

ISSUE

May 25th, 2018

Diary Dates

May

30th: Level 5/6 Winter Round Robin Sports

31st: Payment for Special Lunch due by 4.00pm

June

7th: PTA Special Lunch

8th: Curriculum Day

11th: Queens Birthday Public Holiday

12th: Division Cross Country—Qualifying students

12th: SSS Dance Rehearsal

13th: ICAS Spelling

14th: ICAS Writing

18th: School Council 7pm

19th: EMR Cross Country

20th: JMSS Science

25th & 26th: Student Led Conferences (parent-teacher interviews)

27th: JMSS Science

29th: Last day of Term 2—2.30pm dismissal

July

28th: Trivia Night

30th: Curriculum Day

September

30th: Fathers Day Stall

31st: Fathers Day morning

October

8th: Curriculum Day

25th: Japanese Day

29th: Level 5/6 Camp—Campaspe Downs

30th: Level 5/6 Camp—Campaspe Downs

31st: Level 5/6 Camp—Campaspe Downs

November

1st: Level 5/6 Camp—Campaspe Downs

9th: Shindig

14th: Level 3/4 Camp—CYC City Camp

15th: Level 3/4 Camp—CYC City Camp

16th: Level 3/4 Camp—CYC City Camp



Students proudly performing at our Special Visitor's' Day on Friday 18th May, 2018.

A Message from the Principal

Once again we are extremely proud to be publishing a newsletter which celebrates the achievements of our students, and acknowledges the support of our amazing learning community.

In recent weeks, we have been receiving extremely high demand for school tours, to join Foundation in 2019. For this reason, we are running evening tours with the Principal on Monday 28th May and Tuesday 29th May @ 6:30pm. Bookings for these evening tours are essential, therefore if you have any friends or neighbours of families who may be unable to attend during school hours, please inform them of these dates. Please refer to page 2 of this newsletter for further information.

Upcoming Curriculum Day— Friday 8th June 2018

On Friday 8th June, we will be holding our second curriculum day for 2018. The focus of this day is to provide staff with the opportunity to analyze our school data, measuring our achievements against the DET Framework for Improving Student Outcomes (FISO) Continual. The focus of our day is "Raising the Rigour through Effective Data Literacy."

Please be aware that EXTEND out of school hours care is available for the full day, from 7:00am-6:30pm. Bookings can be made through their online portal.

Thank you to our PTA and wider school community

As a school we are very fortunate to have such an outstanding community of volunteers and parents who are helping to make our school such a wonderful place to be a part of!! On behalf of the community, we would like to acknowledge the efforts of our PTA members who recently hosted a hugely successful Special Visitor's Day. We have received many handwritten cards and letters of thanks from grandparents and family members who thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.



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Learning Enrichment Schedule

Programs available during Term Two are so extensive that we have run out of room to print them here!

For details, visit our new Learning Community Wall outside of the school office,

or visit our updated School Website link @

<http://www.upweythps.vic.edu.au/extra-curricular-programs/>

OSHC Hours

Before School Care
7:00am - 9:00am

After School Care
3:30pm - 6:30pm

Holiday Program
7:00am - 6:30pm

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2019 Prep Enrolment

Do you have a younger sibling who will be starting school in 2019?

Are you a new family to our school, and would like to join for 2019?

Do you have friends, neighbours or extended family who may like to enrol for 2019?

If so, please click on the image to the left (hyperlinked) to download a PDF enrolment form. Further forms will also be required to complete your enrolment which are available from the office.

Alternatively, please visit our school website or contact the main office during school hours.

Dates of 2019 Transition sessions are listed in the graphic below.

UPWEY SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

2019 ENROLMENTS

Enrol Now

SCHOOL TOURS

Prospective Families:
Book a tour with the Principal
Monday 28th May @ 6:30pm and Tuesday 29th May @ 6:30pm

Existing Families:
Consider handing your enrolment forms in now.

