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Artist impression of our new school entry - ready 2022!

At Exford, these qualities are really important

Respect





... 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.18 (Term 4, 2021) Thursday 21 October 2021

You are represented on School Council by:

<u>Parents:</u> Amanda (Caitlyn), Cherry (Jaron), Joel (Gus), Naiomi (Kallan and Ashlyn), Rebecca (Hannah, Joshua and Thomas), Kylie (Peyton), Sharon (Charlie & Archie)

<u>Community Representatives:</u> Graham and Jacki (SC President)

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

Ms Campo's News...

Lockdown 6.0 - It was just LOVELY to greet our Prep students as they began their return to school on Monday 18 October. We greeted the Year 1-2s today with huge smiles all round and look forward to the return of our Year 5-6s tomorrow and our Year 3-4 children on Tuesday 26 Oct.

Please note that the Remote Learning program is \underline{not} offered on the days that the year levels are onsite.

Once we are all back onsite from Friday 5 November, <u>Remote Learning ends</u> <u>for all classes</u> (unless there is a medical exemption confirmed with the Principal).

As we look forward to Remote Learning ending, I would like to acknowledge the simply AMAZING effort of our Exford PS community - our kids for coping with a major change to the world they have known to date, to our families who have often juggled managing their own work lives as well as the family life and fitting in Remote Learning too, and to our extraordinary staff who have worked tirelessly to keep our kids engaged and connected.

It will be wonderful to have all our kids back on site and for things to slowly return to normal.

We will provide you with any updated information about our Staged Return as we receive it.

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2021 Dates

Term 4

Week 3

Monday 18 - Wednesday 20 Oct

Year Prep students at school

Thursday 21 - Friday 22 Oct

Year 1-2 students at school

Friday 22 Oct

Year 5-6 students at school

Week 4

Monday 25 - Wednesday 27 Oct

Year Prep students at school

Tuesday 26 - Wednesday 27 Oct

Year 3-4 students at school

Thursday 28 - Friday 29 Oct

Year 1-2 & 5-6 students at school

Week 5

Monday 1 & Wednesday 3 Nov

Year Prep students at school

Tuesday 2 November

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

(no school for anyone)

Wednesday 3 Nov

Year 3-4 students at school

Thursday 4

Year 1-2 & 5-6 students at school

Friday 5 Nov

All students return to school!



Week 6

From Monday 8 Nov

All students fulltime at school

Thursday 16 December

Reports sent home to Parents

Friday 17 December

Last Day of School

1:10 pm - Assembly

1:30 pm - Dismissal

1:30 pm - Buses Depart

Return to School Plan arrangements

From today, we will be able to use the side gates again and this will be the main entrance for our students arriving at school. We will return to the front gate entrance being only for OSH Club and Bus kids and staff arrivals and visitors to the Office.

Morning arrival time

- 8:50 am Front gate OSH and Bus Kids
- 8:50 am Side gate onto the oval Prep-2 students (and any older brothers and sisters)
- 9 am Side gate onto the oval Year 3-6 students (who don't have younger brothers and sisters)

Afternoon pickup time

- 3:20 pm Front gate OSH and Bus Kids
- 3:20 pm Side gate onto the oval Prep-2 students (and any older brothers and sisters)
- 3:30 pm Side gate onto the oval Year 3-6 students (who don't have younger brothers and sisters)

2022 Preps

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.

We have now set up our 2022 Preps journal in Seesaw and have begun to sending 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?

2022 Prep Parents Information Sessions

At this stage, we don't know when we can begin an onsite Transition program for next year's Preps - so we will begin with our Parent Info sessions online.

