Exford Primary School

Newsletter No 6 - Term 2, 2022

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Ms Campo's News....

Welcome back

Well, here we are, back at school ready for all that Term 2 brings us. It was great to have our children return on Wednesday and to hear about their holiday adventures. When I visited our classrooms in the mornings, it has been great to see our kids and staff working hard. Apparently, it was raining Gotchas in Year 1-2 Roe's room, they tell me! Tomorrow, it may be raining for real (according to the forecast) so we may have our first wet day timetable for the term. If it is too wet for our first Friday afternoon Assembly, we will let you know by FlexiSchools by 2:30 pm tomorrow.

Mr Wilson will be on leave for the first four weeks of Term 2, and we will track his travels as he visits the north of Australia. Ms Littlewood is Acting Assistant Principal for this period of time. The Term 2 Teams Newsletter will be sent along with this newsletter, outlining all the programs for this term's learning programs across the school, including our specialist programs.

Greater Western Water works

We have begun working with GWW regarding our connection to mains water and mains sewerage as part of our Stage 1 Construction. GWW will construct a pump station which will be sited in what is currently the builders' parking compound. They will also install the water lines which will connect us with mains water. The water and sewerage services hope to be completed by the end of June 2022 and there will be works during the Term 2 school holidays.

Admin and Junior Learning Building

I was able to join the Site Meeting today and tour the new Admin and JLB – the plaster is now installed in the Admin building and it is really taking shape. We are beginning to look at our furniture requirements and have them ordered to be delivered in time for the big move – hopefully early in Term 3. These classes will move into the JLB – our two Prep classes, our four Year 1-2 classes and Year 3-4 Fyfe and Tekin. Art will move into the old Staffroom. Then the three Mod 5 buildings at the back of the school will be removed and the builders will start on the two storey Senior Learning Building, which will also include the Art and the Music room. We have included a page of construction photos from the Minister's visit on Wednesday 6 April and I will organise the photos I took on today's Site Tour into a page for the next newsletter. It's looking amazing!

Vaccination Clinic

A reminder that the follow-up Vaccination Clinic will be held at Exford PS tomorrow afternoon from 3:45 pm to 6 pm. It will be held in the French room (next to OSH Club). Bookings or appointments are not necessary.

Due to the Office

 Due 2 May - MPSSA Cross Country Year 3 -6** Selected Students only

On Next Week

• Mother's Day Stall

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!

KINDNESS





RESPECT

PERSONAL BEST

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ANZAC Day Parade and Ceremony

Monday 25 April is a sacred day every year and it was wonderful to be able to join in the Melton ANZAC Day Parade and Ceremony after it being cancelled for the past two years. Thank you to Mr Mounsey who joined the children, families and I.

Thanks to these children and their families who attended.

- Harry and Charlie
- Dayne and Brock (past EPS brother)
- Cooper
- Enrique
- Sohang

- Raisa and Raima (past EPS sister)
 Elodie and Tara (past EPS sister)
- Aurora
- Charli
- Talisha, Alexia and Ryan













Dates to Remember 2022

Term 2

Monday 2 May

- Mother's Day Stall
- Wednesday 4 May

Tuesday 10 – Friday 13 May

 NAPLAN tests for Year 3 and Year 5 students

Wednesday 18 May

• Year 3-4 Science Works Excursion Friday 20 May

Pupil Free Day No 4 – no school today
Monday 22 May

- Monday 23 May
- Year 5-6 Swimming Program Tuesday 24 May
- Year 5-6 Swimming Program

Wednesday 25 May

 Year 3 – 6 Athletics Day – Bridge Rd Recreation Reserve

Friday 27 May

- Year 5-6 Swimming Program
- Prep Werribee Zoo Excursion

Monday 30 May

Year 5-6 Swimming Program

Tuesday 31 May

• Year 5-6 Swimming Program

Thursday 2 June

• Year 5-6 Swimming Program Monday 6 June

• Year 5-6 Swimming Program

Tuesday 7 June • Year 5-6 Swimming Program

Wednesday 8 June

- Year 5-6 Swimming Program Friday 10 June
- Year 5-6 Swimming Program

Monday 13 June

• Queen's Birthday Public Holiday Friday 24 June

• End of Term 2 (2.30 pm dismissal)

<u>Term 3</u>

Monday 11 July

Term 2 commences for Staff only
 <u>Monday 11 July</u>

- Pupil Free Day No 5 (TBC)
- Please note that this day may change it is planned for Moving Day and the date may need to be altered, closer to the end of term

Another Exford Child doing wonderful things

On Friday March 18, I took part in the World's Greatest Shave. I raised over \$1,200 for this great cause.

