



The 3/4's definitely love playing boomwhackers and the Preps are out to impress with their Indonesian skills.



This week in Science our awesome Preps made their very own bouncy balls...messy fun while learning!!!



Art this week has students creating some Halloween creations - Puffy Ghost for the Preps, Monsters for the 1/2's

WHAT'S COMING UP

**Term 4 - 11 Weeks
Monday 7th October to**

Friday 20th December

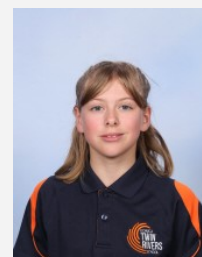
2019 TERM 4 NOVEMBER

Friday 1st	5/6 Football Clinic "Walk to School" Celebration Breakfast— 8.15am(note earlier time)—All welcome
Monday 4th	School Closed—Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 5th	School Closed—Public Holiday—Melbourne Cup
Thursday 7th	Grade 5 Major Excursion-Rich River Golf Club & Gravity Shack Outdoor Learning Day Count Us In-12.15pm-12.45pm
Friday 8th	Icy Poles for Sale @ 1.45pm
Monday 11th	Coffee Club—9am Parent Action Group Meeting
Tuesday 12th	Gr 1-2 Excursion—Beechworth Bakery & Woolworths Supermarket-Day 1 School Choir Prep Readiness Evening 6pm-7pm
Wednesday 13th	School Council Meeting-6pm
Thursday 14th	Gr 3/4 T20 Blast Cricket
Friday 15th	Gr 5/6 T20 Blast Cricket
Monday 18th	Coffee Club –9am Responsible Pet Ownership—Prep-2
Tuesday 19th	Gr 1-2 Excursion—Beechworth Bakery & Woolworths Supermarket-Day 2 School Choir
Wednesday 20th-	Grade 6 Melbourne Camp
Friday 22nd	
Friday 22nd	Icy Poles for Sale @ 1.45pm
Monday 25th	Coffee Club—9am
Tuesday 26th	School Choir Gr 1-2 Excursion—Beechworth Bakery & Woolworths Supermarket-Day 3

P principal's Report

S tate Athletics

Congratulations and well done to Cora Wilson who represented our school at the State Athletics Championships last week in long jump. Cora came 15th in the State and competed exceptionally well.



W alk to School Breakfast Celebration

Are you hungry? We are having a Walk to School Celebration Breakfast tomorrow morning for everyone who has participated in the Walk to School this month. Breakfast starts at the earlier time of 8:15am and concludes with a short assembly at 8:50am tomorrow morning in the courtyard. Bacon and Egg sandwiches and cheese toasties are on the menu. Prizes will be given out during this assembly. The prizes and the breakfast have been kindly donated by Campaspe Shire.

Walkers who have been joining Mrs Mathers each Friday morning will **leave McSwains Road at 8:15am tomorrow** not 8:30am.

U niform

Our focus this week is responsibility – wearing full school uniform. School uniform is compulsory and we kindly ask that our students are in full school uniform each day. At the moment there are many variations of blue, black and patterned shorts that are being worn. Shorts need to be navy blue in colour. There has been a marked improvement since the beginning of the week and everyone made such a great effort to be in school uniform for our school photos last week. It was lovely to see everyone going to great efforts for the photo day.

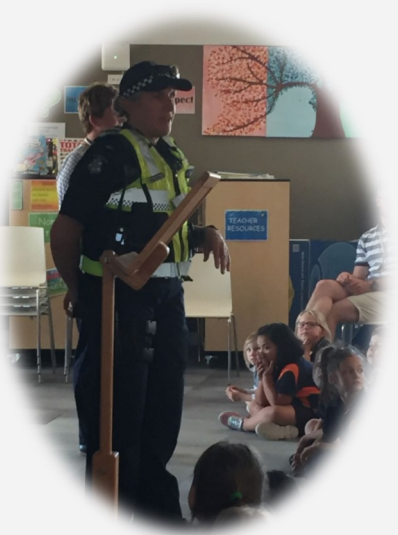
E arly Arrivals

We have been noticing there have been a number of students arriving before 8:00am on a regular basis. Supervision is not provided until 8:30am each morning. If your child arrives before this time, they are unsupervised. We ask that children do not arrive at school unsupervised before 8:30am.

