# **Exford Primary School**

Newsletter No 14 – Term 3, 2024 Thursday 1 August 2024



## Ms Campo's news....

## 2025 Prep enrolments

Our Office has now sent out enrolment application acceptance letters via email and we ask that you complete the full enrolment documentation forms and return them to us as soon as possible, along with a copy of your child's birth certificate (and immunisation certificate when available), please.

# 2025 Planning

We are now at the stage of the year where we begin our next year's planning. If you know that your family is moving and your child/children will not be attending Exford PS in 2025, we would appreciate you letting us know. Please provide information via exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au

# **Olympics at Exford**

Our children are enjoying the Exford Olympics, starting with our Opening Ceremony on Monday morning. We have Olympic events throughout the week and our Green and Gold Day tomorrow.

### **Book Week Parade**

We are looking forward to our Book Week activities and Parade. Book Week begins on Monday 19 August and our dress-up Book Week Parade will be held at our Friday (23 August) morning Assembly. So here's a heads up to start getting creative or visit Spotlight! We will do our special Book Week Gotcha draw at the end of the Assembly (books as prizes) and then the children will take part in some Book Week activities across the school after that. Stay tuned!



# **Coming Up**

- Monday 14 August
  - Year 1-2 Melbourne Museum excursion
- Tuesday 15 August
  - Year 3-6 MPSSA Athletics Carnival
- Wednesday 28 August Father's Day stall
- Friday 30 August Colour Fun Run
  - Our new playground will be open
  - Last day for our existing oval space

## **Due to the Office**

- Monday 5 August
  - Year 1-2 Melbourne Museum excursion money and consent form due in XUNO
- Monday 12 August
  - Father's Day stall ordering opens 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

## **Green and Gold Day**

On **Friday August 2**, along with many other schools across Australia, we will be showing our support four our Australian athletes participating in the Olympics by participating in a nationwide Green and Gold Day.

We encourage all our students to come dressed entirely in green and gold (yellow) or wear a touch of green and gold on this day. Some options may include a green/gold t-shirt /pants, a wig, hairspray, hair ribbons or even painting your nails green and gold.

We hope students enjoy this experience and show our support to our Australian athletes by wearing some green and gold on this day.

### Fundraising event & farewell to our oval – Colour Run

On Friday 30 August, we will be holding our school's major fundraising event for the year. This fundraiser is our first ever school Colour Run. The day is designed to be a fun day for all students as they run/walk around an obstacle course as they covered in coloured power paint and water. Who knows there may even be some slime?!

Exact details on the time on this exciting event will be provided closer to the day, however it is anticipated that the Colour Run will take place in the afternoon between 2 - 3:15 pm.

Families are more than welcome to come along and support their children on the day.

# **Our new Gymnasium**

Mr Wilson and I took part in a Site tour of our new Gymnasium on Tuesday and here are some photos from inside the Gym.









(new Canteen)

Due to ongoing works at our school, a holiday OSH Club will not be offered at Exford PS for the Term 3 holidays. You can enrol your child / children at other Melton OSH Club locations.

## **Gotcha! Stall**

The children enjoy saving their Gotchas up and spending them on a variety of items available on our Gotcha Prize list.

We hold 'Gotcha Stalls' several times a term. Here we have Emma exhibiting some of the prizes on offer.



# 2024 dates to remember

### Term 3

### Wednesday 14 August

Year 1-2 Melbourne Museum excursion

### **Thursday 15 August**

Year 3-6 MPSSA Athletics Carnival

### Monday 19 - Friday 23 August

- BOOK WEEK celebrations at EPS stay tuned for activities.
- Friday 23 Aug Book Week Parade at Assembly (time to dress-up, yeah!)

### Wednesday 21 August

Year 5-6 MPSSA Basketball Day

### Wednesday 28 August

Father's Day stall

### **Thursday 29 August**

TBC - completion date of our new central play area and landscaping

### Friday 30 August

• Colour Run Fundraiser!



