

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.



## Principal Reports

### Thank you

I personally want to say a huge thank you to all of our families. You showed great patience and resilience during the recent lockdown. We appreciate the enormous stress and pressure these lockdowns place on you.

I also want to thank the staff that have worked extra hard producing school work for both remote and onsite learning. It effectively doubled the workload on staff. The lockdown also placed stress on the families of school staff. They needed to support their own children's learning as well as the learning of the special school students.

### Covid-19

With the return to on site learning, we are also required to operate under specific guidelines in regards to masks and other Covid-19 supports. Rest assured that staff are following all of the recommended guidelines to ensure the safety of your child. Programs might be somewhat restricted due to this. Parents are not allowed on site unless for a pre-arranged meeting.

### SSG meetings

We made the decision to cancel SSG meetings after most students being away due to lockdown. We didn't want to place further pressure on families. Staff will send out updated ILP's and other information. Families can adjust or leave them as they are.



### Important Dates



#### July

**30th**—Green & Gold Day

#### August

**12th**—School Council 5pm

**12th**—3-6 Pod Athletic Day

**20th**—F-2 Pod Athletic Day

#### September

**8th**—All Abilities football/  
Netball

**9th**—7-12—Swan Hill Sports

**16th**—School Council 5pm

**17th**—End of Term 3

## Our Vision

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



## Cont. Principals report

### Bus

The bus company will be in contact with families to confirm pick up and drop off times. Ensure that you are at the bus stop at least 5 minutes before your designated time. The bus can only wait for a short period before moving to the next stop. Otherwise it impacts families down the line.

Below are the bus mobile numbers. Contact them if your child is not going to be on in the morning.

Rochester 0427685124

Cohuna 0418847627

Kyabram 0448981278

Rushworth 0418322861

### Green and gold day

To celebrate and support Australia at the Olympics students are invited to wear green and gold on Friday. Students will be participating in various sporting events on the oval. Wearing green and gold is not compulsory. Students can still come in school uniform.



### Gym resurfacing

The gym is getting its yearly maintenance resurfacing on Thursday and Friday. The gym will be out of action all of next week as it dries. P.E. will take place outside or in the multipurpose area.

### Plovers

Students may have been talking about the annoying plovers over the past couple of weeks. Unfortunately, several pairs of plovers have found our school a great place to lay eggs. Due to the stress this has placed on the birds, students and staff we have re-located the eggs. This has decreased the swooping however we think there is another nest in the property behind the school. Occasionally those birds have been swooping staff and students.

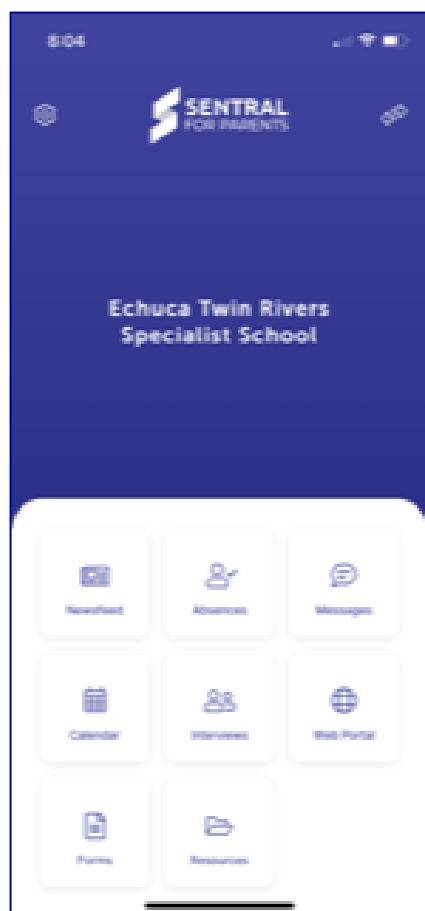


### Bus roller doors

Fortunately, there was enough money left over from stage 2 of the school build to install roller doors on our bus shed. This will ensure the buses are safe at night.



**Office News**—If you have not received an email or you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Jenni in the office on 5410 7700.



