

5th October 2023



Issue 15

Principals Report



Exciting term ahead

Welcome back to term 4. I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable break. We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead with many activities planned. There will be camps, outings, activities, incursions, excursions and of course transition sessions for 2024. We are well underway with planning classes and staffing for 2024. The usual highlight for term 4 will be our graduation day; saying goodbye to our students that are turning 18. Teachers will also be busy writing reports.



Little Black Dress

We are excited to be holding the Little Black Dress fundraiser again this year. For the first time, we will be co-hosting with Twin Rivers Primary School. There are amazing prizes being raffled and auctioned on the night. Time is running out so get your raffle tickets back in. Tickets are selling fast, so ensure you contact the school to book a seat, or two, or even a whole table with friends. Tickets include food, drinks, entertainment and more. I hope to see you there.

Report writing day and Melbourne Cup

This year we have a reporting and assessment day (Student free) on Monday 6th November. This is the day before Melbourne Cup day (Student free) on Tuesday 7th November.

Hats and sunscreen

A reminder that students will continue to wear hats and sunscreen during all of term 4.

Good bedtime routines

Now that daylight savings has commenced again, some students find the change very challenging. It is important to maintain good bedtime routines so that the students are well rested and ready to learn at school. Christmas activities and celebrations late in the term can also be challenging for students.



OCTOBER

12TH—YEAR 7

IMMUNISATION 2ND DOSE

26TH—SCHOOL COUNCIL
5PM

27TH—LITTLE BLACK DRESS

MAJOR FUNDRAISER 7:30PM

NOVEMBER

6TH—REPORT WRITING
DAY—STUDENT FREE

7TH—MELBOURNE CUP
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

30TH—SCHOOL COUNCIL
5PM

DECEMBER

13TH—YEAR 12
GRADUATION

13TH—LAST DAY YRS 10-12

14TH—STUDENT FREE DAY

20TH—LAST DAY OF TERM 4
DISMISSAL AT 12:30

Tickets are now on sale and selling fast.
BOOK NOW ONLY 23 DAYS TO GO



Friday 27th October
7pm @
Moama Bowling
Club

STUMBLING
NORTH

Tickets \$120 includes
two course meal &
drinks



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SPECIALIST SCHOOL &
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Rich River Real Estate



Friday 27th October 7.00 pm @ Moama Bowling Club
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Could we please have all
 sold or unsold Raffle
 books and money
 returned to school by
 Friday 20th October.

'Little Black Dress'
 Echuca Twin Rivers Specialist School & Twin Rivers Primary School
 RAFFLE MAJOR FUNDRAISER

Ph: (03) 5410 7700

1st Prize – 2x Four Day Park Pass, Australian Grand Prix
 2nd Prize – Phil-A-Bin, 2m Skip Hire
 3rd Prize – Voucher for Twin Rivers Cafe valued at \$50.00

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\$2 TICKETS

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Major Sponsors

To be drawn at Moama Bowling Club - on Friday 27th October 2023



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.



Daniel played the role of 'Loki' in our short film 'Loki and Me'.

He has just won an award for Best Supporting Actor at the Crown Point International Film Festival in Chicago, USA.

We would like to congratulate Daniel on this amazing achievement.



Secondary School Immunisation Program

Campaspe Shire will be hosting a **Public Immunisation session** exclusively for Students in Year 10 (or aged 15-16) for Meningococcal ACWY vaccination on:

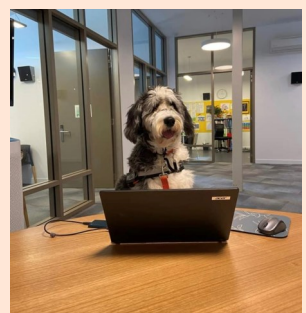
Wednesday 25th October 3:30pm to 5:30pm at the Echuca Library

For any students / that did not receive the vaccination through the School program (or aged 15-16) this is available free-of-charge

No booking required, walk in welcome, please bring Medicare card as a Consent form is to be completed on the day.