### Saturday 1 September

 TBC – new sports field and hard courts works begin

### Thursday 5 September

Year 3-4 MPSSA Basketball Day

### **Tuesday 10 September**

Year 3-4 MPSSA AFL 9's

### Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 September

• TBC - Parent Student Teacher Conferences

### Friday 20 September

- End of Term 3
  - o 2.30 pm dismissal

## Term 4

### Monday 7 October

- Term 3 begins for staff only
- TBC Pupil Free Day No 3 no school for students

### **Tuesday 8 October**

Term 3 begins for students

### **Monday 4 November**

Pupil Free Day No 4 – no school for students

### **Tuesday 5 November**

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

### Friday 20 December

• End of Term 4! (1:30 pm dismissal



We will be holding a second-hand uniform stall on our Colour Run day, limited items and sizes will be for sale. Available until sold out.



### **Back in Stock**

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### ORDER NOW ON QKR

\$20 each or the scarf and beanie combo for \$35

## **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 3 Colour Fun Run Friday 30 August
- Term 4 End of year Raffle and Christmas Concert BBQ



Our 2022 target is...

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

Our Tally so far...

\$2,500.00

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CLASS	Art	PE	LOTE (French)	Science
Prep Akamatis	Thursday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Friday
Prep Gleeson	Wednesday	Wednesday	Monday	Friday
Prep Mastrop	Wednesday	Thursday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 1-2 Ambrose	Tuesday	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	Monday
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	Monday
Year 5-6 Higgins	Thursday	Thursday	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5-6 Micallef	Thursday	Monday	Monday	Thursday
Year 5-6 Odgers	Tuesday	Thursday	Monday	Thursday



To our students who celebrated their birthday 17 July – 1 August

Riley, Rosana, Levi, Aurora, Awheata, Kaiden, Levi, Avnoor, Siddharth, Kruze, Levi, Ella and Tj.

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.



# Every day counts



# A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just  10 minutes a day  50 minutes of learning each week  1 hour a day  1 whole day of learning each week		which is	and therefore, from Prep to Year 12 that is  Nearly ½ year of school  Over 2½ years of learning	
		Nearly 1 1/2 weeks per year		
		8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year		
l day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of learning	
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks of school	Over 8 years of learning	

# The best learning time for students is the start of the school day. Give your child every chance to succeed

- When children regularly arrive late, they miss out on so much.
- They miss out on the lovely morning 'Meet and Greet' which connects children with their classmates, staff and classroom environment.
- We schedule literacy and numeracy for our morning lessons so regular lateness means that children are missing critical learning every day they are away / late.
- Being on time prepares your child for the school day and the routines which support their learning.
- · Remember that every day counts
- There is no safe number of days for missing school each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes and social connections.
- Talk positively about school and the importance of attending every day.



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 XUNO or email the school directly on <a href="mailto:exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au">exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au</a> – all student absences must be explained in writing.



# Office News

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.

CSEF Fund – The Camp Sports and Excursion fund application process has closed for 2024. This will reopen in 2025.

Student of the Week 2

Pre	p Akamatis	Alaiyna	Personal Best	Mia	Personal Best
Pre	ep Gleeson	Gurimanat	Kindness	Ditya	Kindess
   Pre	p Mastrop	Kuvam	Personal Best	Aishreet	Personal Best

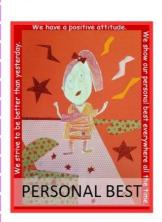
Year 1-2 Ambrose	Riley	Personal Best	Zayaan	Personal Best
Year 1-2 Blasis	Рорру	Personal Best	Dylan	Personal Best
Year 1-2 Jones	Levi	Personal Best	Max	Personal Best
Year 1-2 Roe	Coby	Personal Best	Khai	Personal Best

