



Exford Primary School

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



At Exford, these qualities are really important:

Respect **Kindness** **Personal Best**

... 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 2018 No.5 (Term 1, 2018) Thursday 29 March 2018

You are represented on School Council by:

Parents: Adele (Olivia & Alexander), Amanda (Caitlyn, Ava & Hayley), Belinda (Nicholas and Kade), Jackie (Claire), Jenny (Aimee), Sarah (Lily and Oscar), Sharon (Charlie & Archie) and Susan (Jessica).

Community Representatives: Graham

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

Follow this link to Exford's YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRQsi70kyo0V7OFJsBcOF3w>

Reminders! These payments are due for all students:

- Student Book Pack Prep -2 children only - Reading Eggs subscription

Ms Campo's News...

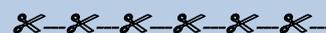
Easter Raffle!

Thank you to the families who have donated some Easter goods to our annual Easter raffle. Thank you to all the ladies (mums, grandmothers and community members) who helped make the Easter bunnies to go in with the prizes, a nice Exford touch!



The Easter Raffle was drawn this afternoon at our final Assembly. This fundraising effort raised \$2,041 for our school.

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2018 Dates

Term 1

Thursday 29 March

Newsletter

Thursday 29 March

9 am - Easter Bonnet Parade - all our families are welcome to join in!

2:00 pm - Assembly - Easter Raffle draw

2:30 pm - Early Dismissal

Term 2

Monday 16 April

Pupil Free Day No 3

Mr Wilson starts at Exford PS (yeah!)

Tuesday 17 April

Term 2 for students begins

Tuesday 17 April

Parent- Student-Teacher Conferences - Day 1

Thursday 19 April

Parent- Student-Teacher Conferences - Day 2

Friday 20 April

School Photos - all children need to be in full school uniform with all shoulder-length hair neatly tied back as per our Uniform Policy

Wednesday 25 April

ANZAC DAY Public Holiday

Dawn service - students and families welcome to join Ms Campo - parents to remain with their children as part of the school group.

9 am - join in the Melton ANZAC Day March and ceremony - our School Captains present the wreath
SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR ALL STUDENTS

Parent Student Teacher Conferences

Yesterday I sent out the information for logging into the PST Conference website for families to book their appointment with their children's teachers. We will have two afternoons, both in the first week back - Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 April - with appointments available from 1 pm. I have set up some FlexiBuzz reminders for you.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Our Premier's Reading Challenge will begin soon - we area just realigning all the kids across to their new classes and then off we go! Mr Jenner will send home information early next term.

School Camp dates

- Year 3/4 Campaspe Downs Camp - Wednesday 22 - Friday 24 August 2018
- Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp - Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 September 2018
- Year Prep and Year 1 activities are usually held in Term 4

2019 Open afternoons and enrolments (repeated)

It feels as if we have just got this year's new Exford kids settled - from our Preps to Year 6 kids. If you have a Prep child who will begin with us next year, could you email the school on exford.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au and we will add them to our list and send you home an enrolment form.

Our 2019 Open afternoon dates for tours of the school will be at 4:30 - 5:30 pm on these days:

Term 2	Wednesday 18 April, Wednesday 16 May and Wednesday 20 June
Term 3	Wednesday 25 July, Wednesday 15 August and Wednesday 19 September
Term 4	Wednesday 17 October, Wednesday 21 November and Wednesday 12 December.

Attendance ... Every Day Counts

A reminder that family holidays should be taken during school holidays wherever possible and **not during term time**. When children miss out on learning due to prolonged absence (e.g. a holiday in school time), it is very difficult to catch them up - they often miss entire units of class work.

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.

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.

Parent Helpers needed

Once we are settled in to school and classroom routines are in place, we will call for Parent Helpers for the classroom.

Tasks will include:

- Hearing reading
- Supporting small group learning
- Admin tasks for teachers

We will have our usual Parent Helpers Info session to support you to be a classroom helper.

Fundraising News



Our 2018 target is...

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

Our Tally so far...