I wanted to participate in this fundraiser in honour of my Pop, who passed away from Leukemia in 2021. Jasper Year 6 Mastrop

Year 6 to Year 7 Placement

Year 6 children will receive their Secondary School Transition Information Pack for Year 7, 2023. This includes the application form for Secondary School placement. The completed form is due back to Exford PS Office by Friday 13 May, <u>for all Year 6 Students</u> regardless of preference for Government or Independent/ Private School.

Mother's Day

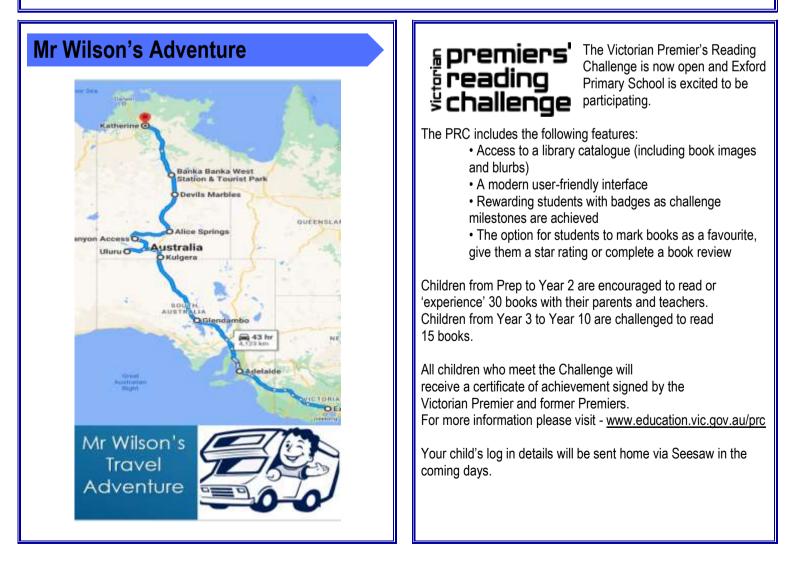
Our Mother's Day stall will be held on Monday 3 May. (Term 2). All gifts were to be purchased via our QKR app, by Wednesday 27 April. There will be NO CASH Payments taken on the day.



Thank you!

Thank you to the following families who kindly donated items to our Easter Raffle.

Brydie K, Awheata, Te Wai and Hana, Adelina and Aydin, Riley W, Jeremy, Ella B, Charlotte W, Willow, Peninnah, Logan and Addisson, Aleesha, Harper, Charlotte W, Tyler and Caelan, Gurnaaz, Jacob, Elodie, Marcus, Jeremy and Jack D





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.

If you applied for the CSEF at Exford Primary School in 2021, you do not need to complete an application form in 2022 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 2022 if any of the following changes have occurred:

- New student enrolments: your child has started or changed schools in 2022 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 2021

If a form was not lodged in 2021, 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.

<u>Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) application form</u> 2020 (education.vic.gov.au)

The Queen of the Sandpit



Fundraising

Fundraising efforts work hand in hand with our school's ICT budget to provide our kids with access to Reading Eggs, Mathletics 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 2 Mother's Day Stall
- Term 3 Father's Day Stall
- Term 4 End of year Raffle and Christmas Concert BBQ



Our Tally so far...

\$1,577.50

Specialist Timetable

CLASS	Art	PE	LOTE (French)
Prep Micallef	Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday
Prep Smyth	Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday
Year 1-2 Ambrose	Wednesday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 1-2 Higgins	Friday	Wednesday	Wednesday
Year 1-2 Monagle	Friday	Wednesday	Monday
Year 1-2 Roe	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday
Year 3-4 Fyfe	Wednesday	Wednesday	Monday
Year 3-4 Gundry	Wednesday	Thursday	Wednesday
Year 3-4 Tekin	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
Year 5-6 Mounsey	Tuesday	Tuesday	Monday
Year 5-6 Mastrop	Wednesday	Tuesday	Tuesday

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 <u>exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> – all student absences must be explained in writing.



