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Term 4 - 11 Weeks Monday 7th October to Friday 20th December

**2019** 

TERM 4	
Wednesday 20th-	Grade 6 Melbourne Camp
Friday 22nd	
Friday 22nd	Icy Poles for Sale @ 1.45pm
Monday 25th	Coffee Club—9am
	Grade 5/6 Personal Development
	Session
Tuesday 26th	School Choir
	Gr 1-2 Excursion—Beechworth Bakery &
	Woolworths Supermarket–Day 3
Wednesday 27th	School Council Meeting 6pm
Thursday 28th	Grade 5/6 Personal Development
	Session
	Grade 3/4 Learning Project Presentation
Friday 29th	Obstacool Inflatable Day & Sausage Sizzle
	Prep Transition—Day 1—9am-11am
DECEMBER	
Monday 2nd	Coffee Club—9am
Tuesday 3rd	School Choir
Wednesday 4th	Prep Transition—Day 2—9am-12pm
Friday 6th	Icy Poles for Sale @ 1.45pm
	Christmas Stall
Monday 9th	Coffee Club—9am
Tuesday 10th	Prep Transition—Day 3—9am-1pm
Wednesday 11th	School Council Meeting—6pm
	Grade 6 Celebration Day-Moama Pool
	All Library Books Due
Thursday 12th	Family Christmas Picnic Tea & Xmas
	Hamper Raffle
Friday 13th	Grade 1-2 Celebration Day
Monday 16th	Coffee Club 9am
	Grade 6 Graduation—Moama Bowling
	Club-6.20pm
Tuesday 17th	Prep Excursion to Bendigo
Friday 20th	Last Day of Term 4

Tincipal's Report

Dear Families,

We hope that everyone survived the heat yesterday. We thank the community for all of their support with the first Code Red day being called on a school day. We are currently not listed as a school that would shut on a Code Red day, but bus lines will generally not operate on these days. We observed the conditions through the Vic Emergency app and ensured the safety of staff and students.

You will have noticed that we used Facebook and Sentral messages to communicate with families and will continue to use these platforms in the future. Often we get this information out of school hours and these communication vehicles allow us to keep families informed.

We have collected feedback from staff and parents on our Emergency Management Plan and have reflected on things if another Code Red day was to be called. If you have some feedback for the school, please don't hesitate to let us know.

It is really important on Code Red days that families make the best decision on whether to send their children to school based on your own emergency plans. We had approximately 80 students attend yesterday and we ran a modified timetable due to the heat and conditions.

## C taffing 2020

We are currently in the process of organising the 2020 school year. This involves looking at the staffing profile. We would like to congratulate Jessica Ladlow and Jackson Henderson-Smith on their appointments at Echuca 208 in 2020.

Over the coming weeks we will announce our 2020 structure to families with a 'Meet the 2020 Teacher' session in the last week of school. We will also be running a whole school transition to support students up to the next school year. More information about this will be in the newsletter next week.

## Camp

Our Grade 6 students are currently enjoying their final morning at the Melbourne Camp. From all reports they are having a wonderful time. The students will arrive back at school at around 4pm this afternoon. We organised a bus to ferry the students and staff around Melbourne yesterday in the extreme heat and the bus will bring them back to school today. Thank you to the staff who have attended camp and the students for being great representatives for the school.

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## inisters Visit

Unfortunately yesterday due to the extreme heat the Education Minister was unable to visit ETRS. We hope that he can come and visit us at another time and see the wonderful facilities.

### Darent Payment

We are currently preparing the 2020 payment information for families. We would like to collect some feedback in regards to the extra curricula component of the payments. Could you please answer the questions in the survey below by Monday 25th November.

#### https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CM69SS7

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We have had a number of cases of head lice detected in the school. We kindly ask parents to check their child's hair and if head lice are detected, please treat accordingly. Information is available from the school office regarding the treating and controlling of head lice.

Health regulations requires that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. Please note, this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs.

### 🕥 020 Grade 6 Camp

This is advance notice of the Grade 6 Urban Camp for next year. This Camp is on Monday 17th-Wednesday 19th of February. Please note this date in your calendars for next year.



