

#### AXEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### NEWSLETTER No. 7 MARCH 14th 2024

#### Important dates:

Mar	14th 5pm – Prep Information Session	Mar	25th Easter raffle donations & tickets due
	5.30pm – Family Games night		28th Out of uniform day
	15th Gym (Whole school)		28th Last day of Term 1 – 2.30pm finish
	19th MARC Van	Apr	15th First day of Term 2
	22 <sup>nd</sup> Gym (Whole school)		-

I am writing to inform our school community that I will be taking leave for the last 2 weeks of this term, starting on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March. I am taking leave to have surgery on my troublesome ankle / leg. Ms Kate Ballantyne will be in the Acting Principal role until the start of Term 2. Kate is a very experienced Principal, recently retiring from her position at Heathcote PS. Kate is well known to staff and has worked with Axedale PS as part of our connection with Heathcote school / staff.

I wish everyone a safe and relaxing Easter and an enjoyable break. I look forward to catching up with everyone at the start of Term 2.

#### **NAPLAN**

Students in grades 3 and 5 have completed 2 of the required 4 NAPLAN tests. Students will complete the Conventions of Language and Numeracy tests next Tuesday and Wednesday.

#### PREP INFORMATION & FAMILY GAMES,

We are very excited to hold our Prep Information Session and Family Games TONIGHT. Hopefully the weather stays dry! The night starts at 5pm with Emma Roberts presenting an information session for Prep families. This is a valuable session, where Emma will provide information about how the prep room operates and ways in which families can assist students with the various learning that takes place, both at school and at home. This session will run for approximately 30 minutes. Parents are invited to bring their prep child with them as Emma will model various aspects of learning during the session.

We are also holding our family games night, with activities available from 5.30pm. Families are invited to bring a picnic tea and join in a variety of fun outdoor activities. It is a great opportunity for families to get to know each other and catch up in a relaxed atmosphere. Traditionally, the giant tug of war is a massive hit, with parents/carers and students being quite competitive. As this event is held on school grounds, we ask that parents respect the no alcohol or smoking bans.

#### **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. First prize is an amazing trailer filled with lots of goodies! Tickets, sold and unsold, along with money, must be returned to school by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March. This will allow us to have them ready for the Quick Shear on Saturday.

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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.

#### WE NEED A LITTLE BIT OF HELP!

Thank you to those who have returned the volunteer slip. We still require a few additional volunteers throughout the day. Please consider volunteering for an hour or two! Volunteers are required from 12pm – 5pm.

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL

Congratulations to Jade Field, Jarrod Threlfall and Tracey Torr who nominated for School Council. We are now able to officially form our School Council for the next 12 months. I look forward to working with School Council again this year.

#### ATHLETIC SPORTS DAY

Our Athletics Sports Day has been booked for Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May. We combine with Heathcote and Eppalock Primary Schools to hold our annual sports carnival. The carnival is held at the La Trobe University Athletics Complex in Bendigo. Parents are asked to bring their children into sports centre and to collect them at approximately 2.30pm.

Specific details will be provided early in Term 2 but we feel it is important to share this information with parents now to allow for forward planning.

#### THE RESILIENCE PROJECT (TRP)

Students have commenced their introduction lessons for the new year of TRP. Each class has a weekly TRP lesson.

In coming weeks we will start to share parent information in our newsletter. Parents can access TRP@home by searching this on the internet. It is a fantastic resource to support families across the element of TRP.



#### NEWSLETTER FOCUS THIS WEEK

This week the newsletter focus is on 2 classes, Mr F's 1/2 class and Mr Savage's 2/3 class. Students have enjoyed classroom learning tasks, The Resilience Project, the Gym Program and the excursion to listen to the Australian Navy Band.

#### **PVF**

#### EASTER RAFFLE

PVF are starting to organise our Easter Raffle and ask families to provide a small Easter item for our Easter Raffle to be drawn at the end of term. Donations can be left in the container in the office. The raffle will be drawn on the last day of term. Raffle tickets were sent home last week.



#### **MEETING**

PVF held their first meeting this week and have started to plan activities and fund raising events for this year. Everyone is welcome to join the PVF. You may not be able to make meetings but input from many is always welcome.

#### **GRADES 3-6 WEEKAWAY CAMP**

We have confirmed the Grade 3-6 camp will be \$390 per student. Thank you to families who have returned forms indicating student participation. We understand that this payment comes at a challenging time for some families. Please don't hesitate to contact Corrina if you would like to chat about a payment plan.

#### **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Last week Richard was at school taking individual, class, family and our whole school photo. He will return early in Term 2 to take photos of students who were away on the photo day, our student leadership photos and the grade 6 graduation photo once all leaders have their badges. It is anticipated that photos will be available to families early in Term 2.

#### 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 29th February 2024 or 28th June 2024

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

#### **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 23<sup>rd</sup> February. \$50 deposit due by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **WELLBEING - Ali**

#### **MOTHER'S DAY HIGH TEA**

Each year we enjoy spoiling the special women in the Axedale Primary School community with a High Tea around Mother's Day. This year we are going to continue with that tradition but due to there being work done on the Axedale Hall we will be having it later in Term 2 in June. More details to come.