<u>Session 1</u> - Information about starting school (times, Book Packs, uniforms etc)

- Tuesday 26 October at 4 5 pm
- Wednesday 3 November at 12:30 pm (repeat of Session 1)

<u>Session 2</u> - Information about starting school and the classroom program - how school and home can work together

- Wednesday 3 November at 4 5 pm
- Tuesday 9 November at 12:30 pm (repeat of Session 2)

Please email the school to tell us which are your preferred session times for Session 1 and 2 - exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Thinking about next year

At our School Council meeting last night, we ratified our 2022 class structure and our term and Pupil Free Day dates.

<u>Here is our 2022 class structure</u> - please note that I have not yet matched teachers to classes.

- 2 x Year Prep classes * 4 x Year 1-2 classes
- 3 x Year 3-4 classes * 3 x Year 5-6 classes

Class Lists

Our preparation for next year's class groups is underway and the class groups are finalised before I will match our staff to their 2022 roles.

As always, we take great time to develop balanced class groups, which take many factors into account - including the children's educational, interpersonal and social needs and based on the needs of the whole school program. We will particularly mindful of friendship groups, given the departure of some students to their new school for 2021 and 2022.

Parents are always welcome to contact me in writing to share their thoughts about their child's educational needs with me - we will take parents' thoughts into consideration as part of our planning.

You can send me an email on exford.ps@education.vic.gov (or use the FlexiSchools 'Contact' tab, as a starting point. lask you to so by Friday 12 November 2022.

Here are our 2022 term dates

2022 School Dates

<u>Term 1</u> - Friday 28 January 2022 - Friday 8 April 2022 (10 week term)

- Pupil Free Day No 1 Friday 28 January
- Pupil Free Day No 2 Monday 31 January
- Year 1-6 students begin Tuesday 1 February
- Tuesday 1 Friday 4 February 4 days of Prepassessments
- Monday 7 February 2022 Preps begin 10 am -2:30 pm
- Tuesday 8 February 2022 Preps begin full time
- Labour Day Public Holiday Monday 14 March

<u>Term 2</u> - Tuesday 26 April 2022 - Friday 24 June 2022 (9 week term)

- Monday 25 April ANZAC Day
- Pupil Free Day No 3 Tuesday, 26 April 2022
- Wednesday 27 April 2022 Students start
- Monday 13 June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Term 3 - Monday 11 July 2022 - Friday 16 September (10 weeks)

- Pupil Free Day No 4 Monday, 11 July 2022 -
- Tuesday 12 July Students start

<u>Term 4</u> - Start of Term 4 Monday, 3 October 2022 - Tuesday 20 December 2022 (11 weeks)

• Tuesday 1 November - Melbourne Cup Day

School Upgrade works

Steve McGhie, our local Member of Parliament has released some new drone images of our school works - so exciting! Here are some photos (drone and Ms Campo's iPhone!) for you.



The builders have started on the slab preparation for the new Administration building (which will sit in front of the new Junior Learning Building.







SunSmart times ... No hat, no play!

A reminder that we are now in SunSmart season and children need to wear their Exford PS school hat daily for the recess and lunch breaks, PE lessons and any game times. Children without hats need to sit in the shade or on the stage.



New hats can be purchased only at school through our Uniform shop via our Office (no other hat can be worn).

We also encourage families to provide their children with sunscreen roll-on to keep in their school bag.

Office News

School Camps and Sporting activities

As you know, we are not able to proceed with our Camps or sporting activities and all have needed to be cancelled. Please contact Mrs Humplik in our office for the Camp or sporting activity payment refund - we would prefer not to hold payments over to cover next year's expenses. lisa.humplik@education.vic.gov.au

Lost Property

As we look forward to the children returning to school fulltime, can we ask you to check that all items of school clothing 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.

Book Club

Welcome to Term 4 and a special Home Edition of Book Club!

Please look out for your physical catalogues for a

BUMPER CHRISTMAS ISSUE 7 arriving once your school reopens.

