



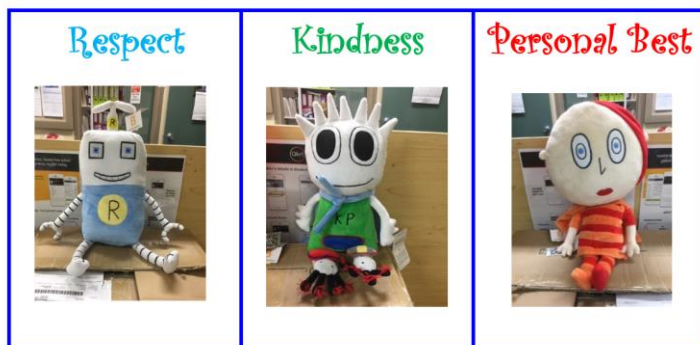
## Exford Primary School

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.22 (Term 4, 2021) Thursday 16 December 2021

You are represented on School Council by:

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

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

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

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

#### **Farewell to 2021!**

Here is the LAST newsletter for 2021. All our major end-of-year tasks are completed - Year Kinder-Prep transition, Year 6-7 Transition, next year's classes, Semester 2 reports, classroom moves and Year 6 Graduation, Sadly, tomorrow is the time for our goodbyes to students, families and staff. To the families who end their time with us this year, we wish you all the very best for this next stage in your children's lives and we hope that Exford stays with them forever!

#### **Friday 17 December ...last school day of 2021**

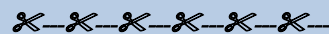
Tomorrow is the last day of school for 2021. We will have our final Assembly at 9 am, where we will re-present our Year 6 Exford Excellence Award, our graduating Year 6 students of 2021, present our Year 3 Melissa Gates award and our 98 + Attendance awards.

Families are welcome to attend, but must QR code in and we highly recommend wearing a face mask.

Dismissal will be at 1:30 pm and we ask that families arrive promptly to collect the children. Buses will start their homeward bus runs from 1:30 pm.

***Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and may 2022 bring us all much happiness and a 'normal' year!***

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



### **Dates to Remember:**

*Please add them to your calendar!*

## **2021 Dates**

### **Term 4**

#### **Thursday 16 December**

Reports sent home to Parents

#### **Friday 17 December**

Last Day of School

9 am - Assembly - Families welcome

#### **1:30 pm - Dismissal**

1:30 pm - Buses Depart

## **2022 School Year**

#### **Wednesday 9 January 2022**

**2022 Student Book Pack**

**orders due** (see page 3 of this newsletter)

#### **Friday 28 January 2022**

Day 1 of Term 1 for Staff only  
(Pupil Free Day No 1)

#### **Monday 31 January 2022**

Staff only  
(Pupil Free Day No 2)

#### **Tuesday 1 February 2022**

Day 1 of Term 1 for our  
Year 1-6 students

#### **Monday 7 February 2022**

Day 1 for our 2022 Prep  
students (10 am - 2:30 pm for  
Day 1 only)

#### **Tuesday 8 February 2022**

Preps begin full days - 8:50 am - 3:30  
pm

#### **Friday 11 February 2022**

Preps receive their Starting School  
certificate at Assembly

## Last school days of 2021

Student reports were sent home this afternoon, along with the Semester Two Attendance certificates. Due to the Department's guidelines, reports will include a curriculum description per subject and the progression point but will not have any general comments. The children's achievement slides will still be completed and will be uploaded to Seesaw by Friday 10 December.

## Year 6 Graduation

We had a lovely evening last night for our Year 6 Graduation and with the changes in rules, our parents were able to be on site to watch their Year 6 student as they were awarded their certificates.

Congratulations to Phoebe who was awarded the 2021 Exford Excellence award.



## Staff Farewells

Farewell to these staff members and we wish them all the best in their new roles:

- Mr Casey Young
- Mr Nathan Parker
- Mrs Theodora McGlade (we have been fortunate to have Mrs McGlade loaned to us this year as additional tutor time)

## Year 3-4 teacher

We now have a teacher vacancy in our Year 3-4 class as the successful applicant accepted another position. Mr Patty will delay his start in taking up the PE role so that the class will have a teacher that they know. Mr Patty will start the year with the class and when we are able to employ a replacement teacher, there will be a period of time where Mr Patty and the new teacher will work together to support the kids to be ready for the change-over.

## School Council members

We would like to thank our outgoing members of School Council for their commitment to our school. Despite the Lockdown, our School Council has continued to meet (remotely) and to focus on our school.

- Amanda - who has also been actively involved in our fundraising activities for many years (Caitlyn Year 6)
- Cherry (Jaron Year 6)
- Joel (Gus Year 6)
- Naomi (end of School Council tenure)
- Kylie (end of School Council tenure)
- Sharon (end of School Council tenure)
- Mrs Cassar and Ms Mastrop (staff (end of School Council tenure)

We will be calling for Parent and Staff nominations to elect new School Councillors in February.

## 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.

*Congratulations*

In the previous fortnight's newsletter, we featured a story about Maya and Ella who donated their hair which will be made into wigs for people undergoing cancer treatment. Last Friday afternoon, two certificates were dropped off personally by Steve McGhie, our local Member of Parliament, who'd read about the girls in our newsletter. What lovely recognition for these amazing acts of kindness!



# 2022 Student Book Packs

A reminder to families that the Student Book Packs need to be ordered by Wednesday 9 January in order for them to be delivered to school, ready for the children's school start.



## EXFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL BOOKLIST



Exford Primary School uses an **online only** ordering system for Book Packs with our stationery supplier Paperchase Office National.