	Year 3 - 4 Fyfe	Clara	Kindness	Emmanuel	Respect
	Year 3 - 4 Monagle	Ella	Personal Best	Anna	Personal Best
	Year 3 - 4 Mounsey	Darcy	Kindness	Peninnah	Respect
Ì	Year 3 - 4 Romanski	Marlee	Personal Best	Natalia	Kindness

Year 5 - 6 Higgins	Ellissia	Personal Best	Aarish	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Micallef	Candy	Kindness	Alize	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Odgers	Sehaz	Personal Best	Faatea	Personal Best

The Arts	Kritika	Personal Best	Kuvam	Respect
PE	-	-	Amarya	Personal Best
French	Christian	Kindness	Harvey	Personal Best
Science	Anahat	Kindness	Betty	Personal Best
Wellbeing	Everly	Personal Best	-	-
Ms Campo	Aydin	Respect	Aryaan	Personal Best
Mr Wilson	Jack	Respect	Ryder, Lachlan	Kindness
OSH Club	=	=:	Shanaya	Personal Best





# 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL

IN PREP GLEESON



**THURSDAY** 

**JULY** 2024















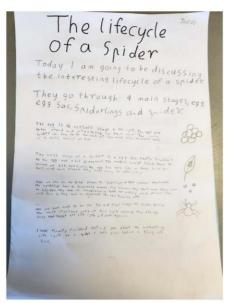


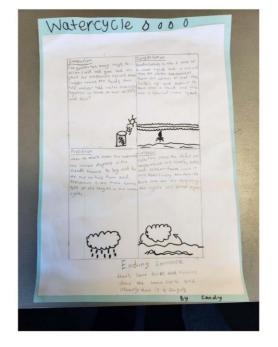


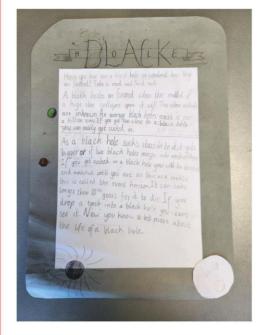
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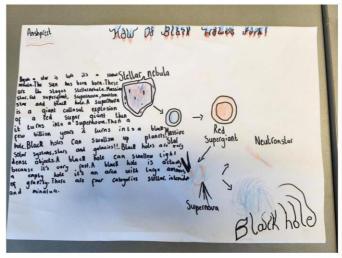
# in 5-6 Micallef

We have been working on researching, drafting and publishing explanation texts to describe a process. We researched how things like black holes, tornadoes and volcanos form, as well as the life cycles of different animals. Check out some of our amazing work below!

