

Exford Primary School

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Ms Campo's news....

Presenting our School Captains and Vice School Captains for 2023

We would like to proudly present our School and Vice School Captains for 2023!



From left – Aritrika (School Captain), Ashton (Vice School Captain), Lily (School Captain) and Isaac (Vice School Captain).

We congratulate Aritrika, Lily, Ashton and Isaac as our School and Vice School Captains for the 2023 school year. We also want to acknowledge all the Year 5-6 students who respect these coveted roles enough to prepare and present a speech for their Year 5-6 peers and staff. Some of our Year 6 students have chosen to have their speeches published later in this newsletter.

We will move into the selection process for our Year 5-6 School Ambassador roles through the next week.

2023 School Council

The nomination period for our 2023 -2024 School Council membership is now open. Parents /Guardians can nominate themselves or can be nominated by someone else (with their permission). Nomination forms are due to our school Office by 9 am on Monday 24 February. Depending on the number of nominations for the four (4) vacancies, an election may be required. Please check your child's Seesaw journal or FlexiSchools to see the information page and the nomination forms.

Coming up

- Tuesday 28 February
 - MPSSA Swimming Carnival – Year 3–6 students only (Invite only).
- Wednesday 1 & Thursday 2 March
 - **Term 1 Meet the Teacher- Parent Teacher Interviews.**
 - **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

Due to the Office

- CSEF – New applicants only
- Monday 27 February
 - Expression of interest form due back for Year 5-6 Camp.

*At Exford these qualities are really important:
and it's up to all of us to show them every day in everything
we say and everything we do!*



RESPECT



KINDNESS



PERSONAL BEST

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Car Park

Whilst we have more car parking spaces than most schools, our car park is still a very busy place at pick up and drop off times. We ask all families to drive courteously and treat each other with respect and patience. We ask that families **do not stop and drop**, please park safely before allowing children to exit the car.

Please note that all traffic and road rules apply in car parks as well, even school car parks.

This week, Mr Bowden will add more parking markers and spray paint the existing ones to make them more noticeable to help with more accurate parking. We are also using the Fire Services road for the bob-cat truck and trailer, which releases at least five car spaces.

Construction traffic will begin to get busier with deliveries of concrete loads, materials and pre-cast panels in the coming weeks. Our Project Manager will direct traffic on those occasions when deliveries may affect school traffic.

Please drive and park carefully and courteously.

Arrival time is 8:50 am

Please note that our teaching staff, including Mr Wilson and I, begin work at 8:50 am – ten minutes before class instruction begins. This is the start time for teaching staff, as laid out in our Victorian Government Schools Agreement. We open the school gates at 8:50 am and begin supervision at that time. Schools which have an earlier start time, will accept supervision at an earlier time (e.g. Strathtulloh PS begins at 8:15 am but then also finishes earlier as well.) Our teaching staff are often at school earlier than 8:50 am, but they are here on their own time to get ready for the day and should not be supervising children.

For families who need an earlier drop off, you are welcome to enrol your children into our **OSH Club** who offer a Before and After School Care program.

Classroom Helpers Program

We invite parents to become classroom Parent Helpers – helping with hearing reading and with small group activities in the classrooms. All Parent Helpers must have a valid Working with Children Check. We will provide a Classroom Helpers information session on Thursday 2 March at 9 am to give some guidance before you start.

If you are interested in being a Classroom Helper, would you contact Ms Campo and Ms Littlewood on exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Easter Bonnet Parade and Easter Raffle



It will be lovely to have a full Assembly for our Easter Bonnet Parade on the last day of Term 1 (Thursday 6 April).

During the next half of Term 1, we ask our families to donate Easter goodies for us to make Easter hampers as prizes for our Easter fundraiser.

If donations could be brought to the Office, please?

We will be sending the Easter raffle tickets home during the next week and more raffle ticket books will be available from our Office for you to sell to families, friends and work colleagues. All fundraising efforts go towards subsidising the iPad leases.

For the last week of Term 1, the Homework task across the classes is to design and create the Easter Bonnet creation to proudly wear at our Assembly on Thursday 6 April at 9 am – all families welcome – little brothers and sisters are also able to join in the Easter Bonnet Parade with their school siblings.



