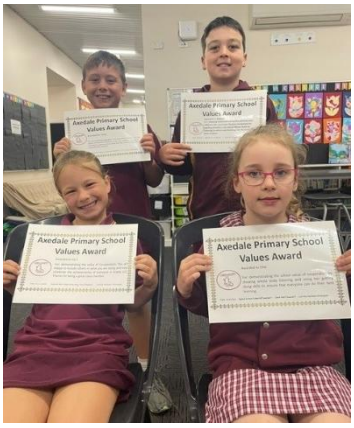
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RESPECT, PERSONAL BEST, RESILIENCE, COOPERATION

NEWSLETTER No. 35 NOVEMBER 5th 2026

Important dates:

Nov	**5th Parents Volunteers Friends Meeting 2.30pm in staffroom ALL WELCOME** **6th Lions Eye Health consent due**	**Nov**	**9th Lions Eye Health screening** **9th Gr 5/6 Puberty Session 2** **13th Prep Dinner – after school** **18th Curriculum Day – Student Free Day**

SCHOOL VALUES AWARDS



Grade Prep

Ellie - For demonstrating the classroom value of cooperation by showing whole body listening and using her getting along skills to ensure that everyone can do their best learning.

Grade 1/2

Ivy F – For demonstrating the value of Co-operation. You are happy to include others in what you are doing and help celebrate the achievements of everyone in Grade 1/2. Thanks for being a great class member.

Grade 2/3

Ewan - For demonstrating cooperation in the classroom by working well with others, sharing ideas and being a supportive classmate. You show a willingness to work as part of a team and help create a positive learning environment for everyone.

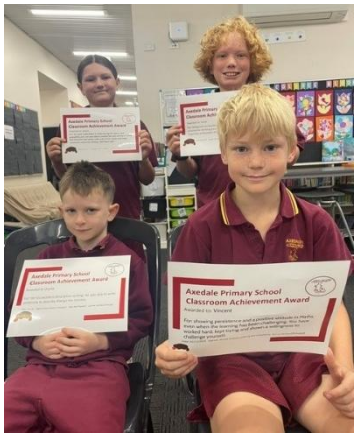
Grade 3/4

Hudson – For showing COOPERATION whilst working with others in the classroom. Hudson completed his spelling activities in his Sound Waves book by listening to others and checking over his work. Well done Hudson!

Grade 5/6

Grade 5/6 – For demonstrating our school value of Cooperation during the past four weeks while Miss O'Connor has been on placement. You have represented yourselves and the whole school incredibly well with your kindness and respect, and you have all been a pleasure to teach. Miss O'Connor

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Grade Prep

Charlie - For his excellent description writing. He was able to write sentences to describe Mango the monkey.

Grade 1/2

Lawson B – For demonstrating a sound understanding of Fractions. You are able to model halves, quarters and eighths using shapes and paper strips. Your workbook activities have shown an understanding of equivalent fractions which we will continue to build on. Great work Lawson.

Grade 2/3

Vincent - For showing persistence and a positive attitude in Maths, even when the learning has been challenging. You have worked hard, kept trying and shown a willingness to challenge yourself.

Grade 3/4

Alexis – For her work undertaken in maths during the chance and probability unit. Lexi was able to conduct her own survey on Grade 3/4s favourite take-away, make a bar of her results and make conclusions about her findings. Well done Lexi!

Grade 5/6

Oscar – For being such an excellent helper in the 5/6 room and consistently showing great leadership. You are always respectful, enthusiastic to learn and a helpful classmate.

HOUSE AWARD

For the first time that anyone can remember there was a tie between McIvor and Campaspe this week!



GOLDEN BRUSH AWARD

Congratulations to Grade Prep, Mrs Roberts and Ms Hall for winning the Golden Brush award this week.

NIGHTS OF READING

Congratulations to those students who have recorded 75,100, 125, 150, 175 200, 225, 250 nights of reading.



STUDENT PASSPORT AWARDS

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

2027 CLASS STRUCTURES

Much consideration has gone into class structures for 2027, with several factors considered when making decisions, including year level cohort size, cohort size when year levels are combined, funding and teaching spaces available. Student and staff allocations will be shared once final decisions have been made. Physical placement of classes is to be confirmed.