Wanting to attend a personal tour?
To book an alternative school tour time, please contact the school on 9757 2000 or upwey.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Foundation Transition Information for 2019:
Details will be published and sent to families on Friday 1st June 2018.
★ Dates: Monday 27th August (parent information evening)
Sep 20th, Oct 11th, Nov 8th, Nov 22nd, Nov 29th, Dec 6th

**Contact the main office
to book a school tour.**

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Home Learning @ USPS

As a community-minded school we value the partnership between home and school.

For this reason, our School Council are currently assessing the structure of Home Learning (Homework) for students across our school.

In the coming weeks, we will be seeking your input, through participation in an online survey. The link to this survey will be sent out to families in the near future, with the aim of collecting evidence to inform our direction.

In the meantime, please visit the following site so that you may make informed contributions to our upcoming survey:

[DET Homework Guidelines and Expectations](#)





U.S.P.S. VOLLEYBALL



On Wednesday 23rd of May, 21 students were selected to represent Upwey South Primary School in the annual Upwey Volleyball Cup, held @ Upwey High School. The day provided students with the opportunity to participate in advanced coaching sessions for the morning with Upwey High students. The skills of how to dig, spike, set and serve were developed through a number of drills.

Following the coaching sessions, our USPS students commenced a round robin involving Upwey PS, Tecoma PS, Ferny Creek PS and Selby PS. The USPS boys' team were led by our volleyball leaders Harper and Asher, while the girls were led onto court by Charlie, Anika and Katie. The round robin was a great display of skills from developed from the morning session, with our students showing true sportsmanship throughout each of their victories.

At Upwey South Primary School, we place an emphasis upon sportsmanship and displaying positive behaviours for learning. Through focussing upon these, we were able to work as a team and our boys' team were runners-up for the tournament. The girls' team were extremely proud of their efforts, and came away from the day with five wins on the scoreboard. All players involved should be proud of their efforts and walk away with their heads held high; as we look forward to representing the USPS values of Respect, Resilience and Responsibility in the sporting arena!

A big thank you to all players involved and to the students who have committed their recesses to train over the past few weeks. On behalf of the students, I would like to say a huge thank you to Ms Humphries for taking the time to assist in training sessions each and every Monday!

Yours in sport,

Mr Jason Webb- Physical Education Leader



On Wednesday the 16th May, Supreme Incursions ran a fantastic 'Silly Science' incursion for the Foundation students. This consolidated the learning in the classroom where the students have been focusing on chemical science: objects are made of materials that have observable properties. Here are some snapshots from the sessions.

SILLY SCIENCE – FOUNDATION



Student of the Week

Acknowledging positive learning behaviours

Student	Class	Positive Learning Behaviour
Isla O	FP	Developing her confidence with addition tasks
Archie S	FP	Working hard to make improvements in his hand writing
Quinn C	FR	Being a caring & considerate friend
Noah H	FR	Completing an excellent story sequence of Goldilocks and the three bears
Lucy C	1A	Her amazing ongoing attitude in all classroom activities
Lucy H	1A	Her excellent ongoing efforts and attitude in all classroom activities
Tom H	1A	Displaying the Upwey South values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience
Brigitte A	1/2D	Her fantastic drawing and recount of Mr Magee and the Biting Flea
Niam C	1/2D	His consistent and responsible approach to his learning
Flynn M	2H	Developing great organisational skills to get the job done
Abbey G	3/4H	Always trying her best in all areas of the curriculum
Lynden P	3/4H	Constantly trying best in every lesson
Eve C	3/4M	Always being a kind and helpful student
Alina G	3/4M	Always being a kind and respectful student who produces high quality work
Myelz R	3/4P	Consistently demonstrating a positive attitude towards his peers and teachers
Sai B	5/6C	Demonstrating creativity when using the Stop Motion app on his iPad
Liam P-G	5/6C	Putting 100% of effort into every task he attempts
James B	5/6M	Effort, Interest and Passion in all de does
Tara D	5/6M	Her interest and engagement in the disasters Inquiry Unit
Emily Mc	5/6P	Producing a wonderful narrative 'What a Disaster'
Lila T	5/6P	Her creativity and hard work on her Fish in a Tree Book Report
Tom H	1A Performing Arts	Making fantastic choices about your learning and showing kindness to others
Archer K	1/2D PE	Demonstrating excellent leadership during PE lessons
Rachael A	3/4H PE	Demonstrating Leadership in all aspects of PE class
Mila B	FR Japanese	Has been practising her Japanese name outside the Japanese class and can write it without copying the modelled writing
Tyler B	2H Japanese	For showing excellent manners from the line-up time (beginning) till the end of the lesson
Declan R	3/4H Japanese	For following the instructions thoroughly and completing the task on time



