



# NEWSLETTER



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## Eden Hills Primary School

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## Diary Dates

### FEBRUARY

- 13-16 - Yr 6/7 Aquatics
- 14 - Acquaintance Night
- 15- Assembly
- 20-24 - Back to Front Interviews
- 21 - School Photos
- 22 - Governing Council AGM
- 27-3 March - Back to Front Interviews
- 27 - Principal Tour

### MARCH

- 8 - Assembly
- 13 - P/H Adelaide Cup
- 21 - Harmony Day
- 29 - Assembly

### APRIL

- 13 - Last Day 2.15pm Dismissal
- 14 - P/H Good Friday

### 2017 TERM DATES

- Term 1 - 30 Jan to 13 April
- Term 2 - 1 May to 7 July
- Term 3 - 24 July to 29 Sept
- Term 4 - 16 Oct to 15 Dec

Dear Parents and Community,

We hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday break. We are really looking forward to the year ahead with some exciting things happening throughout the year. We are looking forward to working in partnership with you in making this a very successful year.

### WELCOME

We warmly welcome our new students and their families to Eden Hills Primary School. Welcome to Isaac Baldwin, Felix Boklemann, Cisco Boseley, Poppy Brettig, Chiara Burgert, Kaelen Christ, Matthew Clayton, Joseph Cursley, Amos Dunkley, Lucy Edwardes, Chloe Fordham, Cody Gibson, Keanu Green, Carter Helps, Charlotte Hogan, Molly Johnson, Norah Johnson, Piper Jones, Summer Mavropoulos, Hannah McStay, Alannah Mead, James Mead, Harrison Munro, Oliver Nagy, Brent Norman, Neli O'Keefe, Pippa O'Neil, Madeline O'Neill, Evie Ogden, George Ratcliffe, Nessarose Reissig, Victoria Renfrey, Tal Snare, Ruby Turrell, Stefanos Vlachos, Lily Wedding, Emily Wood.

We welcome our new staff to Eden Hills Primary School:

- Stew Nancarrow – Year 1/2 teacher
- Sachiyo Yokoi – Japanese teacher R-7
- Jo Green – SSO student support

### STAFFING

**Our starting class structure and teachers this year are:**

- REC – Laura Carpenter (Room 3)
- R/1 – Angela Hills (Room 4)
- 1/2 – Edie Woodger/Jade Tobar (Room 5)
- 1/2 – Stew Nancarrow (Room 6) - Term 1 *backfilling Maria Pointon*
- 2/3 – Kellie Bowden (Room 1)
- 3/4 – Julie Howie/Marilla Bryce (Room 2)
- 4/5 – Kat Doupis (Room 7)
- 4/5 – Troy Chelo (Room 8)
- 4/5 – Sam Kavanagh/Kelly Gunn (Room 10)
- 6/7 – Ainslie McGrath (Room 11)
- 6/7 – Craig Garrard (Room 12)
- Japanese – Sachiyo Yokoi
- PE – Alex Fitzsimons
- Dance/Drama – Marilla Bryce
- Music/Choir/EALD – Josie Whitehead

**Our support staff this year are:**

Heather Ellis – Business Manager  
Annie Temby – Students with Disability Coordinator, Student Support, Work Health and Safety  
Jo McIntyre – Resource Centre Manager, Student Support  
Rebecca Stevens – Front Office, Student Support  
Perdita Hope – Student Support  
Tracy Pengelley – Student Support  
Trenna Albrecht – Student Support  
Leanne Herbert – Student Support  
Jo Green – Student Support  
Jo Skeates – Community, Engagement, Playgroup  
Pamela Hansen – Wellbeing, Engagement  
Neil Gloyn – Groundsperson

**Our Leadership Team this year is:**

Jason Munro – Principal  
Andrew Dowling – Deputy Principal / IT  
Heather Ellis – SSO Line Manager  
Dianne Gloyn – OSHC Director

We have a large staff and are really excited by the class structures and support networks this year. We have established Year level teams that are working together to achieve our whole school goals and priorities and our support staff will be running some exciting programs for students.

