

AXEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Excellence Through Endeavour"

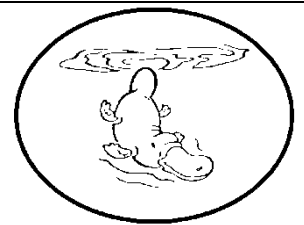
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RESPECT, PERSONAL BEST, RESILIENCE, COOPERATION



NEWSLETTER No. 4 FEBRUARY 22nd 2024

Important dates:

Feb	22 nd - Gr 5/6 Netbook Info 23 rd Grade 6 Captain Speeches 28 th Prep rest day 28 th CSEF & Conveyance applications due 29 th House Captain Speeches Gr 3-6 29 th School Council nominations close	Mar	1 st Gym (Whole school) 2 nd Quick Shear raffle ticket sales @ IGA 5 th School Photo Day 5 th MARC Van 8 th Gym (Whole school) 11 th LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
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SCHOOL VALUES AWARDS

Grade Prep/1

Lucy – For demonstrating our school value of ‘Respect’ by always listening to and following the teacher’s instructions.

Grade 1/2

Jesse M – For demonstrating all the aspects of Respect on the Behaviour Matrix. You have been a role model in the 1/2 classroom for the first 3 week by always showing respect to others.

Grade 2/3

Soren – For demonstrating our school value of Respect by following the teacher’s instruction immediately when transitioning between tasks in the classroom and when coming back into the classroom after break times.

Grade 4/5

Zac – For demonstrating the value of RESPECT by taking care with his bookwork by ruling up and using a pen or a pencil to do his best work.

Grade 6

Danny – For showing respect when interacting with others. He was patient and showed care when teaching younger students how to play Kingball. He also used his initiative and collected sports equipment that was left in the yard.

CLASSROOM ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Grade Prep/1

Avery – For making such an enormous effort to concentrate and avoid distractions during our learning time.

Grade 1/2

Maya – For completing work to a high standard and always doing your best. You are able to follow instructions and always complete tasks in the set time. Keep up the good work.

Grade 2/3

George – his excellent use of his place value knowledge to explain to his teacher and his peers how to order a series of three digit numbers.

Grade 4/5

Emma – For making a fantastic start to Grade 4. Emma is a cooperative and polite member of the class who enjoys helping in the room and always tries her best. Well done Emma!

Grade 6

Shylah – For working hard to improve her understanding when rounding decimals. She asked clarifying questions and completed practise examples to apply her knowledge.



GOLDEN BRUSH AWARD

Congratulations to Grade Prep and Mrs Roberts for winning the Golden Brush award (again!) for this week.

HOUSE TROPHY

Congratulations to Mc Ivor for winning the House Trophy.

PREP REST DAYS

Yesterday our Prep students had their fourth rest day. The last rest day will be taken on February 28th.



SCHOOL CAPTAIN AND HOUSE CAPTAIN SPEECHES

Our grade 6 students have been working hard on their School Captain speeches. Speeches will be presented tomorrow, at 9.05am. Parents and special visitors are welcome to attend the presentation of speeches.

Our Captains will be announced at Assembly on Monday 26th February.

Students in grades 3-6 who would like to run for House Captain positions are encouraged to continue to prepare their speeches. These speeches will be presented to the houses on Thursday 29th February, at 9.15am. House Captains will be announced at Assembly on Monday 4th March.

LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch orders from Rise & Grind are working very well. Chicken, cheese and mayo sandwiches for \$5 have been added to the lunch order menu. Apple and Raspberry fruit boxes are currently unavailable. We will let families know when they become available again.

CURRICULUM DAYS

At this weeks School Council meeting approval was given for 2 Curriculum Days.

- 26th April: staff will be involved in writing PD with other small schools.
- 10th May: Staff will attend the Math Association of Victoria professional development meeting, held in Bendigo.

Details on whether TheirCare will provide services on these dates will be provided prior to each day.

SUN PROTECTION POLICY

School Council have reviewed and endorsed the updated Sun Protection Policy, which is now available as a hard copy from the office or our website online.

Sun glasses worn at school must meet the Australian Standard 1067 (Sunglasses Category 2, 3 or 4). The Cancer Council recommendation is for glasses to wrap around the sides of the eyes and are close fitting. The colour or darkness of the lens does not indicate the level of UV protection; you still need to check the label. For safety reasons, students can only wear their own sunglasses and are unable to share extra pairs with peers. Students who bring 'fashion' sunglasses to school will be asked to place them in their bags.

PREP INFORMATION, NETBOOK INFORMATION NIGHT & FAMILY GAMES.