Embedding school pride, through living our school values.

A huge congratulations to Kynon, who recently achieved a medal for swimming (and completing) a one kilometre time trial. Well done on such a great effort representing Waratah House!!!



USPS PTA

latest news



FISH & CHIPS

LUNCH

**Orders must
be in by **next Thursday!****



To order, see QKR or collect a paper form from the School office. Cost: \$6.50 for choice of pack for our 7th June lunch.

← [buying](#) lunch helps fill the lead in our fundraising pencil to update the classrooms!

What's is the PTA? Each year, the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) comes together to raise much needed funds for our school. This year, we are running a number of events and special days to raise funds for the "senior" school classrooms to be updated and refreshed. We plan to replace furniture and décor to bring the rooms up to modern standards. This will benefit your children and enhance their learning experience this year and for future seniors!

Please support us by contributing donations via our special events. We have many fun and educational events planned.

Help us fill the lead in this pencil and reach the 100% mark! Every dollar spent will go towards making Upwey South the best primary school for your children!

See our pencil fill! It will be displayed near the Library. And look out for notices about our special days. **THANK YOU!**

Contact the PTA via email - upweysouthPTA@gmail.com



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Christopher P, Hannelore E, Lucy C, Shelby C, Shae S, Myles B, Ashton S, Tanner F, Reed S, Evie E, Madison B, Daniel B, Rachael A, Alfie S, Jack L, Sai B & Skylar F

Is it your birthday?

With parent permission, students may wear casual clothing to school to make their birthday even more special.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is held in the Sapling end of Forest Oak every Thursday from 8.30am.

We thank all the volunteers who help on Thursday mornings.

OUT-OF-SCHOOL-HOURS-CARE



**Extend OSHC at
Upwey South Primary**

**PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au
EXTEND HEAD OFFICE: 1300366437
MOLLIE OSHC: 0487700024**

Term 1 2018- Fortnight plan 28.5.18 to 1.6.18 and 4.6.18-8.6.18	
Monday	BSC: Hide and seek in the back garden ASC: Astronaut pudding
Tuesday	BSC: Fresh Green smoothie ASC: Kids backyard
Wednesday	BSC: Origami ASC: Vegetable Zucchini pasta
Thursday	BSC: Mini Volcanoes ASC: International cooking club
Friday	BSC: Pancakes and cartoons ASC: Painting showcase
Monday	BSC: 3D fruit craft ASC: Raw food- paint stamps
Tuesday	BSC: Chocolate box ASC: DIY apple crumple to share with your family
Wednesday	BSC: Football ASC: Plaster Bowls
Thursday	BSC: Mini Olympics ASC: Movie and popcorn afternoon
Friday	8 th June pupil Free day- Extend is available. Please book via looked after

Kids backyard update

The children and educators have been busily cleaning the vegetable garden at the back of the service. Two of the garden beds have been successfully cleaned. We have been donated some vegetables and herbs to go in this garden as well as mulch to make it more appealing. We are currently growing kale, spinach, strawberries, chives, parsley, mini, rosemary and Thyme. We are looking forward to these growing and eventually cooking with them. Our next step is to purchase paint and make the garden boxes more appealing and inviting.

