

# Exford Primary School

Newsletter No 15 – Term 3, 2024

Thursday 15 August 2024



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## Ms Campo's news....

### 2025 Prep Enrolments

A reminder that we need our families to return their child's enrolment forms so that we can begin planning our 2025 Prep Transition.

### Year 1-2 Melbourne Museum Excursion

Our Year 1-2 children went to the Melbourne Museum yesterday and had a very interesting learning experience. We look forward to seeing the children's excursion reports sometime soon.



### Book Week ...next week!

Our annual Book Week celebrations begin next week, culminating in our Book Week Dress-up Parade on Friday 23 August at 8:50 am. The children will take part in Book Week activities in their own and other classrooms during the day.

### Car Park

I know that we are all starting to feel Construction Fatigue – we have been at this school upgrade business since 2019! The car park situation is very challenging for us all and particularly for our families at drop-off and pick-up times. Tully (our Project Manager), Mrs Humplik, Mr Wilson and I keep reminding delivery / rubbish / sewerage trucks that they are not to come in our peak traffic times – yesterday was very difficult for families trying to drop off the children due to truck drivers not respecting our requests and we can only apologise for that.

At the same time, we ask families **NOT** to stop and drop – you hold up all the traffic behind you and, more importantly, it is not safe for the children. We also ask that everyone drives and parks with the greatest of courtesy and care. We have a term and a half left of our construction and we are going to have a beautiful new school at the end of it and we need to keep reminding ourselves of this. We are nearly there!

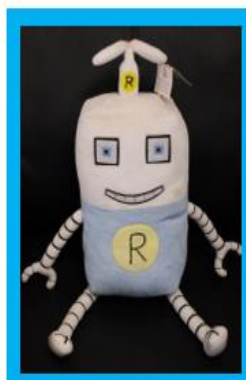
## Coming Up

- Monday 19 – Friday 23 – Book Week celebrations
- Friday 23 August – Book Week parade
- Wednesday 28 August - Father's Day stall
- Friday 30 August – Colour Fun Run
- Monday 9 / Tuesday 10 September - Our new playground will be open
  - Last day for our existing oval space

## Due to the Office

- Father's Day stall ordering is now open for ordering in XUNO.
- Wednesday 21 August
  - BBQ sausage and donut order last day to order
- Friday 30 August – Parent Opinion Survey
  - Please see invitation 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**

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## New playground

We will have a slight delay in the handover of our new playground and landscaping. We were anticipating the handover on Friday 30 August, but it will now happen on Monday 9 / Tuesday 10 September (or thereabouts). The flip side of that delay is we keep the oval for another fortnight. Please see the photos later in this newsletter – it's looking fabulous!

## Fundraising event & farewell to our oval – 'The Splat-acular!'

On Friday 30 August, we will be holding our school's major fundraising event for the year. This fundraiser is our first ever school 'Splat-acular' Colour Run. The day is designed to be a fun day for all students as they run/walk around an obstacle course, as they get 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 Splat-acular' 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.

## Father's Day Stall

Our Father's Day stall is now open on XUNO. A reminder that there will be **no cash sales** on the day. All gifts must be paid for through XUNO **by Friday 23 August**. Children will then have the opportunity to pick the number of gifts purchased (maximum 2 per child) at our stall, which is being held on Wednesday 28 August.

Volunteers are always welcome to help run the stall on Wednesday morning from approximately 9am – 11am. Please email the school on [exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au)



## Book Week

We usually hold our Parent-Teacher Conferences in the last weeks of Term 3 each year– however due to our grounds works, we will hold our PT Conferences on the Pupil Free Day scheduled for Monday 7 October (when the children are not onsite). We will set up our interview time selection for you in Xuno and will communicate that to you in the next newsletter.

## MPSSA Athletics Sports

Well done to our kids who participated in today's Athletics Sports. Mr Wilson and I managed to get across to see them and it was so lovely to watch our kids cheering each other on and celebrating their participation and achievements. Thanks to the families who joined us at the Bridge Road Athletics track.