To our students who celebrated their birthday 1 - 28 April

Umar, Isabelle, Fateh, Lani, Tanya, Lucas, Daniel, Aleks, Rylan, Jeremy, Dishen, Harry, Skye, Summer, Mason, William, Christian, Kyle, Enrique & Dayne.

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.









	Week 10		Week 11	
	Student	Exford Value	Student	Exford Value
Year Prep Micallef	Cameron	Personal Best	Alex	Respect
Year Prep Smyth	Darren	Kindness	Рорру	Persona <mark>l Best</mark>
Year 1 - 2 Ambrose	Fletcher	Personal Best	Sam	Personal Best
Year 1 - 2 Higgins	Taela	Kindness	Rableen	Respect
Year 1 - 2 Monagle	Ayanna	Respect	Liam	Kindness
Year 1 - 2 Roe	Aurora	Personal Best	Seerat	Personal Best
Year 3 - 4 Fyfe	Ruby-Rose	Respect	Elijah	Kindness
Year 3 - 4 Gundry	Charlotte	Respect	Gurman	Personal Best
Year 3 - 4 Tekin	Kiara	Kindness	Aryan	Respect
Year 5 - 6 Mounsey	Enrique	Personal Best	Alexia	Kindness
Year 5 - 6 Mastrop	Cadin	Respect	Isaac	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Talevski	Adele	Personal Best	Kaleb	Personal Best
The Arts			Anvoor	Kindness
Physical Education	Aleesha	Respect	Annabella	Personal Best
French	Chloe	Respect		
OSH Club	Ameliah	Kindness	Ariah	Kindness

Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week Certificates for Week 10 & 11

1 - 2 Roe ANZAC DAY

During our Procedural Writing Unit 1-2 Roe investigated the language and features of Procedural texts. They were able to follow a recipe to bake their own ANZAC biscuits.

To support the students learning, they read the Mentor text ANZAC Biscuits by Phil Cummings. Class discussions allowed the students to investigate the different ways people commemorate ANZAC Day.



























3-6 Athletics in P.E!

To start Term 2 our Year 3-6 Students are learning the range of skills that they will be using for the events at our Year 3-6 Athletics Day on Wednesday 25th of May! In Week 1 we began with learning the correct technique to use in High Jump.

Throughout the first few weeks of Term 2 the students will be working hard on their skills for Discus, Shot Put, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump and the 100m Sprint! Here are some of our students giving their best attempt at High Jump:









Minister Merlino & Mr McGhie tour our building works

On Wednesday 30 March, we had a visit from Acting Premier and Minister for Education, Mr James Merlino. He was accompanied by our Member of Parliament, Steve McGhie. Minister Merlino and Steve were really pleased to see the development at our school. Minister Merlino spoke at length with our students at an Assembly and spoke with our School Captains.

As you can see from the photos, the Junior Learning Building is really coming along, with plaster on the walls and internal and external painting underway. We anticipate moving into the two buildings early in Term 3 2022. So exciting!