In the meantime, while we are still schooling from home, we've created this **special digital catalogue** for parents to keep their children inspired to read



and learn—with 8 additional pages of fun Home Learning ideas and delivery available direct to the home!

bc-digital-issue-8 p3.pdf (scholastic.com.au)

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 - <u>EVERY</u> 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 7 - 21 October

Mehma, Grace, Olivia, Kailen, Maci-Leigh, Cooper, Avnoor, Riley, Inaaya, Jessie-Lee, Arya R and Tayte J



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.

Kope you enjoy reading our newsletter!

Including pages from:

What's been happening at Exford?



STUDENT OF THE WEEK







Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week

Certificates for Week 1 and Week 2

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1 / 2 Jenner	Uvraj	Personal Best	Natalia	Kindness
1 / 2 Parker	Gurshan	Personal Best	Seerat	Personal Best
3 / 4 Gashi	Ashton	Personal Best	Ava	Respect
3 / 4 Roe	Ryder	Personal Best	Lily	Personal Best
3 / 4 Patty	Elissia	Personal Best	Maison	Personal Best
4 / 5 Mounsey	Olivia	Personal Best	Levi	Personal Best
5 / 6 Gundry	Ishmeet	Personal Best	Violet	Personal Best
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5 / 6 Talevski	Joshua	Personal Best	_	-
The Arts	-	-	_	-
Physical Education	-	-	_	-
French	Maddie	Personal Best	-	-
OSH Club	-	-	-	-

FINANCIAL MATHS

Free Feedback for Jeremy

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Jeremy was able to add detail to his words and map.

What did you gov?

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Cheetah~

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Cheetah.

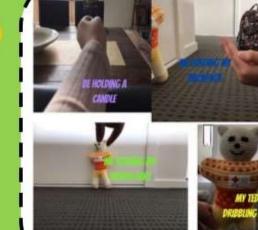
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Acinonyxjubatus (Scientific name for a cheetah)

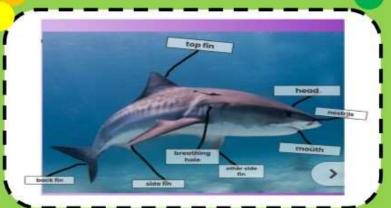
What's Been Happening...



Word Study



When we were walking in the outback, we stumbled across some brumbies!











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I made my sisters bed.









School

Social, happy

Learning, Teaching, studying

Teacher,principle,student,friends

Playing,preparing,reading

Funny, joyful

Class

Sharks "5 are known to be the most deadliest animals in the world. There has even been movies about them which is jaws 1 and jaws 2 to make people come across them as scary.

But actually most sharks are pretty friendly. The only reason they attack is because from above surface look like seals to which are 1 of sharks favourite food to

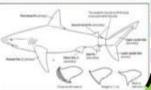
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You might think Sharks "5 live in the ocean & which is true but they live in rivers aquariums and even more. Sometimes sharks like to settle in shallow water < while others live in deep waters. Also sharks like hot A water but some like cold B to set the sharks like hot A water but some like cold B

oter fun facts

hammerhead sharks have a 360 degree vision Sharks don't have bones

there is literally thousands of shark species



Word Study

- brumbies

(in Australia) a wild or unbroken horse.

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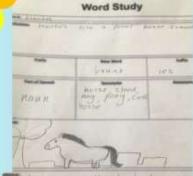
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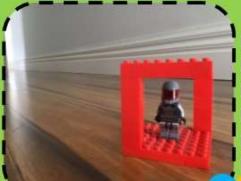
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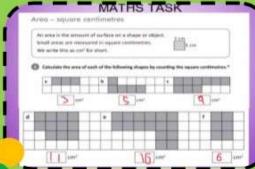
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Newsletter

Term 4 Week 3















What's been happening...

Over the last two weeks the children have been engaged in a number of group activities.

During Week 1 of the term the children enjoyed playing a Korean game called 'Ddakji', red light green light and creating their own version of another Korean game called 'Ppopgi', where they traced shapes into paper and removed them without causing any tears in the shape.