## Parent-Teacher Conferences

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## 2024 dates to remember

### Term 3

#### 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

#### Friday 30 August

- Colour Run Fundraiser!



#### Tuesday 3 September

- Year 1-2 Special Person's Day

#### Monday 9 / Tuesday 10 September

- TBC – Our new Playground and landscaping opens

#### Monday 9 / Tuesday 10 September

- Work begins on the stormwater drainage, 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



#### Friday 20 September

- End of Term 3
  - Footy Colours Day
  - 2:30 pm dismissal

### Term 4

#### Monday 7 October

- Term 3 begins for staff only
- Pupil Free Day No 3 – no school for students
  - Parent-Teacher Conferences

#### 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

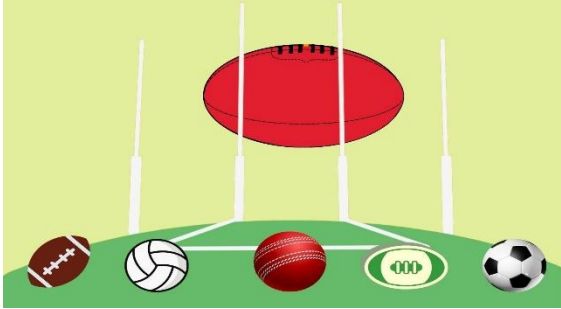
- End of Term 4! (1:30 pm dismissal)

## Footy Colours Day



### FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Staff and students are invited to show their "true colours" on the last day of Term 3, Friday 20 September.  
 Dress in the colours of your favourite team  
 (AFL, Netball, Soccer, Rugby, Cricket)



## Second Hand Uniform sale

# Second Hand SALE



Items have been kindly donated or are unnamed lost property items that have not claimed.

Items can be purchased at our Colour Run day

Available until SOLD OUT

- Hoodies
- Windcheater
- Bomber Jackets
- School bags
- EPS Scarves and beanies

Limited numbers and sizes

## Construction update



## Back in Stock

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\$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

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 Blais	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 2 – 15 August

Eamonn, Aydin, Axel, Mackenzie, Noah, Emity, Jack, Kallan, Minnie, Ari, Yana & Trista

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.....	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Prep to Year 12 that is....
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1 1/2 weeks per year	Nearly 1/2 year of school
1 hour a day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year	Over 2 1/2 years of learning
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 1/2 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.

Gates open / first bell 8.50 am		Learning starts at 9 am
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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 [exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:exford.ps@education.vic.gov.au) – 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

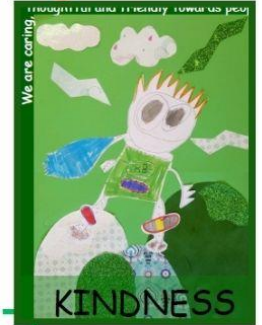
Week 3

Week 4

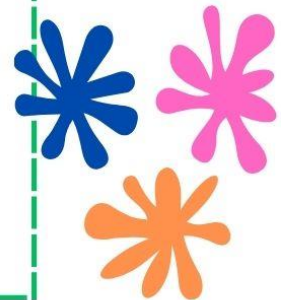
Prep Akamatis	Zeke	Personal Best	Kaiden	Personal Best
Prep Gleeson	-	-	Lovik	Personal Best
Prep Mastrop	Harper	Personal Best	Brodi	Kindness



Year 1-2 Ambrose	Mia	Personal Best	Rehmat	Respect
Year 1-2 Blasis	Danyal	Personal Best	Deegan	Respect
Year 1-2 Jones	Bailey	Kindness	Monson	Personal Best
Year 1-2 Roe	Tristina	Personal Best	Lacey	Personal Best



