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BUCHAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

IS A BARR SCHOOL. (BUSHFIRE AT RISK REGISTER)

This means our school will be closed and unstaffed on Code Red Days as well as other days deemed

unsafe. Families will be given as much warning as possible. Safety is our first priority.

**Week 2 Term 4
Thursday 13th October 2022
Edition 15**

We acknowledge the Gunai Kurnai people as the Traditional Owners of the land on which we work, learn and play. We pay our respect to Gunai Kurnai elders past, present and emerging and extend our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and families of Buchan Primary School.

Wuman Njinde Parents, Students and the School Community,

Welcome to this fortnight's newsletter where we share our school's journey and achievements.

Welcome back to Term 4! Going forward, I have made a few changes to the layout of our fortnightly newsletter. The newsletter will reflect the main sub headings of the parent opinion survey which will enable parents to have a better understanding of how these topics influence our school day as it relates to learning, wellbeing, social and emotional learning. We look forward to delivering a curriculum this term that caters to everyone's needs, as we are always looking at ways we can do things more productively and better to enable our students to have richer learning experiences. Extensive planning for 2023 is well on the way with curriculum evaluations being undertaken and budgets being prepared, as well as teachers being immersed in the preparatory assessments and evaluations as it relates to your child's end of year report.

Congratulations to Roman who represented our district at the regional sports at Newborough. Roman did extremely well to reach this high calibre of competition and although he didn't make it to the state level, his talents were noticed by others and he was offered coaching by the president of the Bairnsdale Athletic Club.

Hopefully, this term we will begin to see some projects that have been sitting on the sidelines due to the wet weather, become completed. This includes the installation of the new shade sail, the bank on the hill being mulched and cleaned up, some of the tree limbs being trimmed and the old toilet block shed receiving new guttering and new external cladding.

Our students have been hard at work practising and rehearsing for tomorrow's performance. Would you please ensure your child is at the Mechanic's Hall at 5.20 and in school uniform.

Please remember that the School stream app is our preferred method of communication.

Yarrabee,

Sarah

Principal

TERM 4 LUNCH ROSTER

Roadhouse—Week 3 20th October. (Return lunch order on Wednesday)

Dim sims—Week 4 27th October.

Hot dogs—Week 5 3rd November.

Roadhouse—Week 6 10th November. (Return lunch order on Wednesday)

Dim sims—Week 7 17th November.

Hot dogs—Week 8 24th November.

Roadhouse—Week 9 1st December. (Return lunch order on Wednesday).

Dim sims—Week 10 8th December.

Hot dogs—Week 11 15th December.

OCTOBER DATES

Tutor in school Mrs Nowell— Weeks 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Swimming— Week 3 Friday 21st x 2 sessions 11.30 to 12.15 and 12.30 to 1.15.

Week 4 Friday 28th x 2 sessions 11.30 to 12.15 and 12.30 to 1.15.

Student led conferences—Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th.

World Teachers Day—Friday 28th.

NOVEMBER DATES

Melbourne Cup Day— Tuesday Public Holiday 1st.

Curriculum Day to be confirmed—Wednesday 2nd.

Swimming—Week 5 Friday 4th x 2 sessions 11.30 to 12.15 and 12.30 to 1.15. This is the last day of the swimming program.

Parent Prep Information Session—Wednesday 9th Nov at 5pm.

EMP (emergency management plan) snake bite drill—Thursday 10th Nov.

Remembrance Day— Friday 11th Nov.

Bike Education - RACV with Mrs Earles—Wednesday 16th Nov.

Friday Before School Bike Ride at the park / toilet blocks in main street —18th Nov at 8am.

School Council last meeting for the year—Monday 21st Nov at 5pm.

Friday Before School Bike Ride at the park / toilet blocks in main street —25th Nov at 8am.

Nagle College Grade 6 Orientation Day—Tuesday 29th Nov.

DECEMBER DATES

Buchan CFA Fundraiser / Christmas / Stalls Evening to be confirmed —Friday 2nd Dec at 5pm to 7.30pm.