Week 2 saw us move on from these games and the children decided to make their own laser mazes in the room. The children communicated with each other as they shared ideas of how to create the best maze possible. It was great to see so many children getting involved in the creation of these mazes and share the space of the room.

We look forward to seeing everyone returning to school over the next few weeks and being able to share their time with us at OSHC.

On the 25th of October we will be starting new clubs for the children to enjoy. Join us by booking online for:

Mondays at ASC for Art Master Class 2.0

So, you loved the original Art Master Class, huh? Well, you better check out Part 2.0! Join us as we continue our journey through art history and take part in some hand on, messy and exciting artsy fun!

Tuesdays at BSC for Kids Kicking it: Wildlife Heroes

Become a Wildlife hero and let's help fight extinction of endangered animals! Help support Zoos Victoria by adopting an endangered species and create items for sale to fundraise to donate to our animal friends in need!

Wednesdays at ASC for Science Squad

Are you a mad scientist?? Join us as we explore the boundaries of science and create crazy reactions using our hands and our minds!

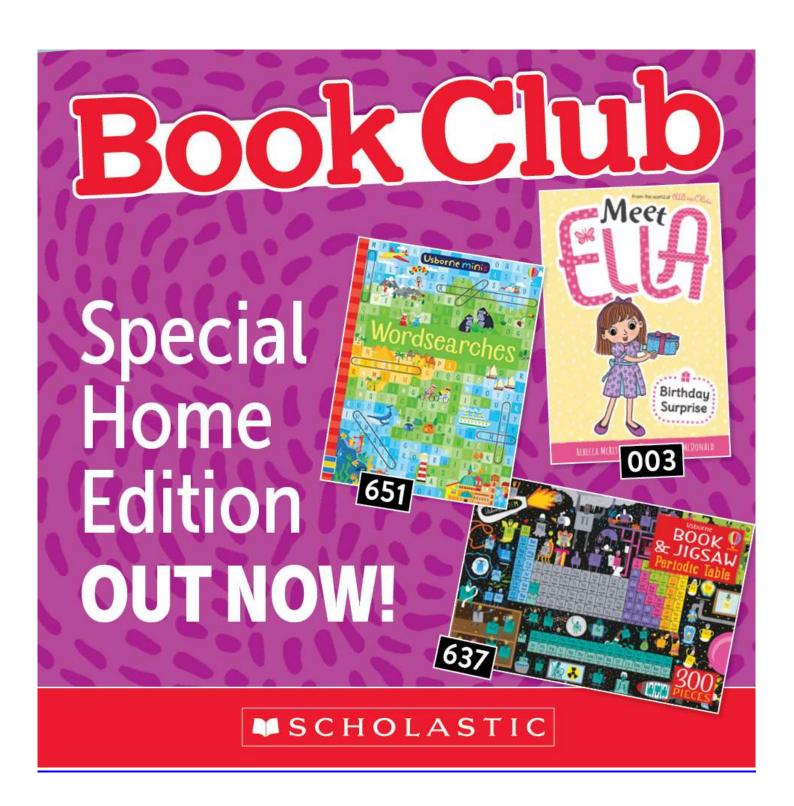
Thursdays at BSC for Sporting Superstars

Have you got what it takes to be the next Sporting Superstar? Learn the skills involved in different sports, such as Cricket, Soccer and Parkour!











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!

Ull, Ul3, Ul5 & Ul7 Register online at playcricket.com.au Search for Eynesbury Cricket Club

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





Under 15 Football







Do Not Miss Out

Eynesbury Eagles Want You

The Eynesbury Eagles FNC are looking for footballers for the upcoming 2022 season. We are looking for all players from Auskick, under 9s, Under 11s, Under 13s, Under 15s and anyone interested in playing senior football at any age for the first season at our brand new home ground in 2022.

https://www.eynesburyfnc.com.au/

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Brand New Football Oval & Netball Courts

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