### AQUAINTANCE NIGHT

Our Acquaintance Night is on Tuesday 14 February (Valentine's Day!). Class teachers will hold a 30 minute acquaintance session in their classrooms beginning at the following times:

6.00pm – Laura, Angela, Stew, Edie/Jade  
6.30pm – Kellie, Julie/Marilla, Kat, Troy, Sam/Kelly  
7.00pm – Ainslie, Craig

The Acquaintance Night is a great way to hear about the structures and plans for the year and to connect with other parents.

### TERM PLANNER

In response to several requests last year we will be sending home a printed Term planner for families to refer to. As the planner is not yet completely filled, we will send home updated copies and also include them in the newsletter attachments.

### CAMPS

This is a 'Camp Year' on our 2 year cycle (Strawberry Fair one year, camps the next). The Year 6/7 students are going to Canberra in Term 3. We have applied for a camp booking for the Year 3-5 students, but applications don't close until the end of Week 2 so we are yet to receive any details. Once we have a confirmed booking we will advise you. The R-2 classes will discuss options for a camp and liaise with parents as to the interest and viability.

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos are scheduled for Tuesday 21 February. Envelopes will be sent home with your child prior to this day. Family envelopes will be available from the front office. The envelopes need to be sent to school with your children on the day of the photos.

### SPORTS DAY

At the end of last year our staff had a big discussion about Sports Day. As some of the core staff involved in managing sports day were changing roles in 2017 and the cost involved in releasing those staff to set up and prepare for the day coupled with the issues we had regarding parking, fines and accessibility concerns from some grandparents, we made the decision to try something different in 2017. We have made the decision to hold our Sports Day at SANTOS stadium at Mile End, early in Term 4. SANTOS stadium is purposely built for sports, where many state and national athletics events are held. This will give all students the experience of doing sports in an athletics stadium, and it will cater for everything we need. This includes equipment, canteen, shelter, seating, and sound system. It reduces the need to hire, borrow, supply and carry equipment to and from school. The Stadium is still on the railway line and the walking distance is very similar. There is ample free parking on site. As always, we will see how effectively the day runs and review for 2018.



### GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM

The Annual General Meeting for Eden Hills Primary School Governing Council will be held on Wednesday 22 February at 7.00pm in the Resource Centre. We invite all parents to play an active part in the school and the Governing Council is a great way to be involved. We meet twice a term to discuss the broad direction of the school including policies, strategic direction and finance. If you would like to nominate for the Governing Council, we invite you to complete a nomination form and attend the AGM. The term for a position on the Governing Council is 2 years. If you are an existing Governing Council member and your 2 year term is expiring, you must nominate to be considered for election. A reminder letter with nomination forms will be sent home before the AGM.

### BUSHFIRE SAFETY

We had a Bushfire Evacuation Drill this week. Our students moved to the Sports Arts Centre, which is the designated refuge in the event of a fire in the area.

Our Bushfire Policy is available on the school website ([www.edenhillps.sa.edu.au](http://www.edenhillps.sa.edu.au)). Please take the time to familiarise yourself with it. Our school will only be closed on a day when the CFS indicates it is a day of catastrophic risk in the Mount Lofty Ranges area. Families are reminded that they should discuss their own bushfire action plan with their children.

We also remind you to complete the Bushfire Parent Authorisation form that was posted to all families. After a Bushfire event, students will only be released to named authorised adults or if a written note is sent to school, on the day, naming a different adult. A phone call will not be accepted as authorisation. It is vital that all contact information is up to date.



### SKOOLBAG APP

Have you downloaded our Skoolbag iPhone and Android App? To help us communicate more effectively with our community we are asking parents to install the Eden Hills Skoolbag School App onto their smart devices. To install it, just search for our school name 'Eden Hills Primary School' in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store, or scan the QR codes that are around the school.

### DUTY OF CARE - STUDENTS AT SCHOOL BEFORE 8.30AM OR AFTER 3.30PM

Parents need to be aware that staff yard duty does not commence until 8.30am each morning and finishes at 3:30pm each afternoon. If your child needs to be at school outside these hours they must attend Out of School Hours Care. See OSHC staff for details and registration forms.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Classes are starting the year with Play is the Way and team building activities. We will then move into yard games. All students are expected to bring their drink bottle and hat to lessons. Please check that your child has these items clearly labelled with their name. For your child's safety, it is also necessary that they wear appropriate footwear. If for some reason your child isn't able to participate in lessons please send me an email or a written note. I am looking forward to working at Eden Hills again this year. I will be at the school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Alex F

### RESOURCE CENTRE



Welcome to another wonderful year of reading! It has been lovely to see so many of you borrowing books already.