Friday Before School Bike Ride at the park / toilet blocks in main street —2nd Dec at 8am.

Friday Before School Bike Ride at the park / toilet blocks in main street —9th Dec at 8am.

Bairnsdale Secondary College Grade 6 Orientation Day—Tuesday 13th Dec.

Buchan Primary School End of Year Celebration / Grade 6 Graduation Evening — Wednesday 14th Dec at 6pm.

Secret Santa presents—Thursday 15th Dec.

Last day of school—Tuesday 20th Dec at 1pm.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN LEARNING - (Information including; parent participation and involvement / school and teacher communication.)

- Student led conferences—We look forward to you being a part of these student led session towards the end of October. Attached is the sheet to complete to select your preferred time and date for your conversation.

- Dr Rob Gordon Parent / Community session—All families were given a flyer regarding this workshop last Tuesday. I encourage you to register, as his workshops are very informative and worthwhile. Discussion topics will be guided by you and your feedback when you register online for the workshop. If you require assistance with registering for this event, please see Aidan or myself and we are happy to assist.

- Kindergarten Transition Program—Please refer to our flyer in this weeks newsletter. If you know of any prospective new enrolments for 2023, please send them our way. I will taking Olivia and Emily for a visit to the kinder on Thursday 20th Oct to meet our new foundation enrolments.

-Bushfire Recovery donation—We received coloured pencils and writing folders on Wednesday and we will hand this out to students at the start of the 2023 school year. Evelyn from the Neighbourhood House was also given some back packs and these will be kept in storage and handed to our new preps at the start of each year, as there wasn't enough to meet our current enrolment numbers.

-Students have been working on rhythm and beat with Simone ' each day and they have also been learning the song 'We are one' in aboriginal language. We are looking forward to sharing this with you tomorrow night. Thank you to everyone who replied with numbers for catering purposes. Willow Café will be catering on the night. Soft drinks and bottled water will be available too.



Swimming lessons— Thank you to everyone for being super organised on our first day of swimming. It was great to see all children having the right equipment (towel, plastic bag, hair ties if necessary, a change of clothes and swimming goggles) and this made a smooth transition from pool to change rooms. It was terrific to see all students involved in structured lessons and learning valuable water safety skills whilst growing in confident being in the water. Thank you to our parents and grandparents who turned up to watch.

Outdoor Education—Mr Johnston has organised some fantastic outdoor learning activities with Lynton H and the staff at Karoonda Park this term to complement our outdoor education program. We look forward to introducing caving, white water rafting and some other outdoor challenges. More information will follow soon.

Term 4 Sporting Schools—Cricket will be on the agenda this term as part of our sporting schools grant.

School Council Minutes from the last meeting held in August are attached to this newsletter.

-New COVID-19 Changes to Regulations—Changes have been made regarding how COVID-19 is managed in schools. The isolation requirements are now recommendations instead of mandatory requirements. For staff and students who want to wear face masks going forward, will be able to continue to do so. The Victorian Government has announced the end of the Pandemic Declaration and associated Pandemic Orders. The following settings, based on advice from the Department of Health, will apply from 11.59pm Wednesday 12th October 2022.

It is strongly recommended that **students and/or staff:**

- who test positive to COVID-19 stay home and isolate for 5 days.
- Should not attend school after 5 days if still symptomatic.
- Who are symptomatic but have not tested positive should not attend school.
- Advise the school of the COVID-19 positive test results.

Where **students and /or staff** become symptomatic at school they should:

- be collected by their parents / carers
- Undergo testing for COVID-19.

EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AND LEARNING - (Information including; High expectations for success, student motivation and support, stimulating learning environment, effective teaching, student voice and agency, confidence and resilience.)

- Over the school holidays, Marley was given a clip to celebrate Spring and the warmer weather to come. This was her third grooming / clip experience and she absolutely loved being pampered on the day. This picture was taken this week whilst she was in the junior classroom having some time out whilst the students were working.