#### **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 can offer.

Breakfast Club is starting up next week on Tuesday. Every Tuesday 8.15 - 9.00am we

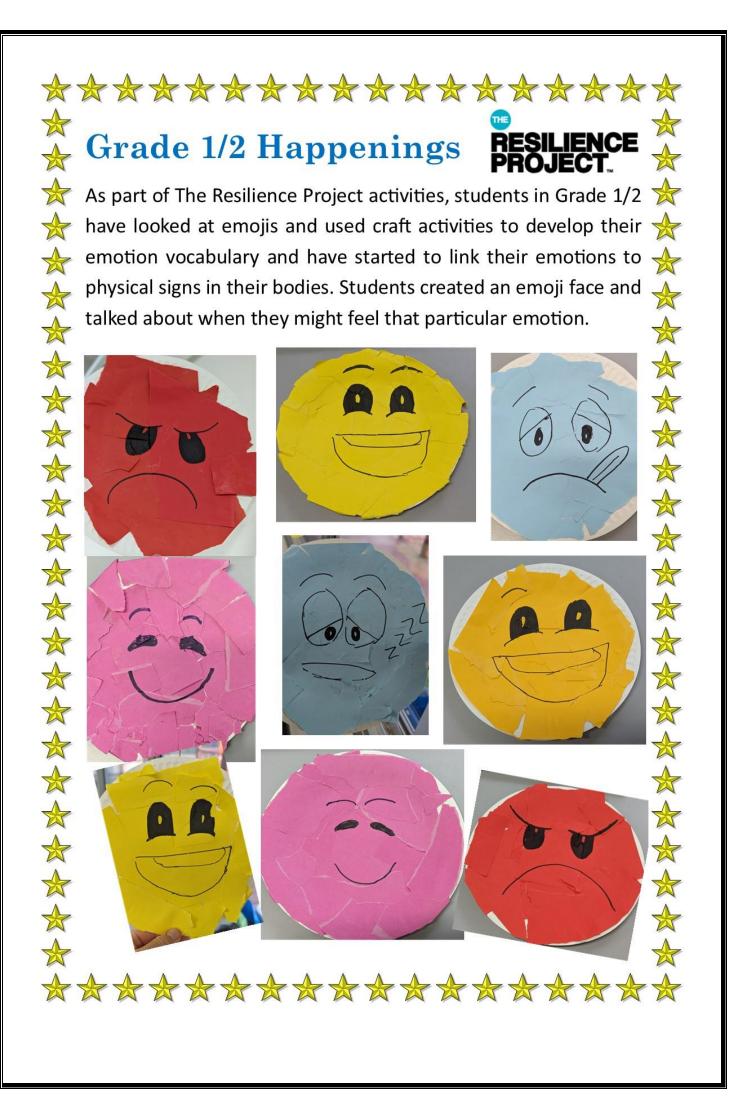
we would like to volunteer
Volunteer Working with

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.

## Breakfast Club Roster TERM 1 2024

Date	Helper	Helper
Tuesday 19 March	Angela Dodd	Ali
Tuesday 26 March	Laraine Leask	Ali

## CLASSROOMS



Henry and Aidan getting ready to hear the Royal Australian Navy Band performance.

# Grade 2/3

Ivy, Evie and Chelsea enjoying the zucchini fritters they made during Environmental Science.



The students of Grade 2/3 have made a fantastic start to the year during a very busy Term 1.

Students have been learning about the differences between fiction and non-fiction books. They have also



been learning to use evidence from the text to support

their thinking about the books that they are reading. It has been wonderful to see students sharing why they like and dislike certain books and why they would or would not recommend books to their peers.

For maths, students have worked on constructing, identifying and ordering numbers into the thousands and beyond to improve their knowledge of place value. Students have started working on ways to develop efficient strategies to add different numbers. We are going to finish the term with a focus on data.

A highlight has been working with students in our Inquiry Unit, investigating how we can use artefacts (objects from the past) to understand how our community, different pieces of technology and jobs have changed over time.

Students have had the opportunity to travel outside the school for our gym program and to hear the Royal Australian Navy Band perform at Ulumbarra Theatre. All members of Grade 2/3 should be proud of the ways they have consistently shown our school values when out and about.



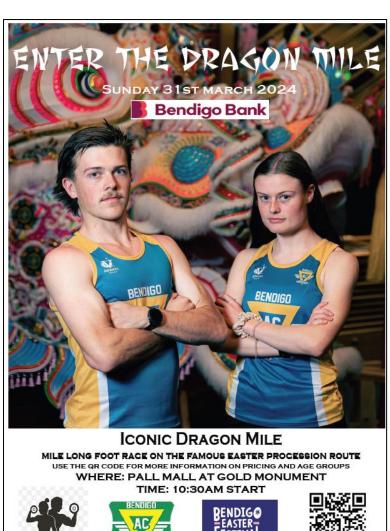
Colton and Cody enjoying their time at gym.



## **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









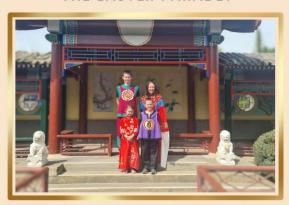






# PARADE COSTUME FITTINGS

AGED 8 OR OLDER AND WANT TO BE IN THE EASTER PARADE?



Pop in with your family and friends and see us at 13 Bridge Street, Bendigo every Tuesday & Thursday from 4pm - 6pm and Saturday & Sunday from 2pm - 5pm until Easter to register!





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For more information and other events visit

www.connectgreaterbendigo.com.au



Football Club'



#### **BENDIGO**

#### **NETFIT SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS**

WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL





9:00am - 3:00pm

Bendigo Stadium 91 Inglis St West Bendig

#### **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







#### **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

# **PETITION -**

# Build a secondary school in Heathcote.

Please take 2 minutes of your time to sign our petition to Parliament to build a secondary school in Heathcote. All Victorian residents are eligible and encouraged to sign.

https://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/get-involved/petitions/build-a-secondary-school-in-heathcote/