### ibrary News

What a fantastic year we have had in the School Library this year. We had some wonderful new books from Lamont which the students have thoroughly enjoyed and it is great to see all the students reading a variety of books when they come to Library.



All borrowed books will be due back at the Library on Wednesday 11th December and there will be no borrowing after this date. Please check at home for books as there are a lot of overdue books. This will give me time to check books and prepare for 2020.

All books due back in Library Wednesday 11th December. No borrowing after 11th Dec.

## **D**ARENT ACTION GROUP NEWS

### Tea Towels

Families still wanting to purchase a 2019 School Tea Towel they are for sale in the office for \$10 each.

### **Obstacool Inflatable Fun & Sausage Sizzle**

We are having an end of year Celebration on Friday 29th November that includes a Giant Obstacool Inflatable and a Sausage Sizzle lunch. Sausage Sizzle forms were sent home this week and



Obstacool forms will be sent out today.

### **Christmas Stall**

We are running a Christmas Stall on Friday 6th December where students will have the opportunity to purchase fun Christmas items valued from \$1 to \$5. We ask that children only bring a maximum of \$10.

#### End of Year Christmas Hamper Raffle

We are asking families to donate items for our Xmas Hamper Raffle. We will welcome long-life/canned goods, Christmas items or toys/activities. All donations will need to be in by Tuesday 10th December please. Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 12th December.



Well done to the Students who have received '10' Wally Stickers



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Help us spread the word about our toothbrush recycle drive by donating a gold coin and entering our coloring competition.

All you need to do is donate to the clinic or participating schools and you will receive the coloring sheet. Hand it back to the clinic or participating school once completed.

All proceeds will go to local charities for an extra hand over the festival season.

The top 10 finalists will be put in the clinic from the 14th where people have the opportunity to come and vote for the best coloring in.

COMPETITION CLOSES- SATURDAY 14TH OF DECEMBER 2019

WINNERS DRAWN- SATURDAY 21ST OF DECEMBER 2019

Thank you for helping Rochester & Moama dental change the world!!!!

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#### Moama Dental Clinic—Colouring Competition and Toothbrush Recycling.

If anyone would like to participate in the above Colouring Competition, we have entry forms at the school office. Name and Grade needs to be written on the front and Parent name and contact number on back of form. Entries must be back at school before the closing date.

Each year, approximately 8 million pieces of plastic end up in the ocean, so to tackle this issue Moama Dental Clinic has teamed up with Terracycle to reduce this amount. Our clinic invites anyone from our local community to bring in their old plastic toothbrushes to place in our recycling tub and be replaced for free with a bamboo toothbrush. These toothbrushes are made out of bamboo which grows to a full height of 30m metres in 3-4 months, making it incredibly sustainable and conveniently they are made out of the bamboo which pandas don't eat !



### ECHUCATWIN 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

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 12<sup>th</sup> November

PREP READINESS EVENING/INFORMATION NIGHT

#### Day 1: Friday 29th November

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 4<sup>th</sup> December

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

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



5pm to 7pm

9am <u>- 11am</u>

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

Zaxon, Daisy, Max, Aaliyah and Sarah

# Chinese **Museum Craft**

Learn the craft of Chinese lantern making

## Make an authentic Chinese lantern using paper and

bamboo.

Free hands on craft presented by staff from the Museum of Chinese Australian History.

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Where Echuca Library When Wednesday 27 November 4.30 - 5.30pm

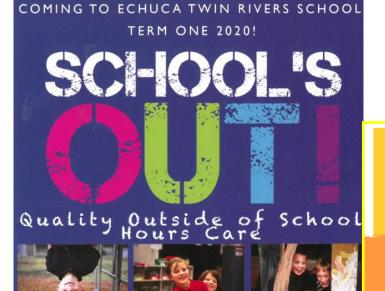
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ABOUT OUR **PROGRAM**:

MONDAY- FRIDAY

6:30AM-6:30PM

#### **BEFORE SCHOOL CARE**

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Pay as little as \$4! Child Care Subsidy available!