



Exford Primary School

Where Children Count!
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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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You are represented on School Council by:

Parents: Amanda (Caitlyn), Emma (Ella & Maddie), Laura (Olivar & Ruby), Mark (Harriet), Michael (Eamonn), Naomi (Kallan & Ashlyn), Sarah (Lily & Oscar), Sharon (Charlie & Harry)

Community Representatives: Graham and Jacki

Staff: Ms Campo, Ms Coletta, Mr Jenner, Mr Malane and Mr Wilson (visitor)

Ms Campo's News...

Move to Stage 4 Remote Learning

This week has seen Melbourne enter Stage 4 Restrictions and for most of Melbourne's school children return to Remote and Flexible Learning.

The only children permitted to attend school are children whose parents are Permitted Workers or children deemed Vulnerable. We now have less than 20 students on site with the majority of our staff now also working from home.

For the students and staff attending school, our revised Return to School Plan is **strictly** in place until we are advised by the Department that it is no longer needed. Face masks must be worn by every adult coming onto the EPS school grounds.

Student Wellbeing

We know that many of our children (and their families) are missing being at school with their friends and being in the classrooms and the school with their teachers. We will be setting up more WebEx activities to support the kids and keep them engaged with their learning as we move into our second term of Remote and Flexible Learning. There are lots of fun activities happening and keeping the children engaged with their learning through working together whilst online is our planning's focus.

Please reach out to your child's class teacher, or to Mr Wilson and I if you need support with your child's learning or engagement. We can't wave a magic wand and make this all go away, but we can assist with more support, ideas and even just a sympathetic ear.

As we've been saying for some months now - and we'll keep saying it for as long as we need to - we WILL get through this together.

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2020 Dates

Term 3 2020

Wednesday 5 August 2020

Stage 4 Remote Learning commences

Wednesday 19 August 2020

6:30 pm - School Council

Tuesday 16 September 2020

School Photos (NOW LOOKING FOR A TERM 4 DATE)

Friday 18 September 2020

Term 3 ends for students



Term 4 2020

Monday 5 October 2020

Term 4 begins for students and staff

Friday 20 November 2020

Pupil Free Day - staff will be working with Misty Adoniou

Wednesday 16 December 2020

2020 Christmas Concert (Fingers crossed!)

Friday 18 December 2020

2020 School year ends

Remote Learning 2.0

These times are certainly worrying and challenging and they will affect us all differently - we understand that managing working from home and supporting your children's learning and everything else families need to do is a big ask of everyone!

Here's a few links for you:

<https://www.lifeline.org.au/>
<https://www.beyondblue.org.au>
<https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

2021 Enrolments

We are developing a virtual school tour to put on our school website and to use with our 2021 Enrolment Tours. We will hold our Enrolment Tours via WebEx until further notice.

Existing families who wish to enrol other children for 2021 are welcome to contact the Office and we'll send home enrolment forms for you.

As outlined in earlier newsletters, students who live in Eynesbury are able to remain at Exford PS and their younger siblings may also enrol. The Eynesbury Bus service will continue until the 2020 Preps have finished Year 6. The Bus service will continue to be free of charge for currently enrolled students, however, younger siblings who begin from 2021 would have a cost associated with bus travel.

We ask families to communicate with us when they have decided about remaining at Exford PS, or transferring to Eynesbury Station PS (interim name) once your decision has been made.

We will support the transfer of the children's electronic enrolment files for those who will move to ES PS when their enrolment system opens.

The opening of ES PS may have an effect on our school's enrolments and, subsequently, our staffing requirements and **so we ask you to communicate your decision with us so that we can begin our 2021 planning accurately.**

We may have greater enrolment flexibility for families in the Weir Views Estate with the opening of Eynesbury Station PS (interim name).

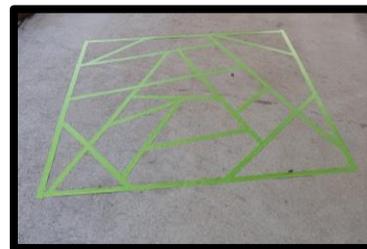
Please see the attachment Mr Phillip Coloca, the new Principal at Eynesbury Station PS (interim name) has asked me to share with our community. Mr Coloca came for a visit last week on his way to see the developing school site and we look forward to working together to support our kids.

Exford Decorating

As part of our Holiday program, the children at school did some chalk art to cheer us all up - we loved it so much that we began to re-create the designs with paint.



Chalk designs



Marking the designs ready for painting



Painted design - doesn't it look great!

Happy Birthdays!!



To our students who celebrated their birthdays from 23 July - 5 August 2020

Bailey N, Jaxon, Mohammad, Olivia H, Elizabeth, Nufaysa, Violet, Xavier Z, Violet, Marshall, Mia H, Lucy D, Maddison

M, Isla K, Jaida, Jack K, Eamonn, Tyler, Ewan, Axel, Olivia H, Ridley and Will H.



Happy Birthday to you!!
Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday dear kids,
Happy Birthday to you!

Hope you enjoy reading our newsletter!

Pages from:

- Our Prep classes
- Year 3-4 Gashi

☺ Ms Campo

FUN FRIDAY

with the prep team

Each Friday throughout Remote Learning we have been holding a themed Fun Friday.

We have loved seeing all the creativity and effort that goes into all the work on this day!

So far we have had Superheroes and Sports Day!!

Please enjoy a selection of photos from all the Prep classes.

-Prep Team.



Super Annabel



Superhero Oliver
to the rescue!



Isla a.k.a Super
Barbie



Maddie as Unicorn
Girl



Bailey



Sadie will save you!



Charitha as Supergirl



Jordan as Iron Man



Cohen's superhero mask



Ebadat's writing about wonder
woman



Wondergirl
Everly



Jonah with his medal



Lucas, ready to race!



kangaroo



Ariah's obstacle course with her family

Pyjama Day



The grade 3/4's had their very First Fun Friday and the theme was Pyjama Day. Here are a few of our activities that we completed.

