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# The Buxton Bulletin

Friday 16th February 2024

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## Principal's Report

What a crazy week! I hope everyone came through the wild weather, power outages and loss of communications relatively unscathed. My car and several bushes and tree limbs at my house were not so lucky. Let's hope we have seen the last of the wild weather for a long time.

### School Athletics Fun Day - Friday 23rd February

Families are invited to join us from 9:00 - 11:00am on Friday 23rd February to be part of our School Athletics Day. We have a range of activities for the students to participate in and some fun activities for parents and younger siblings, such as egg and spoon races.

### Circus Skills Program

Ruccis Circus came to school for our first circus skills class today. We have three further sessions of fun this term. See over the page for some pictures.

### Prep Rest Days

Our Prep students have one more rest day next Wednesday 21/02 before starting full time school from Monday 26th February.

### Parent Teacher Interviews and Student Support Group Meetings

If you missed out on a parent teacher interview time but would like to meet with us, please get in contact so that we can arrange a suitable time.

### School Council February Meeting - All Welcome

Our first School Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th February at 4:30pm and members can attend either in person or online via WebEx. Curious about what our School Council does? Come along to this first meeting to find out more.

### School Council AGM—New Committee Members Most Welcome

We will hold our School Council AGM on Tuesday 19th March at 4:30pm. We have multiple vacancies for parent members and I strongly encourage you to consider joining. Self nomination forms are attached to this week's newsletter. Please return these nomination forms to school by Friday 8th March. Please chat to me if you would like more information. We can change our meeting dates going forward after the AGM if you are interested in joining but the time and day don't suit.

### Whole School Excursion - Melbourne Arts Centre

On Friday 19th April, all students will be travelling to the Arts Centre Melbourne for a one hour drama workshop and one and a half hour front of house tour of the theatre. This will be an amazing experience for students to get to go on the big stage, see the musicians' pit and see the costume wardrobe.

### Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy

We are fortunate that we have been able to secure fortnightly speech and occupational therapy for students this year. I have reached out to some parents to organise student referrals, but if you think your child would benefit from these services, please get in touch.

### Smile Squad Visit

The dental visits yesterday went very well and the students had a positive experience. For some reason, a couple of students were not seen who were registered. I am following this up with Inspiro and will let you know when we have a solution. Smile Squad visits should continue yearly from this year.

Best wishes, Sarah

# Students of the Week



**Friday 9th February 2024**

Betty is a great role model  
for our school.

She is caring, includes others and is focused  
on her learning.



**Friday 9th February 2024**

Nell has had a brilliant start to school.

She is a great listener, focused learner and a  
kind classmate. Great effort Nell!

## Important Dates:

**Tuesday 20th February**

School Council meeting @ 4.30pm

**Wednesday 21st February**

Prep Rest Day

**Friday 23rd February**

Athletics Day 9.00-11.00am

**Monday 26th February**

Preps attend full time

**Thursday 28th March**

Final day of Term 1

**Tuesday 19th March**

School Council AGM @ 4.30pm

**Friday 19th April**

Arts Centre Melbourne Excursion

## **2024 Term Dates**

**Term 2**

15 April to 28 June

**Term 3**

15 July to 20 September

**Term 4**

7 October to 20 December

## **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.



# Circus Skills