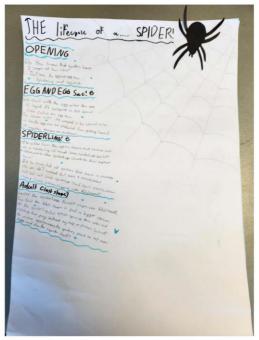


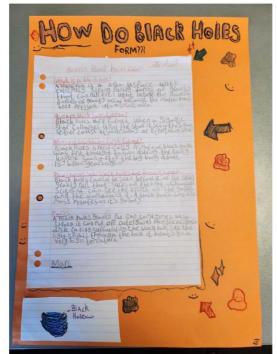




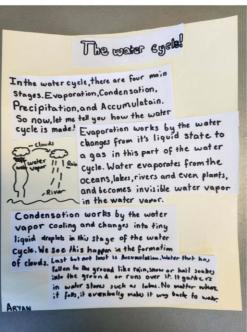


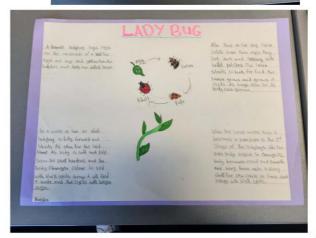


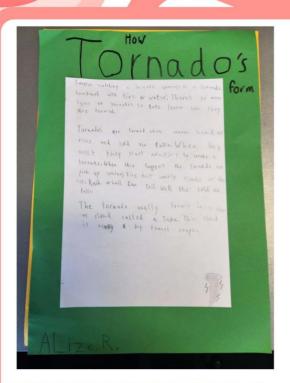


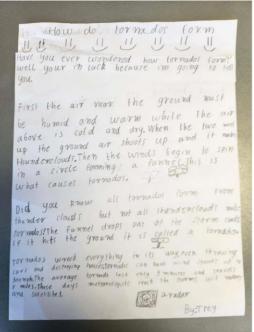




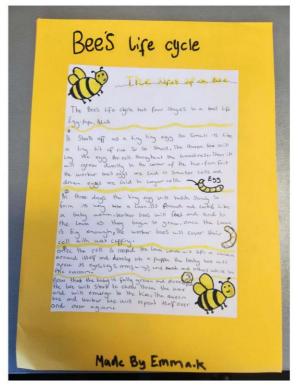


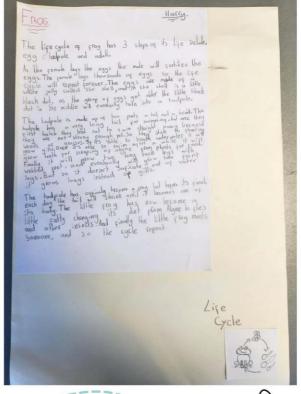




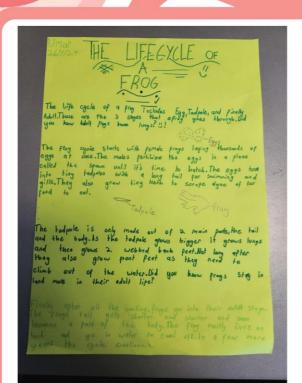


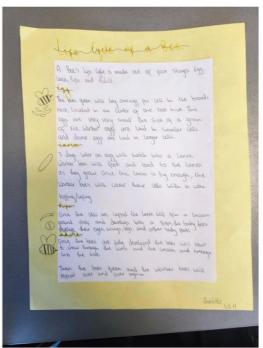


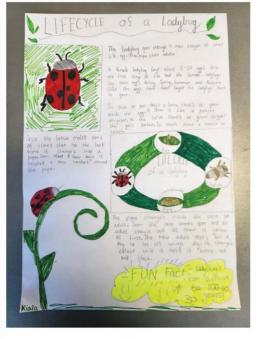




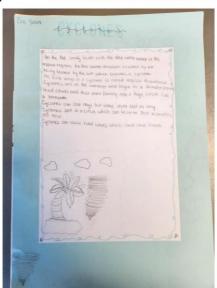


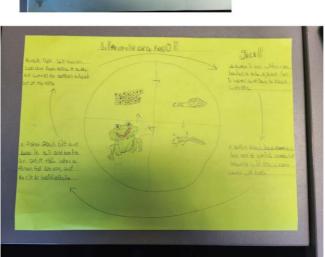












# Exford Olympics ARCHERY & VOLLEYBALL







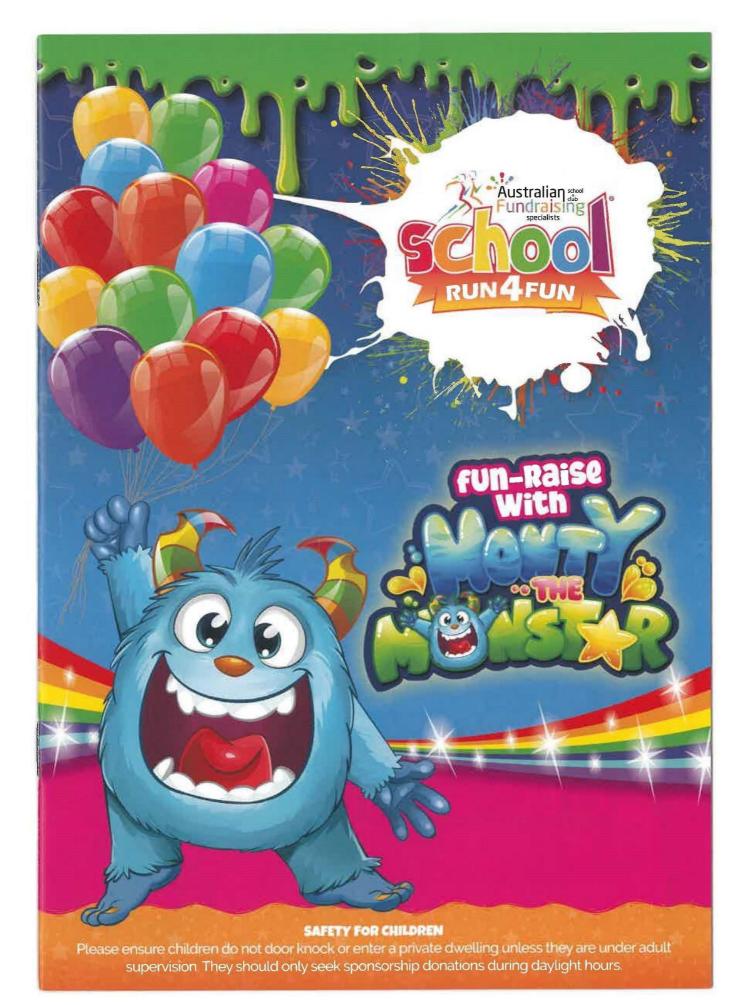






# Exford Olympics OPENING CEREMONY



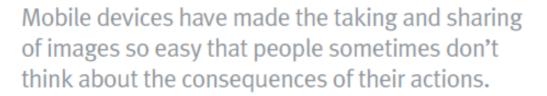








# Primary: Pressure Pix





### What's the issue?

Mobile devices have made the taking and sharing of images so quick and easy that people sometimes don't think about the consequences of their actions.

## Why does it matter?

- Even your closest friends can sometimes ask you to do things that you might not be comfortable with. If things go wrong it can wreck your relationship.
- There are laws about what sort of material can be sent electronically, you can break these laws without even knowing.
- People's sense of what's 'ok' can be different even when you agree on lots of other things.
- Close relationships are based on trust.

### Advice

### Use your best instincts

 Developing a personal 'compass' that helps you to make decisions is important. When you let other people persuade you to go against your instincts it might not be the best thing for you.

# Have 'real' friends and be a 'real' friend yourself

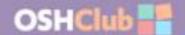
- Your have no automatic right to take images