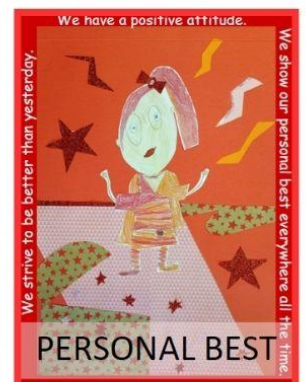
Year 3 - 4 Fyfe	Seana	Personal Best	Avnoor	Personal Best
Year 3 - 4 Monagle	Rosana	Personal Best	Lucas	Personal Best
Year 3 - 4 Mounsey	Elijah	Personal Best	Levi	Kindness
Year 3 - 4 Romanski	Lachlan	Personal Best	Aviraj	Personal Best



Year 5 - 6 Higgins	Gurmanvir	Kindness	Chloe	Personal Best
Year 5 - 6 Micallef	Harry	Personal Best	Amber	Respect
Year 5 - 6 Odgers	Gurshan	Respect	Gurnaaz	Personal Best






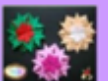


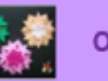





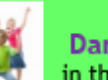

















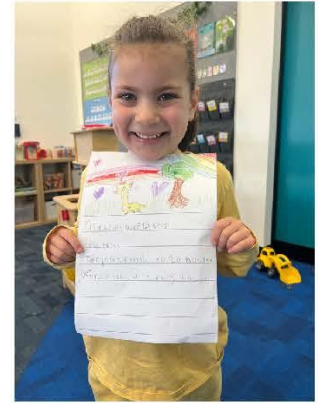
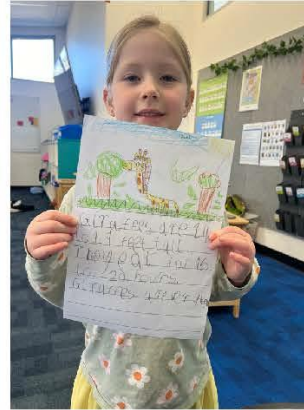
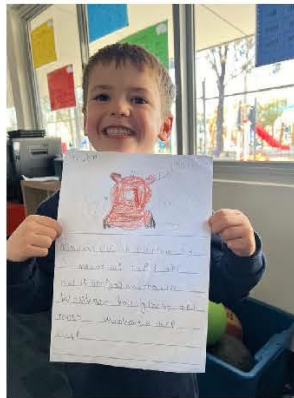
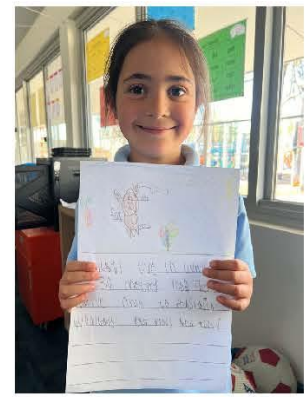
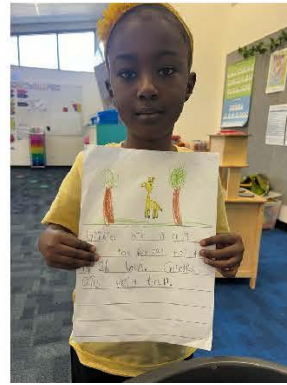
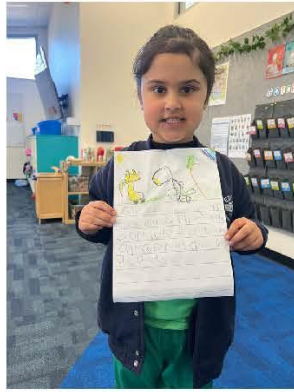
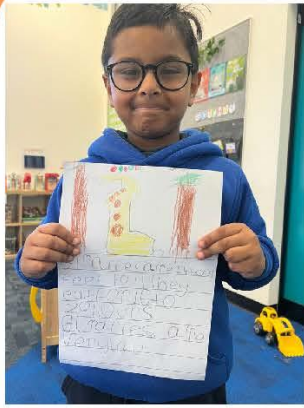
The Arts	Taela	Kindness	Kina	Respect
PE	Eamonn	Personal Best	-	-
French	Jack	Kindness	Rosana	Personal Best
Science	Shylo	Respect	Zayne	Personal Best
Wellbeing	-	-	Shanaya / Sumair	Respect/Kindness
Ms Campo	Gurnaaz	Kindness	Aydin	Respect
Mr Wilson	Summer	Respect	Daman	Respect
OSH Club	Chase	Personal Best	Gurnaaz	Personal Best