There will be **NO** collection day at the school. Book packs will be delivered free of charge to the school for distribution to the students.

Only Complete Packs can be ordered through the Paperchase Booklist website, see below for details.

**Please place your order online no later than 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022 to guarantee free delivery to the school.**

Orders placed after the cutoff date may incur a \$5 late fee, and are not guaranteed to be delivered before the start of Term 1 2022.

Parents can contact the school office for assistance to place the book list order if they do not have any access to the internet at home.

### Online Ordering Procedure

1. Go to <http://booklist.paperchase.com.au>
2. ENTER THIS SCHOOL ACCESS CODE: **BTSEXP5**
3. Click 'Create Order', Enter students first and last name, choose year level from the drop-down list and follow the prompts to place your order.

Please check your E-mail for order receipt.

**PLEASE NOTE: All packs will be delivered to the school for distribution to students and therefore must be pre-paid.** Payment must be made during the online ordering process, by **Visa or Mastercard** (credit card or debit card accepted). ZIP Pay also available\*

\* ZIP - Interest free, nothing to pay upfront, flexible repayments. You will need an active Zip account. Conditions apply: <https://zip.co/create-an-account>

Payment will be processed at time of ordering.

If you elect not to purchase the booklist through Paperchase please ensure children come to school on the first day with the required materials.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office. If you are experiencing significant financial hardship please contact the school for an appointment to discuss payment options.

Paperchase Office National - Ph: 03 9034 3930 - [booklist@paperchase.com.au](mailto:booklist@paperchase.com.au) - <http://booklist.paperchase.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 - 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**



### Christmas Raffle Fundraiser



We have sent home our End of year Christmas Raffle tickets for you to sell (thank you to Maya who prepared all the tickets) to family and friends. If you need more, just let us know and we can send more home for you.

If you are interested in helping out with preparing the Raffle prize hampers, please contact Ms Campo or to Office through the FlexiSchools 'Contact the Principal' link.

### Happy Birthdays!!



*To our students who celebrated their birthdays 3 - 31 December.*

*Lachlan M, Kaleb, Kara, Georgia, Darcy, Noah N, Gurshan, Indianna, Lily, Serena, Ryan G, Lachlan B, Hayley, Abani, Phoebe, Emma, Tait, Nakita, Ayhan, Caitlyn, Marlee, Sienna P, Annika, Emmanuel, Talus, Sophie, Dawood, Ashton, Cadin, Damanveer, and Japreet.*



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:

- Year 6 Graduation
- Construction photo update
- Elf antics at Exford

☺ Ms Campo

# STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week Certificates for **Week 9** and **Week 10**

## Week 9

## Week 10

	<u>Student</u>	<u>Exford Value</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Exford Value</u>
Prep Monagle	Abani	Respect	Tanya	Kindness
Prep Smyth	Ibrahim	Respect	Nakita	Personal Best
1 / 2 Ambrose	Mason	Personal Best	Seana	Kindness
1 / 2 Higgins	Heera	Personal Best	Darcy	Kindness
1 / 2 Jenner	Uvraj	Personal Best	Talisha	Kindness
1 / 2 Parker	Edwin	Kindness	-	-
3 / 4 Gashi	Kailen	Kindness	Hannah	Personal Best
3 / 4 Roe	Mehma	Kindness	Addisson	Kindness
3 / 4 Patty	Anshpreet	Personal Best	Mohammad	Personal Best
4 / 5 Mounsey	Aritrika	Respect	Charlie	Personal Best
5 / 6 Gundry	Zane	Personal Best	Aydin	Respect
5 / 6 Mastrop	Anna	Kindness	Serena	Kindness
5 / 6 Talevski	Adrian	Kindness	Maarja	Respect
The Arts	Anmol	Personal Best	-	-
Physical Education	Seerat	Kindness	-	-
French	Jack T	Personal Best	Aritrika	Personal Best
OSH Club	-	-	-	-

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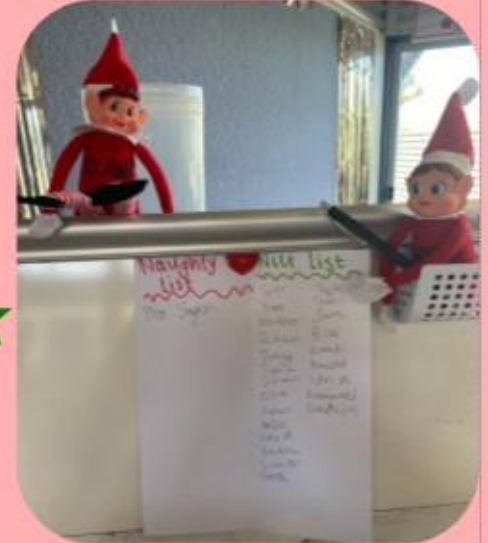
## **Construction continues on our Junior Learning Building**





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Libraries  
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# BIG Summer Read

**JOIN. BORROW. PLAY. WIN!**

**1 DECEMBER 2021 - 31 JANUARY 2022**

Download the **Beanstack Tracker** app,  
register to play at <https://plv.beanstack.org>  
or visit your local public library

MELTON  
CITY  
LIBRARIES



# EXCITING NEWS

## Teeth on Wheels are visiting next Term



**PAPER FREE FROM 2022- ONLINE FORMS ONLY**

At Teeth On Wheels, we provide the highest quality dental treatment while making it fun, positive and memorable for children.

With the help of the government your child might be eligible for **FREE** dental care.

Our dental services include:

- ✓ Check-ups
- ✓ Scale, Clean and Fluoride Treatments
- ✓ Fissure Sealants
- ✓ X-rays
- ✓ Fillings
- ✓ Extractions

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