## Parent Portal

Our Parent Portal is now live. All parent/carer should have received an email with your access code. This portal will allow parent to submit current and future absences, contact your child's teacher, report will be uploaded, view calendar of events and the ability to booking SSG meeting.

### Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey

30 Randomly selected families/carers have been sent an email to participate in the 2021 Opinion Survey. The survey will run from Monday 19th July to 3rd September, 2021. We sk that you take the time to complete the survey as your opinion is important to us and will contribute to the future management and organisation of our school. The on line survey should take 20 minutes to complete. Thank you for taking the time to participate your assistance is greatly appreciated.



Your School, Your Say – School Portal

# PBS Targeted Behaviour

## Knowledge in the Yard

I ask when I need to change yards



# *Stomp Dance Company*

**are coming to Echuca Twin Rivers  
Specialist School & Twin Rivers  
School!**

The students of Echuca  
Twin Rivers will be  
participating in a 5 week  
Hip Hop Dance Incursion in  
Term 4. They will be  
learning all the latest Hip  
Hop dance moves to the  
latest music. This will then  
be followed by a whole  
school presentation where  
the students can showcase  
their new dance moves! WE  
CAN'T WAIT!!!!



**check them out online at  
[stompdc.com](http://stompdc.com)**





We have rescheduled the Pyjama Day to Friday 6th August. We will be supporting Pyjama Day along with Echuca Twin Rivers Primary School. This will be a gold coin donation which will support kids in out of home care.

A promotional poster for National Pyjama Day. It features a young girl with long dark hair, wearing a white long-sleeved pyjama top and matching pants with a pattern of clouds, swans, and a ballerina. She is also wearing a black pilot's cap with a star emblem and has her right arm raised in a fist. The background is a light blue sky with white clouds, stars, and a paper airplane. The text 'NATIONAL Pyjama Day' is written in a large, white, cursive font. To the right of the girl, there are two pink rectangular boxes with white text: 'SUPPORT LITTLE PEOPLE' and 'WITH BIG DREAMS'. Below these, a large cyan rectangular box contains the text 'Friday 6th August' in black. At the bottom right, there is a pink box with 'REGISTER TODAY' and a blue box with the website 'nationalpyjamaday.com'. A small logo for 'the pyjama foundation' is visible in the top right corner of the poster.

NATIONAL Pyjama Day

SUPPORT LITTLE PEOPLE  
WITH BIG DREAMS

Friday  
6th August

Wear your favourite PJ's &  
help raise vital funds to  
support kids in care

REGISTER TODAY

[nationalpyjamaday.com](http://nationalpyjamaday.com)

# Community News

**ECHUCA MOAMA COMMUNITY**

## COAT & BLANKET DRIVE **LAST DAY**

**Do you NEED a coat, blanket, doona, beanie or scarf?**

Clean Winter warmth has been donated by your community so we invite you come to St Mary's Parish Hall and collect some free winter items to help you through the coming months.

**Collection days:**  
St Mary's Parish Hall (next to Aldi)  
Every Thursday in June & July 10am - 2pm | Free coffee station provided

EchUCA Moama Community Projects Team  
Funded by the EchUCA Moama Community Projects Team  
All parties to take on 0418 120 133 or j.parker@echuca.vic

**pp positive partnerships**  
Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

**POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS  
GET TOGETHER -  
SUPPORTING DIVERSE LEARNERS**

**Free to attend**

Parents, carers, grandparents and extended families are invited to join us for two days of yarning and sharing stories.

During the workshop we will be:

- sharing real experiences and information
- talking about ways to support a child with diverse learning needs or autism at home, school and in their community.

**EchUCA, VIC**  
25th & 26th August 2021  
9.30am - 2pm  
*Morning tea on arrival & lunch provided*

**Location:** EchUCA  
**Venue:** The EchUCA Workers  
**Address:** 165-171 Annemley Street, EchUCA VIC 3564

*We respectfully acknowledge the Wollathiga and Yorta Yorta Peoples as the traditional custodians of the land*

**RSVP is essential for catering purposes. To book, contact:**  
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