



BUXTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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The Buxton Bulletin

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Principal's Report

Welcome to 2025!

Welcome to a new school year. I don't know about you, but I feel like we are so busy and racing through February at an alarming rate! The good news is our school is thriving, and that is why it is so busy. We have 37 students across three classes. In addition to our already extensive range of learning programs, this year we are excited to provide our students with performing arts lessons, wellbeing project groups and a maths/science academic extension program. Breakfast Club will be back each week on Thursday mornings and lunch orders fortnightly on a Friday. Our final big change is that we will be having fortnightly whole school assemblies on a Monday afternoon. We have so much to look forward to, but many hands make light work, so we would love to hear from you if you are able help out in any way.

Important Forms to Return ASAP

We use the uEducateUs app for most of our school communications and permission forms required throughout the year, however at the start of the a new school year we are required to have parents/guardians sign a set of hard copy permission forms that are applicable for the whole school year. We understand that this is a tedious process, but it will help streamline the rest of the year. In an effort to make the process clearer, each family will receive an envelope that includes all the required forms and a cover sheet that explains what information is required for each one. If you have any questions at all about these forms, please see Lorraine in the office on Tuesdays or Fridays or catch me after school on the other days.

Welcome Kim - Our Performing Arts Teacher

Our students were excited for their first Performing Arts lessons today. They had the chance to get to know Kim and help finalise the design for the Studio space. We look forward to seeing our students let their creativity shine in new ways throughout the year.

Instrumental Music Lessons with Katherine

If you child/children are interested in taking up instrumental music lessons this year please speak with me. Katherine is offering piano, guitar and steel pans, but can offer violin lessons if there is interest. Lessons are held at school during class time and cost \$160 per term for eight 20 minute lessons. She is happy to do a demonstration/trial lesson for students who would like to have a go before deciding to proceed.

Breakfast Club - Thursday mornings between 8:15 - 8:45am

Breakfast Club is back for 2025! We invite students to come to school a bit earlier on a Thursday morning, between 8:15am - 8:45am, to share breakfast with their peers, teachers and families. Siblings welcome to join. We will have cereal, toast and fruit on offer. Thanks to Kerri Hollingsworth for helping us get the program up and running again, it is a fabulous way to create community connection.

Lunch Orders - Every Second Friday

Our students are super excited for lunch order day! We will have lunch orders fortnightly on a Friday, with orders and payment due by the Monday before. Orders will be made via uEducateUs and payment by bank transfer is preferred. Menus and ordering information will be sent home next Friday 14th February.

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Parent Teacher Interviews and Student Support Group Meetings

Meetings will be held in Week 4, on Monday 18th and Wednesday 20th February. Bookings will be open via uEducateUs on Tuesday 11th February.

Parent Curriculum Contributions 2025

Included in your envelope of forms is this year's Parent Payment Policy. Payments are voluntary, but are so important to our school, so if you can help by paying the contribution amount (or part thereof) we will be able to maximise the support we can provide to our students.

School Uniform

Due to the government's introduction of the School Savings Bonus, uniform suppliers have been swamped with orders and they have longer wait times for items. We are completely out of short sleeve polo tops here at school too. If you have any shirts that no longer fit your children, we would love it if you could send them into school so that we can share them with our new students. We do have school jumpers available if you need one of those.

Medical Information and Medications at School

If your child/children have had any changes to their medical information, including a new GP, it is very important that you let us know so that we have the most up to date information. If they need to have medication administered by the school, we need you to complete a medication administration form and provide the medication in the original packaging with dosage instructions.



Big thanks to the Marysville and District Lions Club for the gift of a box of hand tools for woodwork. Many of them are just the right size for smaller hands.

We're still looking for a few tools, particularly a vice, clamps and a small saw, and big or small pieces of timber (not treated, painted or oiled).

2025 Term Dates

Term 2

22nd April to 4th July

Term 3

21st July to 19th September

Term 4

6th October to 19 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 \$154 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.

Direct Deposit Payments

Direct Deposit payments can be made when paying for extra curricular activities that the School Saving Bonus does not cover, or there are insufficient funds remaining in your child's SSB account.

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:

National Lunch box Week

9-15
FEBRUARY
2025



www.lunchboxweek.org

[#NationalLunchboxWeek](https://twitter.com/NationalLunchboxWeek)



National Lunchbox Week is here!

National Lunchbox Week celebrates the uniqueness of every lunchbox.

A lunchbox can reflect love, care, and nourishment from simple sandwiches to creative meals. Every lunchbox tells a story shaped by family traditions, available resources, and unique preferences, reminding us there's no one-size-fits-all approach. During National Lunchbox Week, we embrace the diversity of lunchboxes and promote supportive, judgment-free conversations around food.

Packing a lunchbox can sometimes feel daunting. Nutrition Australia's tips and simple options can make busy mornings much more manageable. More importantly lunchbox packing isn't about perfection but finding what works for you and your family. Affordability matters, too, and with some practical ideas, nutritious lunches can be both satisfying and budget-friendly. Lunchtimes can also help children build lifelong positive relationships with food, turning every lunch break into an opportunity for enjoyment and connection.

The heart of National Lunchbox Week is collaboration. Families, schools, early childhood education services, and health advocates share a common goal: for children to have nourishing, enjoyable meals that support their growth and learning.

Through National Lunchbox Week we can inspire meaningful change that benefits the next generation by working together, sharing ideas, and creating inclusive spaces. Be sure to explore the National Lunchbox Week website for helpful resources: www.lunchboxweek.org.

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www.instagram.com/nutritionaustralia

www.linkedin.com/company/nutritionaustralia

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OR FACEBOOK PAGE TO SEE AVAILABILITY

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Wednesday morning
classes available
6 week block

