


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.



## Important Dates



### March

4th—7-9 Swim Day Cohuna

10th—Year 7 Imm. HPV & Dip –Tetanus & Whooping cough

17th—GV Harmony Cup—Shepparton

18th—Bookclub orders

24th—School Council

29th—Student Free Day—Whole Staff PD

### April

8th—End of Term 1

## Principal Reports



### Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy

The new Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy available on the Department of Education and Training's website, promotes the importance of respectful and collaborative relationships between parents and carers and school staff. It sets out clear guidelines on the expected standards of behaviour for parents, carers and other adults who interact with the school community to reduce the risk and incidence of work-related violence towards school staff.

I have included a poster outlining the expected behaviours of all people that enter the school grounds.

### School dog

Our school dog is only a couple of weeks away from leaving her mother and coming to Echuca. As the time draws closer, we are teaching the students how to interact with the dog. This will ensure the safety of all students, staff and community members. The dog's safety is also very important. That is why it will be introduced slowly in to the school. The OHS team have just approved the policies and procedures in relation to the school dog. Again, safety of all is paramount. A reminder that our new dog's name is Willow. Below is the latest photo of her.



## Our Vision

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



## Cont. Principals report

### SSG day

Thank you to all of the families for coming in and supporting the SSG day. It is a vital part of your child's education. It supports the setting of educational goals as well as building a positive relationship between school and home.

### Beacon leaders

Congratulations to our two Beacon leaders for 2022, Tyler Gibbs and Kirsty Thain. Tyler and Kirsty spent a day with the Beacon leaders from the other local schools to learn about their role and what makes a good leader. The Beacon program has been running for 25 years and it supports students to learn about what skills they need to enter the workforce after school. Below is Kirsty and Tyler (And Anne-Maree the support teacher) at the Beacon leader day.



### School captains

We are currently voting for our 2022 school captains. All staff and students get one vote each to decide who they want as their school captains. Once this has been decided we will run a special assembly to hand out the badges. This will be a live streamed event over Facebook. We are hoping to have some special dignitaries attend to present the badges.



### People Outdoors – Camp

At the SSG meetings some families asked questions about camps. Whilst some camps are currently being organised, I think it will be a while before we are back in to major camps across the entire school. To support families the 'People outdoors' organisation is expanding its camp programs to the Echuca and district area. I have attached information in regards to a come and try day happening in a few weeks. These camps will be held every few months over a weekend.

# Respectful school communities start with respectful behaviour

Parents, carers, staff and students can help keep our school community safe, supportive and respectful.

Good relationships are based on:



**Open and honest communication**



**Trust and respect**



**Working together**



**Fair and reasonable expectations by all**

These behaviours are **not** okay in our school community:

- ⊗ Threats
- ⊗ Violence
- ⊗ Rudeness

- ⊗ Harassment
- ⊗ Discriminatory and derogatory comments

- ⊗ Aggression
- ⊗ Intimidation
- ⊗ Threatening gestures

This includes in-person, over-the-phone, email, text message, social media and online.

For more information ask your school about the **Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy**.



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## FAMILY DAY 'COME & TRY'

**Saturday 2nd April 2022**  
9am - 2pm

## CAMPS FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITY

**Adventure for All!**

CAMP KOOKABURRA  
138 Darrigan Rd, Corop VIC 3559

Bookings essential. \$50 per family.  
Activities, equipment & lunch included.

Contact Simon via  
simon@auscamps.asn.au  
or 0455 514 879 for details.

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AUSTRALIAN  
CAMPS ASSOCIATION  
**PEOPLE OUTDOORS**  
Adventure for all



- Overnight Camps
- Weekend Camps
- School Holiday Camps



All meals, activities, transport  
and accommodation included.  
Central pick up point.



We are a Registered NDIS  
Service Provider.



Kids, teens and adults  
welcome.



Campers supported by  
professional staff.

30 years experience!

**Call today to find out more:**  
Melbourne - 03 9863 6824  
Ballarat - 0455 514 879

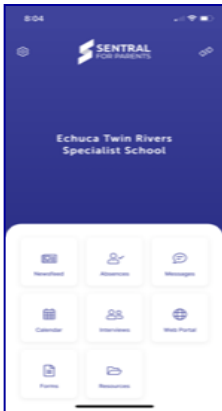


[www.peopleoutdoors.org.au](http://www.peopleoutdoors.org.au)



This flyer has been printed  
on recycled stock.

## Parent Portal—SSG Meeting bookings



Excursion are now on the Parent Portal. You can give permission via the portal. If the excursion has monetary value then a separate note will be sent regarding payment. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the office and we can help you make a booking or set up your Parent Portal account.

