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Principal's Report

Big Emotions and Repairing Relationships

One of the most important responsibilities we have in schools is to support children to recognise and name their emotions, learn strategies to calm and regulate when overwhelmed, and repair relationships after conflict. Emotional regulation is challenging for all of us, but particularly so for our neurodiverse students and family members.

We place so much pressure on ourselves to be a “good” parent or educator, but what does that really mean? There is so much advice (too much really) about the way to do this. I definitely don’t have the answers, but there are the key principles I try to follow in my roles of teacher, principal and parent to support kids to thrive. I thought it would be helpful for you to hear the messages they get from adults at school.

- *Clear, consistent expectations and boundaries help kids feel safe*
- *When I mess up, lose my temper or make a mistake, I apologise and work to repair the relationship*
- *Help kids learn to recognise and name their emotions and identify their triggers (we all have different triggers)*
- *Provide opportunities for kids to be off devices and bored! Their creativity and patience depend on it*
- *Listen to them, even when you feel that you can't listen to one more story about their favourite game or show*
- *Tomorrow is a new day, with a fresh start and a chance to improve on today*

I’m sharing this in solidarity, to say that we know that parenting is exhausting, frustrating and wonderful at the same time. Schools sometimes seem like places of judgement for parents, but that is never our goal. None of us have the answers and we are all doing our best. We are a team!

Semester 1 Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews

Student reports will be released via uEducateUs on Monday 30th June. If you would like a printed copy in addition to the electronic version, please let your child’s class teacher know and we will send it home on Tuesday. Parent teacher interviews will be held in the second week back in Term 3 to discuss the reports and set goals for each students’ learning and wellbeing during the second half of the year.

Lunch Orders

The next lunch order day is on the final day of Term 2, Friday 4th July. Please confirm your child’s order and payment by Tuesday 1st July.

Last Day of Term 2

Our last day of Term 2 is Friday 4th July, with an early finish at 2:10pm. After school care will run from 2:10pm—6:00pm. If your child/children are booked in for after care, please let Hayley Money know if they will be going to the movie night. If they are, she will sign them in on your behalf and you will sign them out when the movie night is over at 7:15pm.

Movie Night Fundraiser—Save the Date Friday 4th July @5:00pm

To finish a busy term, we will be hosting our movie night fundraiser on Friday 4th July. School will finish at 2:10pm (last day of term) then the movie night will be 5:00—7:15pm. The cost will be \$10.00 per child and include popcorn and a couple of lollies each. All children welcome, not just Buxton PS students. School aged children can be dropped off, signed in and picked up at the end of the movie. Preschool aged children can come along but must be accompanied by an adult. Please reach out and let us know if you are able to volunteers to help run the night.

Kind regards,
Sarah Irving

Resources Needed – Can you help?

If you have any empty large tissue boxes, shoe boxes or other cardboard boxes, please send them to school for Hayley Money. They are required for a vacation program activity.



School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)

Buxton Primary School is now proud to be a **SWPBS School**.

What is School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)?

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) is a framework that helps schools to plan and implement practices across the whole school to improve educational and behavioural outcomes for all students.

Rationale

Introducing, modelling and reinforcing positive social behaviour is an important step in a student's educational experience. SWPBS works on the belief that we cannot assume that students know how to behave. Students need to be explicitly taught the behaviours we want them to demonstrate. Behaviours need to be taught, modelled, practised and rewarded.

Aims and Objectives

The primary aim of SWPBS is to improve educational outcomes for students. It achieves this through:

- the prevention of behaviour problems and management of existing issues positively and consistently
- developing skills and knowledge in schools for better teaching and learning
- creating and maintaining a better school environment for students, teachers and the whole school community
- increasing student engagement, with the ultimate outcome being improved academic outcomes for all students











Buxton Primary School's SWPBS Behaviour Matrix

The SWPBS team, teachers and education support staff, have drafted a Behaviour Matrix which lists the desired behaviours against our new school values. You are invited to review the SWPBS Behaviour Matrix and provide us with any feedback via email, by 21st July 2025, the beginning of Term 3. Please email feedback to sarah.cooke@education.vic.gov.au.

	Myself	Others	Environment
Belonging	<p>I am comfortable expressing my opinions, ideas and interests.</p> <p>I feel valued, cared for and safe.</p> <p>I feel part of the team.</p> <p>I listen to others' ideas and thoughts.</p> <p>I make others feel safe.</p>	<p>We listen to and actively acknowledge others' thoughts, opinions, ideas and interests.</p> <p>We include others and play fairly.</p> <p>We help others to feel a sense of belonging in and outside of the classroom.</p> <p>We work as a team.</p> <p>We celebrate that everyone is different.</p>	<p>We wear our school uniform with pride.</p> <p>We help keep the school environment safe for all.</p> <p>We care for and celebrate our natural environment.</p>
Respect	<p>I speak to others with calm, kind words.</p> <p>I display active listening.</p> <p>I keep my hands and feet to myself.</p> <p>I am kind to myself.</p> <p>I speak up in support of others.</p> <p>I follow the school rules.</p>	<p>We use good hygiene practices.</p> <p>We agree to and follow the rules of a game.</p> <p>We speak appropriately.</p> <p>We respect that everyone is <u>different</u> and we learn differently.</p> <p>We follow class expectations.</p>	<p>We are sensible and calm in the bathrooms.</p> <p>We protect the environment.</p> <p>We look after all resources, equipment and belongings.</p> <p>We look after plants and animals.</p> <p>We move in a safe manner.</p>
Learning	<p>I ask for help when I need it.</p> <p>I listen attentively and ignore distractions.</p> <p>I have a growth mindset.</p> <p>I let teachers teach and learners learn.</p> <p>I try my best with all learning tasks.</p>	<p>We respect how others learn.</p> <p>We follow teachers' directions.</p> <p>We work cooperatively in group learning.</p> <p>We value everyone's right to learn.</p> <p>We support and encourage others.</p>	<p>We follow classroom routines.</p> <p>We use the bin system.</p> <p>We consider the learning of others as we move around the school.</p> <p>We keep a tidy <u>workspace</u> and we are prepared for our lessons.</p> <p>We are flexible to changes in learning environments.</p>