Classroom 1	Prep / 1
Classroom 2	Prep / 1
Classroom 3	2/3
Classroom 4	3/4
Classroom 5	5/6

2026 REVIEW

Our Review has been postponed. The day will be rescheduled and we will let families know the new date, as soon as we can.

PREP DINNER

Grade Prep students will be having their Prep Dinner at school on Friday 13th November. This is part of the Camping policy, and provides experiences, which will assist when the students take part in our Camps Program in future years.

Students will remain at school from 3.30pm and will enjoy an evening of games, a town walk, and activities before and after their meal. Students are picked up from the main building at 7.00pm. Information will be available via Compass next week. We look forward to all prep students participating in this exciting event.

LOCAL VOICES

CLOSING SOON – PLEASE COMPLETE THE SURVEY TO INCREASE OUR DONATION RECEIVED

Fosterville Gold Mine has engaged Voconiq to deliver Local Voices, a program of online surveys that provides an opportunity for communities in the area to express their views and experiences confidentially regarding the operations and impacts of Fosterville Gold Mine. You can learn more about Local Voices here.

Fosterville Gold Mine is about to launch Local Voices survey, and we're excited to support local community groups like yours through our Local Voices Rewards Program.

Participation can help fund local not-for-profit groups like yours

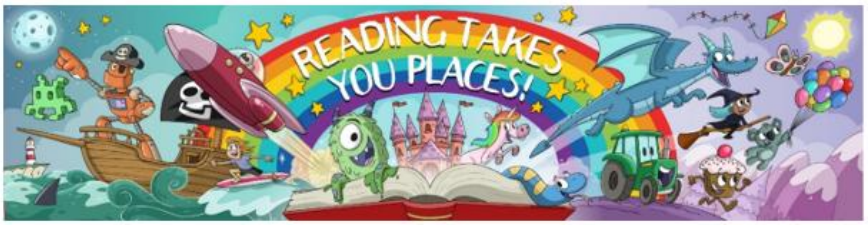
As a 'thank you' for taking part, once a survey is completed, participants are allocated tokens, which they can distribute to a list of local community groups. These tokens can then be claimed as cash donations by registered community groups.

How does the Local Voices Rewards Program work?

A total donation pool of $2500 will be shared among the community groups registered, based on the final ranking of the token tally. Therefore, every token counts - the more tokens your group earns, the larger share of the donation pool Axedale Primary School will receive.

You can learn more about Local Voices from the flyer on the back page with a QR code or follow the link here.

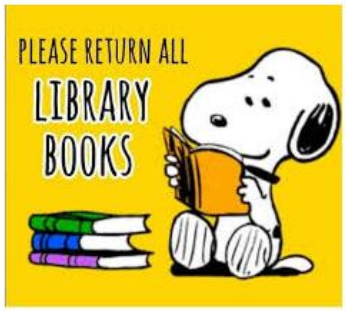
Corrina Hartland
Principal



It's been a fabulous MARC year, with lots of books read, borrowed and enjoyed. So that the end of year stocktake can be completed our last borrowing day at **Axedale** will be;

Tuesday 17th November

This gives students 2 more visits to make sure all books are returned for the year. I will have a little thank you prize for students who return all books.



FORMS TO BE RETURNED OR ORGANISED AT SCHOOL

2026 PARENT PAYMENTS Term 4 payment is now due.

LIONS EYE HEALTH PROGRAM Consent form due by tomorrow, Friday 6th November. Testing on Monday 9th November.



THE GIFT OF GIVING!

This Christmas, we're inviting all our students and families to join us in spreading a little extra kindness through **Christmas in Reverse!**

Rather than receiving gifts, we're encouraging students to give back by donating food items to **MADCOW (Make A Difference Change Our World)**, a wonderful charity supporting people experiencing homelessness.

Every donation, big or small, will help make someone's Christmas a little brighter and remind them that they are cared for and thought of.

