Exford Primary School

Newsletter No 6 – Term 1, 2024 Thursday 28 March 2024



Ms Campo's news....

End of Term One

What a great way to finish our first term of the 2024 school year! Congratulations to all the students who participated in our Easter Bonnet Parade today. You all looked fantastic and thank you to all the families who supported the children on the day. A reminder that the term ends at 2:30 pm today.

Harmony Day



As well as our Easter Bonnet Parade, we also celebrated World Harmony Day. Every class had the opportunity to celebrate the diversity within our society and the importance of all of us being respectful to each other. It was great to see so many touches of orange amongst our children and staff. Congratulations to our Special Events Ambassadors who assisted in organizing the day.

Easter Raffle Winners

During our Assembly, we drew the winners of our Easer raffle. Thank you to those families who kindly made donations and purchased raffle tickets. We raised \$1,483, which is fantastic. All winners have either collected their items or have been notified by telephone. Congratulations to our lucky winners 😂

Coming Up

- Monday 15 April
 - o Term 2 Begins for staff and students
- Thursday 26 April



ANZAC Day

Exford PS take part in the Melton ANZAC Day Parade and Ceremony and our School and Vice School Captains present the wreath at the Cenotaph

Due to the Office

- Asthma/Allergy plans
- CSEF New applications only
- Year Prep Werribee Zoo excursion Due in XUNO Friday 26 April.

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

Principal: Ms Lisa Campo

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2025 Prep Enrolments

Prep 2025 Enrolments are now open.

What you need to do:

- 1. Use Find my School to locate your designated neighbourhood school (referred to as your local school) and other nearby government schools.
- 2. Contact a government primary school to book a school tour or to learn more about the school and the enrolment application process.
- 3. Download the Foundation (Prep) Enrolment Information Pack for Parents and Carers (PDF, 1.5 MB) This pack includes an application form. The school may also provide you with a copy of the form to complete.
- 4. Submit an enrolment application for Foundation (Prep) by Friday 26 July 2024.
- 5. You will be notified of the outcome of your application between Monday 29 July and Friday 9 August 2024. If you receive an enrolment offer, you should accept the offer by Friday 23 August 2024.
- 6. Take part in information and transition sessions during Term 4, 2024.
- 7. Your child will start Foundation (Prep) from Wednesday 29 January 2025.

Further information and key dates can be found here: www.vic.gov.au/enrolling-

2025 TOUR DATES

- Term 2 Wednesday 17 April
- Wednesday 1 May
- Wednesday 15 May
 Wednesday 29 May
- Wednesday 12 June Wednesday 26 June

Term 3

- Wednesday 17 July
- Wednesday 31 JulyWednesday 14 August
- Wednesday 28 August
- Wednesday 11 September

Term 4

- Wednesday 16 October • Wednesday 30 October
- Wednesday 13 November
- Wednesday 27 November
- Wednesday 11 December

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Enrolments for 2024 are now open Parents are welcome to contact the school on 9743 5025, for further information and to book in for one of our Enrolment Tours.

We look forward to welcoming prospective students and their families into our school community.

Thank you to our families

Thank

generously donating to our Easter Raffle: Deegan. S

Thanks to the following families for

- Aria. D
- Aleesha
- Kyle W
- Ryan
- Mackenzie
- Harry
- Aeryn & Emelia
- Jacob
- Avlyn
- Maison & Savana

2024 dates to

remember

Term 1

Thursday 28 March

- Easter Bonnet Parade 8:50 am Assembly (children design and create their Easter Bonnets as part of their Homework tasks in their previous weeks)
- End of Term 1 (2.30 pm dismissal)

Term 2

Monday 15 April

Term 2 begins for staff and students

Wednesday 1 April

2024 School Council Meeting No 4

Thursday 25 April

ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Friday 3 May

Year Prep Werribee Zoo excursion

Wednesday 8 May

Mother's Day Stall

Friday 10 May

Year Prep-2 Sports Day at EPS

Sunday 12 May

Happy Mother's Day!

