



NEWSLETTER

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Diary

Dates

OCTOBER

31 - Sports Day

NOVEMBER

1 - Assembly 9:00am

6 to 10 – Second-hand book sale

8 - Governing Council 7:30pm

10 - Remembrance Day

13 - Principal Tour

13 to 16 - PE Week

14 - Reception Transition

17 - Pupil Free Day

21 - Reception Transition

22 - Assembly 9:00am

24 – Year 6 Cluster Sports Day

28 - Reception Transition

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

WELCOME BACK

We hope that you all had a great holiday period. This is a very busy term with lots of things happening in and around the school. We finished off last term with a fantastic camp to Canberra for the Year 6/7 students. A huge thank you to Craig and Ainslie for their organisation, and to Jo, Michelle, Gavin, Tobin and Jason for their attendance and supervision of the camp. The weather was favourable and the students represented themselves and our school exceptionally well.

Works have started with the redevelopment of the OSHC building. This will open up the building so that it can be better used for OSHC, class lessons, supervision of music tuition and support lessons for students. This is a combined project between OSHC and the school and is expected to be completed towards the end of the term.

Sports Day will be held on Tuesday 31 October at SANTOS stadium. This year we have changed the venue after consideration of student voice, and the difficulties we were encountering with parking. The students will be transported to and from the venue via bus (which was predominantly funded through a sporting grant).

Grandparents' Day and Remembrance Day ceremony will be held on the morning of Friday 10 November. More information will come home about the morning soon, and everyone is welcome. The day was positively received last year and we look forward to having another outstanding morning in 2017.

Staffing News

We welcome back Andrew Dowling to the deputy principal role. Andrew enjoyed his time in head office during Term 3 and is looking forward to once again working at Eden Hills PS. A big thank you and well done to Sam Kavanagh and Kat Doupis on their acting deputy principal roles, both did an outstanding job. Also, thank you and well done to Stew Nancarrow for managing the IT infrastructure whilst Andrew was away.

We have 3 careers we will be celebrating this year. Maria Pointon, Connie Sarris and Melinda Hartmann have all made the decision to retire. We will formally acknowledge all 3 at the end of year concert so the community can say farewell.

We have appointed 3 staff to permanent positions at Eden Hills PS starting in 2018. These positions were advertised externally and the selection panels were held last term. We are pleased to announce that Edie Woodger and Stew Nancarrow have been appointed to classroom teaching roles and Elin Gubbin will be joining us from Tea Tree Gully PS in the Japanese role. Elin is currently on an exchange program teaching at the Himeji Board of Education in Japan.

2018 School Enrolment

It is that time of the year when we start planning for classes and staffing for 2018. Knowing our numbers means we can keep class sizes to a minimum. Enrolment estimates are a key element in this planning. If your child/ren **WILL NOT** be attending our school next year (excluding the current Year 7s) please contact the school office as soon as possible.

If you intend for your child to commence school at Eden Hills Primary next year, and you haven't yet done so, please contact the school so arrangements can be made to provide you with enrolment forms.

In addition, if you know people whose children are likely to start at our school please encourage them to contact us.

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS



We will be holding a second-hand book sale from Monday 6 November – Friday 10 November (Week 4).

We will use the money we make to choose some new books for the Resource Centre. If you have any children's books that you are happy to donate please drop them into the Front office or the Resource Centre.

Thank you very much.
Your Year6/7 Resource Centre helpers

REMEMBRANCE DAY

BLACKWOOD RSL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

10.30am SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2017

SOLDIERS MEMORIAL GARDENS

(near the Roundabout on Main Road, Blackwood)



If there is a family who would like to represent our school in laying a wreath at the above Service please let Heather or Jo S know. We will organize the wreath and supply your name/s to be called up during the Service.

SAPSASA VOLLEYBALL



The Girls' Year 6/7 Div 2 Team rightly moved up a division this year. They showed they could play some great volleyball and made the semi-finals, but lost the semi-final by just 2 points. The girls won 7 out of their 9 matches.

I am super proud of the Boys' Yr 6/7 Div 3 Team, they did not win a single game the entire carnival, but kept their heads up high. The team was made up of 1xYr4 Girl, 3xYr5 Boys, 1xYr6 Girl, 1xYr7 Girl, so an amazing effort for the grade.

