

AXEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Excellence Through Endeavour"

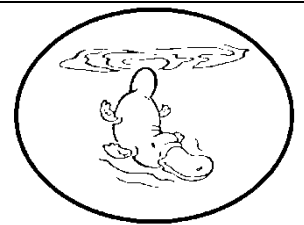
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Important dates:

Aug	20-27th Book Fair 3.15 – 4pm 25th Book Week Celebration Day 25th MARC Van	Sept	1st Father's/Special Person's Breakfast 2nd Book Club Issue 6 orders due 4th Premiers' Reading Challenge finishes
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SCHOOL VALUES AWARDS

Grade Prep

Remy - For demonstrating the school value of resilience by being flexible and adapting to changed routines including our trip to Bush Kinder and our Teddy Bear's Hospital and Responsible Pet Ownership incursions.

Grade 1/2

Japleen – For working hard to complete all set tasks and showing resilience when things don't work out. You always try your best and want to get better at what we are doing in class. Well done, Japleen.

Grade 2/3

Tilly - For showing resilience when faced with challenges and continuing to try her best, even when things are difficult.

Grade 3/4

Dion – For showing RESILIENCE in and out of the classroom. Dion is completing some good work at school and listening to adults respectfully when challenged.

Grade 5/6

Chelsea- For showing resilience in all areas of her learning. She faces every challenge with determination, courage and always gives her best effort.



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Grade Prep

Billie - For putting in a big effort when doing her letter craft making sure it is her personal best work.

Grade 1/2

Mabel – For working hard to produce your best handwriting. While publishing your Poem, 'Come over to my place', you were able to focus and neatly write your sentence using dotted thirds, making sure all letters were in the correct place.

Grade 2/3

Freida - For consistently trying her very best in all areas of her learning. Her positive attitude, determination and willingness to have a go is wonderful to see.

Grade 3/4

Finn – For working hard in class to improve on his spelling. Finn is showing good progress by completing all tasks to a satisfactory standard and achieving a high success rate on his weekly spelling tests.

Grade 5/6

Chloe - For working hard during the planning and drafting stages of writing. She developed her ideas and carefully planned her refugee story before writing a detailed and engaging draft.



GOLDEN BRUSH AWARD

Congratulations to Grade 2/3, Mrs Caldwell and Mrs Balic for winning the Golden Brush award this week.

HOUSE AWARD

Congratulations to McIvor, winners of this week's House Award.

NIGHTS OF READING

Congratulations to those students who have recorded 50, 75, 100, 125, 150 and 175 nights of reading.



STUDENT PASSPORT AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who received a certificate for achieving the goal of 25 celebration stickers in their Student Passport. Students earn values stickers for their Passport and can trade them in for celebrations or can save them for bigger celebrations. Congratulations to grade 3/4 who collectively collected their Golden Platypus tokens, reaching their goal of sharing hot chips on Wednesday.



2027 ENROLMENTS / PLANNING

It is hard to believe that 2027 is 'just around the corner.' At this time in the year, while we are focused on the 2026 school year, we are also starting to plan for 2027. To assist with our planning, we ask that any families who are looking to transfer out of the area, please let the office know. Having this information greatly assists with forward planning in terms of staffing profile, class structures and general planning.

PARENT CARER GUARDIAN SURVEY

Information about the Parent Carer Survey was shared via Compass on Tuesday. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

PARENT /CARER TEACHER CHATS

Parent / Carer Teacher Chats were held today. Staff value the opportunity to chat with parents and carers. If you were unable to make a booking please contact class teachers to book a mutually suitable time.

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

On Tuesday the 1st of September we will be holding our annual Father's and Special Person's breakfast. Breakfast will be available between 8am – 9am. Please RSVP by Thursday the 27th August. Invitations, including a RSVP slip were sent home last week.

BOOK FAIR

As part of the Book Week celebrations, we are holding a Scholastic's Book Fair. Students have the opportunity to view books available at the fair and bring home a Wish List. Books are available for purchase after school until Thursday the 27th of August, between 3.15pm and 4pm. 50% of money raised through the sale of books will be donated to our school library.

PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to all students who are participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge. The challenge ends on Friday the 4th, with certificates presented early in Term 4.

Students have read 229 books so far.

This year's Challenge theme is 'Stories to discover. Stories to tell'. Stories can inspire and challenge us and help us grow. They open our eyes to new worlds and new ways of thinking.

The number of books read can be varied for everyone's needs.

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

To learn more about the Challenge, visit [Premiers' Reading Challenge | vic.gov.au](https://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge)

Happy reading!