International cooking update

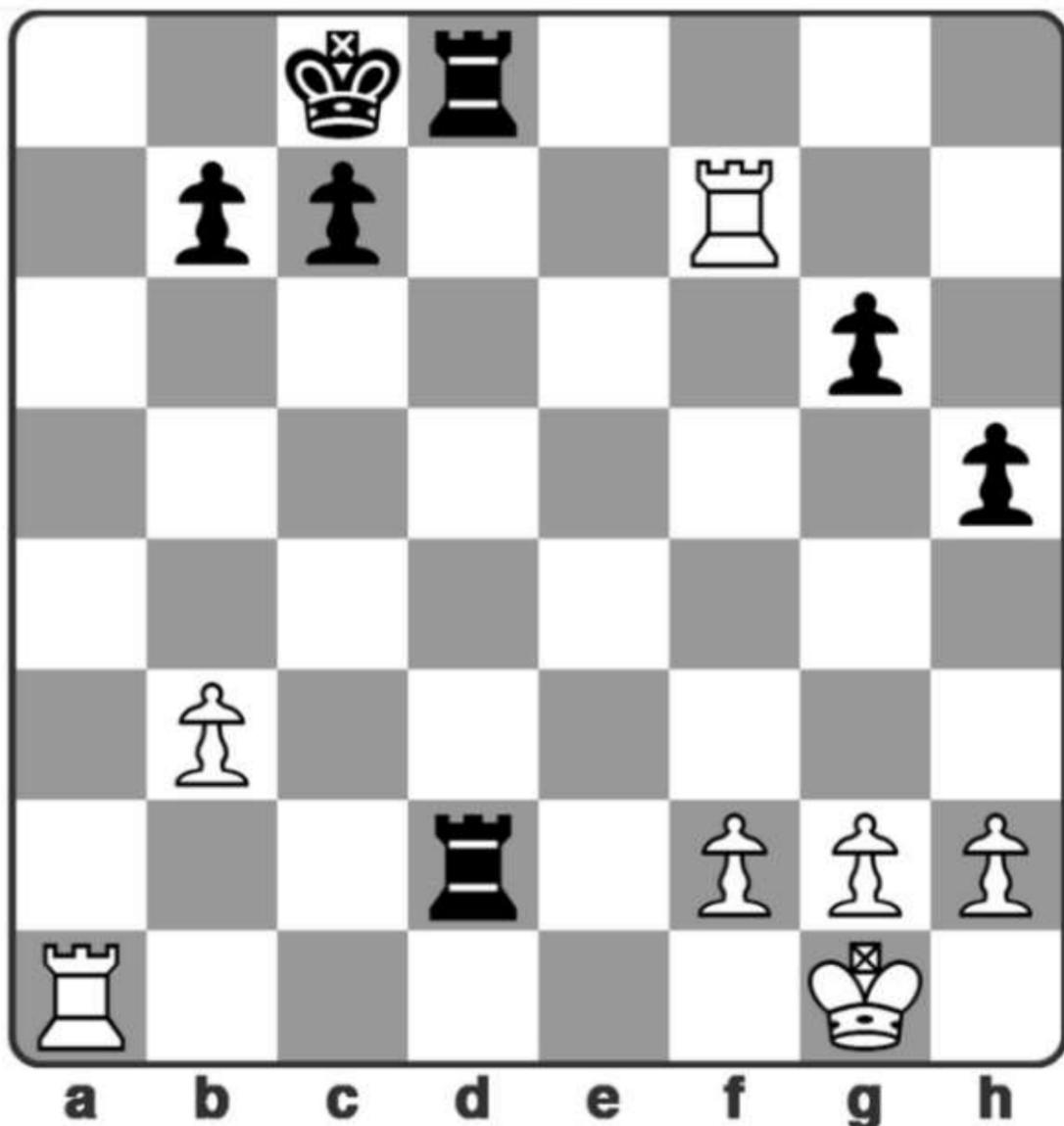
So far the children have looked at Japan and made sushi, America and made healthy onion rings, Italy and made pizza and this week we made Damper. Damper ties in with our Aboriginal themed week last week. Each week the children are enjoying some really yummy food. International cooking will be running until the end of term and children can join in at any time!



