

Principal Reports

Welcome back

It is great to be back at school and ready for term 2. I was on leave the month before the end of term 1, so I am excited to be back. We have a busy term ahead with many outings already planned and started. Some classes are planning camps for later in the year and teachers are starting to assess and prepare for mid year reporting. It is great to see life returning to a somewhat normal place. The students are enjoying being able to get into the community again.



Echuca Twin Rivers Specialist School acknowledges the history, culture, diversity, and value of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, and pays respect to their elders past and present, as well as acknowledging future generations.



May

4th—Campaspe Senior Cross Country

5th—Campaspe Soccer

7th—Mother, carer, special person breakfast & stall

10th—Pupil Free Day —Staff PD—Positive Behaviour

14th—Junior Cross Country

20th—School Council

21st—Campaspe Junior Cross Country

June

8th—All Abilities Senior Football Day

24th—School Photos

24th—School Council

25th Term of Term 2

Curriculum day

Last week we had a curriculum day so that staff could learn about teaching reading/writing to the students. Cathy Sproal, a literacy consultant, ran staff through ways of teaching students about non-fiction texts and how to improve comprehension. The staff found the day extremely beneficial and have started to implement some of the strategies. We appreciate the inconvenience these days cause for families, however the benefit is substantial.

Next curriculum day

Our next student free curriculum day will be held on Monday 10th May. Please note this in your diaries. Even though we communicate these student free days in various ways, some students still turn up to school. We will send notes home and communicate through Facebook closer to the time. The focus of the next day will be 'Positive behaviour training'.

Our Vision

To provide inclusive and engaging learning that empowers all students for life



Ambulance cover

School council wanted me to remind parents that if an ambulance is called, the cost of the ambulance is covered by the families. They suggested families take out ambulance cover to ensure you are not left with a large bill.



**Ambulance
Victoria**

Outings

Already this term students have been on community outings. Last week students participated in the Echuca College cross country. They had a wonderful time exercising as well as socialising and making new friends.

Eco garden

Our VCAL eco garden is taking shape, with the fences and gates being installed out the front of the VCAL building. Students are now preparing the soil and making a compost area. We look forward to see how the area progresses.

Successful grants

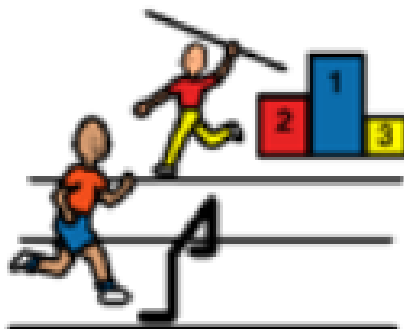
We are pleased to announce the school has been successful in several grants to improve the school grounds for students. Shade sails will be built over our trampoline and playground areas. We were also successful in applying for work out stations around our oval. These will be scattered around the bike track and will add an extra element to our amazing oval. Thank you to the staff for taking the time to write applications. I'm sure students and families appreciate the effort.



PBS Targeted Behaviour

Respectful Always

I show pride in my school



Term 1 Teriffic Kid



Zayne Cardilini
Room 3



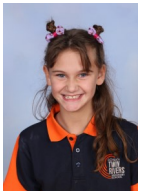
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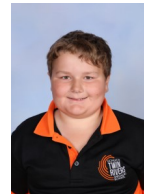
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Lenny Howard
Room 8



Angela Bell
Room 9



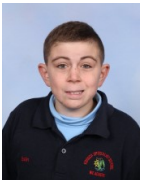
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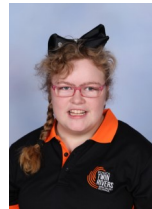
Claudia Morrison
Room 13



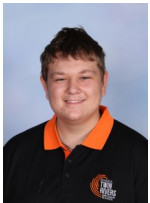
Daniel Holman
Room 14



Balin Cannon
Room 15



Talisha Hawkins
VCAL 1



Ian Griffiths
VCAL 2



Tyler Gibbs
Cafe



Our Mother, Carer, Special
Persons stall will be held on
Friday 7th May from 9:30.
Students can bring \$5 to spend
at the stall.

Last Friday Secondary students participate in cross country with Echuca College. The place getters for our school were Hunter 1st, Iziah 2nd Connor 3rd and Sayge 4th. Fantastic result.



Moama Lights Festival Results.

