

We would like to acknowledge the Wadawurrung People, who are the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we come to learn.

I thank them and their ancestors for looking after this land for thousands of years, and for their kindness and courage in sharing it with us in the present.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Friends and Families,

It was a real spectacle of colour and flair on Tuesday and Wednesday when students had the opportunity to immerse themselves into the performing side of the Arts. We saw students singing, playing instruments, creating instruments and expressing themselves in a creative way. A big thank you goes out to Lyndell Allen and her performing arts team, including our student leaders Eloise and Sloan for the wonderful opportunities that all students were able to take part in thanks to their organisation. Please enjoy the photos attached in the newsletter.

-DASH-

In term 3 and 4 our 5/6 unit is going to have the opportunity to take part in a program called DASH, which involves external community partners coming in to work with our students around their sense of belonging in a community. The program will run over 9 weeks with our year 6 students starting in term 3 and our year 5 students in term 4. At the end of the program the students will be presenting to the school community a group project that they have completed that has them taking action.

-Parking in a safe manner-

Sadly, it has been brought to my attention that we have several parents not parking in a safe manner or in the areas with signage. Around our Foundation Gate where our youngest students are, we have parents not parking within the correct areas and we ask those parents to please pay closer attention to the signage in the area. We work closely with Ballarat Council to make sure our students are kept safe moving in and out of the school grounds. It is expected that parents park in the appropriate manner when dropping off or collecting their children. Police are also in the process of making spot checks at our request.

IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Event
21st of June	Hansel and Gretel excursion
23rd of June	Last Day of School Finish at 1.30pm
10th of July-14th of July	Naidoc Week Celebrations
18th of July	Special Persons Day

-Open Mornings-

We are pleased to end our term next week with three open mornings. Please come along if you can.

Junior Unit	Middle Unit	Senior Unit
Thursday June 22	Wednesday June 21	Monday June 19

-A couple of reminders-

Next week is our final week for the Term 2. Please take note of the following dot points.

Our last day of the school for term 2 is June 23rd at 1:30pm.

Reports for Semester One will be sent out at the start of Term 3 following the holidays.

Have a wonderful weekend.

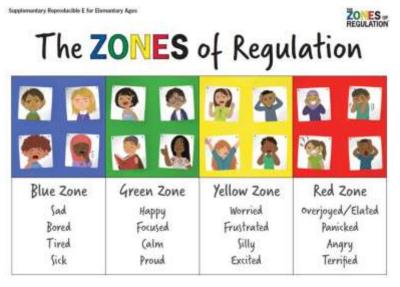
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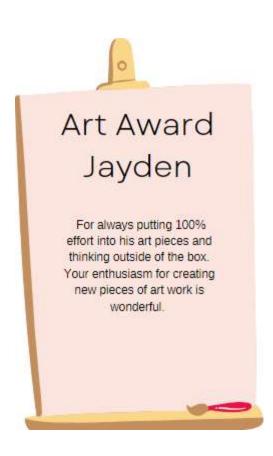
AWARDS





FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL





Zones of Regulation

The school continues to roll out the Zones of Regulation. Classes have been going more in depth about the feelings of each Zone and starting to build toolboxes of strategies that will help be calm, happy and ready to learn.

Please have a discussion with your child/ ren about what they are learning about the Zones. Strategies can help at school and home.



24/7 Mental Health Services



Is it an emergency?

If you or someone you know is at immediate risk of harm, call **triple zero (000)**

Suicide Call Back Service

Anyone thinking about suicide

- suicidecallbackservice.org.au
- () 1300 659 467

Lifeline

Anyone having a personal crisis

- k lifeline.org.au
- 13 11 14

Beyond Blue

Anyone feeling anxious or depressed

- beyondblue.org.au
- (1300 22 4636

Kids Helpline

Counselling for young people aged 5 to 25

- kidshelpline.com.au
- (1800 55 1800

MensLine Australia

Men with emotional or relationship concerns

- mensline.org.au
- **()** 1300 78 99 78

Open Arms

Veterans and families counselling

- openarms.gov.au
- (1800 011 046



Living things share our planet one:











Did you know...

- Some minibeasts can live in the water and there are some that can walk on the water.
- Dragonflies start off in the water and have no wings.
 When they get bigger they grow wings.
- That some spiders dig holes. Insects have 6 legs.
- Spiders have 8 legs and are called arachnids.
- Some minibeasts can fly.
- Butterflies use their feet to eat.
- Insects help other animals to survive because they eat them.
- Some insects pollinate so we can grow fruits and vegetables to eat.

WE LOVED VISITING ECOLINC AND LEARNING ABOUT MINIBEASTS!











Well, what a colourful and creative term it has been!



Foundation have been exploring the colour wheel, printing leaves, playing with rainbows and magic torches.

Year 1, in line with their minibeast unit of inquiry, have made ladybird collages, drawings of snails using primary colours, beetle posters and are in the delightful process of creating paper mâché bugs.





Year 2 have been reflecting on identity by working with clay - forming initial plaques, hand outlines and tree silhouettes creating a favoured background using oil pastels.

Year 3 plunged into the creation of zentangles, silhouette art and Picasso portraits.

What a term!







Thanks to everyone who, played, sang, jumped, rode, bowed, bounced, built, puzzled, pictured, dressed-up, danced, wiggled, rolled, busked, boomed, created, composed, coloured, searched, carried, facilitated, photographed, found, Kahooted, quizzed, or made Music with us on the Day-we hope you had loads of fun! Special thanks to our **musician** in residence, Jon Madin, for sharing his music with us. We also thank 2020 Music Captains Lailla and Millie whoinitiated the idea and to 2023 Music Captains Sloan and Ellie andtheir Music Day team who made our Music Day possible.



BOOK FAIR





A massive thank you to all members of our community who donated and purchased books at todays book fair.

We raised over \$460 for Exford Primary School!