DISCOVER. LEARN. PLAY. WINTER
EXTEND SQUAD
FANTABULOUS school holiday experiences!

Extend's school holiday programs are a fantastic opportunity for your child to do fun and engaging activities with friends. Book 14 days in advance to receive the early bird rate.

**Bookings open now!
Find your local Extend Squad: extend.com.au**



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CHESS CLUB CHALLENGE

In each edition our Chess Coaches pose a challenge for our community.

Can you analyse the board and apply mathematical strategy to determine the best move?

The solution is contained on another page of this newsletter.

If you would like to learn more about Chess, join our Chess Club each Wednesday in the School Library.

Both White and Black can Checkmate if it is their move. How?



2nd Hand Uniform Shop

Open every Thursday 3 – 4 pm , behind the main office next to the staff room

Cheap *Convenient *Environmentally Friendly

All Logo item \$2 All non-logo items \$1

Come and check it out!

Donations of old uniforms gratefully received and can be dropped off at the office at any time



How the locals like it.

Fresh Fruit Fridays

We value the support of our local community store!

Each class will receive a platter of cut up fruit.

If any parents could volunteer their time to cut up and distribute the fruit each Friday morning from 8.50am it would be greatly appreciated.

You must sign in at the office and have a current Working with Children check.

All fruit is donated by our local IGA in Upwey, we thank them for their continued generosity.

Lost Property is held in the school office.

Please ensure you name all items your child brings to school.

Any named items are returned back to the classroom.

Now is also a great time to check your child's clothing to ensure they have their own items.

Thank-you for your assistance.

2018 Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

NEW FOR 2018!

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2017, you do not need to complete an application form in 2018 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2018 or you did not apply in 2017.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2018.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



OnPsych School Psychology Services

Do you find that your child is displaying emotional or behavioural issues? OnPsych are a team of fully qualified and registered psychologists who specialise in child and adolescent services working in primary and secondary schools in both individual and group settings. Services are performed at NO COST to the school, student or parent through Medicare bulk billing.