For information relating to the vaccination: refer to Department of Health website: [Secondary School Immunisation Program | health.vic.gov.au](http://health.vic.gov.au) Or contact our Immunisation team via phone 1300 666 535, or email immunise@campaspe.vic.gov.au

Willow the Wellbeing Dog



Echuca Twin Rivers Specialist School is registered in the Community Benefit Program, and is on the App. Once supporters have chosen our school they can shop at any Ritchies supermarket or liquor store in Victoria, NSW and Qld and the benefit will still come back to us.

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- 2 Search and select our name when prompted to nominate a club, school or charity
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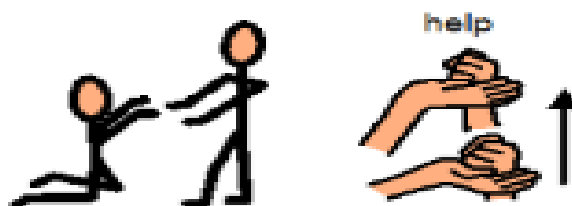
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PBS TARGETED BEHAVIOUR

Be Responsible Always
We follow directions from staff



We ask for help when we need it



2023 BUS STAFF

Rushworth:

0418 322 861

Peter – Ann/Sharon

Cohuna:

0418 847 627

Alan – Jess

Elmore:

0427 685 124

Kerry – Jan/Sandra

Kyabram:

0448 981 278

Cameron – Megan



GET TO KNOW YOUR SCHOOL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE



Name: Alan Smith—Parent Member

Family members: Wife- Rohini

Children- Alira, Sadie and Paddon

Dog- Peanut

Occupation: Gardener

Interest and hobbies: Gardening, Food, Sport. I am a Hawthorn supporter.

Favorite Family Holiday: Peterborough, Vic

Thoughts on Education: Important. Create so many memories, friends, fun and you get to learn at the same time.

What do you see as a strength of our school: The staff. I love how positive and proactive they all are.

Vision and hope for the future of the school: That the school continues to grow and continue what they are doing.

Favourite memory of the school so far: We are new to the school, but favourite memory is the recent special persons day at school.

What do you love about being on school council: Getting to know everyone, and hearing about what the school is doing.

Cheers Alan

Our Vision

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



Our Values

Be Respectful
Be Inclusive
Be Responsible



ROOM 2 Matilda Norman



ROOM 3 Blake Shawcross



ROOM 4 Charlie Paul



ROOM 6 Ashley Laming



ROOM 9 Zayne Cardilini



ROOM 12 Thomas Teasdale



ROOM 13 Chloe Worm



VL 1 Jade Rourke



VL 2 Jye Palmer

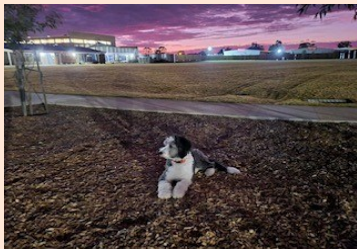


COMMUNITY NEWS

OUR SCHOOL

Echuca Twin Rivers Specialist School provides education for children ages 5-18 years with intellectual and associated disabilities. It services the Campaspe and Murray Shire area.

The school prides itself on having an open and welcoming environment that encourages parent and community participation.



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Appointments

Film & Drama

These Support Services Film, Drama & Acting program allows participants the opportunity to express themselves and to learn new skills to build up confidence ready for the outside world and develop creative skills.

We provide opportunities for participants to allow to express and tell their story through acting and drama.

Drama skills are life skills. As people find their voice and develop their craft, they grow in leadership and independence. This can create exciting new employment pathways.

Our aim with this program, is about breaking down barriers and raising our voices, and showing the world what people with disability are capable of achieving.

We know ourselves, that there is an enormous amount of talent within the community who has a disability.

The very best actors, producers, business people, entrepreneurs, singers and entertainers and sportspeople have a disability. And with the help of drama and acting skills and techniques, someone with a disability has the power to be successful in their own right and become confident in overcoming anything in life.

