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The Buxton Bulletin

Friday 26th April 2024

Principal's Report

Whole School Excursion - Melbourne Arts Centre

We had an exciting trip to the Arts Centre last Friday. On the bus ride down there were lots of questions about why there was so much traffic, why red lights are so long and why we weren't moving. Country kids are not used to peak hour in Melbourne! Our drama lesson on character building saw students shine, creating quirky characters, dressing up in fabulous costumes and being on stage. After a quick lunch, it was time for our tour of the different theatres, back stage areas and special spaces. The students had a chance to view some costumes from the opera and ballet. Thank you to Katrina, Hayley C and Sarah C helping to make the day a success.

Curriculum Day Term 2

Please be advised that there will be **no school for students next Friday 3rd May** as we will have a staff Curriculum Day. Out of School Hours Care will be offered from 7:00am—6:00pm for families who need it.

Cathedral Cross Country

The Cathedral Cross Country Run will be held on Wednesday 8th May at Eildon. A timetable and information is included in today's newsletter. If you have not done so yet, please give approval for this excursion on uEducateUs. To save on costs for families, we are hoping some parents can come along for the day and help transport students. If you can help out, please let me know asap.

Staffing Update

We are excited to announce that we have appointed Hayley Crowle to our vacant classroom teacher position. Hayley is an experienced teacher who has taught at Eildon Primary School for 15 years. Hayley has been working at Buxton on a Friday and she is a great fit for our team. We love her sense of humour, flexibility and enthusiasm for teaching and learning. Hayley will be teaching in the Year 2-6 class Mondays to Thursdays from Monday 6th May.

We are also excited to welcome Jo Ramsay to Buxton from Friday 10th May. Jo is an experienced teacher from Queensland who has recently moved to our local area. Jo shares my passion for STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics), in particular, helping students to become creative thinkers, makers and problem solvers through engaging STEM projects. Jo will be teaching on Fridays, with part of the day in the Year 2- 6 class and also teaching specialist STEM classes for juniors and seniors. Jo has a wonderful energy and I'm confident she will be a great addition to our team.

Having a full complement of teaching staff means that I will be able to focus on providing learning extension and intervention and work closely with students and families to support their mental health and wellbeing. I will be able to reestablish our Tutor Learning Initiative, where I will be teaching students one on one or in small groups to target their literacy and numeracy learning needs, either with extra support or extension activities. I will also be able to more actively work with individual students to support their mental health and wellbeing.

Principal's Report Continued

Parliament in Schools Visit—Thursday 2nd May

On Thursday 2nd May, the Federal Speaker of the House, the Hon. Milton Dick and Helen Haines MP will be visiting Buxton Primary School to present to our Year 2 - 6 students. The Parliament in Schools program is designed to help small, rural and remote primary school students learn about how our parliamentary system works as we are unable to travel to Canberra. There is a specific filming and photography permission form required for this event attached to the newsletter. Please complete this form indicating your consent or refusal and return it to school by Tuesday 30th April.

Camp Jungai Optional Cultural Exchange Camp 18th—20th August

Camp Jungai at Rubicon have invited our Buxton Primary School students to join a visiting group of Chinese students from 5 to 10 years old and their parents at a free camp in August. The Chinese students will visit our school on Friday 16th August and then interested Buxton students are invited to join them at the camp from Sunday 18th - Tuesday 20th August. I will be attending the camp to supervise our Buxton students. This is an exciting opportunity for our students to meet other young people from a different culture and help them learn about Australia and our local community. Please discuss this opportunity with your children and if they are interested in attending, let me know by Friday 10th May so that I can start preparations and send home the relevant information and permission forms to families.

Phillip Island Camp for Year 1 - 6 Students - 18th—20th September

Our yearly small schools camp will be to Phillip Island in the last week of Term 3. The camp is open to all students in Year 1 - 6. It is a three day, two night camp and we will be visiting Churchill Island, the Penguin Parade, Koala Conservation Park, doing a surfing lesson and visiting the chocolate factory! We will be going on camp with students from Wunghnu PS, Mooroopna North PS and Zeerust PS, students we have been on our last two camps with in 2022 and 2023. The cost will be \$370 per student and families who are eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can use the money to help pay for camp. We will send our more information towards the end of Term 2 and we will offer a payment plan to assist with paying for the camp. We don't want anyone to miss out, so contact me for a private chat if you have any questions or concerns.

Murrindindi Beanie and Fibre Festival - 25th and 26th May

Thank you to everyone who has offered to help out in some way for our fundraiser on the 25th and 26th May. I will send out a reminder note on Friday 10th May so that you can remember what you offered to help with!

Alexandra Community Wood Auction - Saturday 25th May

The community wood auction is another great opportunity to fundraise for our school. Individuals and groups can donate a trailer load of wood to be auctioned off to raise funds for community groups such as Buxton Primary School. If you think you could help out be donating some wood, please reach out to me. The other way you can support us is to go along to the wood auction and place a bid on one of the trailers marked with the Buxton PS logo.

Have a great weekend

Sarah

Students of the Week



Friday 19th April 2024 Isla has been building her resilience and ability to bounce back from Challenges. Keep up the great work Isla!



Friday 26th April 2024 Grace has been working hard on some excellent Creative writing pieces. Keep up the great work Grace!

