

# Exford Primary School

Newsletter No 16 – Term 3, 2023

Thursday 14 September 2023



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## Ms Campo's news....

### Extra newsletter for Term 3 and Footy Colours Day

Here is the one more newsletter for Term 3 –

Some reminders

- Tomorrow is the last day of Term 3, with an early dismissal at **2:30 pm** (buses will depart at 2:30 pm).
- We have our Footy Colours Day (footy, soccer, rugby etc!) tomorrow with an Assembly and Footy Colours Day Parade at 9 am.
- Term 4 begins on Tuesday 3 October at 8:50 am for our students – we will start with a Welcome to Term 4 Assembly in the Basketball courts
- 'No Hat, No Play' – from the start of Term 4, hats need to be worn every day for PE activities and at recess or lunchtime
- Due to the construction works over the school holidays, there is no OSH Club holiday program for the September or January 2024 school holidays period.



### Breaking news!

I was contacted by Melton Police yesterday to let me know that due to the advocacy of Steve McGhie MP and other political powers, the Department of Transport has reconsidered its decision regarding our school traffic zone and the speed zone will drop to 40 km/h in school times and will be 60 km/h at all other times. The 60 km/h zone begins at the top of the Exford Hill (Greigs Road side) and will extend well beyond our school. This is fabulous news and we anticipate the signage to be installed during late October.

### 2024 Year 6 uniform items

Mr Mounsey has worked with the Year 6 uniform clothing company and they will extend their payment deadline by a fortnight – so instead of being due on Wednesday 4 October, payment and ordering will be due by Wednesday 18 October.

### Coming Up

- Friday 15 September
  - Footy Colours Parade and Assembly (9am)
  - End of Term 3 (**2.30 pm dismissal**)

### Due to the Office

- Thursday 14 September - Year 1-2 Sovereign Hill excursion.
  - Money and forms due in XUNO
- Friday 15 September - Year 5-6 Human Development Session
  - Money and forms due in XUNO

*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

## The Big Hug

Here is the invitation to our Exford PS school community to the 'Big Hug' Day – this invitation is to be shared only with our families. Hope you can make it!



On behalf of 3AW, together with our partners Resimax Group and Intellihub, we are delighted to invite you to register for "The Big Hug" .

We were all deeply shocked and saddened by the events of May 16. We know that the thought of children in our community being injured in such a way still brings tears to many. Equally, the selfless and brave acts of the first responders will forever be remembered.

It was in the aftermath that 3AW's Neil Mitchell raised the idea of a day to bring our community together. We agreed.

A day for our extended community to come together over music, food, games, rides and giveaways. Footy stars and celebrities will mingle. We will give our kids a hug and our mates a pat on the back.

The day will be complimentary for registered guests.

We hope you join us.

With love  
The Big Hug Team

\*This is a ticketed event and due to permitting/safety requirements capacity will be limited.

Only ticket holders will be able to enter the event.

How to get your complimentary ticket(s): [click on the link <HERE>](#) or go to <https://www.bighugday.com.au/register> and follow the prompts. Tickets are limited to 5 per booking.

More information will follow with your tickets within 48 hours from registration.



## 2023 Parent and Caregiver Opinion Survey

Thanks to the families who participated in the Parent and Caregiver Opinion Survey, we appreciate your taking the time to complete it and look forward to your feedback.

## 2023 dates to remember

### Term 3

#### Friday 15 September

- Footy Colours Day Parade & Assembly
- End of Term 3 (2:30 pm Dismissal)

### Term 4

#### Monday 2 October

- Term 4 begins for staff only

#### Tuesday 3 October

- Term 4 begins for students

#### Friday 6 October

- Year 1-2 Sovereign Hill excursion

#### Monday 9 October

- Year 5-6 Human Development Day 1

#### Monday 16 October

- Year 5-6 Human Development Day 2

#### Monday 23 October

- Year 5-6 Human Development Day 3

#### Monday 6 November

- Semester 2 – Pupil Free Day - no students

#### Tuesday 7 November

- Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

#### Monday 13 November

- 2024 Prep Transition Visit No 1

#### Monday 20 November

- 2024 Prep Transition Visit No 2

#### Monday 27 November

- 2024 Prep Transition Visit No 3

#### Tuesday 5 December

- 2024 Prep Transition Visit No 4

#### Tuesday 12 December

- Year 6-7 Transition Day

#### Tuesday 19 December

- 9:30 am - End of year & Christmas Concert at Bacchus Marsh Community Hall
- Year 6 Graduation Evening

#### Wednesday 20 December

- Term 4 ends - 1:10 pm Assembly
- 1:30 pm dismissal TBC



## 2023 Variety Kids Xmas Party

The most exciting event of the year is just around the corner thanks to the support of the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre! The Variety Kids Xmas Party is an annual event where Victorian kids experiencing disadvantage or living with illness or disability come together to have fun in an inclusive and welcoming environment.

There are carnival rides, attractions, clowns, costumes, live entertainment, food, games and sports. To top it off every child receives a gift! This event is **FREE** for all our families and organisations who attend. Hosting up to 5,000 kids each year, babies through to Year 6, it's no small celebration!

We know the hustle and bustle isn't everyone's cup of tea, so we have several quiet spaces if kids need a break from the excitement.

This year, the Variety Club have very generously sent an invitation to their annual Christmas Party to all our Exford Kids. The Christmas Party will be held on Thursday 14 December. Please note that parents will need to take their children and remain with them. Staff will not be attending and will be at school assisting with the usual end of year tasks. Supervision at school will of course be provided for any students not attending the Variety Club Christmas Party.

Please return this expression of interest form back to school by Friday 27 October 2023 and Mrs Harper in our Office will register our families under the school's name.

**Date: Thursday 14 December 2023**

**Time: 10am - 1:30pm (registration opens at 9am)**

**Location: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre  
1 Convention Centre Pl, South Wharf VIC 3006**

**Cost: FREE (strictly by invitation only to Variety families)**

**RSVP: As soon as possible to secure your tickets!**

**Registrations close Friday 27 October 2023**