 1/2 M



My favourite activity was the gigantic swing. It was the best! – Blake 1/2 M



My favourite activities were the giant swing and the flying fox. – Isaac 1/2 M



On the giant swing, I was one of the only people to go all the way to the top. Which was pretty high. – Callum 1/2 M

Lady Northcote

~Year 2 Camp~

We got out bed read and went on the Giant Swing. I was so happy, it was amazing. Then Mr Jenner went on and he got a massive wedgie!
Emma Kirk



When I got to my cabin, I was so happy. I shared a room with Emily, Mary and Emma. I loved the giant swing.
Zoe Edering



Our first activity was the giant swing. I went halfway. The flying fox was very fast
Mary Broderick

I loved orienteering. We legit had free time! I went on the giant swing and I went so high. I loved the seesaw activity in initiatives.
Jesse Whitaker

I made pizza, I put cheese on it with tomato paste. I had fun in my cabin.
Jesse Bunce



We went on the giant swing. It was fantastic. I went really high. I was scared I was about to have a heart attack! We also made pizza. My pizza was a regular pizza. I had cheese and ham and tomato paste.
Harrison Craig

At camp I was so excited. The first activity was the giant swing, it so fun. I went so high, it gave me a SHOCK!
Kai Borg

The next day we had pancakes mmm... boy they were good! Then we had the flying fox. It was so high.
Thomas Kempinski



The Flying Fox was amazing and fast. The giant swing was amazing how high it was.
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At camp I shared a room with Emma, Zoe and Mary. We went on the Giant Swing! We went on the Flying Fox. I was not scared. IT WAS FUN!
Emily Wilcox



We went to the pizza making place. I made a pizza that looked like a fish. It had cheese and pineapple.
Ewan Charlton



The Giant Swing was not as bad as I thought it was going to be. In my cabin I had Thomas, Jesse and Jesse.
Patrick Moore



Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp 2019

Mrs Ambrose's Group



We had lots of fun at camp doing all the activities. By Aysha & Haylie



We cooked our pizzas in a wood fired oven. By Poppy and Jade.



We did team building and it was fun. We had to work together to get the seesaw to balance. By Zach



My class did pizza making. I did a love heart pizza. We got to eat it. It was delicious. By Sienna and Maci-Leigh.



We found a little hut made out of sticks. By Sophie & Ella



We went on the flying fox. Jimmy told us how to put on our harness. I went so fast. At the end you reach the tyre wall and your friends pull you in. By Caelan



We did orienteering and we used a map to look all around the camp for clues to solve a puzzle. By Annabella & Rose



We did initiatives and worked as a team to get across the stepping stones. By Chloe



We had lots of fun with our friends and making pizza. By Lily, Mikayla & Sophie



The Giant Swing was fantastic. We had to wear a helmet, a harness and some goggles. We all pulled the rope together to lift the person up into the air. Some kids went up very high. When you pulled the small cord, you flew through the air very fast. Woosh!



On Monday we went to Lady Northcote Camp. We travelled on a big bus for 20 minutes. We went down a windy road past lots of trees and farms. We saw a field of yellow canola flowers. When we were at camp we had the best time. We went on the flying fox. I was scared but when I went on it, it was fun. We also made pizza. I put cheese and pineapple on my pizza. It was delicious. I went on the giant swing. I was scared. We had lots of safety gear on. It was fun. By Caelan 1/2A

On Monday we went to Lady Northcote camp. When we got there we got all the luggage out of the bus and put it on the floor. Then we went to our rooms. I was with Aysha, Poppy and Haylie. We made our beds and then we did activities. We did orienteering and pizza making. Pizza making was fun. My favourite part of camp was the flying fox and the giant swing. By Jade 1/2A

CAMP REPORTS by 1/2A

At camp we went on the flying fox. It was really really fun. We also did the massive swing! I was in a cabin with Jade, Aysha and Haylie. By Poppy 1/2A

At camp I went in my cabin and opened my sleeping bag. I was on the bottom bunk. I went on the giant swing, I had to wear a helmet and a harness I felt happy. I had pancakes for breakfast. My favourite thing at camp was the flying fox. By Zach 1/2A

The first thing we did at camp was have some fruit and I had watermelon. My friends Aysha, Jade and Poppy were in the same room as me. In our first activity we had to balance the seesaw. It was called team work. We had a chicken wrap for lunch with carrot and beetroot. For dinner I had pasta and then ice cream with topping. Then we went for a night walk and we saw some birds in the tree. By Haylie 1/2A

It was awesome at camp, because we went on the flying fox and we went on the giant swing. I had to wear a harness and a helmet and goggles. You can go up as high as you want on the giant swing. Then we did orienteering. I slept in a cabin with Jade, Haylie and Poppy. The next day we did some more activities. I had toast for breakfast. Then later we had a burger for lunch and we watched the Lion King. By Aysha 1/2A



We're wearing our
FOOTY COLOURS

on: 20th September
(Last day of Term)



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EXCURSION

INCURSION

Monday 23 September

TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

IN-SERVICE

Grab your favourite bear and bring them along for a day of fun and games at today's Teddy Bear Picnic!