Wednesday 15 May

2024 School Council Meeting No 3

Friday 17 May

Year 3-6 Sports Day at Bridge Road

Monday 20, Tuesday 21, Wednesday 22 and Monday 27 May

Life Education Program

- Monday 3 Wednesday 5 June
- Year 5-6 Phillip Island Camp

Friday 7 June

Semester One Professional Practice (Pupil Free Day)

Monday 10 June

Kings Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 19 June

2024 School Council Meeting No 4

Friday 28 June

End of Term 2 (2.30 pm dismissal)

Term 3

Monday 15 July

Term 3 begins for staff and students

CSEF – Camps, Sports and Excursion 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:

- \$150 for primary school students.
 - If you applied for the CSEF at Exford Primary School in 2023, you do not need to complete an application form in 2024 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.
- You will only need to apply in 2024 if any of the following changes have occurred:
- New student enrolments: your child has started or changed schools in 2024 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 2024.

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/ CSEF application form.pdf

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...

\$1483.00

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

Office News

Uniform stock - Our school dresses and hats are back in stock

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.

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

<u>Did you know that:</u>

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 XUNO 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 15 – 28 March

Hunter, Grace. V, Jacob, Dylan, Kalolaine, Bailey. M, Kabir. P, Tyler, Amelie, Archie, Scarlett, Nate. M, Kaiden. B, Xavier and Amber.

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.

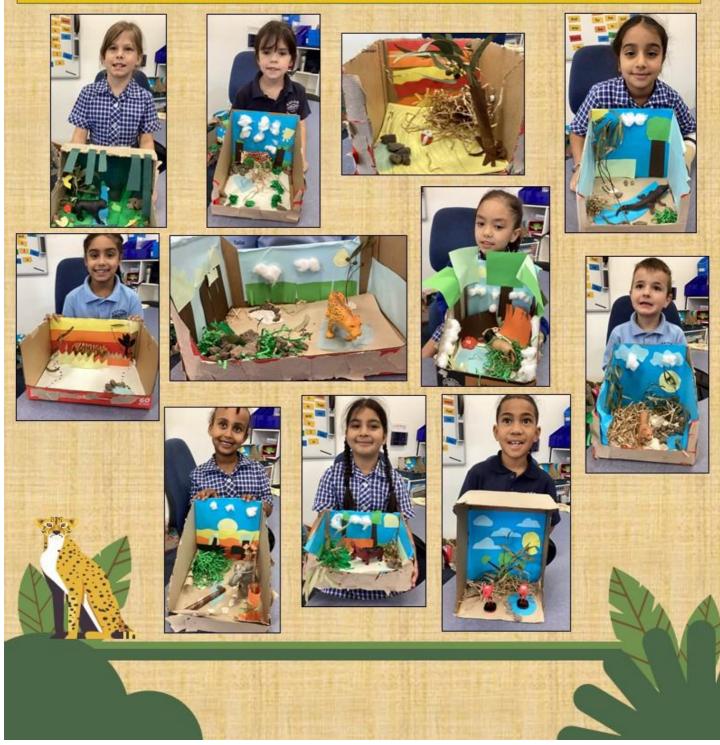
Having birthdays at school is a very special event and if your child is absent on their birthday, they miss out on all the fuss made over them.



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Year 1-2 Ambrose Animal Habitat Dioramas.

In Year 1-2 we have been investigating wild animals after our visit to the Melbourne Zoo. We have written information reports about the animal's features, their diet and their habitat. To finish our unit we made a diorama for our chosen animal and shared our work with our families on the last day of Term 1.



































Writing: Students have been learning about and practising persuasive writing. Students have created a variety of persuasive pieces, putting into practice all the skills and strategies they have been learning.

3-4 Romanski

Reading - Students have been enjoying reading 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons'. We have been exploring the elements of suspense, as well as the author's strategies for introducing suspense, such as providing clues, metaphors and similes and vivid vocabulary.

Mathematics - Students have been learning to tell the time. We can now say how many seconds are in a minute and how many minutes are in an hour. We can count how many minutes past the hour and how many to the next hour. We can count by five minutes to be more efficient and can correctly label an analogue and a digital clock to reflect the time.





Exford Primary School Instrumental Music Programme



Learning Music... at School Keep

* builds confidence

- * develops concentration
- * teaches perseverance
- * promotes literacy & numeracy
- * improves fine & gross motor skills
- * engages children...because it's FUN!

Give the Gift of Music

Give your child the well rounded education they deserve

"Exford children have loved having the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. By working in partnership with Performing Arts Headquarters, our children are able to have individual or shared lessons within the school day. It's lovely to listen to the children as they develop their musical talents!"