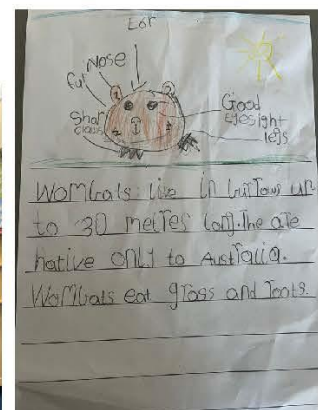
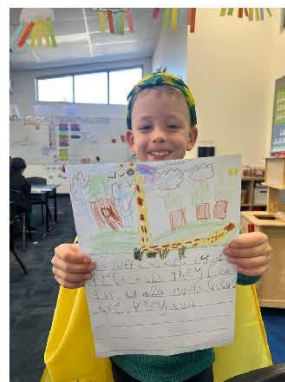
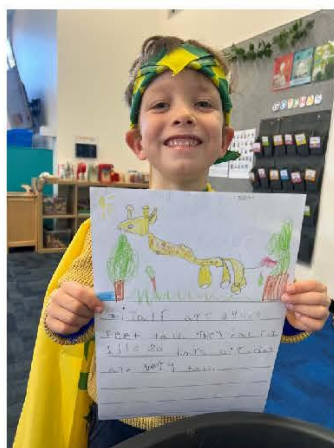
## [Here is our Term 3 Lunch Time Clubs timetable for your reference.](#)

The children are able to choose what activities they may like to join.

2024 - Exford PS's Term 3 Lunch Time Clubs for our Year Prep - 6 Kids - Monday 12 August 2024					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Recess</b>	Recess times - Year 5-6 Knitting Club daily - in Ms Campo's office				
<b>Lunch</b>	Lunch times - Year 5-6 Knitting Club in Ms Campo's office				
First half of lunch 1:30 - 2 pm	 <b>Prep - Year 6 Knitting Club</b> in the French room	 <b>Prep - Year 6 Knitting Club</b> in the French room	 <b>Prep - Year 6 Knitting Club</b> in the French room	 <b>Prep - Year 6 Knitting Club</b> in the French room	 <b>Prep - Year 6 Knitting Club</b> in the French room
	 <b>Origami Club</b> -in Mrs Roe's room	 <b>Origami Club</b> - in Mrs Roe's room	 <b>Year 3-6 Arts Club</b>		 <b>Origami Club</b> in Mrs Roe's classroom
		 <b>Year 1-2 Robotics Club</b> in the Science Room		 <b>Year 3-4 Robotics Club</b> in the Science Room	
Second half of lunch 2 - 2:30 pm	 <b>Dance Club</b> in the SLB garden area		 <b>Dance Club</b> in the SLB garden area	 <b>Dance Club</b> in the SLB garden area	 <b>Dance Club</b> in the SLB garden area
	 <b>Prep - Year 2 Arts Club</b>	 <b>Year 3-6 Arts Club</b>	 <b>Prep - Year 2 Arts Club</b>	 <b>Year 3-6 Arts Club</b>	 <b>Prep - Year 2 Arts Club</b>
	 <b>Lego Club</b> in her classroom	 <b>Lego Club</b> in Mrs Blasis' classroom	 <b>Lego Club</b> in Mrs Blasis' classroom	 <b>Lego Club</b> in Mrs Blasis' classroom	 <b>Lego Club</b> in Mrs Blasis' classroom
	 <b>Library &amp; Chess Club</b>	 <b>Library &amp; Chess Club</b>	 <b>Library &amp; Chess Club</b>	 <b>Library &amp; Chess Club</b>	 <b>Library &amp; Chess Club</b>
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY



In Prep Akamatis we have been learning about facts. We have had lots of fun writing Information Reports on different animals.