With the Department of Education's recommendation, due to the late forecast of wind, we will now be cancelling all the scheduled events for tonight. We will reschedule events and let families know when a new date has been chosen. Sorry for any inconvenience.

QUICK SHEAR

Thank you to everyone for selling raffle tickets. We greatly appreciate any tickets that can be sold, whether it is a few or all. If you would like more books to sell, please contact the office. Please remember that all tickets need to be accounted for and returned, either sold or unsold.

Donations required: we are seeking donations of items for the spinning wheel and silent auction. If you are associated with a business that could donate items, please catch up with Corrina. Items can vary from stationary, household goods, gift cards, merchandise etc. Donations of any items would be greatly appreciated.

Last week a volunteer's form, requesting help to sell raffle tickets at IGA and at the Quick Shear was sent home. If you are able to help please return this form to the office ASAP.

THEIRCARE

TheirCare are experiencing staff shortages across their many services, including Axedale. We continue to work with TheirCare to ensure that services are provided where possible. Due to shortages in available staff for **Before School Care**, TheirCare need to cancel services for some of the morning sessions. Cancellations will be confirmed in the coming week. Please note that on the mornings where students have been booked in for tomorrow and next week, these sessions will operate as normal.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council plays an integral part of the operations of our school. Our School Council is made up of six Parent Representatives, one Community Representative, three Staff Representatives and the Principal as Executive Officer. While School Councils operate on a March-to-March cycle, Councillors are elected for 2 years, with half of the council representative positions open for election on an annual basis. **Nominations for 2024/25 School Council are being sought and close on Thursday 29th February.** Nomination forms are available from the office from tomorrow. Nominees can self-nominate or be nominated by others. If a ballot is required, it will be conducted in the first week of March. New office bearers will be elected at the first meeting of the newly formed council.

Retiring Parent Representatives	Parent Representatives 2024/2025	Staff Representatives
Jade Field	Louise Mac Gregor	Steve Christensen
Tracey Torr	Sonya Brown	Ben Fiegert
Elyse Adam	Tara Coffin	Melanie Bingham

COVID INFORMATION PROVIDED BY DE

There is at present an increase in community transmission of COVID-19 in Victoria. You can help us keep our school as safe as possible by taking 2 important steps:

- Ensure your COVID-19 vaccinations are up to date. Information on how and where to get vaccinated is available on the [Get vaccinated webpage](#).
- If your child shows symptoms of COVID-19, please ensure they stay home and get tested. The easiest way to test is to use a rapid antigen test (RAT).
- We have RATs available at our school for collection.] You can buy RATs at supermarkets, pharmacies and other retailers.
- If your child has symptoms but tests negative, please ensure they stay home until they no longer have symptoms.
- If the RAT test result is positive, please ensure they stay home for at least 5 days and until there are no more symptoms.

Thank you for your support – these steps will help us all stay well.

VALE BOB GUNN

On behalf of the school community, I would like to offer our condolences to the Gunn family on the passing of Bob. The Gunn family have a long association with Axedale PS and provide support for our Wellbeing Program through the Pam Gunn Trust.

STUDENT PERSONAL ITEMS

Staff are not able to be responsible for toys and games that students bring to school. If an item is brought in for Show & Tell, teachers will ask students leave the item in the classroom during lunch and recess breaks. The Education Departments insurance does not cover personal items brought to school.

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

A Conveyance Allowance is available for eligible students using private cars to attend school. To be eligible a student must live more than 4.8km by the shortest practicable route from the nearest school or bus stop. Please come into the office by the end of February to complete an application form if you are eligible.

NEWSLETTER FOCUS THIS WEEK

This week the newsletter focus is on Digital Technology. Michelle Caldwell takes all classes for Digital Technology, providing a program based on use of netbooks and iPads and on-line safety.

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

Primary school student rate is \$150 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to the school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursions costs for your child.

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian must:

- **on the first day of Term One (29th January 2024), and/or first day of Term Two (15th April 2024):**
 - a) be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) be a temporary foster parent, and:
 - c) submit an application to the school before **28th February 2024 or 28th June 2024**

WELLBEING & VALUES OUT OF UNIFORM DAY

Last Friday we held our Wellbeing & Values out of uniform day. It was great to see everyone dressing up for the day.

CHESS

Students have been enjoying a game of chess over the last few days.



Corrina Hartland
Principal

FORMS TO BE RETURNED OR ORGANISED AT SCHOOL

2024 PARENT PAYMENTS Term 1 payment now due.

STUDENT ENROLMENT INFORMATION Please return checked form ASAP

LOCAL EXCURSIONS & PG MOVIE PERMISSION Please return ASAP.