-SRC (Student Representative Council) — The whole school is involved in a junior school council meeting as part of student voice and agency as it relates to school in general. This report is presented alongside the principal report to school councillors. They raised the following suggestions:

- To fence the school so Marley can roam around the school at recess and lunch time, to stop people entering the school grounds and damaging property, to stop other animals from entering the school grounds and to stop strangers from entering the school grounds during school time.
- Students want school councillors to write a letter to the shire to get a school crossing supervisor.
- Students would like bird feed for the birds.
- Students would like a cubby house.

Students will have input at the next meeting to plan their graduation evening and general end of year celebration and the junior school sleepover.

-SWPBS (school wide positive behaviour support) - I had a meeting on Wednesday with a representative from the DET to discuss our next steps and we will begin formularising this in our documentation and across the school this term. Aidan and I will commence online workshops this term and this will be followed up with a whole day professional learning session in Term 1 2023.

-PosiSchools—This program which was mentioned in the last terms news will be implemented next week and students will receive their socks too which is part of the program.

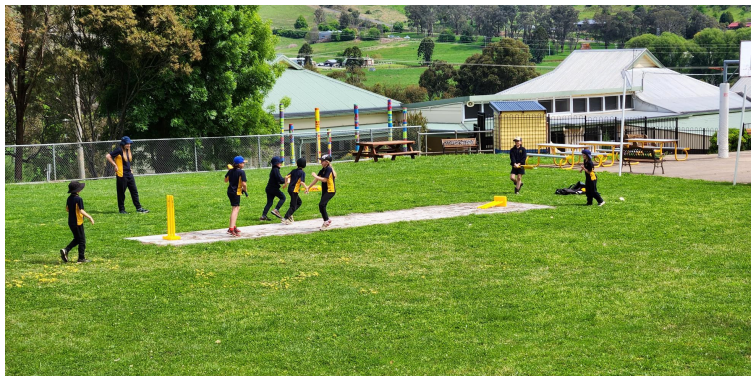
POSITIVE CLIMATE FOR LEARNING - (Information including; Managing bullying, promoting positive behaviours, respect for diversity, school connectedness and positive transitions.)

Recess and lunch activities that students were engaged in this week

Nine square. A new edition to the playground / equipment.



Cricket on our new cricket pitch.



Bike Track



Buchan Primary School Council GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Date: Monday 22nd August 2022 Time: 5 pm Venue: Buchan Primary School



Item	Details	Action/Recommendations
1. Welcome	We acknowledge the Guna! Kurnai people as the traditional owners of the land on which we work, learn and play. We acknowledge their history, culture, practices and ongoing and extend our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and families of Buchan Primary School.	
2. Apologies	Sophie Sandy did the Acknowledgement of Country. Donna Mraz and Aidan Johnston	
3. Quorum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-departmental members must be in the majority. Parent Members: Sophie Sandy, Laura Sandy, Tara King, Earl Hill, Claire Mathers and Cassie Mathers DET Members: Sarah Walker Guests: NIL 	
4. Conflict of Interest	Cassie Mathers declared item 7.3 Buildings and Grounds.	
5. Minutes of the previous meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of the meeting held on 25th July were distributed to all members prior to this meeting. 	<p>Motion: "That the Minutes of the meeting dated 25th July approved by School Council."</p> <p>Moved: Laura Sandy Seconded: Sophie Sandy For/Against: 7/0 Carried: Y</p>
6. Business arising from the minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crickers pitch – completed. 1/2 grass topsoil was placed around the pitch. We will wait for it to sink in, then use soil from the shade sail holes to top up. Michael Sandy painted lines at working bee, and the pitch looks great. Slide donated – the new slide was installed at the working bee. Sarah will include the donation of the old slide in the newsletter. If more than one family is interested, Sarah will undertake a ballot. Kin servicing is waiting on a date – no further information Parent Survey out now (Department Survey) Solar update: hopefully, term 4 – Sophie signed paperwork for replacement. No start date yet. 	<p>Action: Sarah to include the donation of the old slide in the newsletter.</p>
7. Reports 7.1 Principal's Report	Principal's report attached. Sarah and School Council to consider the Junior School Council suggestions. <u>LE</u> Athletics tops (breathable). Sarah to facilitate selecting a top and return to School Council. The drainage near the bubble taps needs addressing Special note: Congratulations to Aidan, who was appointed to an ongoing full-time position.	<p>Motion: "That the Principal's report and recommendations be accepted and approved by School Council."</p> <p>Moved: Cassie Mathers Seconded: Claire Murphy For/Against: 7/0 Carried: Y</p> <p>Action: Sarah to support Junior School Council to select an athletics top.</p>