THE BLURBS

On Tuesday students and staff participated in a performance by The Blurbs at the Axedale Hall. "The Blurbs" are a band of book enthusiasts who encourage children to read through the power of performance and music.

Students have learnt many of the songs performed during the performance, joining in the singing and dancing during the performance.

Grade 2/3 wrote about the performance:

I really liked when The Blurbs played who let the dogs out, and when Irie turned into a super reader. I liked when The Blurbs played kids VS grown-ups, and The Blurbs cheated in 'Throw the Vegetables'. The kids got 500 points and the grown-ups got 5 points. – Indi M

On Tuesday the whole school went to the Town Hall to see The Blurbs. The Blurbs are a band of four. Two played electric guitars, one played acoustic guitar and one played the drums. They make books into songs. – Ewan

The best part of The Blurbs was the Pig the Pug book and when Pip got his head stuck in the bin. – Gallagher

I loved The Blurbs. I had so much fun when the head poked out. It was so funny. – Freida

I really liked when The Blurbs poked their heads out, it was funny! Did you like it? I did! – Jasmine

I really liked when The Blurbs played teachers vs kids. The kids won because The Blurbs cheated with the teachers. – Charlotte H

The best part of The Blurbs was when the dog got out behind the curtain. I really liked when Pig went into the bin. – Jax D

I really liked when Irie was Super Reader. – Avery

It was funny when Irie was dressed up as Super Reader and then saved Elsa from a robber. – Jessica

The best part of The Blurbs was when I went on the stage and when Pig the Pug came out. – Jaeger

I really liked when the head poked out at the start and the end! It stuck out at the top of the backdrop and the side. – Nate

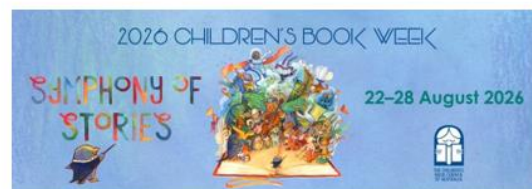
I really, really loved when Pig the Pug played chess. They played but Trevor won the game. Pig the Pug cried and cried because he wanted to win the game. Trevor said 'you win', Pig the Pug was so happy, then Trevor said, 'you lost, ha ha ha', he was being mean. Then after they game, they had dinner. Pig ate so much that he was choking on the food. Trevor helped him, Pig said nothing. After Pig got his head stuck in a bin and Trevor helped him get out of the bin. – Aleena



BOOK WEEK CELEBRATION DAY

Next Tuesday the 25th of August we will hold our Book Week Celebration Day. On this day, students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character, or something inspired by the theme “Symphony of Stories” and will be involved in lots of activities based on books shared by Mrs Gentry. We will start the celebrations with a whole school parade with younger siblings invited to dress up and participate. Parents, carers, grandparents and special visitors are welcome to attend.

Corrina Hartland
Principal



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

Tuesday August 25th

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 😊



FORMS TO BE RETURNED OR ORGANISED AT SCHOOL

2026 PARENT PAYMENTS Term 3 payment is now due.

FATHER'S AND SPECIAL PERSON'S BREAKFAST RSVP Slip returned by Thursday 27th August

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – Issue 6 orders due by Wednesday 2nd September

GRADES 1 & 2 CAMP – Complete consent via Compass. Return Medical Information Form by Friday 4th September.

Chappy's Corner



FAMILY CHALLENGE: This week's challenge is to bake together with a new recipe for biscuits, cupcakes or slices. It's fun to look up a new recipe together and make something new for the family. Who knows, it might even become a family favourite!



QUOTE: 'You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending.' C.S. Lewis

JOKE: What do you call fake spaghetti? An impasta.

BREAKFAST CLUB NEEDS YOU!

Our Breakfast Club is back for another term, and we're looking for volunteers to help make it a success! By giving just a little of your time, you'll help provide students with a healthy breakfast and a positive start to their school day. It's a rewarding way to connect with our school community and make a real difference.

If you're able to lend a hand, in particular the dates free below, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact the front office, and Ali Gillett will be in touch to arrange a date that suits you. Thank you for supporting our students!

