

AXEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Excellence Through Endeavour"

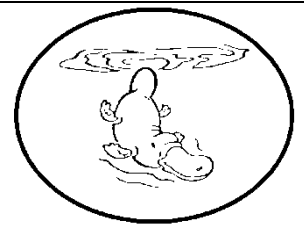
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RESPECT, PERSONAL BEST, RESILIENCE, COOPERATION



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Important dates:

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| Jun | 3rd MARC Van 9th King's Birthday Public Holiday 11th Soccer Exc (Selected students) | Jun | 16th Finance Meeting 17th MARC Van 20th Valley Trees Nursery orders due |
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SCHOOL VALUES AWARDS

Grade Prep

Iylah – For demonstrating the school value of co-operation by settling and focusing quickly on the mat to allow everyone in the classroom to do their best learning.

Grade 1/2

Aleena – For showing the school value of cooperation by always being a kind and caring peer. Aleena is always looking out others at school.

Grade 2/3

Lexi – For consistently displaying our school value of Cooperation during our classroom news program. Lexi listens respectfully to others, asks relevant questions and always celebrates the achievements that her peers are sharing.

Grade 3/4

Indi – For showing the value of COOPERATION when working with others. Indi socialises well with her friends before school and during break times demonstrating a fun and friendly attitude.

Grade 5/6

Kirby – For his cooperation in helping to keep our classroom clean and organised. His willingness to assist with cleaning up and maintaining a positive learning environment shows great respect for our shared space.



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Grade Prep

Angus – For working really hard to use his letter sounds and the reading strategy of 'Eagle Eye' to improve his reading.

Grade 1/2

Jesse – For using the information in the book 'Busy Beaks' to compare and contrast two birds. Well done on finding the important information and then using it to talk about the similarities and differences between the two birds.

Grade 2/3

Duncan – For all his hard work when working with atlases in the classroom. Duncan learnt about and then used the different features of an atlas to help him find different natural and human features of Australia.

Grade 3/4

Cody – For his efforts and participation in the interschool cross country event. Cody trained at school and gave his best effort running last Friday – congratulations on your run Cody!

Grade 5/6

Charlee – For her using her class time effectively and demonstrating writing stamina working on her Asian project about Sri Lanka.



GOLDEN BRUSH AWARD

Congratulations to Grade 3/4 and Mr C for winning the Golden Brush award this week.

HOUSE AWARD

Congratulations to Campaspe winners of this week's House Award.

MUSIC AWARD

Congratulations to the Grade 1/2 class, winners of this week's Music Award. Mr Marsh selects a class who have displayed the values in the weekly music lesson.



NIGHTS OF READING

Congratulations to these students for receiving their certificates for 25, 50, 75 and 100 nights of reading. It is fantastic to see so many students reading and recording the books they read.

STUDENT PASSPORT AWARDS

Congratulations to who received a certificate for achieving the goal of 25 celebration stickers in their Student Passport.



LONG SERVICE LEAVE

Corrina is taking Long Service Leave, starting today until Monday the 2nd of June. Corrina will then attend the Statewide Principal's Conference in Melbourne on Tuesday the 3rd and Wednesday the 4th of June. Kate Ballantyne will be the Acting Principal while Corrina is away. Please don't hesitate to contact Kate during Corrina's leave and attendance at the conference.

GRATITUDE CALL OUT

This week's gratitude call out goes to Ali and the Breakfast Club volunteers. Students (and staff) enjoy coming together on Tuesday mornings to share cereals, toast and fruit cups. Even on the cold frosty mornings like Tuesday, the toast was hot and the laughs plentiful!

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CONTACT

At various times throughout the year, my mobile phone number is provided to families. This enables emergency contact after hours for camps or communication for exceptional circumstances. While I am comfortable in providing my mobile phone number, I ask that contact is made for exceptional circumstances only.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: NET SET GO & AUSKICK

It is great to see so many participants at the Net Set Go and Auskick sessions held after school. It is important for parents / carers to remember that students **MUST** be supervised between school finishing and the sessions beginning. Students cannot stay on site without full supervision.

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

Last Friday the grade three to six students rode the bus into Bendigo race track to compete in cross country. Students aged 8 to 10 ran 2km and students aged 11 and 12 ran 3km.

Our amazing school did very well and trained very hard. On Wednesdays the grade 3 to 6 would train during PE. A lot of students placed on the podium

Many people had fun and were proud of their achievements. We would like to thank all the parents who came to support us.

By Evie and Ivy.





2026 ENROLMENT

Last week we held our 2026 Prep Parent Information session. If you were unable to attend the session but would like a guided tour of the school and have questions to ask, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Enrolments for 2026 Prep are due by Friday 25th July 2025.