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Applications for current Health Care Card holders are due by Wednesday 28th February. See Katrina in the office to complete an application.

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ASTHMA MANAGEMENT PLAN

At the beginning of each school year we require an updated Asthma Management Plan for those students who are diagnosed with asthma.

GRADE 3-6 CAMP Please return slip to indicate if your child/ren will be attending by Friday 23rd February. \$50 deposit due by Friday 8th March.

SCHOOL PHOTOS Order envelope to be returned by Tuesday 5th March with payment.

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.

Breakfast Club is starting up next week on Tuesday. Every Tuesday 8.15 - 9.00am we serve a range of cereal, fruit and toast for breakfast. If you (or someone in your family) would like to volunteer for Brekky Club then please contact the office. The only requirement is to have a Volunteer Working with Children's Check. We would love to have you volunteer and be a part of helping our students start of the day in a healthy way.

Ali Gillett
Chaplain



Breakfast Club Roster **TERM 1 2024**

Date	Helper	Helper
Tuesday 27 February	Angela Dodd	Ali
Tuesday 5 March	Laraine Leask	Ali
Tuesday 12 March	Kimberley Threlfall	Ali
Tuesday 19 March	Angela Dodd	Ali
Tuesday 26 March	Laraine Leask	Ali



Digital Technology

Term 1
Week 1 - Week 4

Prep

This term the prep students will be learning about the differences between a laptop, desktop and iPad. We will also be looking at expectations when using digital technology at school and how to log onto the school computers using our own username and password.

1/2



The Grade 1/2 students have discussed expectations for using digital technology at school. They have remembered how to log into school computers and have just started developing their skills using Microsoft Word. Students will continue to explore Microsoft Word for the rest of the term.

2/3

Grade 2/3 students have looked at expectations when using digital technology at school. They have created their own expectation page for our classroom expectations book using Microsoft PowerPoint. Students will continue to strengthen their skills using Microsoft PowerPoint over the next few weeks





Digital Technology

Term 1
Week 1 - Week 4

4/5

Grade 4/5 students have started the year working towards gaining their 'Digital Licence'. This is a program that teaches students about being safe and healthy uses of digital technology and the online world. The students have looked at balancing their technology use and how technology use can affect many areas of their life.

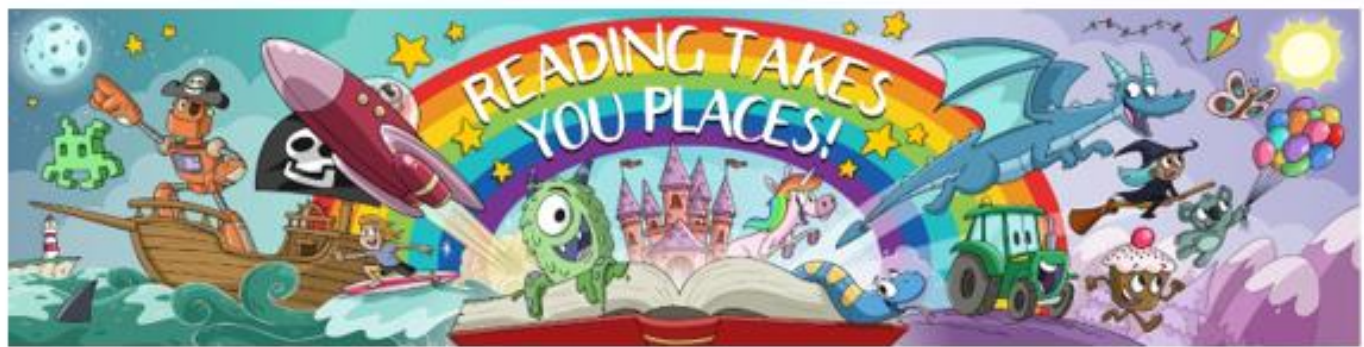


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Grade 6 students have continued working towards gaining their 'Digital Licence' that they started last year. This is a program that teaches students about being safe and healthy uses of digital technology and the online world. Students have looked at what phishing is and how to identify scams.

Ask your child what you need to be looking out for!





MARC 2024

Welcome back to another year full of wonderful books!

There will be lots of exciting things happening this year, the first is that we have a NEW van! It should look just like the last one, and as I am typing this Chris Kennett's amazing art is being organised to be put on. Can't wait to get it all on the road!



I would like each student to return the INmag consent form that will be sent home in coming weeks. This fabulous magazine has been created by 2 local teachers and is packed full of content created by kids. By giving permission to submit work I will be able to upload activities we do throughout the year, which then might be included in future publications. Below is the link to the magazine's website if you would like to look into it further.

