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# Principal's Report

**Kindness** 

#### Welcome Mia and Noah!

We have welcomed two Year 2 students to Buxton, Mia and Noah. They are settling in well and making lots of friends. Thank you to all of our students and staff for making them feel welcome. Mia and Noah's parents are Melissa and Jarrod, please introduce yourself if you see them at school.

#### Parent and Carer Opinion Survey

We have had 7 responses to the survey so far, of the 17 invitations we sent out to families. We are keen to get feedback from as many people as possible so that we can work to improve student learning and wellbeing for all. The survey is confidential and should only take 10-15 minutes. The log in details are attached to today's hard copy newsletter and as an attachment in uEducateUs.

#### **Volunteers Wanted at School**

We know how busy families are and it can be a challenge to keep in touch with what is happening at school and feel involved in your children's learning. We want to maximise opportunities for families to be involved in events and learning programs at school. One of the ways we are planning to do this is to invite more volunteers into school. We are seeking helpers for running Breakfast Club, listening to students read before school (8:30—8:50am) and assistance with organising and shelving books in our Library space. There may also be other jobs that come up over time. We welcome parents, grandparents and family members who are interested in helping to contact me for a chat on 5774 7341.

All volunteers are required to have a valid Working With Children Check (WWCC), in line with our Child Safe Policies and Standards. It free to apply for a volunteer WWCC online, via <a href="https://service.vic.gov.au/services/working-with-children">https://service.vic.gov.au/services/working-with-children</a>. Our Business Manager, Lorraine is in the office Tuesdays and Fridays and can help you with an application.

#### Yea Primary School Skippers

Today we welcomed a group of students from Yea Primary who did a demonstration of their amazing skipping skills and then worked with our students to teach them new skills. There were smiles all around and our students showed great resilience. Thank you Ms C., for organising the visit as part of the PE program where students are completing Jump Rope for Heart.

#### Ditto Show—Promoting personal safety and healthy boundaries

Our Prep/1 students will have another visit from Ditto next Wednesday 28th August. The students are familiar with Ditto and enjoy the show each time. The program is part of our commitment to Child Safety and educating our students about safety and personal boundaries.

#### Curriculum Days—Thursday 12th and Friday 13th September 2024

These dates are student free days for staff professional development. Out of School Hours Care will be available from 7:00am—6:00pm both days. Please let Hayley M know if you need to book in, her email is: Hayley.money@education.vic.gov.au

Growth

**The Buxton Bulletin** 

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Friday 23rd August 2024

# **Principal's Report Continued**

#### Bucket Fillers - Have you filled a bucket today?

This week our staff and students have started a new whole-school wellbeing strategy.

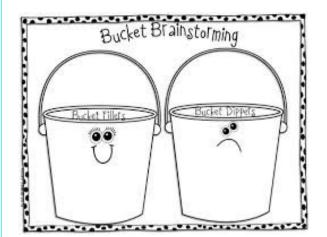
A 'bucket filler' is a person who behaves in a way that helps to fill another person's bucket. By being kind, empathetic and compassionate – we can help fill other people's buckets so that they too can feel better. Think of it as warm fuzzies! Filling someone's bucket actually helps to fill our own bucket too. Bucket dippers are the opposite, they drain us of energy and good feelings.

An important aspect of the concept of bucket filling is that it allows children and adults to better express how they are feeling and to better understand how they have an impact on the way that others feel, thus improving emotional and social skills, **encouraging positive behav**iour and improving self-regulation.

#### Family Bucket Fillers Activity

We invite you to discuss this concept as a whole family and find out what each person needs to "fill their bucket". Examples might be: playing with pets, cuddling with a family member, watching movies together, going for a bushwalk or bike ride, helping with jobs at home or when people speak kindly to each other.

- What activities and actions fill your bucket?
- How can we help to fill each other's buckets at home?





Take care and stay warm, **Sarah** 

# **Student of the Week**



Friday 9th August 2024 Grace puts in her best effort with all learning tasks and is a good friend to all. Congratulations Grace!



Friday 16th August 2024 Isla has been working hard on her reading and achieving great results. Keep it up Isla!

# **Important Dates:**

Wednesday 28th August Bravehearts Ditto Show Thursday 12th & Friday 13th September Curriculum Days Wednesday 18th to Friday 20th September Phillip Island Camp Friday 20th September Final day of Term 3

> **Term 4** 7 October to 20 December

# Direct Deposit Payments

Direct Deposit payments can be made when paying for camps, excursions, etc.

If paying online, please be sure to put your child's name and reason for payment in the reference section.

Payments can be made to Buxton Primary by going online to:-

Commonwealth Bank. (CBA) BSB: 063255 Account No: 10126565 Account Name: Buxton Primary School Council



Friday 23rd August 2024 Nell is a deep thinker and asks wonderful questions that help extend understanding for herself and her peers. You are a star, Nell! For more information, please call 5774 7341 & speak to Sarah Irving

We're seeking family members or community volunteers to:

Listen to students read before school from 8:30 - 8:50am

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COULD YOU BE A

**VOLUNTEER?** 

Assist with running School Breakfast Club

Assist with regular organising and shelving of books in our Library

We are committed to child safety and all volunteers must have a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC), comply with Child Safe Standards and meet with the principal prior to volunteering

# Afternoon Bush Dance @Buxton Memorial Hall

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2pm - 4pm, 2024



#### Live folk music from the McBlues Band

Local musicians Diane Gaylard and David Alleway with their band McBlues will be heading to Europe in September to perform at various dances and concerts. As part of their preparations for the tour, we invite the local the Triangle Community to an afternoon of dancing at the Buxton Hall previewing the bush dances they'll be taking to Europe.

#### Come along and have some fun!

No prior experience needed, all dances will be explained and walked through. Entry: Gold coin donation towards hall hire Afternoon tea provided Further information call: Diane Gaylard 0448884711 or David Alleway 0428354622



Embassy of Ideas Alexandra for the Premiere Screenings of 'Anytime', presented by Shimano.

Friday 30-Aug Saturday 31-Aug Saturday 7th Sept Embassy of Ideas Alexandra

**Peppers Marysville Peppers Marysville**  7:30pm Start 7:30pm Start

6pm Start

All proceeds going towards the Ride Marysville Cycling Community Project.



Book below for Embassy of