Helmets & Road Safety

On Monday at assembly, Bernadette Brooks visited our school and spoke to everyone about the importance of wearing a helmet when riding bikes, scooters or electric scooters. She talked about the new law that allows children 13 and under to ride on the footpath (with a parent). Bernadette came down to the bike shed with Mrs Mathers and checked our helmets to see that everyone was wearing them correctly. Bernadette also spoke to our students about the importance of using the manned school crossings provided for them to ensure a safe passage to and from school. We kindly ask that parents encourage students to wear helmets and use the school crossings each day.

If you have a spare helmet that is in good condition that you have little use for anymore, we'd be delighted if you'd donate these to our school. We want to ensure that every cyclist and scooter rider has a helmet to wear to and from school each day. Please drop these off at the front office.



Parent Requests

It is very difficult to believe that we are nearly half way through Term 4. Over the next few weeks our very dedicated staff will be working on reports and other end of the year activities preparing for 2020. As part of this preparation, we provide parents with the opportunity to make requests. Parent requests can only relate to issues around peers; parents cannot request specific teachers. If this is a consideration of yours, please make your request in writing to our Principal Ms Brea Terris by November 15th, 2019.

Music—Grade 3/4 Recorder Recital

It was wonderful to see and hear the 3/4 students perform a number of songs and melodies at a special recital this morning in the library. Our 3/4 students have been working really hard in preparation for today.

Thank you to Mrs Devlin for organising the morning and to all the parents and grandparents who made the effort to join us. It was a lovely way to start the day.



School Wide Positive Behaviours

Many stickers have been allocated this week for students showing responsibility by putting equipment away after they have used it and wearing full school uniform. Many children have reached 10 stickers or more this week and are choosing from the many rewards for displaying positive behaviours while at school.

Next week's focus is **Respect**

I will walk in the courtyard

I will use please, thank you and excuse me

School Closed -Curriculum Day & Melbourne Cup Holiday

Just a reminder that the School will be closed on Monday 4th November for a whole school Curriculum Day and also on Tuesday 5th November as it is a Public Holiday for Melbourne Cup Day.

Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all the students who participated in this year's Premiers' Reading Challenge. Certificates and pins will be awarded to the following students at our next School Assembly. Well done.

Alanna McKee—Completion Certificate & Pin

Norah Lenne—Completion Certificate & Pin

Francheska Datiles—Completion Certificate & Pin

Mason Bayley—Participation Pin

Caitlyn McKee—Participation Pin

Sophie McKee—Participation Pin

Transition for 2020 Foundation Students

Come, stay and play on Fridays. Don't forget the Foundation room is open to all 2020 Foundation students who are starting school with us next year. The doors are open from 2:20pm onwards. Everyone is welcome.

There won't be a play day on Friday 8th November due to Mrs E & Mr Henderson being away. On Tuesday 12th November we will be holding a Prep readiness evening for 2020. We look forward to welcoming our new prep students into the ETRS community.

Brea Terris

Principal

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Student Health

There have been a few cases of Gastro in the school. Please be aware of any symptoms that may start with a headache. Students who are not well need to be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to school.

Music News

A reminder that Choir is on again this term for all children in grades 2 to 6. It will be an exciting term to be in the choir. They will be going out to perform at Bupa, performing at the Grade 6 Graduation and other events.

Rosey Devlin



We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthdays over the next week.

Henry, Jayden, Daynah, Grace and Eli

WELLBEING WINNERS



Kaitlyn for including others both in the classroom and in the yard.

Chance for being resilient and doing his personal best.

Lego Masters



Last week students in Prep and Grade 1-2 took part in a recess Lego Club. These students made some great Lego designs.

Grade 5/6 Persuasive Texts

MS TERRIS IS THE BEST THING THAT HAS HAPPENED AT ECHUCA TWIN RIVERS IN 2019!!!