JUNE 2025					
MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
16	17	18	19 Breakfast Club 8:15 – 8:45am	20 Lunch Orders	21/22
23	24	25	26 Breakfast Club 8:15 – 8:45am School Council Meeting	27	28/29
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JULY 2025					
MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
	01	02	03 Breakfast Club 8:15 – 8:45am	04 Lunch Orders Last day of Term 2 Movie Night 5.00–7.15pm	05/06
07	08	09	10	11	12/13
14	15	16	17	18	19/20
21 Term 3 Begins	22	23	24 Breakfast Club 8:15 – 8:45am School Council Meeting	25	26/27
28	29	30 Reports to go home	31 Breakfast Club 8:15 – 8:45am		

Winter Vacation Care Program 2025

Monday 7 th July	Tuesday 8 th July	Wednesday 9 th July	Thursday 10 th July	Friday 11 th July
<p>Creative Canvases & Delicious Donuts (Onsite Experience)</p>  <p>Get ready for a day full of colour, creativity, and sugary fun! First, unleash your inner artist as you design and paint your very own canvas masterpiece. Then, it's time to swap paintbrushes for sprinkles in our donut decorating session! Create the ultimate custom donut. It's the perfect combo of art and treats for a day that's as fun as it is flavourful!</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee + \$10</p>	<p>Minute to Win It</p>  <p>Get ready for a high-energy day packed with laughter, teamwork, and fast-paced challenges! Join us for Minute to Win It Day, where we will compete in quick one-minute games that test our speed, coordination, and creativity. From stack-it-up cup towers to silly spoon races, every challenge is a race against the clock—and tons of fun!</p> <p>Are you up for the challenge? Let the countdown begin!</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee</p>	<p>Beebots and Brainpower</p>  <p>Dive into a cool day of STEM challenges with a winter twist! Kids will program <u>BeeBots</u> to navigate snowy obstacle courses, solving puzzles and building their coding skills. It's hands-on fun combining technology, teamwork, and problem-solving—perfect for curious minds this winter!</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee</p>	<p>Winter Wonderland</p>  <p>Get creative and cozy! We'll be diving into a flurry of fun as we make our own shower steamers—perfect for those chilly days—and create adorable pinecone animals. Plus, there'll be plenty more frosty crafts to explore!</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee</p>	<p>Comfy Cozy Day (Onsite Experience)</p>  <p>Get ready to roll out of bed and straight into the fun—because it's PJ Day! Come dressed in your comfiest pyjamas and enjoy a cozy day of creativity and treats. We'll be designing our very own travel mugs—perfect for all your adventures—and making delicious hot chocolate sticks to take home (or enjoy on the spot!). It's all about staying warm, relaxed, and having loads of fun with your friends. Don't forget your slippers!</p> <p>Wear PJ's and slippers bring outside shoes as well!</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee + \$10</p>
Monday 14 th July	Tuesday 15 th July	Wednesday 16 th July	Thursday 17 th July	Friday 18 th July
<p>Indoor Soccer</p>  <p>Kick off an action-packed day to engage in some fast-paced indoor soccer! After showing off your best footwork on the court. Get creative as you design and build your miniature football arena. Whether you're scoring goals on the futsal court or in your handmade football game, this day is all about teamwork, creativity, and loads of kicks!</p> <p>Wear your favourite soccer team colours</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee</p>	<p>Star Power Studio</p>  <p>Get ready to step into the spotlight! We will create their very own mini play—from brainstorming the storyline to writing scenes and choosing characters. Once the script is set, we'll get to work making fun props and simple costumes, ready to bring the show to life. Then it's time to act and film the performance! Whether you're a star on stage, a behind-the-scenes wizard, or a prop-making pro, there's a role for everyone in this theatrical adventure.</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee</p>	<p>Care for Magical Creatures (Onsite Experience)</p>  <p>Step into the world of enchantment filled with magical creatures and spellbinding fun! We invite young witches and wizards to craft their very own fluffy Pygmy Puff to take home from Weasleys' Wizard Wheezes. Then, bring creatures to life as we make moving dragons or shimmering Pegasus—magical beasts that flap, fly, and dazzle with every wingbeat! It's time to become a true <u>Magizoologist</u>!</p> <p>Wear your cloak or house colours</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee + \$10</p>	<p>Glow Party Extravaganza</p>  <p>Get ready to light up the day, where everything <u>glows</u> and the fun never stops! Come dressed in your brightest colours as we dive into a world of glow-in-the-dark tattoos, neon dance moves, and epic glowing games. Join the hunt for hidden Glow Creatures scattered throughout the space. Then, unleash your inner artist with glow craft, creating neon masterpieces that shine in the dark! With music pumping, lights flashing, and everything glowing, this is a party you won't want to miss. Let's dance, discover, and glow together in the ultimate UV-powered celebration!</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee</p>	<p>Roller Skating (Offsite Experience)</p>  <p>Address: 34 Industrial Park Drive, Lilydale 3140 Proposed activities: For students to roller skating/blading. Weather dependent we will go to Queens Park for lunch and a play Duration: leave service by 9:00am and will return to Buxton Primary School by 3:00pm</p> <p>Must be at the service by 8.30am and be back by 3pm</p> <p>Cost: Daily fee + \$30</p>