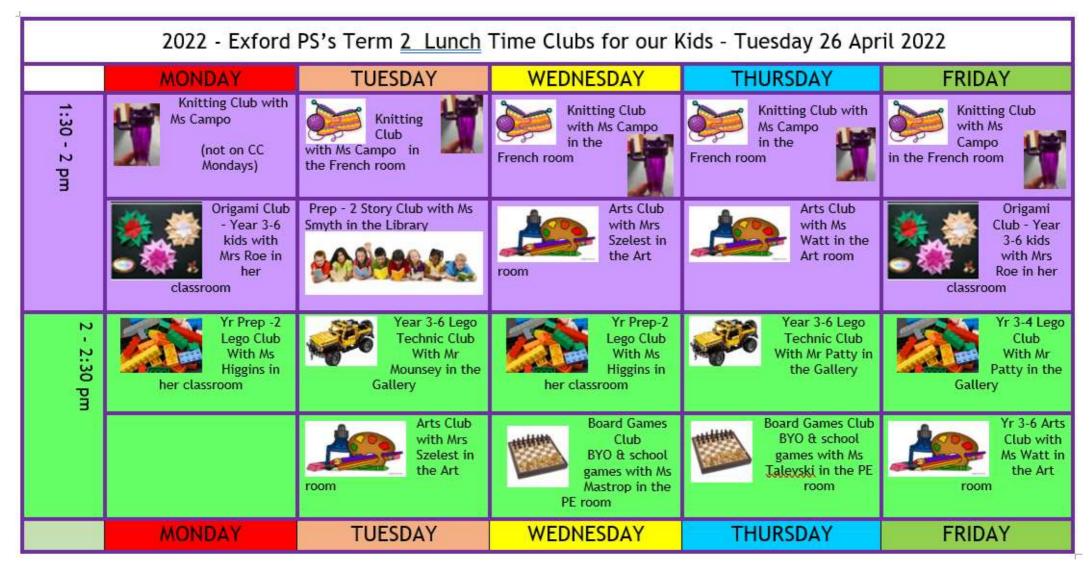


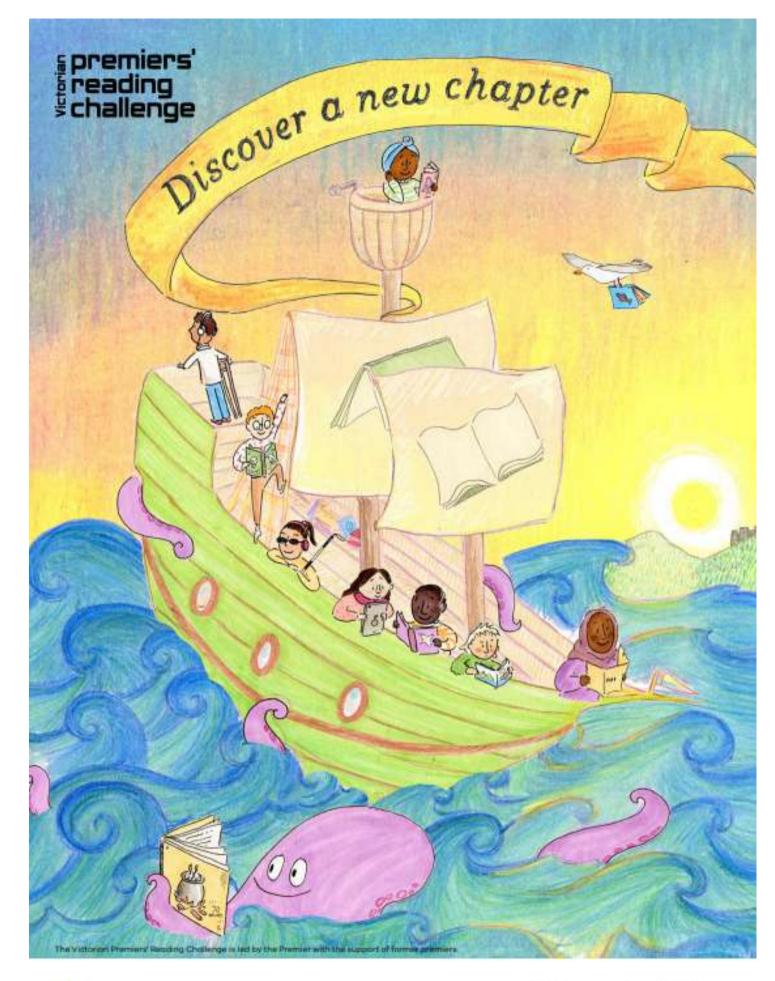


Lunch time Clubs at Exford PS

Our Lunchtime Clubs program offers students lots of activities to do, apart from to play outside on the play equipment or in the sand pit or to play sports. There is a printed and laminated copy of the Lunchtime Clubs timetable in every classroom and also around the school for children to choose an activity from.

These activities happen on a daily basis and are each supervised by one of our teachers.