  of other people without their consent. If you
  do capture that hilarious moment, asking
  the person's permission before you share it
  with others is a good way to show that you
  care about their feelings and opinions.
- If someone does something you are unhappy about, don't get into blaming them but explain your feelings calmly so that they can understand you better. They may be sorry for what they have done, or they may feel that you are overreacting—if they really care about you they will still listen and try not to hurt you again.

### Get help to learn more

- Get your teacher to work with your class about what the laws say about sending stuff electronically.
- Brain science tells us that the emotional part of our brains fire up much more quickly than the thinking parts of our brains (that's why we sometimes act before we think). There are great exercises you can do to help get the thinking part to kick in, find out what they are!

# ewsletter

29th August 2024



### Acknowledgement of Country

We begin today by acknowledging the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today and pay our respects to Elders past, present.



### Hello Familias...

We have had a busy couple of weeks back into Term 3!

Some standout experiences and highlights included:

- Construction Chaos Including straw towers & camp sites, Paddle pop stick bridges, Marble Run, Linking cubes and Magnetic blocks.
- **Board Game Challenges**
- String Painting
- Experiment making Oobleck

We celebrated National Pyjama Day on Wednesday 24th July by wearing our pyjamas to OSH. We had yummy party food including, pizza's, fairy bread, popcom and of course a fruit platter (3). Activities included making sleep masks, designing pyjamas, Just Dance on the big screen, balloons and played 'Keepy Uppy'.

