

# The Buxton Bulletin

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## Principal's Report

### Welcome to 2023!

Anyone would be forgiven for being confused about what season or time of year it is this week, with both hot and wintry cold weather, and a Year 6 graduation thrown in! It was a lovely evening last night seeing our students' passion projects, poems and of course celebrating Chloe and Alice's graduation. Thank you to everyone who came along.

We were excited to welcome our new preps this week, Declan, Carter and Harlow. They have settled very well and we are so proud of them. We also welcomed James back to Buxton this year for Year 6 and it feels as though he never left, he has settled well, renewed his former friendships and made new ones.

We also welcome Katrina to our staff team this week. Katrina lives in Alexandra and will be working in an Education Support role alongside Kim. We had a full staffroom on our Curriculum Day on Monday which was very exciting, a visual reminder of our growth as a school in the last few years. I am proud of the Buxton staff and love working alongside them.

It was a joy to be in the playground on Thursday morning before school and see a soccer match in full swing with players aged 6 - 12, 100cm tall - 180cm tall. It is one of the best things about our school, how all the students play and work together, regardless of their ages.

We look forward to another busy and productive year at Buxton this year, with lots of adventures and new learning to celebrate.

### AFL Melbourne Demons Player Meet and Greet and Upcoming Clinics

Our Year 4—6 students will be going to Marysville Primary School on Tuesday 7th for a meet and greet with a couple of Melbourne Demons players. In addition, Ms C. has organised a couple of AFL skills clinics for PE on 10th February and 3rd of March. Please complete the permission form on uEducateUs for Tuesday's excursion.

### Parent Teacher Interviews and Student Support Group Meetings

We will be offering Parent Teacher Interviews and Student Support Group Meetings for families on Thursday 23rd February. Bookings will open on uEducateUs next week. We will work together to set learning and wellbeing goals for students for the coming year.

### Cathedral Cluster Swimming

Three senior students will be travelling to Yea with Ms C on Thursday 16th February to compete in the inter-school swimming events. We wish Jack, Cadey and Ella the best of luck for the day.

### 2023 Updated Permission Forms and Emergency Contacts

At the start of each school year we need to have parents sign paper copies of the Local Excursion Permission Form, Digital Technologies Agreement and Publication Permission. There is also a form to update emergency contacts and other details. You will receive a lot of forms today with the newsletter, but for the rest of the year, permission forms are done online through uEducateUs. Please return these forms by Friday 10th February.

### Life Education—Healthy Harold Visiting

On Wednesday 15th March, our students will be participating in Life Education sessions. Foundation - Year 2 students will complete a session called Harold's Friend Ship. Year 4—6 students will have two sessions, the first called Think Twice and the other Welcome to Puberty. More detailed information about each session will be sent home with the permission forms on uEducateUs and if you have any specific questions about the session, you can visit the Life Education website or speak with Sarah Cooke.

Sarah



# Student of the Week



James has made a wonderful start to the school year, renewing friendships and focusing on his learning.  
Great effort James!

## Important Dates:

**Thursday 16th February**

Cluster Swimming

**Friday 17th February**

AFL Clinic

**Friday 3rd March**

AFL Clinic

**Monday 13th March**

Labour Day holiday

**Wednesday 15th March**

Life Education Visit

**Thursday 6th April**

Last Day of Term 1

### **Term 2**

Monday 24th April to Friday 23rd June

### **Term 3**

Monday 10th July to Friday 15th September

### **Term 4**

Monday 2nd October to  
Wednesday 20th December



## **2022 Year Six Graduation**



## **Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund Applications**

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amount this year is \$125 for eligible primary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

**If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.**

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact Sarah or Lorraine to ask for an application form.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page.

Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.

Alexandra District Netball Association  
2023 Junior B Netball Competition.

Starting March 14<sup>th</sup>.



- ❖ No previous Netball experience needed.
- ❖ Grades 4, 5 and 6 Girls and Boys
- ❖ Competition over 10 weeks finishing with finals.
- ❖ Games Tuesday night 4-6pm
- ❖ Fees \$80 payable on registration.
- ❖ Court fees will be payable by week 3 of the comp  
(cost will depend on number of registrations)

❖ **REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW – closing 6<sup>th</sup> March**

Registration Link:

<https://registration-netball.squadi.com/login>



- ❖ Enquiries/Questions: [junior.netball@gmail.com](mailto:junior.netball@gmail.com)
- ❖ Teams will be allocated after close of registrations.

All teams will need a coach and we will need  
two umpires per game.

If you are keen to get involved, please email,  
and let us know.



# Bringing Up Great Kids

## Parenting group

Be the kind of parent you would  
like to be!

Learn more about

- Getting in tune with your child through mindfulness and reflection
- Understanding the why of your child's behaviour and how to bring in more calm
- Improving communication through understanding early brain development
- Ways that parents can care for themselves and find support when they need it



Tuesdays 1pm - 3pm  
The Cottage, 24 Cooper St (on  
old hospital grounds) Alexandra  
Commencing 28 Feb - 4 April  
to register call  
**Central Intake 1800 161 306**

For parents and carers with  
children aged from 4-12 years old