



Exford Primary School

Where Children Count!
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Artist impression of our new school entry - ready 2022!

At Exford, these qualities are really important:

<p>Respect</p>	<p>Kindness</p>	<p>Personal Best</p>
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... 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), Naiomi (Kallan and Ashlyn), Rebecca (Hannah, Joshua and Thomas), Kylie (Peyton) Sharon (Charlie & Archie)

Community Representatives: Graham and Jacki (SC President)

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

Ms Campo's News...

One more day of Term 3 to go!

We have one more day of Term 3 to go and I think we all more than ready to take a break. To our families and staff who have worked tirelessly to support the kids with their Remote Learning and to our kids who have tried their best - I'm so proud of you all!

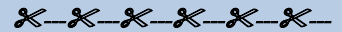
Our fingers and toes are crossed for a Term 4 return to onsite learning for everyone. We are looking forward to having our kids back in their classrooms. When we hear about the Premier's plans on the weekend and we know what will happen for the first weeks of Term 4, we will communicate that with you.

Last day of Term 3

As per usual practice, school will finish at 2:30 pm on the last day of term (Friday 17 September) for onsite students. OSH Club will commence their afterschool supervision from 2:30 pm. **Students need to be collected at 2:30 pm or booked into OSH Club, please.**

*Wishing you all a relaxing and happy holiday period.
Hoping the weather is perfect so we can relax in the sunshine (hats on, of course!)*

Cut out & stick me to the fridge!



Dates to Remember:

Please add them to your calendar!

2021 Dates

Term 3

Friday 17 September

If you have not already done so, please email the school on exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au if your child will **not** be attending Exford PS in 2022

Friday 17 September

Footy Colours Day - onsite and at home kids wear their footy / soccer / sporting teams apparel

Last Day of Term 3

2.30 pm - Dismissal for onsite children
2:30 pm - Buses collect the children

Term 4

Monday 4 October

Term 4 Begins...fingers crossed it will be onsite for all children. We'll keep you posted!

Events and activities to be rescheduled

Year 1-2 Sovereign Hill excursion
Teeth on Wheels Van
MPSSA Group 1 - Athletics Carnival -
Year 5 - 6 Swimming & Water Safety Program

2022 Preps

We are at the time of year where we begin planning for the following year.

If you have a child who will be starting school with us next year, would you please contact the Office and we will send home an enrolment form for you. We also need a copy of the birth certificate and the immunisation certificate.

If you have received your Prep child's enrolment form already, we'd appreciate your sending it back so that Mrs Kelly in the Office can process it for you - please note that she is not able to process enrolments without the birth certificate.

Our 2022 Prep Transition Program is in the planning and we would like to include all our little ones so that they can have a great start at our school.

We have now set up our 2022 Preps journal in Seesaw and will begin to send out information for you.

If you have friends or neighbours hoping to enrol at Exford PS for 2022 (in any year level), would you ask them to contact our Office, please?

2022 Enrolments

Strathulloh PS is now advertising for their staff, so it's important to let them know if your child will be transferring there, so that they can be included in the numbers so that they know how many classes they can offer and how many staff they will need.

Equally, if your child will not be at Exford PS next year, we also need to know not to include them in our enrolment count. All children who are currently enrolled at Exford PS are entitled to remain at our school and little brothers and sisters are also able to enrol.

Please confirm by **Monday 13 September** if your child will not be attending Exford PS next year.

We would like to be able to work out how many classes we will need for next year and to confirm our staffing - we need accurate student numbers to be able to do this.

Book Club

In response to the current lockdowns, Book Club have temporarily added the option for parents to have their orders sent directly to their homes.

To view issue 6, please click on the following link:

<https://scholastic.com.au/media/6421/bc621web.pdf>



Staffing for 2022

- Congratulation to Ms Gashi who has been appointed to a maternity leave position at Melton Secondary College in the CALM program. This is anticipated to be a 12 month vacancy.

School Camp Refunds

Please send your bank details to Mrs Humplik in our Office for the Camp payment refund - we would prefer not to hold Camp payments over to cover next year's expenses.

SunSmart times ... No hat, no play!

A reminder that we are now in SunSmart season and children need to wear their Exford PS school hat daily for the recess and lunch breaks, PE lessons and any game times. Children without hats need to sit in the shade or on the stage. New hats can be purchased only at school through our Uniform shop via our Office (no other hat can be worn).

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.

The Challenge closes on Friday 18 September.

Wishing you all a happy and restful holiday period and our fingers are crossed that we can return to onsite schooling before too long.

Ms Campo 😊

Exford PS Stage 1 and Stage 2 Upgrade (as released on the Facebook page for our local member of Parliament, Steve McGhie

<https://www.facebook.com/Steve4Melton>

These are artist impressions based on our School Upgrade planning.

This image shows what our school will look like at the end of Stage 1, currently underway.
Anticipated completion date mid-late Term 1 2022.



Stage 1 - the new Administration building and main entry to the school (our precious Mosaic wall will be mounted on the side of the Admin building)



Stage 1 - inside the Junior Learning Building



Stage 2 - Senior Learning Building



Stage 2 - street view of our Community Hub / Gymnasium



Stage 2 - inside our Community Hub / Gymnasium



Stage 2 - refurbished Library (existing BER building)

End of Stage 2 - realisation of our School Master Plan

Existing BER converted to large Library, Science & Tech room and Food preparation room

New 8 classroom Junior Learning Building

New Administration building



New Senior Learning Building with 11 classrooms, Art and Music room

New sports oval and ball courts

New playground, seating and landscaping

New Community Hub / Gymnasium (with stage) and Canteen