2023 dates to remember

Term 1

Monday 24 February – 9 am

- School Council nominations due

Tuesday 28 February

- MPSSA Swimming Carnival

Wednesday 1 and Thursday 2 March

- Term 1 Parent Teacher Interviews
- Bookings essential through School Interviews website

Thursday 2 March @ 9 am

- Classroom Helpers info session – bookings essential

Friday 10 March

- MPSSA Summer Lightning Cup (Year 5-6 students)
- Year 1-2 Ballarat Wildlife Park excursion

Monday 13 March

- Labour Day Public Holiday (no school)

Wednesday 15 March

- NAPLAN testing begins for Year 3 and Year 5 students

Friday 31 March

• **SCHOOL PHOTOS DAY**

- Students must be in full school uniform and will need to wear their windcheater or their bomber jacket in the photo (weather permitting, of course)
- Shoulder length hair must be neatly tied back as per our Uniform policy
- No jewellery, except for watches or small earrings, please

Thursday 6 April

- 9 am – Easter Bonnet Parade Assembly
- 2:30 pm Dismissal – end of Term 1

Friday 7 - Friday 21 April

- Term 1 School Holidays

Monday 24 April

- Pupil Free Day No 3 – staff only

Tuesday 24 April

- ANZAC Day Public Holiday (no school)

Wednesday 26 April

- Term 2 begins for our students

Help Needed

We have many Gotcha toys still needing to be knitted and put together. If you have any knitting or sewing talents, we would love to hear from you – many hands make light work!

All materials and lessons provided. If you are able to help, would you contact Ms Campo on exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au or send a message through Seesaw.

CSEF (Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund)

The CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps, and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid directly to the school to use only towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students.
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If you applied for the CSEF at Exford Primary School in 2022, you do not need to complete an application form in 2023 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

Your child's school will apply for the CSEF on your behalf.

You will only need to apply in 2023 if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **New student enrolments:** your child has started or changed schools in 2023 or you did not apply at the same school in a previous year
- **Changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2023

If a form was not lodged in 2022, parents or legal guardians are required to complete a CSEF application form and lodge it with their child's school for processing.

Application forms should be completed and lodged with schools as soon as possible in Term One, as payments are made from March onwards. However, schools will be able to accept and process applications up until the end of Term Two each year.

Application forms can be collected from the office or obtained directly from the website.

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/CSEF_application_form.pdf



Seesaw is a digital student portfolio that gives students an audience for their work. All families should now have access to their child's Seesaw account, via the [Seesaw Families App](#). If you are having any difficulty gaining access or viewing your child's portfolio, please contact Mrs Harper in the Office.

Mobile Phones (and other 'smart' devices)

A reminder that students cannot bring a mobile phone or Smart watch to school without the express permission of the Principal (in advance). This is in accordance with the Minister of Education's instructions about Mobile Phones (and smart devices) at schools. Please see the link to our policy - [2021 EPS - Mobile Phones Policy \(Student Use\) – Exford Primary School \(exfordps.vic.edu.au\)](#)

'Meet the Teacher' Interviews

We will hold our 'Meet the Teacher interviews on Wednesday 1 and Thursday 2 March. To make a booking please use the following link:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/uncff>

Uniform

Our School Uniform Policy is available on the website for you to see, including photos of permitted uniform wear. Please see the attached uniform page for your future reference.

These items are not part of our uniform –

- Navy windcheater
- Windcheater zip-up jackets (with or without hoods)
- School dresses other than the EPS school dress
- Skirts of any kind (except the skirt part of the Winter pinafore) - only skorts can be worn.
- Any polar fleece items



Staff will not ask students about non-uniform items on the first day (because wet washing happens) but they will issue out-of-uniform notes after that or refer the non-uniform wearing issue to Mr Wilson or Ms Campo, so that we can arrange a parent meeting.

These items are only available through our EPS uniform shop:

- Exford PS school dress
- Exford PS bomber jacket
- Exford PS Windcheater / Hoodie
- Exford PS school hat
- Exford PS Library bag

The Exford PS uniform is a very attractive uniform with many options, and we ask our families to ensure that the children are wearing our uniform with pride.

SunSmart



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 games.

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 bags.

Fundraising News

Our Fundraising efforts work hand in hand with our school's ICT budget to provide our kids with access to Reading Eggs, and iPads.

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 1 – Easter Raffle
- Term 4 – End of year Raffle and Christmas Concert BBQ



Our 2022 target is...

\$5,000 - \$10,000.

Our Tally so far...