Families who require an enrolment pack please contact the office.

GYMNASTICS

After successfully receiving Sporting Schools funding in Term 1 we are able to place a \$24 per student credit onto family accounts. This will be available for families to use for future payments.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We have new discontinued uniform items for sale \$5 each, including Rugby jumpers, Bomber Jackets, Windcheaters, skorts, bootleg pants (cotton & fleece lined). Limited sizes available. Contact the office.

VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

Thank you to those students who have been reading and adding their books on the Premiers' Reading Challenge website. If you have been writing your books onto your reading checklist make sure you bring the sheet into the office and Mrs Baldwin can enter them for you. **Students have read 160 books so far.**

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 5th September 2025.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: <https://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge>



Corrina Hartland
Principal

FORMS TO BE RETURNED OR ORGANISED AT SCHOOL

2026 PREP ENROLMENT Enrolments due by Friday 25th July.

2025 PARENT PAYMENTS Term 2 payment is now due.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Axedale Primary School has raised \$246.00 for the Heart Foundation!

Well done to Marlie, Elliot and Cody who have made a great start to their fundraising.

Yet to register your child, it's not too late: www.jumprope.org.au/parents

Students have also been given a cash sponsorship form to collect any cash money.

Jump Rope for Heart is the Heart Foundation's primary school skipping challenge that helps kids move more, have fun, and raise funds for life-saving research and programs.

This year we've got an audacious goal to see our student Heart Heroes log 40 hours of skipping throughout the program!

Students will be skipping throughout the term in PE lessons and during breaks. You can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold our school Jump Off Day on Friday 4th July, this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!



BAND SPONSORSHIP

The school band shirt design is finished and we're now looking for new sponsors for the band! After amazing support from Palmer's Gym over the years, we're looking for new sponsors to jump on board the music band wagon.

Included in your sponsorship package is your business logo on our shirt, regular advertising in our newsletter and your business mentioned during all band performances! Packages start at \$100 right up to \$400 (depending on what you're after or how generous you feel!).

Contact Mr Marsh on kaine.marsh@education.vic.gov.au for more details.

Keep singin', strummin', and swingin' those hips!!

Kaine Marsh

FROM THE CLASSROOMS – GRADE 2/3

Grade 2/3

It has been a very busy start to Term 2 with our athletics sports, cross country and High Tea among many other events. We even had a number of special visitors come to our classroom during Education Week.



Ducas engineering his catapult during Education Week.

Students in Grade 2/3 have shown our school values during all these events at school and when travelling outside of school. It has been great to see students doing this even when tired or at the end of a busy week!

In Numeracy, students have worked on all the different ways we can measure items. We have measured how long, high and heavy different items are. When doing this, students used our measuring rules to accurately get measurements and compare what they measured. They put these skills into practise during Education Week building catapults and measuring how long or high they could get a pom pom to go.

Students have written information reports on a topic of their choice. To help them write this report, they researched different facts about their topic, organised them to make it easier for their reader to understand and then used our writing process to help make it the best piece of writing possible. Topics have included: komodo dragons, footy, beanie boos and kangaroos.

When reading, students have been recording how they think different non-fiction authors organised all the facts in their books. They used this knowledge to help guide their own information reports. Students are currently starting their work on thinking about characters in fiction books, how they change and how we can describe their traits.

Students in Grade 2/3 have approached the first 5 weeks of this very busy term in a positive way. Many students have earned a number of celebration stickers in their Axedale Passports and have begun trading them in for different celebrations. We are all looking forward to seeing what we will achieve in the rest of Term 2.



Ewan, Louis and Jesse working together to compare the mass of different objects.



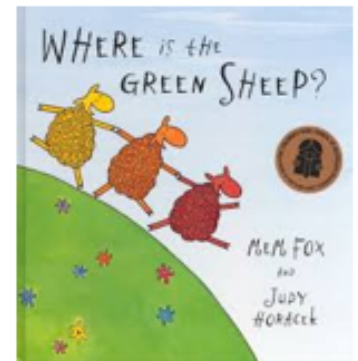
Grandparent's and Special Visitor's Day in the Prep Room

On Monday the 12th May Prep students welcomed Grandparents and Special Visitors to join us for our school assembly followed by time in our classroom. During this time we showed visitors our morning routine, our growing knowledge of letters and sounds and our developing ability to read independently. We then completed a craft activity based on the picture book 'Under the Love Umbrella' for our visitors to take home with them as a memory of our special morning together.