\$2,0141.00

Our Fundraising efforts work hand in hand with our school's ICT budget to provide our kids with iPads, laptops and other technologies.

Term One's Fundraising effort is our Easter Raffle, where we ask our families for donations of Easter goodies to make into hampers, for which we sell raffle tickets.

Happy Birthdays!!



To our students who celebrated their birthdays 29 March - 18 April

Adele H, Alannah, Harrison, Zane, Piper, Skylar, Ben K, Liam B, Aimee, Caitlyn R, Rylan C, Aleks, Izabelle B, Tatyana, Noah P, Rylan G, Jeremy, Ava, Hayley, Jakob, Harry M, Harlee,

Kai W and Riley K



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 (and a photo for Seesaw!).

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!

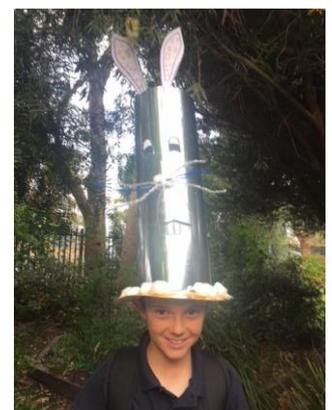
Please see the pages from:

- Easter Bonnet Parade photo pages
- Ms McFarlane's Prep class
- Ms Littlewood's Year 3/4 class

☺ Ms Campo

2018 Easter Bonnet Parade

It was lovely to see all the creations worn at our Easter Bonnet Parade this morning and to see all the little brothers and sisters who joined in with their own Easter Bonnets. Thank you to the staff who also made a great effort. Mr Wilson, our new Assistant Principal, also joined us this morning and it was great to see him.







Exford Primary School – PST Conferences

Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 April 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

On Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 April 2018, **ALL** parents and guardians are invited to come to the school to discuss the progress of their child/ren with the classroom teacher/s. We would usually hold these PST Conferences at the end of Term 1, however due to an extensive professional learning program which some staff are involved in, the Gymnastics timetable and ...! It was easier to do them first week back.

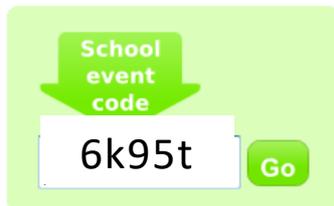
During the PST Conferences, our students will present samples of their own work, describe their learning and discuss their learning goals. With our introduction of Seesaw across the school, you have the ongoing opportunity to see the work done in class so far this year and to share in the day's activities. During the Parent Student Teacher Conference, you can discuss your child's progress and their learning targets and how you can continue to support your child at home. Interviews with specialist teachers will be available as well - Mrs Quayle (The Arts), Ms Kappler (Health and Physical Education) and Mr Welshe (Auslan) from 4 pm on the two afternoons.

To allow adequate time for all parents to see the teachers, Conferences will run for 10-15 minutes for each child - interview times will be available from 1 - 6:30 pm on both afternoons, with Specialist Teachers from 4 pm.

Students are encouraged to be part of the Parent Student Teacher Conferences. On the day of interview, days students are collected by their parents to join in with the Parent Student Teacher Conferences and can remain at school until the usual 3.30 pm dismissal time or can be signed out at the conclusion of the Parent Student Teacher Conference and taken home. Children whose interview time is later in the evening need to be collected at 3:30 pm as usual. The Eynesbury buses will run from 3:30 pm as usual. All interview times will be available online through the booking system. Simply follow the prompts on this note. If you have any questions, please contact the Office.

You can now book interviews at times for Parent Student Teacher Conference

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au



GO DIRECTLY TO THE LINK
<http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/book>
Enter event code – 6k95t
Then follow the 3 simple steps.

Email confirmation for your interview time!

When you click *finish*, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

Maths in Prep M!



Prep M has been learning about words we can use to describe the location and movement of objects. This week, we worked with a partner to create our own zoo. The zoo had to include a fence, water, food, rocks or trees and of course, our animal! After we constructed our zoos, we gave our partner directions for where to place our animal, using the words we have been learning. For example, 'put the lion next to the rock', 'put the tiger in front of the tree'.



