

AXEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Excellence Through Endeavour"

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RESPECT, PERSONAL BEST, RESILIENCE, COOPERATION

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Important dates:

Aug	7th Book Club – orders due 11th Football Exc – selected students 12th MARC Van 12th Choir performing at Camp Getaway during the day	Aug	13th The Blurbs – whole school @ hall 14th Country & Belonging Excursion 15th Bendigo Writer's Festival – Gr 5/6 20th Parent Teacher Chats 26th Book Week Activity Day
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SCHOOL VALUES AWARDS

Grade Prep

Marlie – For demonstrating the school value of co-operation when playing our 100 days of School Maths Game, Marlie took turns and worked well with her partner.

Grade 1/2

Adele – For showing cooperation in the classroom and the yard with her classmates and teachers. She is always willing to help others and ensure that everyone is happy and safe at school.

Grade 2/3

Hudson – For displaying cooperation when working in different groups with different partners in learning time. When working with different partners, Hudson supported his partner by showing respect, worked using his personal best and made sure his space was tidy.

Grade 3/4

George – For showing the value of COOPERATION when working with others. George has shown his willingness to work well with students during PE. He has cooperated with her peers during kickball games. Well done!

Grade 5/6

Landon – For making a positive transition to Axedale Primary School. You have consistently shown our school values and are valued member of our school community. Well done on a fantastic start!

Grade 5/6 – For demonstrating outstanding cooperation when working in a group to create Indigenous symbols. You showed kindness, respect and a positive attitude by including others, listening to everyone's ideas, and helping your team work together successfully.



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Grade Prep

Ethan – For doing his personal best to create his 100 Crown for 100 Days of School to show 10 groups of 10 make 100.

Grade 1/2

Jameson – For settling well into school life, making friends and working hard to learn in every area of his schooling.

Grade 2/3

Charlotte – For sharing her ideas and solutions to different problems during whole class learning time. Charlotte showed confidence in a new classroom to share her ideas to help her peers learn new ways of solving problems.



Grade 3/4

Eli – For his consistent efforts in writing this week. Eli has been learning about adding to his writing to build interest for readers. He has developed his understanding over the week and worked hard with planning and editing his picture book. Fantastic work Eli.

Grade 5/6

Emma – For working hard when learning about fractions. She has shown persistence and experienced success when learning how to add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators. Well done!

GOLDEN BRUSH AWARD

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

HOUSE AWARD

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

NIGHTS OF READING

Congratulations to these students for receiving their certificates for 50 and 75, 100, 125 and 150 nights of reading. It is fantastic to see so many students reading and recording the books they read.



PASSPORT

Congratulations to Dion, Duncan and Amelie who were presented with certificates for achieving a goal of 25 Celebration stickers.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Avery for completing the Premier's Reading Challenge.

MUSIC AWARD

Kirby received the Music Award for this week for a greatly improved effort in band sessions. He showed perseverance and increased concentration to not only play the basic chords for his song, but also an advanced rhythm! Well done Kirby.



COUNTRY AND BELONGING

Today we held the second *Country and Belonging* residency session. Students were very excited, completing a variety of artistic activities. Next week's sessions will be conducted at Bendigo Art Gallery, in View Street. Students will travel into Bendigo in two groups and participate in various activities. There is no cost for students, permission will be required through Compass, which will be available from tomorrow.



NETBALL

Yesterday our grade 6 girls participated in the Sandhurst Division Netball Competition, held at Red Energy Arena in Bendigo. A big thank you to Ms Hall, Rosie and Evie Egan for coaching, supporting and transferring students to and from the venue. The girls had a great day and played together well as a team.