7.2 Finance Report 7.2.1 August Finances 2019	<p>School Resource Package at end of June</p> <p>Bank Reconciliation July 2022</p> <p>High Yield A/c \$319,875.12</p> <p>Official A/c \$ 6,203.26</p> <p>\$315,468.36</p> <p>Reports presented to council for the months of July</p> <p>Bank movements Detailed report for July</p> <p>Payments for the month of July \$13,203.78</p> <p>Cash flow statement as at end of July</p> <p>Balance Sheet as at end of July</p> <p>Operating Statement as at end of July</p> <p>Annual Program Budget Summary</p> <p>Cash receipts and payments reports</p> <p>Cancelled Cash receipts and cash payments reports</p> <p>Family & Sundry debtor credit notes.</p> <p>The financial report is in surplus because the Department refunded Claire Edwards' wages, which were wrongly taken from the school.</p> <p>See principals report.</p> <p>Schedule working bee for term 4.</p> <p>Neil to retrofit the shed. The school is waiting on a date.</p>	<p>Motion: "That the school finances presented in reports for June be accepted and approved by School Council."</p> <p>Moved: Laura Sandy Seconded: Tara King For/Against: 7/0 Carried: Y</p>
7.3 Buildings & Grounds Report		<p>Motion: "That the report for the meeting be accepted and recommendations approved by School Council."</p> <p>Moved: Cassie Mathers Seconded: Sarah Walker For/Against: 7/0 Carried: Y</p>
8. General business	<p>The cost of bus transport for excursions is exceptionally high, however – \$550 return <u>bus</u> to Barmstede. Funding is not available, and we cannot expect parents to pay.</p> <p>School bus community bus – would be amazing. Email CRC to find out if there are any plans to get funding for a community bus.</p> <p>Action: Sophie Sandy.</p> <p>Sarah Walker to <u>keep going</u> funding options for a school bus.</p> <p>Karoonita Park is in the process of getting a new bus that the school could possibly hire.</p> <p>Buslines risk funding – spend 15% by 2022 on vegetation management focused</p> <p>Their Care/Uniting Care – Sarah to follow up with Danielle from the Department on whether the school can manage the program.</p> <p>The committee reviewed the School Council survey.</p>	<p>Motion: "That the items raised and discussed in general business be accepted and approved by school council"</p> <p>Moved: Sophie Sandy Seconded: Cassie Mathers For/Against: 7/0 Carried: Y</p> <p>Action: Sophie to email CRC regarding community bus.</p> <p>Action: Sarah to investigate funding options for a school bus.</p>
9. Correspondence		
10. Next Meeting:		
11. Closure of meeting		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time 6 pm

Minutes recorded by: Donna Mraz

Signed Principal: _____

Signed School Council President: _____



STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Unfortunately, due to absenteeism, the 3 award recipients for the first week of school will receive their awards this coming Monday at school assembly.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Two birthday shout outs to Alena S and Roman M who both celebrated their birthday on the same day. We hope you had a wonderful day celebrating with family and friends.



Buchan PARK PLAY



FORTNIGHTLY MONDAYS

10.30am-12pm

COMMENCING TERM 4

Term 4 Dates:
17 & 31 October
14 & 28 November
12 December

Park Play adopts a facilitated playgroup model but will be delivered in a community park, where inclusion of children and comfort of families is our main goal.

Playgroup brings together parents, carers and children (aged 0-5) for a couple of hours to connect, learn through play, and provide a safe and fun space for everyone! This is also your chance to ask any questions that you might have about services locally that can support you!

