

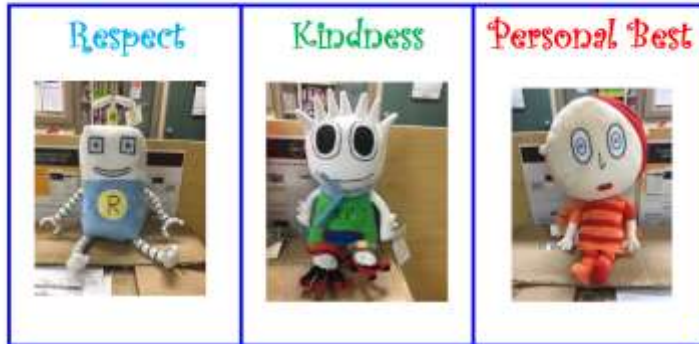


**Exford
Primary
School**

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



At Exford, these qualities are really important:



... 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), Cherry (Jaron), Joel (Gus), Laura (Ollie), Naiomi (Kallan and Ashlyn), Rebecca (Hannah, Joshua and Thomas), Sadia (Inaaya) Sharon (Charlie & Archie)

Community Representatives: Graham and Jacki (SC President)

Staff: Ms Campo, Mrs Cassar, Ms Mastrop and Mr Wilson

Ms Campo's News...

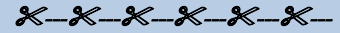
Return from Remote Learning

Isn't it lovely to be back on site! Thank you to our kids, our families and our staff for their efforts during Remote Learning ...again! From tomorrow, it is not compulsory to wear a facemask outside, but you must carry one with you in case of not being able to socially distance. All other elements of our Return to School Plan remain the same. If you must enter the school's office, you need to use our QR code to sign in.

Construction of our new school ... it's started!!

We are SO EXCITED to announce that the Stage 1 Construction has commenced, with our first two Site meetings having already occurred over the past two weeks. Monday 28 June sees the builders take possession of the construction zone - the installation of the safety fences and the demolition or removal of the old OSH Club, the sheds, the farm-side sandpit, playground and cubby house. There will be two construction compounds created - one in front of the old OSH Club building, where the new Admin building will be built and a second construction compound, which we will confirm once we know for sure where it will be. There will be strict delivery times (not at drop-off and pick-up times) and strict guidelines re the movement of construction vehicles.

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2021 Dates

Friday 25 June

Last Day of Term 2

Wear your favourite PJ's to School

2.10 pm - Assembly

2.30 pm - Dismissal

Bus depart at 2.35 pm

Term 3

Monday 12 July

Term 3 Begins

Friday 16 July

Police Cyber Safety program
(Year 5 and 6)

Wednesday 21 July

School Council Meeting - 6.30 pm

Thursday 19 August

MPSSA Group 1 - Athletics Carnival

Monday 23 - Friday 27 August

2021 Book Week

Thursday 2 September

MPSSA - Yr 5 - 6 Basketball

Wednesday 8 - Thursday 9

September

Year 2 Lady Northcote Camp

Monday 13 - Wednesday 15

September

Year 3 - 4 Phillip Island Camp

Friday 17 September

Last Day of Term 2

2.10 pm - Assembly

2.30 pm - Dismissal

Bus depart at 2.35 pm

Term 4

Monday 5 October

Term 4 Begins

Monday 18 - Thursday 21 October

Year 5 - 6 Lorne Camp

Construction of our new school ...

We have included the artist impressions of the new Administration and Junior Learning Buildings - we cannot wait to see them completed! See the separate Seesaw and FlexiSchools posts. 😊

School drop-offs

Please note that teaching staff do not commence work till 8:50 am and so legally, we are not able to take on supervision of students before that time - we open the gate at 8:50 am for that reason and the buses are all timed to arrive at 8:50 am as well. Before school supervision is from 8:50 - 9 am and after school supervision is from 3:30 - 3:40 pm, with our afterschool meetings beginning at 3:45 pm. Education Support staff (Office team and integration aides) are not permitted to supervise children without a teacher present.

Here is the OSH Club website link if you need before or after school supervision - you can enrol electronically for free and only pay for the session you're booked in for.

[Exford Primary School OSHClub \(VIC\) - OSHClub](#)

Ms Morton's news

Congratulations to Ms Morton who has picked up a six month position at Darley PS, much closer to home for her. We wish her all the best and will advertise a six month vacancy to replace her.