Some suggested donation ideas include:

- Christmas pudding, cake and UHT custard
- Christmas biscuits, sweet and savoury biscuits (no chocolate coating)
- Soft drink, chips, nuts, pretzels and caramel popcorn
- Lollies (no chocolate)
- Coffee and hot chocolate sachets
- Pasta, tinned food and rice

Donations can be brought to school and will be collected by MADCOW on **Tuesday 24th November in the afternoon**, with the help of a very special guest!

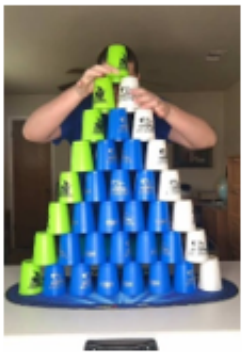
Let's spread some Christmas cheer, share a little kindness and make a difference – one donation at a time!

Chappy's Corner

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FOSTERVILLE

FAMILY CHALLENGE: This weeks fun activity is Minute to win it games! Here's a few for you to enjoy!

- Stack Attack: Try to stack and unstack 36 plastic cups in under 60 seconds.
- Penny Run: Use a straw to blow a penny or a pom-pom across the table to the finish line.
- Suck It Up: Use a drinking straw's suction to move cereal pieces (like O's) from one plate to another.
- Chandelier: Balance and stack paper plates and plastic cans into the highest tower possible before it tumbles.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention." Oscar Wilde

JOKE OF THE WEEK: What kind of dog does a magician have? A Labracadabrador!

BREAKFAST CLUB

If you can volunteer for our Tuesday breakfast club then please don't hesitate to contact me (Ali Gillett) and I'll happily walk you through what we do and accommodate when is convenient for you. You can do as much or little as you want!

Breakfast Club – Our Recipe for a Great Start!

Breakfast Club is a fun way to start the school day! It's a chance to enjoy some yummy breakfast, catch up with friends, have a chat and get ready for a fantastic day of learning.

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Date	Helper	Helper
Tuesday 10 November	HELP NEEDED	Ali
Tuesday 17 November	Angela Dodd	Ali
Tuesday 24 November	Katrina/Geoff Cain	Ali
Tuesday 1 December	HELP NEEDED	Ali
Tuesday 8 December	Angela Dodd	Ali
Tuesday 15 December	Katrina/Geoff Cain	Ali

FROM THE CLASSROOMS – GRADE PREP

MANGO MONKEY

This term we have been learning to write descriptions. We have been using the 'Description Bubbles' in our classroom to help us write our descriptions. People write descriptions to tell their audience all about a place or thing. Describing words help the audeince to imagine the place or thing in their head. This week we have finished our own descriptions of Mango Monkey to include in our 'Prep Memories' folder. We have all worked together to write this description for you.



Mango Monkey



Description Bubbles



Texture: Mango is soft, squishy and fluffy.

Position: Mango stays in his backpack with his clothes, toothbrush and diary.





Colour: Mango is rainbow coloured with a yellow face, ears, hands and feet.

Size: Mango has a long tail, long arms and long legs.





Shape: Mango has round eyes.

Doing: Mango visits Prep's homes when they recieve the Values Award at assembly.