\$0.00

CLASS	Art	PE	LOTE (French)	Science
Prep Akamatis	Wednesday	Friday	Wednesday	Thursday
Prep Smyth	Wednesday	Friday	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 1-2 Ambrose	Thursday	Wednesday	Monday	Monday
Year 1-2 Roe	Thursday	Wednesday	Monday	Monday
Year 1-2 Romanski	Monday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 1-2 Talevski	Monday	Monday	Wednesday	Wednesday
Year 3-4 Jones	Monday	Tuesday	Monday	Monday
Year 3-4 Micallef	Tuesday	Monday	Monday	Monday
Year 3-4 Monagle	Monday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 5-6 Fyfe	Tuesday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 5-6 Higgins	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5-6 Mounsey	Friday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Thursday

Office News

Uniform / Lost Property – a reminder to ensure all uniform items are clearly marked with your child's name, this enables us to return items to your child without delay.

FlexiSchools – As we enter a new school year, you need to roll over your child's account to their current year level. To manage your profile, go to the FlexiSchools app, click on 'News', then select the 3 dots in the top right-hand corner. You can then select your child's current year.

Asthma & Anaphylaxis Plans – A reminder to return your child's Asthma and / or Anaphylaxis plans back to the Office. If you have misplaced this document, please call Mrs Kelly in the Office.

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 and to be at school EVERY day.

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.

Happy Birthdays!!

To our students who celebrated their birthday 3 - 16 February

Rableen, Ollie, Emeline, Alayna, Ahana, Aina, Kabir and Logan

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.



Personal
Best



Respect



Student of the Week

Week 2

Week 3

	Student	Exford Value	Student	Exford Value
Year Prep Akamatis	-	-	Mackenzie	Respect
Year Prep Smyth	-	-	Garv	Kindness
Year 1 - 2 Ambrose	Sienna	Personal Best	Chloe	Personal Best
Year 1 - 2 Roe	Fateh	Personal Best	Grace	Personal Best
Year 1 - 2 Romanski	Sam	Personal Best	Lincoln	Respect
Year 1 - 2 Talevski	Adelina	Respect	Willow	Personal Best
Year 3 - 4 Jones	Liam	Personal Best	Skye	Kindness
Year 3 - 4 Micallef	Fletcher	Personal Best	Aina	Kindness
Year 3 - 4 Monagle	Abbey	Personal Best	Elizabeth	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Fyfe	Rodney	Respect	Aleks	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Higgins	Hannah	Personal Best	Japreet	Kindness
Year 5 - 6 Mounsey	Aritrika	Respect	Ryan	Personal Best
The Arts	Clara	Personal Best	Lucas	Respect
Physical Education	Charli	Personal Best	Frankly	Personal Best
French	Sach	Personal Best	Alyce	Personal Best
Science	Auroa	Personal Best	Sumair	Personal Best
OSH Club	-	-	Holly	Personal Best
Ms Campo	-	-	Zarwa	Personal Best
Mr Wilson	-	-	Marlee	Personal Best

*Congratulations to the following students who
received Student of the Week
Certificates for Week 1 & 2*

Kindness



2023 School Captain speeches

Thank you to all the students who chose to share their School Captain speeches through our school newsletter.
Congratulations to all our Year 6 Students who participated in the selection of our Year 6 school leaders.

Lily – School Captain

Good morning staff and students my name is Lily and it would be an absolute honour to be your School Captain.

To be a School Captain would mean I would have a new experience and have great responsibility. I believe I would be a great School Captain because I'm hardworking, kind and experienced. I've previously been a Class Captain and Special Event Ambassador. I've also helped with last year's Prep – Year 2 Sports Day. I've represented the school in four Interschool Sports teams and in the Cross country.

As a School Captain, I will be a great role model and continue to follow the school values of Personal Best, Kindness and Respect. I'm a confident and an approachable person. I am also a responsible and trustworthy candidate for this position. I hope you will consider me as one of your future School Captains. Thank you.

Aritrika - School Captain

Dear teachers and students, my name is Aritrika and I'm in Year 5-6 Mounsey and this year I would like to be your 2023 School Captain.

Let me start with myself. Last year, I was nominated as a School Values Ambassador, which made me grow more in confidence and learn what it meant to be a true leader. This experience showed me how I love helping others, communicating to those in need of help, managing events for other year level's entertainment and finally, overall spreading kindness. I know I can be an ideal role model to younger students as I learn from my mistakes, I am strong and resilient when faced with problems and am honest, no matter what situation I am put in. Even my teachers, friends and family describe me as a persistent, caring, intelligent, responsible, a good role model, dedicated, affable, optimistic, unique, co-operative and ethical.