Chappy's Corner

Family Challenge: There's a great book called 'Where is the green sheep?' and each page is asking where the green sheep is. When my kids were little, we would play 'Where is teddy?' I would hide teddy and they had to find it. This week's challenge is to hide a special item and everyone has to go and find it. It's a fun game to play all together.



Quote: 'When it rains, look for rainbows. When it's dark, look for stars.' This quote is teaching us to look for the good in the hard times.

Riddle: I add 5 to 9 and get 2. The answer is correct, so what am I?

BREAKFAST CLUB

Hi Families,

What is Breakfast Club?

Here at Axedale Primary our Breakfast Club enables all students at school to enjoy a nutritious breakfast, allowing them to engage and participate fully in all the educational and social opportunities that school offer.

Every Tuesday 8.15 - 9.00am we serve a range of cereal, fruit and toast for breakfast.

If you would like to volunteer the only requirement is to have a Volunteer Working with Children's Check. We would love to have you volunteer and be part helping our students start of the day in a healthy way.

Breakfast Club Roster **TERM 2 2025**

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| Tuesday 27 May | Ellyse Sawatijw | Ali |
| Tuesday 3 June | Melissa Di Donato | Ali |
| Tuesday 10 June | Laraine Leask | Ali |
| Tuesday 17 June | Marie Haug | Ali |
| Tuesday 24 June | Ellyse Sawatijw | Ali |
| Tuesday 1 July | Angela Dodd | Ali |



In MARC this week....



This week in our MARC lesson we read the beautiful book *To Stir With Love* by Kate Mildenhall about a grandma and her granddaughter baking a cake using a recipe that has been passed down through the generations. Students made their own little 'cakes' and wrote their favourite family food on a slip of paper tucked inside. Below is the recipe from the story which lots of students wanted a copy of! Happy baking 😊



What have we been up to!!

A lot has changed, and we'd love for you to see it! The new educators at the service have been working hard lately to change things up and bring new variety to the children's programmed activities. Lots of fun new outdoor games played, including 'You Must Run!' and 'Markers Up!' The children have loved being MasterChefs in the kitchen and practising their cooking skills to take home and enjoy. We have been making Anzac biscuits, rum balls and lots more!

Our program this week has been all about experiments where the children have been through trial and error making their own catapults and the strongest bridges. We as well have been doing our own science experiments which have include mini volcanoes and coke and mentos explosions!

The new suggestion jar has been a crowd favourite for the children as well and they have loved seeing their idea's used in our planning.

We are open every weekday after school until 6pm. Book in now!



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COMMUNITY

DV-alert

Domestic and Family Violence Response Training

2-Hour DV-aware Workshop



“I appreciate the direct approach you took, and how we as professionals can support survivors of domestic and family violence.”

— Past participant

Date:

Thursday, 12 June 2025

Time:

5:30 - 7:30pm

Location:

Axedale Primary School, High Street, Axedale

Click [here](#) to sign up

Free for members of the public and community to attend, this workshop offers a deeper understanding of the complexities of domestic and family violence. Attendees will learn about the impact of family violence and how to Recognise the signs, Respond safely and Refer effectively.

MAD RIDE 4
Townsville to Katherine 2025
TRIVIA NIGHT

Fundraiser | \$15pp
14th June | 7pm start
Bendigo Baptist Church

For more info visit
www.madcow.org.au

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GOOD CLEAN FUN
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AXEDALE AUSKICK CENTRE
Axedale Primary School Oval
Fridays 4pm starting 2nd May



From Diagnosis to OAM

plus a Sibling's Perspective: A Personal Autism Journey

Bendigo

Thurs 29 May 2025, choice of 11am OR 6:30pm sessions
(3 hr seminar incl question time, doors open 10:30am & 6pm)

Daniel and Daniel's Dad (Daryl) will discuss Daniel's journey from diagnosis to present day giving an insight from Daniel's personal perspective of living life as an Autistic individual.

Daniel's sister (Leash) will also be sharing the sibling perspective and is a qualified educator (may be prerecorded).

Topics include diagnosis, school journey, independent living, employment and strategies used to achieve the best outcomes.

Featuring Exhibitors Click logos to find out more

Presented by

Daniel Giles OAM
Order of Australia Medal Recipient & Autistic Self-Advocate

Daryl Giles
Daniel's Dad

Leash Purcell
Daniel's Sister and Educator

ABN: 11 945 440 100

Venue
The Bendigo Club - Naismith Room
22 Park St, Strathdale VIC

Tickets (*includes \$0.50 booking fee for online bookings)

Autistic people, family & carers:
\$35.50*

Professionals (Educators/Caseworkers/Therapists - incl. CPD cert.)
\$85.50*

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