# PERSUASIVE ADVERTISEMENTS IN 5-6 ODGERS

In 5-6 Odgers the last few weeks have been spent on creating persuasive advertisements.



We have explored a range of persuasive techniques and how they can be translated to video advertisements.

Most students lent into the use of humour in advertisements as a strategy to convince consumers to buy the product





Students were tasked with brainstorming ideas as to why their product should be purchased, and who then is their target audience.

We have discovered through our research of effective advertisements that slogans are effective persuasive tools and have been used across the board in our own advertisements.

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We also experimented with the challenges faced by advertisers, to create a short form story that is engaging and persuasive.



### 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 Families...

Last fortnight was jam packed full of fun, learning and new experiences!

Some standout experiences and highlights included:

- Origami Craft  
Including Frogs, Butterflies and Paper Planes.
- Green and Gold Day – Olympic Highlights.
- ELA – Ultimate Tag.
- Global Kids Week – Leaf Animals and Keith Haring Art.
- FOMO Club – Walking Water and Colour Burst Experiment.

Ultimate Tag commenced last Thursday, and the children loved it! They had the opportunity to participate in some very active play including, an obstacle course, playing cat and mouse, and tug of war!

It was amazing to see the children all dressed up in their Green & Gold gear to back the Aussies in the Olympics. It has been evident in the children's play that they have really taken to the Olympics by engaging in games or events such as Relay Races and Gymnastics on the Bars.

We kicked off our FOMO Club 'Science Squad' last week. Week One's theme was Colour Madness, and we participated in the Walking Water and Colour Burst experiment. Using materials such as milk, dishwashing liquid, and food colouring the children were amazed to see the outcomes of each activity.



## Coming Up

**Aug  
12**

### Week 2: FOMO Club

Science Squad continues with the theme 'Volcanic Reactions'.

**Aug  
19**

### Book Week

Join us in lots of Magical Activities and Fun celebrating Book Week.

**Aug  
26**

### Father's Day Prep

Let's spoil our Dad or Special Person this week, making them gifts!

## 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.

#### Reflection:

We have observed and acknowledged that some children may not feel confident or comfortable to give suggestions or feedback for their time at OSHClub in a group setting. In response to that we will be setting up a Feedback Station in the OSH room and encourage all children to use it to allow their voices to be heard. We encourage all our Families, Parents and Guardians to utilise this space also :)