In Year 3/4 Legends, we have been learning lots of things!

We have been learning about fractions.



We have had some of the Year 6s teach us about Discrimination 



We have been learning the difference between fiction and non-fiction texts.



OSH Club News

Before School / After School Care Program



Program Update

This term at OSH we have had a great time getting to know each other, The children partook in some amazing activities, from making calming jars to having whole session skipping competitions. We celebrated Harmony Day with activities and celebrations learning how people from different backgrounds live together. We celebrated Easter with many different activities from making bunnies to making Easter biscuits. By far the children's favourite thing to do at OSH this term has been using the dress ups and kitchen play. Our outdoor activities this term have been great fun playing group games and doing time obstacle courses.

Sharyn and Bec would like to wish all our families a safe and happy break.

Friendly reminders:

PLEASE ensure that if your child/ren are booked into OSH Club that they are NOT booked on the School bus. This is very important as if your child does not remember to go to OSH Club, they may end up leaving the school on the bus.

If your child is due to be absent or needs to be booked in on late notice (less than 24 hours) please ensure you call and leave a message to ensure we have adequate staffing. Although this is only for emergencies. Please make the bookings online as much as possible.

Please keep the enrolment form updated all the time. If you want someone other than yourself picking up your child, please add them to the emergency list or provide us with a written request.

Thankyou from the

OSH Club Team!



Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0419 207 638

Co-ordinator: Sharon Assistant: Rebecca OSH Club Head Office: 03 8564-9000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Co-ordinator direct at the program.

BACCHUS MARSH COLLEGE

OPEN NIGHT INVITATION

WEDNESDAY 2ND MAY



MEET our students and teachers.

VIEW displays and presentations from a range of subjects.

EXPLORE the facilities and hear about our Building Program!

Drama Hall, Grant Street

Bacchus Marsh

School Tours Depart: 5.30pm - 6.15pm

Information Session: 7.00pm

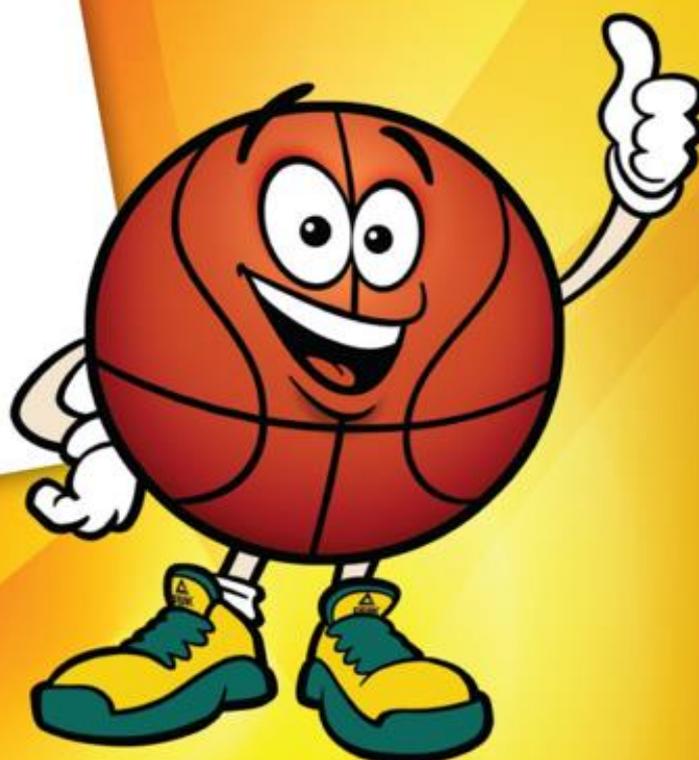
(Followed by question and answer session)

For any enquiries regarding enrolments please contact 5367 2955 or

email: bacchus.marsh.co@edumail.vic.gov.au



**DUNKIN SAYS
JUMP
INTO
IT!**



REGISTER NOW AT AUSSIEHOOPS.COM.AU

**Bacchus Marsh Basketball Association
Term 1 Aussie Hoops- Children aged 5-10
Commences: Wednesday 18th April 2018
Time: 4:15- 5:00pm
Contact: Nicole Grundy (0408 748 731)**



Dance & Drama



If you want your child to enhance their creative and imaginative ability, then this is the right class for them.