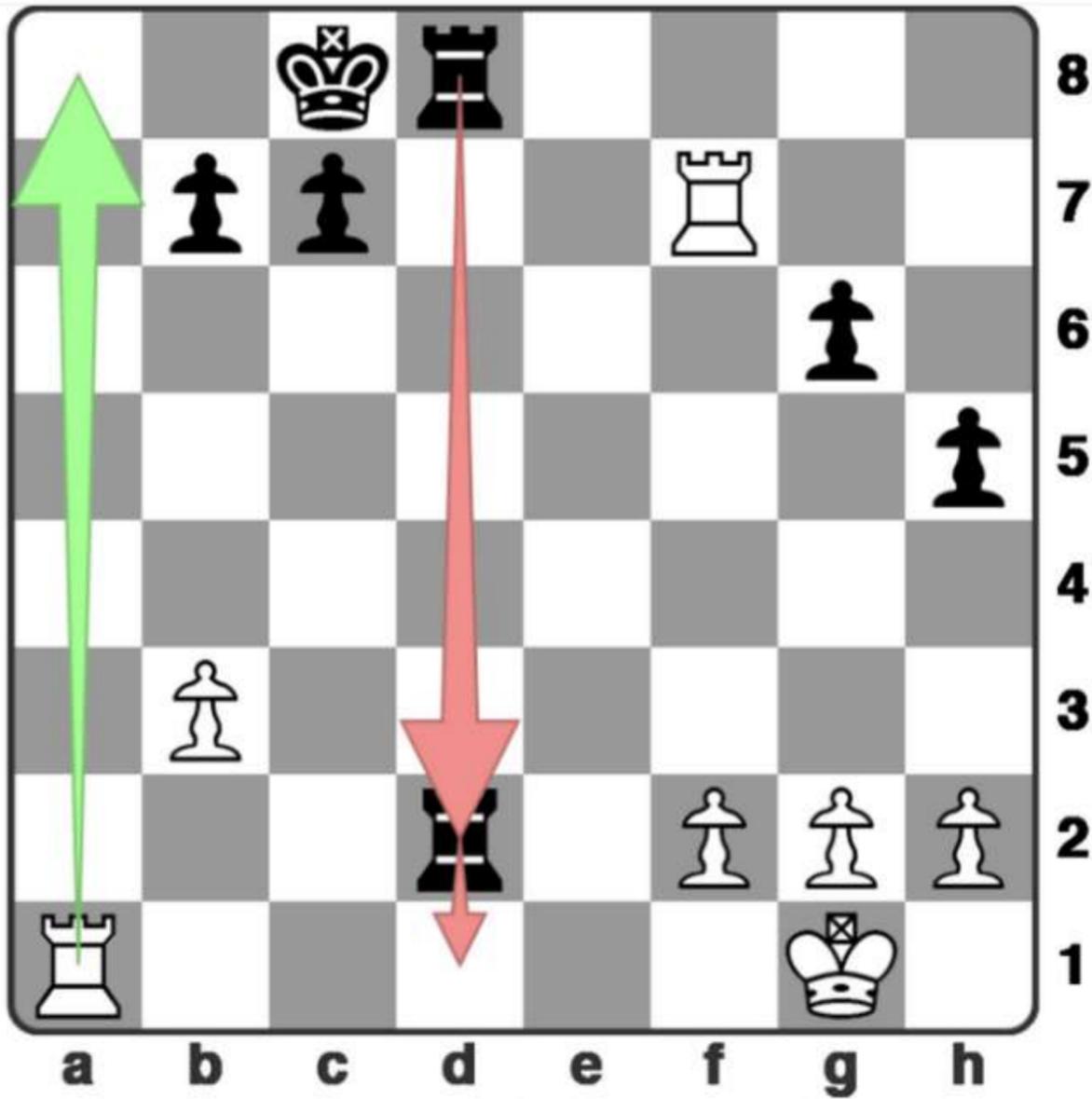
We are now lucky to have an OnPsych staff member at Upwey South Primary School, Lily.

Who is Lily?

Lily is a passionate psychologist who works with both children and adolescents who are experiencing a range of psychological issues such as anxiety and mood disorders, Autism Spectrum Disorders, interpersonal, learning and behavioural disorders, exam stress, self harming and adjustment difficulties (social & situational). Lily employs psychological techniques such as Cognitive Behavioural Therapy, client-centred and solution-focused therapy with psycho-education. Lily firmly believes that a collaborative approach will produce the most successful outcomes for a child. If you believe that this might benefit your child, please contact your child's classroom teacher for further instructions.

If you would like any further clarifications about the onPsych service, please call us at 1300 659 350.

Community News



White and Black can both move rooks to the Back Rank



Chess Club in Action



BECOME A FOSTER CARER
REGISTER NOW!



Help create better tomorrows for kids in foster care.

Learn more about foster care by registering for one of our upcoming information sessions. You'll learn more about the different types of foster care available and get to ask questions from one of our current foster carers. It doesn't matter if you are working or at home. In a relationship, with or without kids. Everyone can make a difference!

Information Sessions:
7.30pm - 8.30pm

Tuesday 5 June – Anglicare Victoria, 47-51 Castella St, Lilydale

Tuesday 19 June – Anglicare Victoria, 666 Mountain Hwy, Bayswater

To Register: 1300 889 335 | anglicarevic.org.au/events