It is my opinion that Ms. Terris is the best thing that has happened at Echuca Twin Rivers in 2019.

Firstly, if Ms. Terris didn't stand up and want to be our Principal, we would have to keep on having Assistant Principals and that gets so annoying!!!! Our school is very privileged to have her share it with us.

Secondly, Ms. Terris does not tolerate bad behaviour. It feels like our school has got a whole lot stronger with her here. Furthermore, she is kind and caring and helps our students learn as much as they can. So I thank her for that and so should everyone else!!!!!!

Lastly, Ms. Terris comes to school every day with a huge smile on her face. If you're struggling, Ms. Terris will brighten up your day just like she brightens up mine!!!!!!

Ms. Terris is the best thing that has happened here at our school!!!!!!!!!! I hope everyone is excited for the years ahead with her.

By Emily

HOMEWORK SHOULD BE BANNED

I strongly believe that homework should be banned in all countries of the world.

Firstly, it causes stress and anxiety amongst children and can cause them to have a mental breakdown. It is also forcing them to do work outside of school which is like a teacher seeing a student in public and giving them an exam!

Secondly, it will save millions and millions of trees. We are already wasting tons of trees. You're probably thinking that students can just do it on iPads or computers but not everyone has a iPad or computer and it is wasting electricity. Lastly, it deprives students of spending time with their family and friends, you don't want students being too busy to be spending time with their family, do you?

That is why I think homework should be BANNED!!!

By Riley

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ECHUCA TWIN RIVERS SCHOOL

2020 Foundation/Prep School Readiness Evening



Tuesday
12th of
November
6pm to 7pm

Tours of the school for 2020
Foundation/Prep students and other
interested year levels from 6.30pm

66 Wilkinson Drive, Echuca



For more information contact:

Ms. Brea Terris-Principal

Mrs. Anthea Mathers- Assistant Principal

03 5410 7700



ECHUCA TWIN RIVERS SCHOOL 2020 FOUNDATION/PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM INFORMATION

This year, we will be offering a variety of transition sessions to help your child ease into school life, ready for their Foundation/Prep year in 2020.

COME STAY AND PLAY VISITS EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON

2:25pm-3:10pm

The current Foundation classrooms will be open for your child to come and visit the learning area and play in the environment, ready for the transition sessions later in the Term. Parents are welcome to stay for these short, getting to know you sessions.

In late November and December we will conduct 3 transition sessions. We vary the days of the week so as not to interfere with your child's current Kinder program.

Children who are enrolled in Foundation (Prep) for 2020 are invited to attend the following days which will be held at Echuca Twin Rivers School in the Foundation learning area.

Tuesday 12th November

6pm to 7pm

PREP READINESS EVENING/INFORMATION NIGHT

Day 1: Friday 29th November

9am – 11am

Students will spend this time participating in normal classroom activities and parents are welcome to stay until children are settled. It is useful to gently ease children into staying at school on their own, helping them to gradually become more independent. Parents can pick their children up in the classroom at 11am.

Day 2: Wednesday 4th December

9am - 12pm

On this day students will spend recess with the rest of the school from 11am-11:30am. They can bring along a snack or lunch for eating time at 11:30-11:45. Parents can pick up their children from the classroom at 12pm.

Day 3: Tuesday 10th December

9am - 1pm

On this day students will spend recess with the rest of the school from 11am -11:30am. They can bring along lunch for eating time at 11:30 -11:45am. Parents can pick up their children from the classroom at 1pm. New Foundation parents are also invited to join us for a coffee in our Café on **Day 3** from 9:30am onwards. Come and meet the Principal – Ms Brea Terris & Assistant Principal – Mrs Anthea Mathers

****Please note that at each day at 10am, the children will have a fruit break, so please bring along a small piece of fruit. Send a hat along with your child each day for outside play.***

KINDER VISITS

As part of our transition program, our Foundation teachers will visit kinders to meet and greet all of our new Foundation students for 2020.

Please ring the school on 03 5410 7700 if you have any further queries.

Thank you,
Jackson Henderson-Smith and Phyllis Engstrom
Foundation Transition Coordinators