We are 'open for business' before school (from 8.30am), after school (until 3.30pm) and at lunchtimes. In addition, each class has a 'borrowing and browsing' lesson every week. Students can borrow up to 4 books for 2 weeks.

Parents are very welcome to join as borrowers to access books for younger siblings. We also have a small Parent Library. Pop down to the Resource centre and we will sign you up!

Jo Mc

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Within the next couple of days students will be bringing home the first Scholastic Book Club catalogue for 2017. (There are 2 catalogues each term.) Books can be purchased on-line using your credit card or by returning the order form with cash/cheque to the front office. The school receives 20% of the value of all purchases to spend on Scholastic items. So, when you buy you are not only giving your child the gift of a new book but you are also making a HUGE difference to the number of new resources we can purchase each year. Win/win!



Orders for the current catalogue close on **Friday 10 February**. When the books arrive, they are usually sent home with the students. However, if you are purchasing books as a gift you can indicate that on your on-line order or by writing on the form you return to the office. We will then hold these books in the front office for you to discreetly collect at your convenience!

Jo Mc

### STUDENT MEDICATION

Please remember that any medication sent to school for children to take throughout the day, even on a short term basis, must be accompanied by a medication form that is obtained from the doctor. Class teachers and the office staff are not allowed to administer any medication without written instruction from the doctor. Also, all medication should be taken to the office at the beginning of the day for safe storage.



## PAYMENT OF FEES

The office is open 8:30am - 4:00pm each day for payment of fees. Pay your school fees from home! It's easy! Why not try our secure online payment system Bpoint. Go to [www.edenhillps.sa.edu.au](http://www.edenhillps.sa.edu.au) and follow the links



Alternatively Qkr by MasterCard can be downloaded for free from Apple's app store for iPhones (iPads should download the iPhone app) or from Google Play for Android phones and tablets.

After downloading the app and registering, simply select Eden Hills Primary School from 'Nearby Locations' on Qkr or type EHP SA after tapping the magnifying glass in the top right of the home screen of Qkr. The app will then always recognise you as part of the school making future payments even easier.

You can pay your School fees, Aquatic fees, Camp fees, OSHC and Vacation Care payments right now using Qkr, so why not download it today and take a look at our school on Qkr!

## UNIFORM SHOP 2017

From now on we will be opening the uniform shop for the first week of term only. Uniforms will be available through the following options:



- A mobile app available from apple and google



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Forms are also available at the front office.

A selection of sizes will be available for you to try with your child at the office upon request.

We will have a sale of second hand items once per term and this will be advertised.

If you have any queries please feel free to contact me on 0417 089 647.

Amanda Kelly

## CAR PARKING REMINDERS

With the commencement of the new school term Mitcham Council has advised the school it will be patrolling parking areas on a regular basis. Reminders:

- No Parking and No Stopping Zones at the front of the school. (See the office staff in you need clarification.)
- Arrange with your child the exact place and time you will pick them up.
- Traffic speed within the school zone is 25km/h
- Avoid double parking at all times.



**NO  
PARKING**

If you require further information, brochures are available from the front office.

**Reminder:** The staff carpark boom gate is operational from 7.15am – 4.00pm on school days.

The DECD guidelines for the use of a carpark within the school boundary are adjacent for your reference.

### Traffic management

Traffic movement should be kept off school sites because of the obvious danger that exists for students.

Parking for both new and existing schools should only be provided within the school boundaries for its employees and official visitors:

- one parking space for each full time employee
- one additional space for wheelchair users
- an additional 10% of the total for visitor parking (or five spaces, whichever is greater)
- short term parent parking and pick up and drop off areas can be developed in appropriate places near schools, so that the safety of children can be ensured

## SCHOOL BANKING – COMMONWEALTH BANK

Get involved in the School Banking program.

Eden Hills Primary School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students. School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2017 are:

- \* Cyber Handball
- \* Colour Change Markers
- \* 3D Chalk Set
- \* Tablet Case
- \* Smiley Emoji Keyring
- \* Volt Handball
- \* Pencil + Tech Case
- \* Epic Earphones



School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is Tuesday. Each week you need to place your deposit book into your classroom banking wallet.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking program information pack from the front office or visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

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