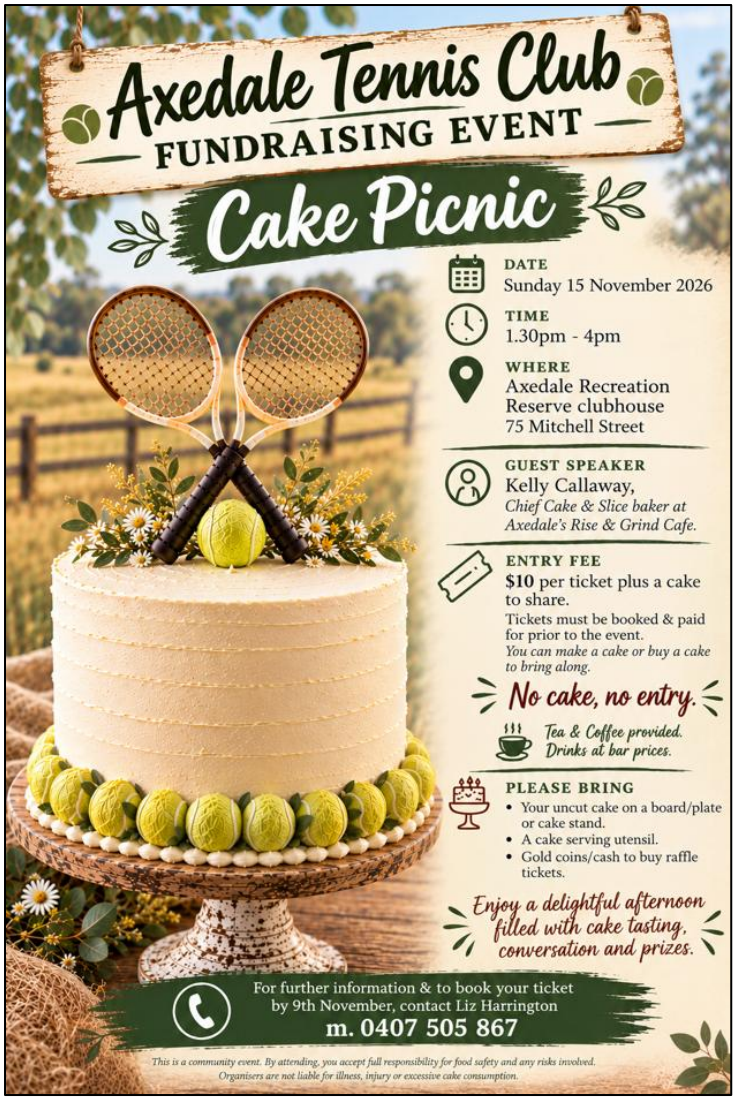




Number: Mango has one mouth that loves to eat bananas!!



COMMUNITY



Hi everyone,
We love this time of the year...the weather is warming up, our young Blasters are heading back to school & we start to hear in the back yards... the "howzaaaaat" or "bang, save em mum or dad that's six".

We love to see our young boys & girls active over the summer & what better way than to introduce cricket to our children via the Jenny's ELC Blasters Program.

Those who are aged 5-9 years...If you are still interested for this season....just a reminder that there is still time to register....

Confirming dates, times & venues for you.

Junior Blasters - 5yrs-7yrs

- Held on a Sunday morning - **starting on 9:30am** & finish at 10:30am
- **Date: 8th November** through to 13th December & then re-start TBC - could be 7th Feb & finish 28th Feb.
- Venue: Club Court Oval Strathfieldsaye

Master Blasters - 7-8 to 9 yrs

- Held on a Friday evening- **starting 6:00am** & finish at 7:30pm (we do accommodate those with Bball on)
- **Date: 6th November** through to early December & then re-start in Feb
- Venue: Beischer Oval pre xmas & Strathfieldsaye Oval in Feb

Register for the Blasters via the one link:
https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/315da9
"Live Local – Play Local"



REMEMBRANCE PARKS CENTRAL VICTORIA

AXEDALE THROUGH YOUR EYES
Community Photography Competition

What makes Axedale special to you?

Capture a favourite local place, a moment in nature or a detail that tells the story of our community.

As Remembrance Parks Central Victoria develops a Master Plan for Axedale Cemetery, selected photographs and stories will help bring it to life.

THREE CATEGORIES
REMEMBER • NATURE • COMMUNITY

A $150 local business gift card to be won in each category!

We encourage students and families to enter, no professional photography experience needed.

Entries close Thursday 15 October 2026

Visit rpcv.org.au/latest-news or scan the QR code to learn more and enter!



Take the Local Voices survey now

Join Local Voices and share your feedback directly to Fosterville Gold Mine

- Local Voices is the perfect platform to share what matters to you and provide your feedback on Fosterville Gold Mine.
- Local community groups benefit through donations linked to survey participation.
- Surveys take 10 minutes and can be completed on your phone, tablet, computer or paper surveys.
- Your survey is 100% confidential. No personal details will be disclosed.

GIFT CARD

Have your say and go into the draw to win a $500 fuel gift card

Scan the code and take the survey now

For more info on Local Voices and prize terms and conditions visit:

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