<https://www.theinmag.com.au/>

What better way to start the year than celebrating our libraries! We will be talking about why we love our MARC (and school) libraries in class. Share a book on February 14th with someone you love.



Mrs G 😊

DE NEWS

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION WITH 12 MONTHS FREE INTERNET AT HOME

The Australian Government has established the School Student Broadband Initiative to provide free home internet for one year for up to 30,000 eligible families with school-aged students.

The initiative aims to boost education opportunities. NBN Co is leading the rollout of this initiative across the country.

How the School Student Broadband Initiative can help your child

Children who can access online learning at home as part of their education are more likely to engage in classroom activities.

Access to fast internet at home can also support children to build their digital skills, learn how to safely use the internet and take part in a world that is more reliant on digital technology.

Eligibility

To be eligible, families must:

- have a child living at home enrolled in an Australian school in 2024
- not have an active National Broadband Network internet service at their home* (having a mobile internet service does not affect eligibility)
- live in a premises that can access the National Broadband Network through a standard connection. NBN Co will check this for you after you apply
- register interest with your school and complete a consent form to be assessed for eligibility.

*If an address has been disconnected within 14 days prior to an eligibility check – the address will be classified as ineligible. There may be cases where exceptions can be made, please contact the School Student Broadband Initiative team at SSBI@education.vic.gov.au to discuss further.

How the School Student Broadband Initiative works

If you are eligible, your home internet service will be provided at no cost for one year with a participating internet provider over the National Broadband Network. Each internet provider has its own step-by-step process to get you connected, which may involve you providing identification.

Once you sign up, the internet provider will help you set up your connection. The initiative does not include devices such as a computer or tablet. Other members of your household can use the internet service provided through this initiative.

The one-year period will start from the day your service is activated with your chosen provider. At the end of the one-year period, you will not be placed onto a paid service by your internet provider without your consent. The Australian Government is considering options beyond the one-year free period.

How to apply

- Ask your school for a copy of the School Student Broadband Initiative consent form.
- Complete the consent form and return to the school.
- NBN Co will use student address details on the consent form to confirm eligibility.
- If you are eligible, NBN Co will issue a voucher for your family to use to sign up with a participating internet provider. This will be provided to you by your school.

Please note: NBN Co will review the home address for eligibility. No personal information other than your main home address will be shared with NBN Co. Please see the consent form for details about how personal information will be used.

Find out more

For more information about the School Student Broadband Initiative, visit <https://www.infrastructure.gov.au>

COMMUNITY

SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS

The City of Greater Bendigo are in the midst of recruiting school crossing supervisors. If any school community members are interested, you can access more information on the link below:

<https://city-of-bendigo.applynow.net.au/jobs/10000124-school-crossing-supervisors>



ENTER THE DRAGON MILE

SUNDAY 31ST MARCH 2024

Bendigo Bank

ICONIC DRAGON MILE

MILE LONG FOOT RACE ON THE FAMOUS EASTER PROCESSION ROUTE

USE THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PRICING AND AGE GROUPS

WHERE: PALL MALL AT GOLD MONUMENT

TIME: 10:30AM START



GYM CUP TEAM EVENT



REGISTER HERE

Photograph Supported By The Bendigo Chinese Association and Golden Dragon Museum.



ELMORE TRACTOR PULL

The Elmore Events Centre is hosting the 2024 Elmore Tractor Pull on Saturday 16th March.

We are holding a colouring competition for the chance to win free family passes to the event. Ask at the office if you would like a colouring page.

Entries close Friday 8th of March and winners will be announced on Tuesday 12th March.

For any interested students/families, tickets can be purchase via [Elmore Tractor Pull Tickets](#)

PLAYERS WANTED



CONTACT

registerflamesjnc@gmail.com



Secret Agent Society
Small Group Social-Emotional Learning

Solving the
Mystery of Social
Encounters



What: Exciting social skills program for kids aged 8-12

When: Saturday mornings

Where: Bendigo (Strathdale)

NDIS friendly

Evidence-based intervention to support children with ASD, ADHD, anxiety and/or depression

Benefits:

- Improved Social Skills- Emotional Regulation
- Effective Communication
- Teamwork
- Detection and expression of emotions
- Making and keeping friends

Learn more – [About SAS](#) | [Secret Agent Society](#)

Enquire or make a booking: thesociallearningcollective@outlook.com

Back to school is a lot*. Let's get ready.

*A lot of feelings, a lot of expenses, a lot of stress.

Saver Plus can help.