Also, in 2022 I went with our Year 5 – 6 cohort to the GRIP Leadership conference, where they discussed about how to be a better leader. This conference taught and even motivated me to become a better leader myself. Over the years I have taken our school values as a part of my primary school journey and hopefully use them in the future, now I want to teach my younger peers how important they are because they are not just words, they are life changing and magical.

As a Prep I went through tough situations and as an ideal School Captain I will try to make everyone feel secure like their home away from home, as my teachers have done to me for the past 6 years. With my experience from the past and my great passion, I believe I could be a suitable and brilliant School Captain. I will include my fellow peers and try my best to make the school feel safe for every one of us. If I get a chance to be a School Captain, I will be honoured to support our hardworking and of course multi-talented teachers and principals.

To conclude, I perceive that COVID 19 pandemic wasn't easy for anyone, especially not being able to come together as a group. This role gives me the opportunity to be social and understanding to those who have not recovered yet. I will always place my fellow peers before me. So please if you are ever in need of help or cannot reach a teacher, do not be afraid or hesitant to converse with me and I will try my upmost best to help. To the teachers and principals, thank you for prioritising my speech and students for listening to my speech. I will be honoured to be your 2023 School Captain.

Isaac - Vice Captain

Hello everyone, my name is Isaac.

Choosing me to be your School Captain would make my dream come true because it is something I have wanted ever since starting Prep. As your School Captain I would look forward to being a great role model and leading other students by example. As school captain, I will put a stop to any bullying I see happening on the playground and encourage others to be happy and get along. I will respect our school and make sure that students look after our school yard by putting their rubbish in the bin. As a leader I will support all staff and students by helping at Gotcha stores and Lunch Time Clubs, as well as helping our School Ambassadors in their roles. I am a caring and happy student who is always happy to listen to your ideas, input and even your worries and issues.

I feel being a school captain will also help me gain confidence and show others not to be afraid to step outside their comfort zone to pursue something they want, as much as I want this opportunity. As I move towards high school taking opportunities such as this, to speak to you all will help me become even more confident in my own abilities. Choosing me as your school captain means you are not only choosing a kind, caring and supportive school captain, you help me to further improve my leadership skill and confidence.

Thank you for listening to my speech and I hope that you seriously consider me for this role. Nothing would please me more than to be one of your School Captains!

Ashton – Vice Captain

Hello, my name is Ashton and I would love to be your 2023 School Captain.

An Exford School Captain needs to constantly show our school values of Respect, Kindness and Personal Best.

Last year I was Sports Ambassador, which gave me the chance to show my leadership skills through helping at the Prep - Year 2 Sports Day.

I was given the chance to communicate and support the younger students in the school.

I am an intelligent, kind and caring student at the school. I'll represent the school like you've never seen before. Thanks for listening.

Alexia

Good morning staff and students, my name is Alexia and I'm running for School Captain. This year I will work as hard as possible to be a great successful school leader. It would be a great honour to become an honest and grateful leader of the school.

I have represented Exford in four MPSSA sports, as well as spending time with Malika, my Prep Buddy, from last year.

I have loved walking into school, seeing smiles on staff and students' faces and I would like to make those smiles even bigger. I love getting greetings in the mornings by many different teachers.

Mr Mounsey said to me that I was an empathetic young lady and to never doubt myself and that mistakes are meant to happen and that would be my word to all of you. I will try my absolute best to show the school values which are, Kindness, Respect and Personal Best. Thank you all for listening, I wish all participants good luck.

Mehma

Good afternoon teachers, students and aides. For those that don't know me, I'm Mehma and I'm running for School or Vice-Captain for 2023.

Let me begin by telling you a bit about myself. I'm the middle child of a total of three kids. I like playing with my peers at school. I feel proud of being a part of the Exford community from Prep. The staff, teachers and students are amazing to be around. I have been at Exford from the beginning of Prep in 2017. This is a major reason why I would like to become the School Captain, so I have the opportunity to give something back to the students and teachers and to try and make the school even better than it already is. Some qualities I see in myself which makes a good School Captain are that I am easy to approach and talk with. I am also confident in talking and messing around, and I will take responsibility for everything. The two things I would like to bring back are Pyjama day and Silly Socks Day.

Thank you for listening.