## Student Emergency Sheets

**Echuca Twin Rivers Specialist School**

**Emergency Care Overview**

Student ID: [Redacted]  
Date of Birth: [Redacted]  
Age: [Redacted]  
Gender: [Redacted]  
Year: [Redacted]  
Class: [Redacted]  
Contact 1: [Redacted]  
Contact 2: [Redacted]  
Ms: [Redacted]  
Mobile: [Redacted]  
Work Phone: [Redacted]  
Email: [Redacted]  
Additional Information: [Redacted]  
Country of Birth: Australia  
Religion: [Redacted]  
Home Language: English  
ATSI: [Redacted]

**Medical Conditions**

**Allergies**

**Plan Details**

Creation Date: 24/08/2021 (Last Modified: 27/10/2021)  
Consulted With: No participants have been defined.  
Background: \* No details.  
Additional Information: Emergency Contacts: [Redacted]

**Emergency Care Details**

Severely Allergic To: [Redacted]

**Health Conditions**

**Medication At School**

**Medication at Home**

**Medical Practitioner Contact**

Dr. [Redacted]  
Medicare No: [Redacted]  
Ambulance cover: [Redacted]

**Emergency Care Provided At School**

Trampoline permission: [Redacted]  
Band Aid permission: [Redacted]

**Epipen Storage**

**Plan Resolution**

Next Review Date: [Redacted]

Every year we like to update student details. Tomorrow we will be sending home the Emergency Sheet that we have for each student. The information on this sheet contains contact details, emergency contacts, medication administered at home and school, Doctors information, Medicare card, Ambulance cover etc. We have highlighted the areas that we would like you to look over and update if required. If you have not updated and returned this form as yet can you please return asap.



**Smile Squad will be visiting our school in Term 2. The dates are to be confirmed. Consent forms and a goodie bag will be sent home today. If you would like your child to access this service please complete the consent form and return to school as soon as possible.**



**SMILE SQUAD**

**FREE DENTAL**

**Consent form**

The new Victorian Government school dental program – Smile Squad – is visiting your child's school soon. This means all children can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

For more information, or if you need help to fill in the forms:

- Email: [smilesquad@dhsv.org.au](mailto:smilesquad@dhsv.org.au)
- Phone: 1300 503 977
- Visit: [www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au](http://www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au)

**What you need to do:**

- 1 **Read** the Smile Squad information sheet
- 2 **Fill in** and sign the forms in this pack (pages 3-8)
- 3 **Return** the forms as soon as possible. Place your completed forms in the envelope provided and return this to the school.
- 4 **Keep** the remaining information in this pack for future reference.

Please complete all forms using **BLOCK CAPITALS**.

This consent form is available to read in the following languages:

Arabic - استمارة موافقة  
Dari - فورم رضایت خط  
Simplified Chinese - 同意書  
Traditional Chinese - 同意書  
Turkish - onay formu  
Urdu - رضامندی فارم  
Vietnamese - giấy đồng ý



Visit: [www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au/consent](http://www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au/consent)

 Choose fresh foods and limit sugary foods, drinks and sweets

 Brush morning and night with fluoride toothpaste

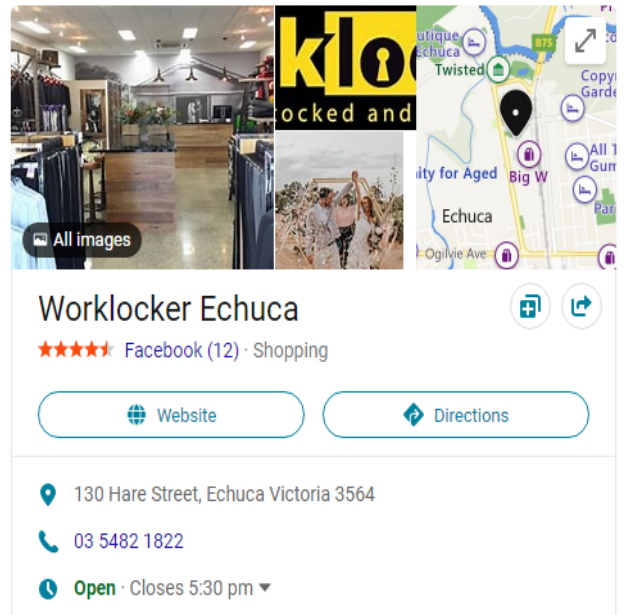
 Drink plenty of tap water

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**School Uniforms**—We would like to encourage all families to make sure their child is in school uniform each day. For Primary school this is a orange/ blue polo, blue shorts/pants and for Secondary orange/black polo with black shorts/pants. Polo's and windcheaters can be purchased from Worklocker Echuca. If you need assistance to purchase uniforms please do not hesitate to contact the office.



A screenshot of the Facebook page for Worklocker Echuca. The page header shows a collage of images including the store interior, a "klo" logo, and a map. The page title is "Worklocker Echuca" with a 5-star rating and "Facebook (12) · Shopping". Below the title are buttons for "Website" and "Directions". The address is "130 Hare Street, Echuca Victoria 3564", the phone number is "03 5482 1822", and the status is "Open · Closes 5:30 pm".



# Community News

**Special Olympics**  
*Australia*  

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*Echuca*



Did you know that we have a thriving Special Olympics team here in Echuca? Run by a well organised local Committee! (with the backing of an Australian/worldwide Organisation)

We have "top shelf" accredited coaches that along with enthusiastic Volunteers hold regular training sessions for budding athletes in Swimming, Bocce & Ten Pin Bowling. (Basketball coach pending).

If you are over 8yrs old with an intellectual disability and a LOVE for sport, come along and see what you can do!

Or maybe you are looking to Volunteer with an Organisation that strives for an inclusive community and will give you a great sense of achievement leaving you constantly with a smile on your face. Then this is the organisation for you!

We are having an open night where you can find out more - all welcome.

At the Echuca Library Meeting room

From 6.30pm til 8.30pm

Monday the 21st of February 2022

Tea/Coffee/Water Provided

(Only Double Vaccinated People may attend and Masks must be worn)

Any queries contact - Sandra Dawes 0409 507 478



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