CURRICULUM DAYS

In accordance with the 2022 Teaching Agreement, schools can take 5 student free days per year. One is mandated for the first day of the school year and then the remaining 4 are dates determined by individual schools. One day was taken in Term 2. Last night School Council approved the following dates:

Monday 15th September

Friday 17th October

Monday 17th November

THE BLURBS

As part of our Book Week celebrations, we are excited to announce that students will participate in a performance by The Blurbs next Wednesday the 13th August. The performance will be held in the Axedale Hall, with students walking over to the hall, leaving school at 1pm and returning by 3pm. Eppalock Primary School students and staff will join us for the performance. Cost of this performance will be covered by funds raised through fundraising activities, with no cost to families. This excursion is covered by the Local Excursion Permission form completed at the start of the year

“The Blurbs” are a band of book enthusiasts who encourage children to read through the power of performance and music. The Blurbs venture out from the library rarely, but when they do, they put on a spectacular show for primary schools during 'Book Week'. The show contains original songs about books that have been short listed by the CBCA for the 'Book of the Year' awards.

DV-AWARE TRAINING

Lifeline Loddon Mallee is offering Domestic & Family Violence training, to be held at school on Tuesday the 9th September from 5pm – 7pm. Please see the attached flyer for registration details or follow this link.

<https://2-hour-dv-aware-workshop-axedale.raiselysite.com/>

PARENT TEACHER CHATS

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE. Due to circumstances beyond our control, we have changed the date for Parent Teacher Chats for Prep, Grades 1/2, 2/3 and 5/6 from Thursday the 21st to Wednesday the 20th of August. Bookings for chats have opened and are available through Compass.

GRATITUDE CALL OUT

This week I would like to give a gratitude call out to Paul and Leanne Kellett. Paul was able to help us repair some damaged concrete near the prep and grade 1/2 rooms.

SAVE THE DATE: FATHER'S AND SPECIAL PERSON'S BREAKFAST

On Tuesday the 2nd of September we will be holding our annual Father's and Special Person's breakfast. Breakfast will be available between 7.45am – 8.30am. An invitation and RSVP slip will be distributed in coming weeks.

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.

THE SMILE SQUAD

We have been fortunate to have the Smile Squad at school over the last couple of weeks, conducting checkups and providing treatment. It is great to see so many students access this service.

STAFF FIRST AID TRAINING

This week staff finalised CPR and Anaphylaxis updates. Staff completed online modules and then worked with Darren to complete the practical components of the training.

VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

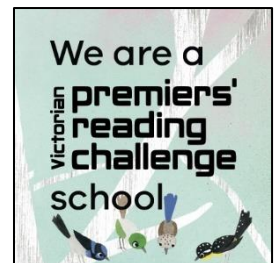
Thank you to those students who have been reading and adding their books on the Premiers' Reading Challenge website. **If you have been writing your books onto your reading checklist make sure you bring the sheet into the office and Mrs Baldwin can enter them for you. Students have read 236 books so 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

2025 PARENT PAYMENTS Term 3 payment is now due.

A banner for Children's Book Week. On the left is a red octopus holding a book. In the center, it says 'Children's Book Week' and '16-23 August 2025'. On the right, it says 'BOOK AN Adventure' in a stylized font. There is also a small circular logo for '50 YEARS OF AUSTRALIAN STORY'.

CBCA Book Week Celebrations at **Axedale PS** are on

Tuesday August 26th

We will have a parade in the morning followed by a day of book fun! Dig through the dress up box and come as your favourite character 😊



Chappy's Corner

Family Challenge: Time to have a healthy debate. Finding out about your kid's opinions on different topics gives you understanding of who they are. It's OK to disagree and to discuss different sides of the coin. Make sure you show the kids how to be respectful to those with a different opinion. Here's a few ideas to discuss: should pets be allowed in school, should we ban smartphones for anyone under the age of 16, should school days be shorter or longer. Maybe you can come up with some things to discuss around the table.



Quote: Do the difficult things while they are easy and do the great things while they are small. A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step.

Joke: What did the triangle say to the circle? You're pointless.

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 3 2025**

Date	Helper	Helper
Tuesday 12 August	Angela Dodd	Ali
Tuesday 19 August	Ellyse Sawatijw	Ali
Tuesday 26 August	Katrina/Geoff Cain	Ali
Tuesday 2 September	FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST	
Tuesday 9 September	Laraine Leask	Ali
Tuesday 16 September	Angela Dodd	Ali

RESILIENCE RIGHTS & RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS



Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships

The *Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships* curriculum teaches positive relationship skills to students in primary and secondary schools. Promoting social and emotional skills and positive gender norms directly impacts students' physical and mental health, student-teacher relationships and classroom behaviour. It also reduces antisocial behaviours including engagement in gender-related violence.