Mary

Good morning staff and students. My name is Mary and I'd like to nominate myself to be your School Captain. First, I'd like to tell you a little bit about myself. I have two brothers and previously I was a School Art Ambassador last year. I've helped with the Prep - Year 2 Sports Day and I have represented the school in three different Interschool Sports teams, too. But first I'd like to explain why I can fulfil this position. To me I can be a School Captain who is a responsible person and represents the school values of Respect, Kindness and Personal Best. I can be a role model to all the other students. I will always step up to extra responsibilities I can help be a confident leader for people to look up to. I will always step up to give my fellow students and staff the help when they need it. I believe I am trustworthy and easy person to talk to and I am also generally good at public speaking and communicating, too.

I hope you can consider me to be one of your School Captains. Thank you for listening.

Adele

Greetings Exford Primary School students and staff. My name is Adele. Before I start, I would like to acknowledge the Wurundjeri and Wathaurong people and the traditional owners of the land on which we are gathered. I pay my respect to their elders, past, present and emerging and to any other elders or Koori people present today. I would like to talk to you about becoming School or Vice-Captain and why I would be a really good School Captain.

Firstly, I would like to say that I believe being a School Captain means being a good role model and being a responsible person is very important. Over the years from Prep to Year 5, I have learnt a lot about myself and have done a lot of growing. I am going to keep trying to improve myself as a person throughout Year 6.

I know being a good School Captain requires me to show such qualities as Kindness, Respect and Personal Best and learning from my mistakes. I will always try my best to help you with anything you need and give you my support if you need it. I will always show the school values being Respect, Kindness and Personal Best. I'm always up for challenges and helping out the school.

I'm happy to show you around the school if you're new and support our newest Exford students, Prep Students. If things aren't going as planned, I have the ability to approach the situation in a positive mind set. Exford Primary School is my second home, therefore I will keep this school tidy and treat Exford like my home. I will treat you with kindness and respect as I will always treat everyone. In my mind I tell myself "Let's consider the positive things" and that's what I tend to always do.

If you are in my class or just out in the school yard and you're finishing school work and you are stuck I will gladly help you. I will also be there if you are hurt or sad or just need some comforting. I will also try my very best to make sure everyone has a big smile on their face. I will respect everyone whenever and where ever. I will also try my very best to make 2023 the most enjoyable year for all of you.

Becoming School Captain is a goal I have had for a long time. For me it's not about a badge or a fancy title, it's about showing leadership and all the school values and making your time here more exciting and today, right not, I am trying to prove to everyone that I would make a good school or vice school captain and really make a difference to all our students and our school. I hope I get the chance to prove this to you all. I would like to thank you all for listening to my speech and please vote for me as your School Captain for 2023.

Izabelle

Good morning Year 5 and 6 students and staff. My name is Izabelle. I stand here before you today to tell you the reason I want to be part of the Exford Primary School team.

Before I start, I would like to do the Acknowledgment of Country. I would like to acknowledge the Wurundjeri and Wathaurong people, the traditional owners of the land on which we are gathered. I pay my respect to their elders, past, present and emerging.

Now I will start with why I would love to be a School or Vice-Captain. First is why I had the thought to be a School Captain. Ever since I was a Preppy, I wanted to be just like my Year 6 buddy, a School Captain. I hope I can influence my Prep buddy, just like how mine influenced me.

My next reason is that I would love to be about to represent Exford Primary and its values of Kindness, Respect and Personal Best. I am also greatly confident, kind, respectful, caring and responsible girl.

Here is sometimes I showed these values of kindness – while playing in the yard with my friends I saw Reign, a little Prep, who was alone and lost. She told me that she couldn't find her friends so I showed act of kindness by trying to help her find her friends then by showing her where her class were.

Personal best, if you didn't know I hate summaries, yet I still tried my Personal Best. I have trouble and get nervous while trying to make friends, yet I still try my Personal Best. I get anxious speaking in front of an audience, yet I still try my Personal Best. I was helpful when my friend Zoe, who will be running for Special Events Ambassador, needed help with her project. I helped her even though I was busy; she needed me so I helped.

Respect: I show respect by saying 'please' when I ask for things and 'thankyou' when I get them. I show respect by accepting people for who they are and their beliefs and choices.

Now I would like to say some thank you s to the people who helped me today and with my speech. Thank you to my mum, sister, cousins Olivia and Maddison. Thank you to Sokaina, Waniya, Zoe, Adele, Anmol and Awheata, Candy, Lexi and most of all Mr Mounsey, Ms Campo and Mr Wilson for giving me the chance to become a School or Vice-Captain by accepting me into their school when no other one would.