Ali Gillett
Chaplain



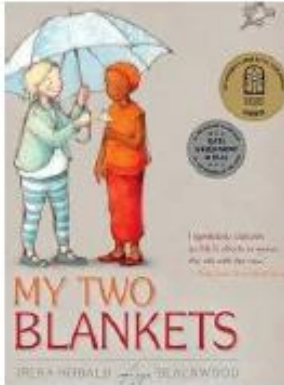
Breakfast Club Roster - TERM 3 2026

Date	Helper	Helper
Tuesday 25 August	Katrina/Geoff Cain	Ali
Tuesday 1 September	FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST	Ali
Tuesday 8 September	Angela Dodd	Ali
Tuesday 15 September	HELP NEEDED	Ali
Tuesday 22 September	Katrina/Geoff Cain	Ali

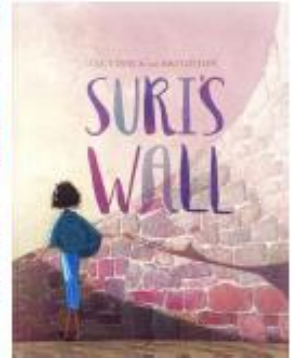


Grade 5 & 6 NEWS

Reading and Writing



This term, students have been learning about historical fiction and exploring the characteristics of this genre. Through reading a range of texts, they have identified key features that make historical fiction both engaging and informative. Building on this understanding, students will begin planning and writing their own historical fiction stories, inspired by the experiences of immigrants and refugees and the challenges, journeys and new beginnings they have faced when moving to a new country.



Numeracy

This term students have been learning about equivalent and improper fractions, as well as mixed numbers. They have been adding and subtracting fractions with the same and different denominators. More recently they have been learning to add, subtract, multiply and divide decimals. They have also been calculating percentage discounts.



Bush Kinder

As part of our transition program, the Grade 5/6 students enjoyed exploring the bush with the children from Axedale Kinder. The students worked together to discover, observe and appreciate the natural environment while building positive connections with their future school community.



COMMUNITY

PLEASE JOIN US FOR SLEEP & WELLNESS

Workshop

26.08.26

10.30am - 12.30pm
&
1pm - 3pm

Supporting expecting parents and young families
through better sleep & natural wellness.

AXEDALE COMMUNITY GARDEN MEETING
ROOM
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CHURCH)

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SLEEP & WELLNESS

Workshop

Supporting expecting parents and young
families through better sleep & natural
wellness.

Every attendee will complete a short
questionnaire upon booking so the sleep
session can be tailored to your little ones
age and the sleep challenges your
experiencing.

Come along, enjoy a wellness drink, nibbles,
meaningful conversation and leave feeling
supported, informed and empowered.

Bookings essential.

Axedale Community Garden Meeting Room
Wednesday 26th August
Session 1: 10:30am - 12:30pm
Session 2: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

\$20 per person

Limited places available.

<https://www.trybooking.com/DOSJF>



Puggles Playgroup Axedale



Axedale Hall

Tuesdays 9am - 10.30am - Beginning July
21st

Free and no booking required - come along
and have some fun!

JETS ARE GETTING READY TO BLAST OFF THIS SUMMER

JOIN ONE OF THE STRONGEST
JUNIOR PATHWAY PROGRAMS IN
REGIONAL VICTORIA. FUN ACTIVITIES
WHILE LEARNING HOW TO PLAY
CRICKET. BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND
MAKE NEW ONES. LET'S HAVE A BLAST!

GO JETS!!!!!!

CRICKET BLAST	JUNIOR COMP
- Boys & girls aged 5 to 9 years - Programs offered in November, December and February - Sundays 9:30 am for 5 to 7-year-olds - Fridays 6:00 pm Approx 8-9 yrs old - Junior Girls Comp For ages 12-15yrs	- We have spots available for players eligible for U11's, U12's, U14's and U16's - U11s & U16 Girls Comp Monday Evenings - U11s Monday Evenings - U16s Wednesday evenings.

USE THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

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LEGO MANIA

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"Friends" LEGO City Community Build

Join us at the Red Door Community Centre for an exciting LEGO building event!

Help us create an amazing community LEGO display that will be showcased in our shop window for all to enjoy.



ALL ABILITIES WELCOME

SAFE & SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT

MAKE NEW FRIENDS

GET CREATIVE



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*Kids can join NAB AFL Auskick if they are turning 5 in the calendar year (before 30th June in WA)

BENDIGO ALL GIRLS AUSKICK AND SUPERKICK CENTRE

WEEROONA OVAL, BENDIGO

STARTING AUGUST 25TH

TUESDAYS 4:15PM - 5:15PM

AUSKICK



SUPERKICK



Register to go in the draw to win a Richmond AFLW Guernsey!

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME

SUMMER SEASON

Born 2020-2017?
We'd love to hear from you!

Strong interest may help us form additional teams in these age groups.

Older juniors and adults welcome too
Team placement depends on player numbers and available vacancies.

REGISTRATIONS AND ENQUIRIES OPEN NOW
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Strath Starts Here