For any interested students/families, tickets can also be purchased via If families join in February 2024, they can claim their matched savings in December 2024 in time for 2025 school costs.

Saver Plus supports people to develop life-long savings habits. It's been running for over 20 years and more than 58,000 Australians have participated. It's delivered by Brotherhood of St. Laurence, The Smith Family and Berry Street. It's funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.



To be eligible for Saver Plus, people need to meet these requirements:

- Be 18 years or older
- Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

saverplus.org.au



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JOIN THE FUN!

Register to the 2024 Auskick Season for the opportunity to be involved in a clinic with North Melbourne or Carlton as part of the AFL Community Camps in Bendigo! Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity!

Find your closest centre & register!



Note: clinics occurring mid Feb

BENDIGO

NETFIT SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS

WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL



9:00am - 3:00pm



Bendigo Stadium
91 Inglis St West Bendigo

NEW SKILLS NEW DRILLS

- Creative skills & drills
- NETFIT HIIT
- Match play
- Healthy habits
- 'Head, Heart & Hand' leadership workshop
- Focus on teamwork & building confidence
- Fresh new clinic theme
- Goodie bags & more



BOOK NOW



FOCUS ON CONFIDENCE

Our purpose is to move the world forward through the power of sport - breaking down barriers and building a sense of community and belonging, helping change the game for all kids.

Our Leadership Workshop for the April School Holidays is called 'Head, Heart & Hands' where we aim to increase our NETFITTERS understanding and awareness of their personal leadership and what they can bring to a team environment.

BOOK NOW

PLAY FOR KICKS

AFL Superkick

Superkick is next level fun for 7 to 12 year olds who are new to footy, or want to continue to grow their skill levels.

BENDIGO ALL GIRLS

SUPERKICK CENTRE

MONDAY'S STARTING 26TH FEB

4 WEEKS

4:30PM - 5:30PM

SHADFORTH PARK, NORTH BENDIGO



GIANT Tennis

COACHING PROGRAMS

**HOT SHOTS 3-12YRS
JUNIORS & ADULTS
GROUPS & PRIVATE LESSONS
HOLIDAY PROGRAMS
CARDIO TENNIS
SQUADS
MATCH PLAY**



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PLAY PARK

**5 YRS & UNDER
10-11AM SUNDAY'S
STARTING 18 FEB
REGISTER ONLINE:**



gianttennis.com.au  

HUNTLY FAMILY FUN DAY

Proudly sponsored by Agnico Eagle Fosterville

FREE ENTRY **SUNDAY FEB 25, 2024** **10AM TO 1PM**

FREE ACTIVITIES:
THE ZONE JUMPING CASTLE AND INFLATABLE WATER SLIDE
WATER FUN WITH HUNTLY CFA • ART AND CRAFT
SPORTING ACTIVITIES • FACE PAINTING • FREE GIVEAWAYS!
RENEGADES FAN VAN - INFLATABLE CATCH MAT

FOOD/DRINKS:
BBQ (MEAT AND VEGETARIAN OPTIONS) AND DRINKS
- ALL \$2 EACH • FREE FRESH FRUIT • COLIBAN WATER
REFILL UNIT (BYO DRINK BOTTLE)

Limited shade - bring along your hat and chair.

STRAUCH RESERVE
14 GUNGURRU ROAD, HUNTLY



REGISTRATIONS OPEN



Play soccer with Epsom Football Club in 2024

Come & join us - learn new skills, meet new people & have fun!

No experience necessary - we offer both boys, girls & mixed teams.

Non-Competitive Juniors
Under 6's, 7's, 8's, 9's & 10's

Competitive Juniors
Under 12's, 14's & 16's

Senior Competitive
Youth, Women, Men's

Junior registrations close 8 March

Late registrations will only be accepted pending team availability

For enquiries contact secretary@epsomfc.com.au

Visit www.epsomfc.com.au or www.facebook.com/EpsomSoccer

40 YEARS OF THE RED AND WHITE 1984 - 2024



2024 PLAYER REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

REGISTER AT PLAYFOOTBALL.COM.AU

SGUSC

FAMILY FUN DAY

FEBRUARY 25

STANLEY AVENUE, SPRING GULLY



- ✓ SKILLS AND DRILLS
- ✓ SMALL SIDED GAMES
- ✓ UNIFORM SALES
- ✓ REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE

UNDER 6 TO UNDER 10: 10 AM - 12 PM

UNDER 12: 10 AM - 11 AM

UNDER 14 TO UNDER 16: 11 AM - 12 PM

GOLD COIN DONATION - BBQ LUNCH SERVED AT 12 PM

NEW AND RETURNING PLAYERS WELCOME!

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