Attendance Challenge

We look forward to students receiving their attendance trophies in Seesaw on Friday 25 June, now that we are back at school.

Ms Killeen in the Office sends out a trophy every ten days to the children who have attended two week blocks of school without any absences.

Our challenge to everyone -
BE AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY
(unless you are sick, of course).

Congratulation to the kids who were at school for the first ten days in a row!

(Friday 25 June is the next attendance trophy day.)

Let's get ready for the holidays...it's our Pyjama Day!



When: Friday 25 June
(last day of Term 2)

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Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge



The Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge is now open and Exford Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 17 September 2021.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books. All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

Your child's log in details were sent home via Seesaw.

Office News

Uniform

An update for any parents that have pre-ordered the Exford PS hoodie. We have been notified by our supplier that due to COVID delays the ETA is now mid - late June.

Anyone looking to purchase track pants, we have plenty of stock in sizes 10, 12 & 14.

CSEF - Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible students to attend school activities.

Who can apply?

Families holding a valid means-tested concession are eligible to apply.

Please visit our Office to collect CSEF forms if you believe you are eligible for the CSEF payment.

Parents who receive a carer allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with the above. Eligibility will be determined when the parent's concession card successfully validates with Centrelink.

The 2021 cut off date is 13 August. We can not process any applications after this date.

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.

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.

Fundraising News



Our 2021 target is...

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

Our Tally so far...

\$3,572.00

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

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 3 Book Week - Read-A-thon' activity
- Term 4 - End of year Raffle and Christmas Concert BBQ

If you are interested in helping out with the Fundraising activities at our school, please contact Ms Campo through the FlexiSchools 'Contact the Principal' link.

Happy Birthdays!!



To our students who celebrated their birthdays from 4 June to 30 June 2021

Tanreet, Isabell K, Seerat, Samayra, Ryan D, Chloe M, Tatham, Mia M, Lily, Peyton, Eddie, Reilly H, Ruby-Rose, Allyson C and Arnavnoor

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 (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.

Hope you enjoy reading our newsletter!

Including pages from:

- Year 1-2 Parker
- Year 5-6 Talevski

☺ Ms Campo

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week Certificates for **Week 7 and Week 8**

	Week 5	Week 6
	Student	Student
	Exford Value	Exford Value
Prep Monagle		
Prep Smyth		
1 / 2 Ambrose		
1 / 2 Higgins		
1 / 2 Jenner		
1 / 2 Parker		
3 / 4 Gashi		
3 / 4 Roe		
3 / 4 Patty		
4 / 5 Mounsey		
5 / 6 Gundry		
5 / 6 Mastrop		
5 / 6 Talevski		
The Arts		
Physical Education		
French		
OSH Club		

Due to Remote Learning,
there was no Student of the
Week Certificates for Week 7
& Week 8

LENGTH IN 1/2P!

In Maths, 1/2P have been learning about length. Students have learnt that length is measuring from one end to another end of an object or area. Throughout the week, students were using informal and formal units of measurement. They needed to make estimations before they measured.

On Friday, 1/2P thoroughly enjoyed measuring length outside, using their feet as a type of informal unit of measurement.





In 5/6 Tulevski, we have been learning about...

Sustainability

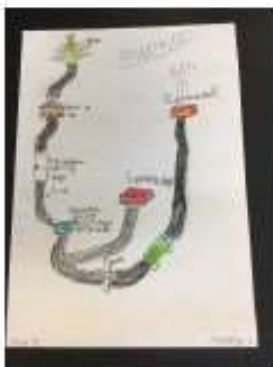
After watching 'Our Planet' by Sir David Attenborough and learning about how we can be more sustainable, we researched about renewable energy and fossil fuels.



We took part in some sustainable gardening where we each planted a crop, herb and flower.



We researched our fresh food produce and how it goes from the paddock to our plate!



And lastly, we agreed on a class campaign by bring 'nude food' to school to minimise rubbish at our school and local environment as well as reducing single use plastic wrappers!





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PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse.

No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community.

Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.



It's everyone's responsibility.

Adults at school must listen and respond to concerns about child abuse.

If you suspect abuse of any child or young person, you have a responsibility to report it, even if you are not sure.

Further information & resources

www.education.vic.gov.au/protect

Victorian
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reading
challenge



OPEN UP A NEW WORLD

The Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge is led by the Premier with the support of former premiers.



To register, visit education.vic.gov.au/prc