Taking a whole-school approach is about embedding a culture of respect and gender equality throughout the entire school community. In Term 3, students in all classrooms across Axedale Primary School will be focussing on 'Stress Management' and 'Help-Seeking'. Below is a brief summary of each topic.

TOPIC 5: STRESS MANAGEMENT

Students consider the causes of stress and develop a range of self-regulation and coping strategies they can draw on to manage stressful situations. Activities within this topic area will assist students to:

- recognise and identify their own emotions
- describe situations that may evoke strong emotions
- recognise and identify how their emotions can influence the way they feel and act
- develop self-regulation strategies

TOPIC 6: HELP-SEEKING

Students develop skills and knowledge for peer support, peer referral and help-seeking. Activities within this topic area will assist students to:

- identify situations that feel safe and unsafe
- identify when they may need to seek help and who they could approach for help
- discuss the importance of seeking help when dealing with problems that are too big to solve alone
- practise seeking help from adults and peers.

For further information on each topic, please click on the link below:

[Respectful Relationships: A Resource Kit for Victorian Schools | Resource | Arc](#)

Grade 2/3 News!

Grade 2/3 have made a fantastic start to Term 3. They have been consistently showing our school values and making the new students in our classroom feel welcomed.

In Writing, students are learning about different types of poetry and are writing their own poems. Students are drafting, editing and sharing their work. We have heard about the different reasons why students love football and different animals as well as the misfortune of being stung by a bee at KFC.



Ewan and Hudson playing a maths game together using place value to add.



Cooper and Louis playing bat tennis during our PMP program.

In Maths, students are continuing to develop their understanding of place value to assist them when adding and subtracting. Students will continue to develop their knowledge of these operations before finishing the term learning about multiplication and division. A particular highlight of maths so far is hearing students explain their mathematical thinking.

In Inquiry, students are learning about how rules and laws are made in our local community. We started this unit by learning about how rules are made democratically, but we also have to ensure that we are fair to everyone and are safe in what we do. It has been great to see students start to apply what they have learnt when out playing at break time.

Grade 2/3 have made a wonderful start to a busy Term 3 with 1/2 Camp, Country and Belonging sessions, Book Week and many other exciting events to look forward to.



Vada and Amelie reading together on the iPads.

In the spirit of reconciliation, TheirCare acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their Elders, past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



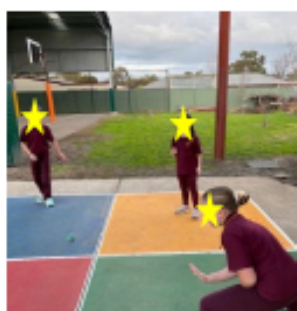
What's been happening?

Last week in after school care we focussed on WeCare and sustainability. We are being more mindful of the resources we use, repurposing things, and even remembering to sort our rubbish into the correct bins (LO 2.4).

Additionally, we spent a lot of time playing outside! We have a very active bunch of students at Axedale TheirCare so we try to get outside as much as possible (LO 3.1, 3.2).



We have been bringing some of our craft resources outside with us to meet the needs of all students! Some of us love to create amazing chalk artworks while the others play competitive ball sports, so we do our best to cater to everyone's idea of fun! (LO 1.2, 4.2)



This term's WeCare focus is Clean Up Australia! Students are learning about sustainable practices we can use in TheirCare! If any families have any recyclable products, craft, toys, etc. that they no longer need, we would love to give them a second life in our service 😊



After School Care
3:25pm – 6:00pm

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COMMUNITY

Visit our website for more information on all programs
- <https://bendigobasketball.com.au>



TERM 3 PROGRAMS

IDDY BIDDY BALL

2-4 YEAR OLD'S

BIDDY BALL

4-8 YEAR OLD'S

AUSSIE HOOPS

5-10 YEAR OLD'S




JUNIOR BRAVES 2025/26 TRYOUTS

WE HAVE IDENTIFIED YOU AS A CANDIDATE FOR OUR JUNIOR BRAVES PROGRAM.
AND WE WOULD BE THRILLED TO SEE YOU AT OUR TRYOUTS ON THE FOLLOWING
DATES.