For more information or if you have any questions, contact kirsten.vandiggele@vt.uniting.org

Uniting

**BUSHFIRE RECOVERY
VICTORIA**

Uniting was generously funded by the State of Victoria through Bushfire Recovery Victoria grant program in response to the 2019-20 bushfires which impacted East Gippsland and North East Victorian communities.

BUCHAN STREETSCAPE COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Council invites you to community consultation sessions to review the draft plans for the Buchan Streetscape Redevelopment

WHEN

Monday, 17 October - 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm
Buchan Hotel

Tuesday, 18 October - 8.30 am to 10.00 am
CFA Shed

FURTHER INFORMATION

Come along and view the draft plans for the Buchan Streetscape Redevelopment. Council Officers and consultants will be available to discuss the proposed plans for this exciting project. The plans have been developed based on the outcome of previous community consultation sessions between the community and Council's consultants. Refreshments will be provided during the sessions.



CONTACT US
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or at

feedback@egipps.vic.gov.au

MOVIE NIGHT

SATURDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

SCREENING TWO MOVIES

AT THE BUCHAN HALL
STARTING TIME 5PM
DOORS OPEN 4.45PM



ENTRY:
Family \$10.00
Single \$5.00
Sausage sizzle \$2.00

5PM SING 2

7PM SAUSAGE SIZZLE

7.45PM THE
GREATEST SHOWMAN

TEA, COFFEE & CORDIAL
PROVIDED

BRING ALONG YOUR OWN
DRINKS & SNACKS

CHILDREN MUST BE
ACCOMPANIED BY AN
ADULT

ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

The Buchan Bush Nursing Centre would like to encourage the community to come along and enjoy the evening.

For catering purposes please book your tickets at the Bush Nursing Centre by Monday 31st October, 2022.

We would like to thank Black Dog Ride and Sun Cinema for their support in making this event possible.

Free Children's
Week Event

KIDS BOOK CLUB 8-15 YEARS

Borrow this
book from
school and
public
libraries or at
Schoolworks



When: 25 Oct at
4.15 pm at
Schoolworks.
Bookings Essential
Ph: 515 24086

Interactive Book Club with Pip Harry, Award Winning Author

Limited copies of The Little Wave can be borrowed from Schoolworks Supplies, 147 Macleod Street, Bairnsdale (Refundable deposit of \$5.00). You can also borrow The Little Wave from School or Public Libraries

View a review of the book by
Cr Mandy Urie (Former Mayor)
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/tv-264259111986641>



**SCHOOLWORKS
SUPPLIES**

Libraries
Change Lives



No Scaredy Cats

Free live ONLINE program for parents of children aged 2 to 12

REDUCING ANXIETY AND BUILDING RESILIENCE IN CHILDREN

Parents will learn

- An overview of how a well-honed theory of parenting (what you need to repeatedly do) can assist parents to manage children's worries.
- Coverage of how some misguided policies are making parents and children more anxious.
- The brain, including how the pre-frontal middle cortex and the amygdala operate, and where fear and anxiety originates.
- Commonly misused phrases and cognitive distortions used by children and their peers.

- A helicopter view of what risks we can allow and which require us to keep children safe.
- "Traps and trip wires": what to do when a child's amygdala starts to play-up.
- Memorable strengthening sayings, questioning strategies and mindfulness exercises.

Parents will receive

- A FREE workbook (valued at \$12) to apply the concepts learnt
- A Certificate of Completion

Do this program LIVE FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME! Or come in and do it in person

When?

11:30am – 2:30pm
Over 3 Tuesdays:
November 29th
December 6th
December 13th, 2022

Cost?

FREE

Get in touch
Bookings are essential as places are limited!

Facilitated by:
Mark Brookes

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Calm Kids Central Webinar Series - 3 FREE Parent webinars by Clinical Child Psychologist Kirrilie Smout

Learn to support your primary school aged child with worry, frustration, managing impulses and tricky behaviour. Zoom into 1 or all 3- 1 hr duration for FREE

1) Wednesday 26th of October 2022 at 7:30pm (AEDST) - "Calm and Confident Kids"

- learn to help children with a tendency towards worry or anxiety - or who are dealing with difficult life situations.