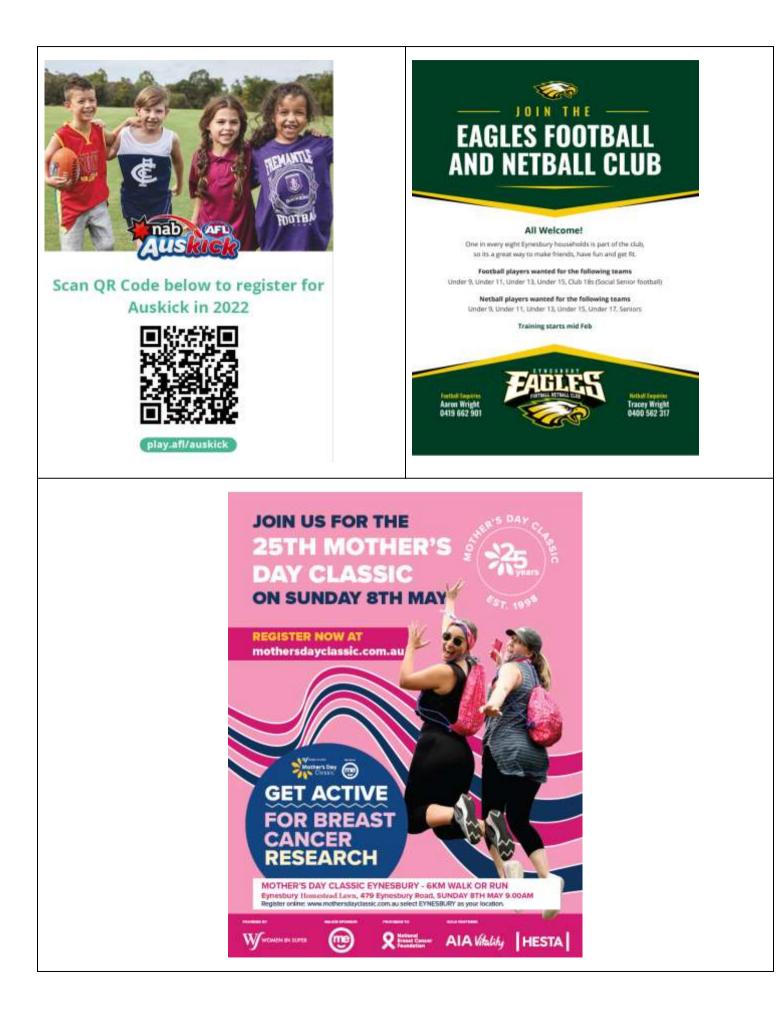


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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



Exford OSHClub

lewsletter Term 2 Week 1 (April 2022)









What's been happening...

Hello Children and Families,

The past 2 weeks have been a blast during school holidays! We've had SO much fun and we hope all the children have too.

The school holidays included lots of awesome activities and some fun incursions and excursions. We had an excursion to the movies to see Monster Family 2 and a HEAT for Kids Firefighting Challenge incursion during week 1. Then we had an excursion to Team Adrenalin and a Fit 4 Kids tennis incursion during week 2.

We've had so much fun these school holidays and we're ready to make term 2 awesome. We can't wait to have lots of fun during before school care and after school care with everyone.

As we are coming into a new term can you please take some time to update your bookings via the parent portal (https://parentslogin.kidsoft.com.au/) This will allow educators to quickly identify who is in attendance at oshc and to help your families to avoid additional fees.

I hope everyone has a great start to term 2! Georgina.



Term 2 Kids Clubs...

This term the children came up with 2 new kids clubs!

We have Mia T's Shrek Club and Leroy's Comic Club, we're excited to start these up this term and for all the cool activities!

Sign up on the sheets that are on the whiteboard in the osh room so you can join in on all the fun!

We'd also love to hear your Ideas! If you can think of any cool clubs you'd like to have at osh, we'd love for you to share them with us!

Mon-Fri 6:30am - 9am and 3pm - 6pm 0419 207 638 Exford@oshclub.com.au











Newsletter



We're so excited that this term, we will be running Name of ELA at Exford OSHClub! This after school activity will be run by professional external facilitators at no additional cost*.

What?

Come and join us when Rugby Victoria enters our service to deliver an impressive Rugby skill program! Learn and explore different techniques and skills to get us game ready!

When?

Wednesday Afternoons 3:45PM to 4:45 PM until the 25/5

Don't miss out – there's no need to RSVP. If you haven't already, make sure you book in for the After School Care session and join us for some fun. If you have any great suggestions for Extended Learning Activities you'd like to see in future, please speak to our Coordinator.

*Standard After School Care fees apply. Child Care Subsidy may apply.