## Coordination Corner

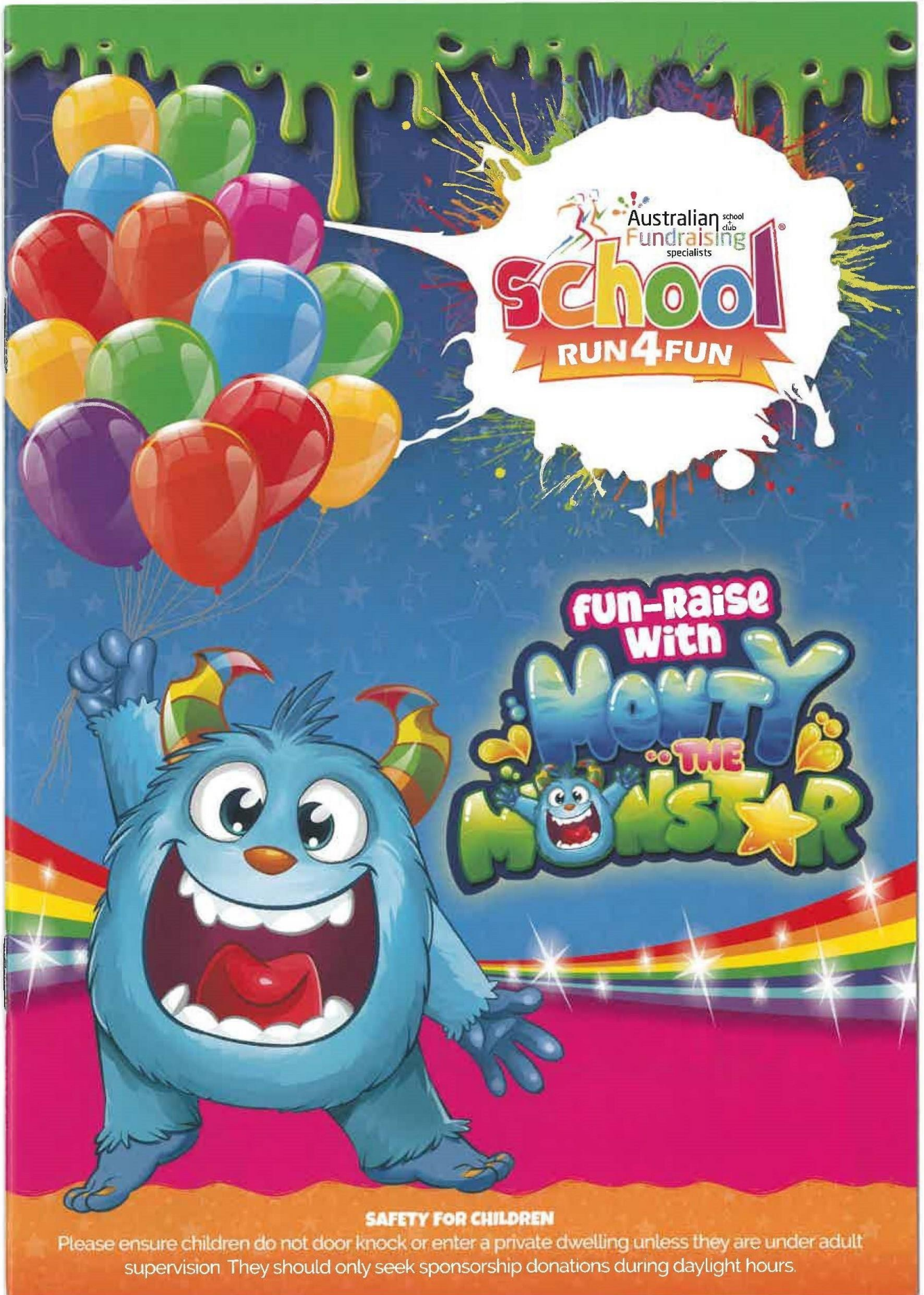
Just a reminder to please ensure you are walking your children into the school and signing them into OSHClub, to ensure their safety. All parents and guardians have their own log in for our service iPad where you are asked to enter your mobile number, and a 4 digit pin you will have created and prompted to sign your child in/out. Your cooperation with this, would be much appreciated.

Unfortunately, due to ongoing Construction work happening at our school, we won't be running our Holiday Program for the end of Term 3. Communications will be sent out to families regarding other options such as location as soon as possible, so please look out for those.

Finally, if any families are looking to donate any activities or games that are in good condition with no broken bits or pieces, we are happy to take them off your hands to build on our resources.

Have a great week :)





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THE  
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**SAFETY FOR CHILDREN**

Please ensure children do not door knock or enter a private dwelling unless they are under adult supervision. They should only seek sponsorship donations during daylight hours.



# Exford Primary School Instrumental Music Programme



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DANCE  
DRAMA**  
PERFORMING ARTS  
HEADQUARTERS

## 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
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electric guitar



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drums

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Try-Out!

**DRAMA**  
SCHOOL

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for fun & the enjoyment of acting,  
or for the dedicated student  
seeking to act professionally

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Learn Any Style of Music You Want!  
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Keyboards, Digital Pianos  
Upright Pianos, Violins  
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Beginner to the Pro!