Important Dates:

Thursday 2nd May Parliament in Schools Friday 3d May Curriculum Day Wednesday 8th May Cathedral Cross Country Run Friday 10 May Gymnastics begins **Tuesday 21st May** School Council Meeting Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th May Murrindindi Beanie & Fibre Festival Saturday 25th May Wood Auction Monday 10th June King's Birthday hoiliday Friday 28th June Last day of Term 2

Important Dates:

2024 Term Dates Term 3 15 July to 20 September Term 4 7 October to 20 December





CATHEDRAL CLUSTER CROSS COUNTRY RUN Venue: EILDON PRIMARY SCHOOL Wednesday 8th May 2024

Dear Parent/Teacher,

THE FORMAT OF THE DAY WILL BE:

START TIME	AGE GROUP	DISTANCE
11:00am	Prep Girls / Boys	300 metres
11:15am	Year 1 Girls / Boys	800 metres
11:30am	Year 2 Girls / Boys	800 metres
11:45am	Year 3 Girls / Boys	1500 metres
12:00pm	9/10 Year Girls / Boys	1500 metres
12:20pm	11 / 12 / 13 Girls / Boys Fun Run	1500 metres
12:40pm	11 Year Girls / Boys	2500 metres
1:10pm	12 / 13 Year Girls / Boys	2500 metres

A 1500 metre Fun Run has been included in the program. It is an option for <u>11 and 12/13 year olds</u> who are not interested in competing at Division level and would find the 2500 metre races difficult.

In all events the boys and girls will run together. To aid congestion problems, boys will start 30 seconds before the girls. There will be place certificates for boys and girls in each year / age group.

Grade 3 students need to decide beforehand whether they will run in the grade 3 race or try to qualify for Division Cross Country by competing in the <u>9/10 year old</u> race instead. Please have this conversation with your child/student prior to the day.

To improve student safety and eliminate the need for course marshals, all races will be held entirely within the school grounds this year on a challenging and stimulating cross country track.

Runners will be given a certificate to say where they have finished. The first eight runners in 10, 11 and 12/13 years will also be given a letter inviting them to compete at the <u>Division Championships</u> <u>Friday 24th May at Yea Golf Course.</u> There is no requirement for anyone to compete at Division.

PARENTS' CLUB WILL BE HOLDING A SAUSAGE SIZZLE ON THE DAY – SAUSAGE IN BREAD \$2.50, CHEESE TOASTIE \$2.50, PRIMA \$1.50, TEA, COFFEE & HOT CHOCOLATE \$2.00, BOTTLED WATER \$2.00.

Yours faithfully, Jai Harrington Principal Eildon Primary School



Anzac Biscuits (Golden Oatmeal Cookies)

Recipe video above. The great Aussie Anzac biscuits!! Crispy and buttery, a beautiful deep golden colour with a toffee flavour. They will stay crunchy for a week and though

they will soften, still fresh for another week!

Prep Time	Cook Time	Total Time	
15 mins	15 mins	30 mins	

★★★★★ 4.98 from 140 votes

Course: Cookies Cuisine: Australian Keyword: Anzac biscuits Servings: 16 - 18 Calories: 74cal Author: Nagi | RecipeTin

Ingredients

- 1 cup plain flour (all purpose flour)
- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1 cup desiccated coconut , unsweetened
- 3/4 cup white sugar , preferably caster / superfine
- 150g / 5oz unsalted butter
- 4 tbsp golden syrup (Note 1)
- 1 tsp baking soda (bicarbonate soda)

Instructions

- Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F (160°C fan forced)
- 2. Line 2 baking trays with baking paper.
- 3. Mix flour, oats, coconut and sugar in a bowl.
- Place butter and golden syrup in a saucepan over medium high heat and stir until butter has melted.
- Add baking soda and stir to combine it will fizz up, this is normal. Immediately remove from heat.
- Pour butter mixture into flour and mix until just combined.
- Roll level 1 tablespoon mixture into balls, flatten into patties. Place balls, 2.5 cm/1" apart, on prepared trays.
- Bake for 15 minutes, swapping trays halfway during cooking, or until deep golden. (Bake 12 min for chewy biscuits!)
- 9. Stand on trays for 5 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack to cool they harden as they cool!



Alexandra District Netball Association

2024 Junior Netball Competition.

- No previous Netball experience needed.
 Grades 4, 5 and 6 Girls and Boys
- Competition over 10 weeks finishing with finals (break for school holidays).
- Games Tuesday. First game at 5.15 pm
- Fees \$80 payable on registration.
- Court fees will be payable by week 3 of the comp (cost will depend on number of registrations)

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 26th April

Registration Link:

https://registration.netballconnect.com/userRegistration?organisationId=216963d4-8cde-4836-b62a-3bfa128fee03&competitionId=4c3dcc5b-ad5b-4f5d-a3ad-d2d00b84da3c

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.

Enquiries/Questions:

juniorb.netball@gmail.com

Teams will be allocated after close of registrations and may be altered up to week 3 of the competition.

Games Tuesday nights – starting 7th May, first game 5.15pm.



STARTS 22ND APRIL

WHEN: MONDAY 4:45PM - 5:30PM WHERE: AFNC NETBALL COURTS

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 5-10YRS

JOIN THE 'NETSETGO ALEXANDRA 2024' FACEBOOK GROUP FOR UPDATES & MORE INFORMATION





2024 Alexandra Junior Soccer Program

A special meeting is being held on Saturday morning at 10.30am on May 25th 2024 at the Leckie Park Pavilion Alexandra

This is to enable the formation of a committee to enable the program to proceed for this year.

All are welcome to attend. Junior Soccer is for anyone aged 5-15 years.

For more information call Laura Johnston on 0409 266 970







Cuppa Time at the Buxton Hall

Catch Up for a Cuppa and a Chat at Buxton Memorial Hall 9:30 - 11:30am 02 Apr, 16 Apr, 30 Apr, 14 May, 28 May

Everyone is invited to pop in for a cuppa and a chat or simply to read a book from the Council Mobile Library which is located at the hall at the same time.

Cuppa Time operates fortnightly on the alternative weeks from Tuesday Chat.

Further Information: Anne Hibbert 0410 488 767 Proudly Sponsored By

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