- PHASE 1 - WEEK 1: SUNDAY, AUGUST 10
(ALL AGE GROUPS- NEWCOMERS AND UNSELECTED IN 2024/25 ONLY)
- PHASE 2 - WEEK 2 & 3: SUNDAY, AUGUST 17 & 24
(ALL AGE GROUPS AND ATHLETES PROGRESSING FROM PHASE 1)
- PHASE 3: WEEK 4 SUNDAY, AUGUST 31
(TOP 20 VJBL CANDIDATES NAMED & LOWER TEAMS NAMED)
- PHASE 3- WEEK 5: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5
(VJBL SELECTION TRIAL)

FURTHER DETAILS TO COME SOON...!
PLEASE KEEP YOUR EYE OUT FOR UPDATES ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES OR VISIT
[BENDIGOBASKETBALL.COM.AU](https://bendigobasketball.com.au)
FOR MORE INFORMATION, SEE PAGE 2







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BENDIGO & SURROUNDS ALL GIRLS PROGRAMS



4 - 7 YEAR OLDS

Learn the skills of AFL through fun and engaging activities
Thursday 4pm to 5pm starting 7th August for 5 weeks!
Location: Weeroona Oval, Bendigo
COST \$20 - USE DISCOUNT CODE: 80A87728

REGISTER NOW





7 - 12 YEAR OLDS

Develop your skills through modified match play
Thursday 4pm to 5pm starting 7th August for 5 weeks!
Location: Weeroona Oval, Bendigo
COST \$20 - USE DISCOUNT CODE: 80A87728

REGISTER NOW





PLAY.AFL

The Immune Deficiencies Foundation presents International Entertainment Australia's...

Circus Quirkus provides relaxed theatre performances for children and young adults...

- with diverse abilities and backgrounds (wheelchair accessible and accessible seating at all shows).
- who might require a more flexible and inclusive environment when going to the theatre (sensory friendly).
- who are facing hardship.
- without access or opportunity to live theatre.

Enjoy the "live performance" experience with a casual attitude to audience noise and movement in an accessible and inclusive environment, where you are welcomed and free to be yourself without restriction or judgement.

Featuring a brand new show host and performers, along with some old favourites. *moving, flashing lights, upbeat and sometimes dramatic music.
One hour show, no interval. Suitable for all ages.

ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY, including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to sponsorship from local businesses.
*Bookings from schools, organisations, carers and families are all welcome.

RED ENERGY ARENA BENDIGO (STADIUM)	
SHOW DATE	SHOWTIME
TUESDAY, 12 TH AUGUST, 2025	6.00 PM

To book tickets, please email your name and the number of tickets you require to...
meredithnewman@showintent.com.au
or call / text 0404-367-782

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: Tuesday, 9 September 2025

Time: 5:00 - 7:00pm

**Location: Axedale Primary School,
High Street, Axedale**

Sign up here:

<https://2-hour-dv-aware-workshop-axedale.raiselysite.com/>



or with the QR code:

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.



GIANT *Tennis*

**COACHING PROGRAMS @
STRATHFIELDSAYE TC**

**HOT SHOTS 5-12YRS
JUNIORS & ADULTS
GROUPS & PRIVATE LESSONS
PLAY PARK (5&UNDER)
CARDIO TENNIS**

FIND OUT MORE >>



TERM 3 SCHEDULE

HOT SHOTS - Wednesdays
6 Week Program in Term 3, Starting 13th Aug
3.45 - 4.30pm Red/Orange Ball (5-9yrs) \$108
4.30 - 5.30pm Green/Yellow Ball (10+yrs) \$132

PLAY PARK (5YRS & UNDER)
Sunday 9-10am - 3 Weeks \$45, from 31st Aug

CARDIO+KIDS - Monday 9.30am
\$20/Session - Come when it suits!

REGISTER HERE > gianttennis.com.au  