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## 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

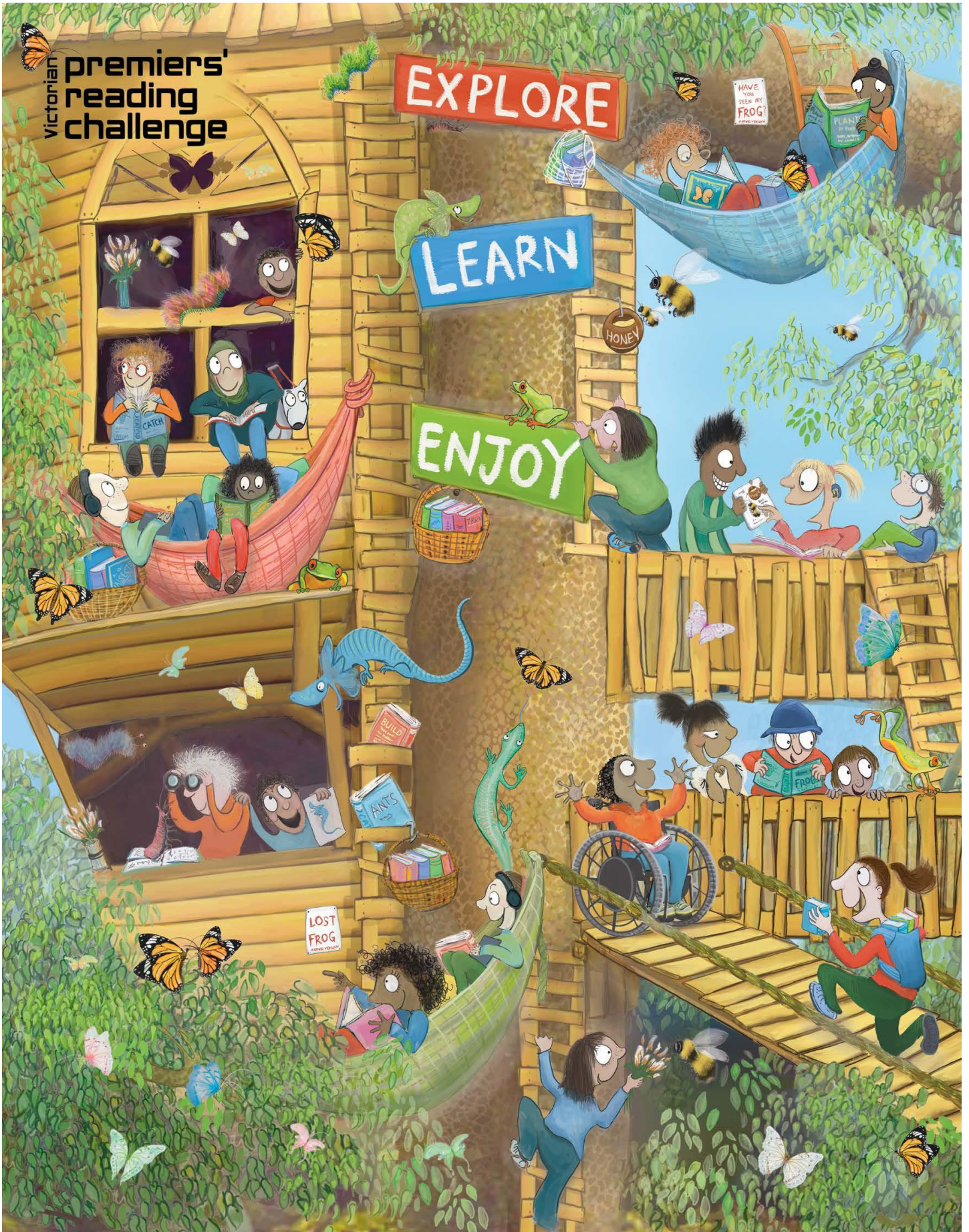
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