2) Wednesday 2nd of November 2022 at 7:30pm (AEDST) - "Calm and Connected Kids"

- learn to help children to develop positive friendships and manage peer difficulties which often arise in primary school.

3) Wednesday the 9th of November 2022 at 7:30pm (AEDST) - "Calm and Co-operative Kids"

- learn to help children who have a tendency towards frustration, have difficulties managing impulses or feeling unco-operative.

To register for 1 or all 3 please go to: <https://developingminds.net.au/webinars>

Please register with your email, first name and postcode early as only 100 spots available each session



Presented by clinical child psychologist Kirrilie Smout. Kirrilie has had 25 years experience in working with children and families, is the author of two books about children and mental health and regularly consults with national bodies about child mental health concerns. She is the Director of Developing Minds Psychology and Education Services and Calm Kid Central programs. CKC is an online program of courses to help children manage emotional health challenges. www.calmkidcentral.com (Free using FIRSTYEAR access code for families in Gippsland region Victoria and families with a Health Care Card in Adelaide Metro).

Any questions please contact Sandra on: sandra@developingminds.net.au

Part funded by Gippsland Primary Health Network Victoria and Adelaide Primary Health Network

RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE TEAM WELLBEING SESSION

with Dr Rob Gordon:

Connect with Rob who has extensive experience in trauma and disaster recovery to discuss the impacts of COVID-19 and bushfires on children and families.

This session is designed to support parents and caregivers to increase their understanding of:

- prolonged stress, disruption and uncertainty on health and wellbeing
- self-care strategies to support yourself and others during this time
- the impact on children and practical ways to support them
- post-traumatic growth, hope and optimism

This session will give you a chance to talk with our guest speaker about challenges you may be experiencing, ask questions and learn from the experience of others.

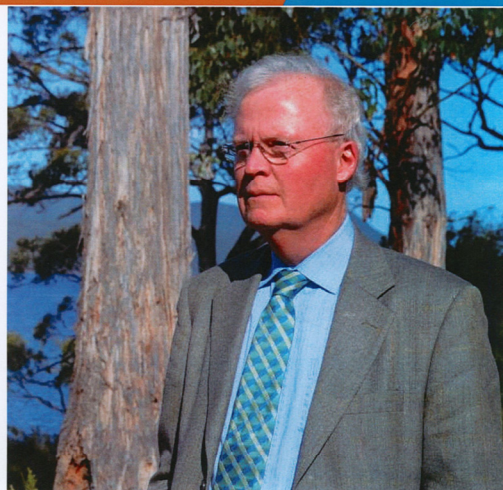
SESSION DETAILS

Buchan Primary School
Address: 4 Dalley Street, Buchan
Date: Tuesday 18 October 2022
Time: 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Light refreshments will be provided



Register to attend by scanning the QR code or following [this link](#)
For all enquiries, please contact

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About Dr. Rob Gordon OAM, PHD, FAPS, FCCLP

Rob Gordon, Ph D. is a Clinical Psychologist and has been Psychological Consultant to the Emergency Management Branch of the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Emergency Management Victoria and Australian Red Cross for Emergency operation. He has worked with communities and individuals affected by emergency: trauma, critical incidents and work-related stress throughout Australia and New Zealand for 35 years and provides training and workshops to government and non-government agencies. He has published articles and book chapters on recovery from trauma and emergency. He conducts a psychotherapy practice in Box Hill and is engaged by the Recovery and Resilience Team to provide support to education communities.

**BUCHAN PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS**

Face to face or by phone

Wednesday & Thursday 26th & 27th October 2022

Dear Parents

Teachers will meet or ring parents on either day to discuss the interim reports that were sent home in Term 3. I have allocated 15 minutes per student.

Please indicate the time that suits you best below and I will try to accommodate that time for you.

Please return this form by Thursday 20th October and I will send home the sheet with allocated times on it for the following week.

Kind Regards
Julie

MRS WALKER	MR JOHNSTON
WEDNESDAY 26th OCTOBER	
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THURSDAY 27th OCTOBER	
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