In this class, children will decide on, learn and sing a popular song and then create a dance routine to be put into a film clip.

At the end of the term, children will get to take a copy of the film clip home for their parents.

(Suitable for 5-12 years)

BOOK EARLY! Don't miss out!

DETAILS

WHEN:
Friday 27 April – 22 June*
(*excluding 18 May)

TIME:
5pm – 6.15pm

WHERE:
Eynesbury Discovery Centre
479 Eynesbury Road, Eynesbury

COST:
\$80.00/\$75.00 concession (8 classes)

TO BOOK:
Online: meltonlearning.com.au

MORE INFORMATION:
E: lynh@melton.vic.gov.au
P: 9747 7200 / 0400 189 043



MELTON JUNIOR FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB
FEMALE FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



Melton Junior Football and Netball Club are currently recruiting girls aged between 9 and 12 years old to join the under 13's Junior Girls team.

Training is Monday/Thursday evenings from 4:45pm – 6:00pm at Reynolds Place oval (next to Coburn Primary School).

We encourage families who are interested in joining this dynamic club to call Jason (coach) for more information on 0438 055857.



9am - 3pm

COST

\$40

Holiday

PROGRAMS

Friday April 6

BALLARAT

212 Pleasant St S

WESTERN OVAL

Tuesday April 10

DAYLESFORD

Ballan - Daylesford Road

VICTORIA PARK

Thursday April 12

SUNBURY

Riddell Road

CLARKE OVAL

Friday April 13

MELTON WEST

20 Long Tree Drive

ARNOLD'S CREEK



A day packed full of footy fun!
All equipment and resources provided
Loads of games and fun to be had!

BRING SNACKS LUNCH AND WATER

REGISTER NOW AT

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Vacation Care Program

Autumn Program Details

Who

The program is open to all primary school aged children.

Program Hours

6.30am – 6.30pm

Location

Bridge Road Children's & Community Centre
260 Bridge Road, Strathtulloh

Cost

\$67 per day (prior to Child Care Benefit being applied)
Excursions and Incursions will incur an additional cost

Enrolments Open

8.30am Monday, 5 March 2018

Enrolments Close

5.00pm Friday, 23 March 2018
Bookings submitted after this date will only be accepted at Supervisor's discretion and incur a \$20 late enrolment fee

Contact

E: vacationcareprogram@melton.vic.gov.au
Ph: 9747 7200 Website: melton.vic.gov.au

BOOK EARLY! Don't miss out!

Monday, 2 April
Program Closed

Public Holiday

Tuesday, 3 April

It's Autumn

Let's enjoy this special time of year with a local nature walk and some autumn arts and crafts.

Wednesday, 4 April

Excursion Charge \$30

AMF Bowling

Departs 9.00am Returns 2.00pm

Bring along your socks and your best aim; it's bowling time.
LIMITED PLACES

Thursday, 5 April

Princess and Pirate Day

We celebrate fairy tales today, bring your costumes and imagination for fun adventures.

Friday, 6 April

Incursion Charge \$20

Sand Art

Begins 10am

Today we are making some indigenous sand art creations.

Monday, 9 April

Vacation Care Games

Ready, Set, Go! Today we will hold a variety of events at the athletics track.

Tuesday, 10 April

Incursion Charge \$20

Slime Time

Begins 10am

Supreme Incursions will join us to explore the world of slime.

Wednesday, 11 April

Excursion Charge \$30

Werribee Zoo

Departs 9am Returns 3.30pm

Let's go on a safari and learn about some amazing animals.
LIMITED PLACES

Thursday, 12 April

Can You Build It?

It's all construction. What will you use, what will you build?

Friday, 13 April

Book Day

What's your favourite book? Come dressed as your favourite book character and share your story.

* Activities are subject to change.