Join us for a picnic Lunch with our favourite teddies, Go on a bear hunt, and make bear treats.



Monday 30 September

CUTE CRAFTS AND CRAZY KITES

IN-SERVICE

Today's your chance to get crafty as we make some amazing kites and all kinds of colourful creations!



Tuesday 24 September

IN + \$17.00

BOOGIE WONDERLAND

INCURSION - SILENT PARTY DISCO 4 KIDS

Put on your silent disco headphones and rock it out in our silent disco party.



Tuesday 01 October

EX + \$37.00

BARNYARD BOOGIE

EXCURSION - BUNDOORA PARK FARM

Explore the bygone era as you take a tractor ride through the wildlife park and get up close to the animals at Coopers Settlement in Bundoora today



Wednesday 28 September

EX + \$37.00

FANTASTIC FAIRYTALES

EXCURSION - RABBIT HOLE PLAYCENTRE

Rabbit Hole will take you on a journey to wonderland, lets go on an adventure and let your imagination run wild as we explore the many different worlds of Rabbit Hole play centre. Remember your socks!



Wednesday 02 October

THE MAD SCIENTIST

IN-SERVICE

Mess up your hair and become a mad scientist for the day... with heaps of fun and fascinating experiments in store!



Arrive by 8:30am, don't forget your socks!

Thursday 26 September

FOOTY FEVER

IN-SERVICE

There are many different types of football! Which game will you learn more about today? Got a favourite team, why not wear your jersey! Lets get ready for the AFL Grand final! Which team do you want to win?



Thursday 03 October

IN + \$17.00

MUSICAL MADNESS

INCURSION - BEATS OF THE WORLD DRUMMING

Come on a fun, interactive and educational drumming adventure as we take the children on a magical journey around the globe. Children are given drums to play for the duration of the show and enjoy an energy packed rhythmical workshop!



Friday 27 September

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

SERVICE CLOSED



Friday 04 October

OUR KITCHEN RULES

IN-SERVICE

Cook up a storm in our kitchen today as you learn new recipes and participate in challenges. Work as a team to create the best recipe, try your luck at the ingredient wheel and cook the day away



Junior Adventures Group continues to pioneer the OSHC sector, building stronger communities and brighter futures for more than 70,000 children, 50,000 families and more than 450 schools across Australia.

Vacation Care

OSHClub
Before & After School Care



Our Values

- Considerate - Be there for others
- Passionate - Bring energy and determination
- Courageous - Challenge ourselves

The values we share guide our behaviour as we work towards our vision to **build brighter futures together.**

What we offer

- A healthy, safe, respectful and engaging environment
- Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends
- OSHClub endeavour to link each fun experience to key learning outcomes



We are a child safe organisation



What Does My Child Bring?

Please bring breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a refillable drink bottle. If bringing food please make sure it's nutritious and doesn't require heating or cooking.

Please be mindful of the planned incursion/excursion and ensure your children are dressed appropriately. Don't forget your sun smart hat, comfortable clothes, closed shoes and a drink bottle.

To avoid loss or disappointment, please leave your valuables, money and electronic toys (including tablets and smartphones) at home.



Healthy Eating

OSHClub follows the Australian dietary guidelines which can be found at <https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au>

Activity Changes

If an excursion or incursion (due to unforeseen circumstances) is cancelled, the activity will either be postponed or an alternative activity of equal value will be provided where possible.



Before making your booking & cancellations

All children must be enrolled with OSHClub prior to booking via oshclub.com.au. Bookings made within 5 days for a Vacation Care session will incur an extra charge of \$4.00 per day per child. 7 days notice is required for cancellation of a Vacation Care booking to ensure you will not incur out of pocket costs. Please note that bookings cannot be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the service directly, the Customer Service and Billing Team on 1300 395 735 or by emailing oshaccounts@junioradventuresgroup.com.au.

Child care subsidy

Our services are registered with Centrelink, so you will be able to claim Child Care Subsidy on your fees. For further information please visit <https://www.education.gov.au/new-child-care-package-frequently-asked-questions>.



Children with additional needs

We support all children including children with additional needs. If you would like to provide additional information about your child and his/her needs or require inclusion support funding, please contact us 6 weeks prior to program commencement on 0419 207 638 for staffing purposes.

Tuning Into Kids



A FREE parenting program full of handy hints and tips to improve communication and understanding between you and your child.

When: Thursday afternoon from
10 Oct - 14 Nov 2019

Where: Melton Health and
Community Services
195-209 Barries Road, Melton West

Time: 1.30pm-3.30pm

This program assists parents to:

- Be aware of and regulate their child's emotions
- Use their children's emotional experiences as an opportunity for closeness and teaching
- Help their children to problem solve and build self esteem
- Guide children's behaviour with appropriate limits

*To register call Sirisha and Laura on:
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