Lisa Campo - Principal (Exford Primary School)

Quality & Convenience

- * Learn conveniently within school hours
- * Receive a 30 minute weekly lesson at school
- * Learn individually, with a friend or in a small group format
- * Qualified, experienced & caring teachers
- * Friendly & personalised approach to learning & customer service
- * Lessons timetabled around school and student needs
- * Regular performance opportunities available
- * 30 years experience working in schools
- * All teachers have current Working With Children Checks

Prefer AfterSchool lessons? We can help with that too!

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piano









Contact Ms Gem on <u>eyn.dance.scene@gmail.com</u> for more information or scan the QR Code to check out and register for the amazing sessions!

MONDAY 8 th APRIL	TUESDAY 9 th APRIL	WEDNESDAY 10 th APRIL	THURSDAY 11 th APRIL	FRIDAY 12 th APRIL
@ Studio 16	@ Studio 16	@ Studio 16	@ Studio 16	@ Studio 16
Ms Jennifer Toner	More sessions may be added over the coming weeks so STAY TUNED to Facebook posts from Eynesbury Dance Scene	Dance Sume	<u>9am – 9.30am</u> Baby Groove 2yrs – 4yrs and Adult 30 mins \$8 With Ms Gem	<u>10am - 10.45am</u> Dance with Me Any Age and Adult 45 mins \$10 With Ms Gem
<u>11am - 12am</u> Junior Acro/ Circus Tricks 5yrs - 10yrs 60 mins \$14 With Ms Jenny	<u>11am - 12am</u> Junior Flexibility Intensive 6yrs - 10yrs 60 mins \$14 With Ms Gem	<u>11am - 12am</u> Junior Jazz Intensive 6yrs - 10yrs 60 mins \$14 With Miss Chloe	BUKI'S DANCE & FITNESS bukisdancestudio.com	<u>11am - 12am</u> EDS Dance Party Open Age 60 mins \$6 With Ms Gem
1pm - 2pmTeen Acro/ Circus Tricks11yrs - 18yrs60 mins\$16With Ms Jenny	<u>1pm - 2pm</u> Teen Flexibility Intensive 11yrs - 18yrs 60 mins \$16 With Ms Gem	<u>1pm - 2pm</u> Teen Jazz Intensive 11yrs - 18yrs 60 mins \$16 With Miss Chloe	<u>3,30pm – 4.15pm</u> Junior Hip Hop 5yrs – 10yrs 60 mins \$14 With Ms Buki	<u>Ms Gem-</u> EDS Owner <u>Miss Chloe-</u> EDS Teacher <u>Ms Jenny-</u> EDS Dance Mentor- in- Residence meaning
<u>2.30pm - 3.30pm</u> Open Ballet Intensive Syrs - 18yrs 60 mins \$15 With Miss Jenny	To register for sessions please scan the QR code below:	E Das	<u>4.15pm - 5.00pm</u> Teen Hip Hop 11yrs - 18yrs 60 mins \$16 With Ms Buki	she is a guest instructor with a wealth of knowledge and experience in the Performing Arts Industry, including owning her own Ballet School, and Pole studio and who
For more information about each session and instructors please contact Ms Gem on - 0417 619 869 or - <u>evn.dance.scene@gmail.com</u>		<u>6.30pm - 7.15pm</u> Burlesque Older Teen and Adult 45 mins \$18 With Miss Chloe	<u>6.30pm - 7.15pm</u> Beginner Yoga Older Teen and Adult 45 mins \$16 With Ms Jenny	provides ongoing help and support to the EDS students behind the scenes. <u>Ms Buki-</u> Owner of Buki's dance school in Sunbury and
7.30pm - 8.15pm Dancercise Older Teen and Adult 45 mins \$15 - \$18 With Ms Gem		<u>7.30pm - 8.15pm</u> Dance Flow Older Teen and Adult 45 mins \$16 With Miss Chloe	7.30pm - 8.15pm Yoga Older Teen and Adult 45 mins \$16 With Ms Jenny	 who we are very honoured to have as a guest instructor for Hip Hop. All instructors and
8.15pm - 9pm Tone and Stretch (TNS) Older Teen and Adult 45 mins \$15 - \$18 With Ms Gem	Bank Transfer or PayPal is available for payment.	Studio 16 is located at 16 Lilydale Avenue in Eynesbury	Sessions may be collapsed/ cancelled depending on registration numbers. Confirmation of sessions will be made on Friday 5 th April.	teachers are qualified and experienced and hold a WWCC and First Aid Qualification.