The Girls' Year 4/5 Div 1 Team looked unstoppable. They convincingly won all their final round robin games showing real skills, but unfortunately in the semi-finals they came up against a very strong team and could not pull a win. They won 7 out of their 9 matches.

I would like to thank all the parents who support their children playing volleyball at Eden Hills and a special thanks to all those who take a day off work to help with transport for events like this Carnival.

CONGRATULATIONS

Kael attended the downhill MTB state championships over the weekend and won 1st place in the under 13 category. He also won the state series with 1st place at all 6 races.



MITCHAM HILLS EISTEDDFOD

Students from Eden Hills Primary School once again did a fantastic job at the Mitcham Hills Mini Eisteddfod held on Sunday 27 August. Overall, children from our school took out 14 awards, with a total of 39 students performing on the day. Congratulations to all participants and a huge thank you to piano teacher Sarah Walsh for all her hard work organising the day and teaching our children. The day also had a great outcome for charity, with \$1000 being raised for Rotary's Campaign to End Polio.

Award winners: Wilfred (solo beginner piano), Molly (solo beginner piano), Chester (solo elementary piano), Alexie (solo early intermediate piano), Adelaide (solo late intermediate piano), Aurelia (solo intermediate strings), Marcus (own composition), Sam & Jess (sibling ensemble), Aurelia & Laszlo (string ensemble), Ben & Dhruv (piano duets), Jess & Milla (piano duets), Sam & Samuel (piano duets), Jess, Elliot & Rosie Donnelly (piano trios), Anook, Milla & Harper (piano trios)

Other participants: Oliver D, Victoria, Lucia, Leith, Ben, Ginger, Agnes, Kate, Tadhg, Hannah, Alex, Dylan, Beatrix, Amy, Robbie, Lucy, Tim, Margie, Will, Mackenzie



PLAY GROUP

There **WILL** be playgroup this Friday 20 October.



BREAKFAST CLUB



There will be **NO** breakfast club on Tuesday 31 October (Sports Day).

ASBESTOS REMOVAL – SAFETY PRECAUTION

The OSHC building is currently having some renovations and on Saturday 21 October 2017 asbestos will be removed from the building between 7:00am – 12:30pm, for your safety please do not use the school grounds.

WARNING!

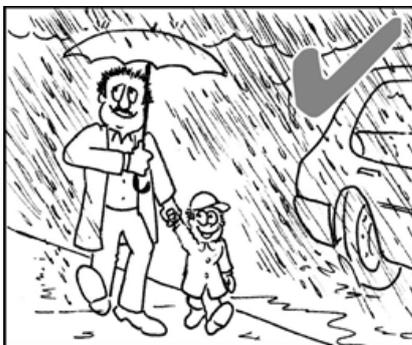
ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS BEGINS WITH YOU



While we are looking forward to the warmer weather over summer, we are still likely to have the odd rainy day. Wearing bright coloured clothing is a must when walking or riding a bike to school in wet weather. On rainy days, many people look down to stop the rain from going in their eyes, but it is very important to look up when crossing roads or driveways. You may have seen some people run to get out of the rain – not necessarily a bad thing, but running near traffic can be very dangerous. Parents should constantly scan both sides of the road and take extra care on rainy days, as children will often run across the road without looking.

Generally, stopping distances in the wet are likely to be at least double the distance of that on a dry road, so things such as reducing speed, braking gently, increasing following distance and tread depth on tyres can be critical. Worn tyres are one of the most common vehicle defects in South Australia. Another issue in wet weather is fog on the inside of your windscreen. When this happens, use your air-conditioner – it works with either hot or cold air and dries the air, which clears your windscreen far more quickly.

Just like you, other parents don't want to get wet either and there can be quite some congestion around the drop-off zone or front gate of the school. Patience and courtesy are important.



Remember the rules even when it's wet

Wet days mean more traffic, hazardous driving conditions – and **less visibility!** Use your **lights when driving**, bring an **umbrella**, **obey traffic signs**, and be prepared to **walk further than usual** to drop off and collect your child.

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