Thank you all for listening and I hope you have a great day.



Year 1-2 Ambrose

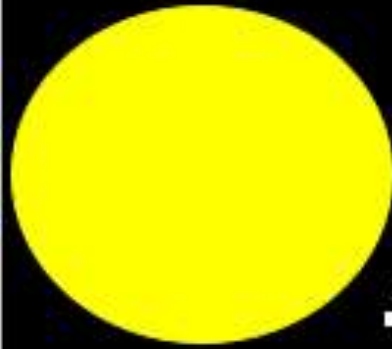


Back To School with Year 5-6 Fyfe

What a fabulous and exciting start to the year in Year 5-6 Fyfe! We have had a great time getting to know each other and meeting our new class pets...three gorgeous little hermit crabs! We have been keeping a close eye on one in particular who is very close to making his way to a brand new shell! We can't wait to see what the year brings...let's do this!







Science

We've had a fantastic start to our 2023 Science program, the students across all year levels have begun learning about some of the wonderful aspects that science has to offer. Our year prep students began the year by learning and understanding how the weather works, beginning by finding their favourite spot in the sky and drawing an illustration of it. The Year 1-2s have been learning about change by beginning the creation of their Hairy Harrys, stay tuned! The Year 3-4s have learned about how night and day occur, as well as how the Moon and Sun are vastly different sizes even though they look the same size in the sky. In Year 5-6, the students are in the process of creating their 3D models of the Sun, Moon and the Earth with the correct rotation and orbit process.

Here are some of the examples of the fantastic work our students are doing:





Junior

PLAYERS WANTED

For 2023

Eynesbury Eagles is currently seeking members to join our growing football teams in under 11s, under 13s, under 15s and under 17s.

For more information contact us at
secretary@eynesburyfnc.com.au
or simply head over to
www.eynesburyfnc.com.au to register.



Welcome to Country

I begin today by acknowledging the Wurundjeri and Wadawurrung people, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which gather today and pay our respects to their Elders past, present, and emerging. I extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today.



OSHClub Exford Newsletter Weeks 1 & 2, Term 1 2023

Welcome to Term 1

Hello, hello friends & family of Exford!

Welcome back to term one and 2023, we hope you had a fantastic break over the holiday period. The last two weeks have been crazy getting back into routine, introducing new students, and meeting our new preps!

We are so excited to kick off the year with bang - creating valentine's day crafts and cards, teaching our new friends our favourite games including money heist and ABC Pacman and making new friends!

Please remember to bring your hats and water bottles as we are still in summer - no hat, no play!

We can't wait to see you at Exford OSHClub - for any enquires please call us on 0419 207 638 or email us at exford@oshclub.com.au



Coming Up

MAR
01

Parent - Teacher Interviews

Over two days parents and teachers will meet.

MAR
13

Labour Day

Public Holiday - No School or OSH Club.

MAR
31

School Photo Day

Get gorgeous for school photos 2023!

Club News

Our Clubs News

Our clubs for 2023 have been decided.....

and we will be starting with a cooking club lasting 5 weeks with Jigna. Learning to make a variety of sweet and savoury snacks with flavour that packs a punch for afterschool or your school lunch box!

Later in the Term we will be starting a gardening club with Taylah, learning how to care and provide for nature and growing our own herbs and flowers over 6 weeks!

Special Announcements

ELA Term 1 2023

Book in for our new extra learning activity on Fridays from the 24th of February to the 17th of March!

This term we will be doing Little Labs - a science themed workshop!



Quality Area Reflection

Quality Area 3

My quality area focus for term one 2023 is Area 3 - Physical Environment.

My goals in term 1 are to continue updating and creating an inviting space for the children to play and learn, adding colours, shapes numbers and letters, whilst personalising them to fit with the children and their personalities.

Some of the displays I'm wanting to add include a QIP (quality improvement plan), birthdays charts, sustainability wall and Indigenous perspective/appreciation wall.



Coordination Corner

- Parents and families are reminded that term four requires hats and sunscreen for outside play. Please bring hats every morning and afternoon as we supply sunscreen. **NO HAT NO PLAY!**
- Please ensure to book your children in using your parent portal as we cannot guarantee a spot for your child. In the case of an emergency booking please call us directly.
- Also, when dropping and picking up the children please ensure to always come into our OSHClub room as a legal and safety requirement.

Photo Gallery