Congratulations to the following 7-9 Pod students that had their artwork selected for the Moama Lights Festival event. Aiden, Codee, Luke, Chaz, Tyler, Sayge, Andrew, Oliver, Conner Mc, Connor D and Tyler A.

The event organisers wanted to say a big thank you to all the students from the 7-9 Pod that submitted colouring competition entries for the inaugural Moama Lights, Sound and Light show event. **The work was completed as part of their art program.**

It was extremely competitive in the end, they received over 280 entries which was way more than anticipated! The event partners Mandy lights ended up choosing 90 pieces of artwork to be used in the event.

Each piece of the chosen artwork will be etched into glass and projected onto the Horseshoe Lagoon boardwalk during the Moama Lights event.

An example of how the artwork will be projected and what the event will look like can be found on the website below.

Moama Lights will be a **free community event** and will run each night from **8 -22 May**. It is ticketed due to covid restrictions but these can be booked on Echuca Moama Tourism website. -

It would be lovely to see some of the students come down and spot their artwork with their family and friends.



Mother's Day Breakfast

Help us Celebrate our beautiful Mothers / Carers

Friday 7th May, 7:30 am

Eggs and Bacon

Fruit Salad & Yoghurt

In the 'Centre'

Numbers attending in to the office by Friday 30th April

03 5410 7700

Gold Coin donation

Kindly supported by Kiwanis Club Echuca / Moama



Echuca Twin Rivers Specialist School is participating in the great program. We are collection bread bags—any bread bags. The more bags the greater chance we will have to be in the draw to win exercise equipment.

Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Help Wonder turn **BREAD BAGS** into **SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT**

It's simple...

1

Collect your empty bread bags and tags



2

Recycle them at school in Wonder's pink Collection Bin (There is a separate box for bread tags).



3

We'll earn reward points to redeem new sports equipment for every 5kg bin filled!



Our school is in the draw to **WIN 1 of 5** exercise circuits made from recycled plastic we collect!

LET'S GET RECYCLING!



Tag Wonder on social [#wonderrecycling](#) to share all your recycling champion stories!



Community News

CLASSES OPEN FOR AGES 6 - 17

CULTURAL dancing



WITH
SISSY COOPER
NARJIIC DAY BURNS
AUNTY NEVA TAKELE

Members will also
create their own Emu
feathered dance wear

4PM - 5:30PM
14TH MAY - 9TH JULY
RUNS EVERY FRIDAY

APEX HALL ECHUCA

Contact Sissy for more information 0457 009 269

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Vic - Pathways to Post School Life

A session for young people in Years 10-12 and their families
The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) and the Department of Education and Training (DET), Victoria would like parents/carers of young Victorians with a disability in Years 10-12 to attend a virtual information session.

This is a session for parents/carers of young people with a disability on building skills and paving a pathway to post school life. The DET and the NDIA will discuss a range of career planning and pathways tools, NDIA-funded supports and other assistance to help young people to build skills to prepare for their transition, and support them in achieving education, training, employment and other goals, post-school.

Sessions are offered over multiple dates to allow flexibility for attendees, and will be delivered via video-conference using Microsoft Teams. Registrations will close three business days before the event. If you would like to attend, please register via Eventbrite. Two business days prior to the event, login details (including the MS Teams link to join the session) will be sent from events@ndis.gov.au to the email address you provide at registration.

For any enquiries regarding this session, please contact events@ndis.gov.au. Please include the session name in the subject line.

Where: Virtual Information Sessions via Microsoft Teams

Dates & Times:

Tuesday 11 May 2021	7.00pm - 8.30pm (AEST)
Wednesday 12 May 2021	10.30am - 12.00pm (AEST)
Tuesday 18 May 2021	10.30am - 12.00pm (AEST)
Thursday 20 May 2021	7.00pm - 8.30pm (AEST)

RSVP: Please register via Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.com/au/vic-pathways-to-post-school-life-a-session-for-students-in-years-10-12-tickets-14791369885>

Additional information: Accessibility is important to us. If you have any accessibility requirements please let us know when you register for your chosen session. Please note - we need a minimum of five (5) business days' notice to book Auslan interpreters and live captioning services.



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IS BACK!

JOIN IN THE FUN!

And have the chance to be part of
DREAMTIME Round at the 'G'!

**8-Week Program-
EVERY Monday
Dates To Be Confirmed**

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN
play.afl/auskick

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National Simultaneous Storytime ...from space!

Give me some
Space!

PHILIP BUNTING

Wednesday 19 May 2021 www.alia.org.au/nss

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