The children have requested and are looking forward to keeping up with how the Australians are travelling in the Olympics, where we will watch the highlights on a weekly basis.

We have started to collect photos of all the children, preparing to add them to our OSH Family Tree

Please feel free to visit the service and check out all our photos of the funwe have at OSH Club in our program journall







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# Newsletter

29th August 2024





### Coming Up



### Global Kids Week

Embark on a journey to become a better global citizen and protect our planet through developing essential life skills and exploring the world around us.



### **Educators Day**

Please find below a link to a digital thank you card. Your educators would LOVE to hear from you! https://www.groupgreeting.com/sign/aebcb73012e8ebe



#### FOMO Club

Over 6 weeks we will explore the boundaries of science and create crazy reactions in our Science Squad.

### Special Announcements

### Extended Learning Activity: Term 3 2024

Ultimate Tag

Over the month of August, every Thursday children will have the opportunity to participate in our ELA from 4pm till 5pm with no extra charge to your fees!

#### Club News

Our Focus Area for Term 3 is 'Building Relationships'.

Relationships between Osh staff and children as well as each other. We will achieve this by:

- Practicing our school values, 'Kindness', 'Respect', and 'Personal Best'.
- Implementing Wellbeing activities each day.
- Creating an Environment that gives a real sense of 'Belonging'.
- Listening, observing and learning about each other's ques, needs and wants.

### Recycled Items.

Recycled materials are fantastic items that inspire creativity and imagination. We have noticed that children love crafting with cardboard and have come up with some amazing creations.

We are asking our families if you could spare us any recycled materials such as:

- Cardboard
- Boxes
- Glass Jars
- Bottle Caps

We would really appreciate anything you could donate, to support children in their play :)

### Coordination Corner

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new OSH service coordinator here at Exford. My name is Allison Parr and I have worked with children in Early Childhood and Primary age for ten years now.

I have two children of my own aged 4 and 1 that I absolutely love and adore that keep me on my toes when I am not at work! In my spare time I like to enjoy some down time and recreation with my family, work towards DIY projects at home and go on camping trips every chance I get.

As your new OSH Coordinator, my goal is to provide a Safe and Fun environment for all children that attend the service and ultimately, to create a space where children feel comfortable to be themselves, build and strengthen relationships, and engage in new learning opportunities.





# Exford Primary School Instrumental Music Programme





# Learn a Musical Instrument at School

Prefer AfterSchool lessons? We can help with that too!

## Learning Music...

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

## 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



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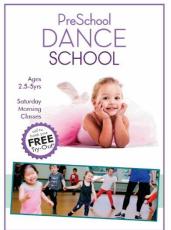




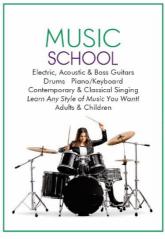
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# PERFORMING ARTS HEADQUARTERS

we offer

PreSchool MUSIC lessons ACTING classes DANCE classes learn in a fun & supportive environment

**ALL** Ages



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# MELTONS BIG FREEZE

FOR MOTOR NEAURON DISEASE SUPPORTING MND VICTORIA



Can you beat the Big Freeze? \$50 entry cost will be your donation and you can choose to raise funds for your big moment!!

Winner is whom can stand the Freezing Ice Bath the Longest!!



## THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS

DATE

# 03 AUGUST 2024

TIME

START FROM 11AM - 2PM

LOCATION

MELTON AMPHITHEATRE, HIGH STREET MELTON









- 🗼 Ice Bath Challenge
- **Merchandise Stall**
- **Bake Sale**
- Raffles
- \* Sausage Sizzle
- and More











# **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 July
- Wednesday 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



## **GET IN TOUCH**

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# Enrolments for 2025 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.