Film Program

Our Film program combines the drama and acting techniques and skills taught, and participating them onto screen.

We regularly shoot short films of our participants progress as well as a monthly film which we assist our participants in writing a play or short film, producing, directing and filming their work and converting this to a professional film for them to keep and use.

Thrive's Film & Drama program also allows participants to be included into selected Film Awards across Australia. Notably the Focus On Ability Film Awards is perhaps the biggest opportunity for participants to showcase their talent.

What skill development is taught?-

- Developing knowledge of different acting techniques
- How to Perform on stage
- Express and develop your creative side
- Creating a sense of independence
- Developing Fine motor skills
- Learning how to create positive relationships
- Develop decision making skills
- Improve vocal health and wellbeing
- Socialising with others and create new friends
- Connect with the local community
- Performances throughout the year

These programs provide opportunities for participants with a disability to build skills in confidence, expressing ideas, movement, voice and articulation, improvisation and performance.

Drama and acting is about communication, and about showing a specific set of skills that cannot be measured by the systems and structures of a modern and complex world.

Some of the things you may achieve are -

- A new sense of strength in a social environment
- Community inclusion & involvement
- Development of self-expression, teamwork, co-operation and problem-solving
- Increase in social awareness, emotional stability and giving others space
- Development of communication skills, self-awareness and self-confidence

\$10 LOCAL TICKETS AVAILABLE AT ROCHESTER NEWSAGENCY

BYO CAMP CHAIRS & PICNIC RUGS

FOOD TRUCKS

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR ONLINE PURCHASES \$30

KIDS ACTIVITIES 11AM - 5PM

UNDER 12'S FREE (MUST ATTEND WITH A GROWN UP)

DRINKS AT BAR PRICES

ROCHELLA

THE BLACK SORROWS

CASH SAVAGE AND THE LAST DRINKS

BONES & JONES · EMPRESS · THE BURNT SAUSAGES

STUMBLING NORTH · ANYA ALCHEMY (AUSTRALIAN IDOL)

BOXWARS · FACE PAINT BY CHILDREN · LOCAL FOOD AND DRINK

SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2023

11AM - 8PM · ROCHESTER RECREATION RESERVE

· 614 DIA WURRUNG, THANGURUNG, TORTA TORTA COUNTRY

TICKETS ON SALE NOW WWW.ROCHELLA.ROCHESTER.COM

TO PURCHASE LOCAL TICKETS ONLINE PLEASE CONTACT ROCHESTER COMMUNITY HOUSE FOR DISCOUNT CODE

LITTLE ATHLETICS IS BACK!

SAVE THE DATE

Little Athletics and Come & Try

Friday October 6, 2023, Jack Eddy Oval, 5:30pm

Open for all new and returning members

Multi Class athletes welcome

What is Multi-Class athletics?

Echuca Moama Athletics provides inclusive opportunities for athletes with physical, intellectual, and/or vision impairments. Whether you are a Little Athlete (U6 to U17) or a senior athlete (18-99 years) you will be welcome at Jack Eddy to run, jump and throw on a Friday evening over summer.

Multi-class specific training sessions will be conducted during the week if there is enough interest.

Contact Gavin Deller to register your interest: 0427 576 206

Please check our website for more details www.echucamoamalac.com.au

REGISTRATIONS WILL BE OPENING SOON!



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19th November, 2023

SHOWDOWN AT THE SOUNDSHELL

YOUTH TALENT COMPETITION

\$1,000 Winners Prize

\$250 Peoples choice

Entrants must be 12-18 YEARS OF AGE

Applications must be completed online and be accompanied with a link to a video performance

All applications for people under 16 must be approved by a parent/guardian

Applications will be assessed by our expert panel to determine final applicants

Start and finish times will be advised on October 20, 2023

Applications close 10th October

Enquiries to: showdownatthesoundshell@gmail.com

Applications at www.girgarre.com.au