### School Newsletter Thursday 2nd February 2023



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EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY COURAGE CURIOSITY

#### Welcome back to ECPS for 2023!

Edgars Creek Primary School (ECPS) is in its third year of operation and we have been delighted to see our returning students, families and staff this week. We would also like to welcome our new students, families and staff to ECPS. Over the next few weeks we will introduce you to our school staff and what area of the school they are working in.

Our newsletter is one of our main forms of communication and is published every THURSDAY. It is really important the you read the school information within the newsletter each week as we have reminders, updates and lots of key news about our school. We also have a community section which you may want to look at. This contains information from local sporting groups and organisations within Wollert and surrounding areas.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### **Monday 6th February**

Zooper Doopers and Popcorn begin being sold for Years 1-6.

#### Friday 28th February & 1st of March Meet the Teacher

Appointments

**Friday 10th February** 5/6 Interschool Sports

**Monday 13th March** Labor Day Public Holiday

**Thursday 6th April** Last day of school

#### **OUR 2023 SCHOOL MANTRA**

Each year we develop an ECPS School Mantra which guides our work for that year. In our first year, 2021, it was Bringing Everyone Together, in 2022 it was Growing Stronger Together. For 2023 our school mantra is:

#### **Unity Strengthens Community**

This was developed by our staff and Year 6 students. We look forward to putting it into action.

Newsletter Challenge How many School Pencils can you find? Write your answer and put it in the challenge box in the office. Winners drawn at assembly

tomorrow.

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### **OUR SCHOOL VALUES**



Our four school values guide the way we act and support the culture of Edgars Creek Primary School. You will notice our values on display throughout our school and our staff, students, families and visitors are expected to live these values. We will continually work with our students, staff and school community to identify what these values represent and the specific ways we can demonstrate these values in 2023.

#### Zooper Doopers and PopCorn Back MONDAY

We are continuing to sell sugar free Zooper Doopers and Popcorn this year. These will be sold daily for Years 1-6. Sales for Preps will begin in March. Zooper Doopers and Popcorn are sold for \$1 each







#### **CSEF 2023**

We encourage all families to read the attached information regarding their eligibility for additional funding under the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF). If you have any questions regarding this, please contact our School Office.



# SOME GENERAL REMINDERS

**HATS** - All students need an Edgars Creek Primary School hat which they must wear during all outside play breaks. Students without a hat will only be able to play in shaded spaces as of next week. Hats will be for sale at the School Office sometime next week. Please watch COMPASS for this announcement.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM** - Please ensure your child is wearing their sport uniform (polo) on their PE day and on Fridays only. They must wear the Summer/Winter (checked shirt or dress, school jumper or jacket) on the other 3 days of the week.

**TRAFFIC ISSUES** - Road Safety is vital for the wellbeing of our whole community. There are 3 school crossings in Macedon Parade which have a crossing supervisor. These operate from 8.20am onwards in the mornings and until 3.40pm in the afternoons. Please use these. Do not double park or speed when driving around the school and please ensure children are leaving the car on the kerbside. We realise Macedon Parade is crowded and narrow. Please ensure you are being safe and following the parking restrictions.

**COMPASS** –It is very important that you activate COMPASS to access all of the school communication. Compass is the main form of communication between the school and families. Many reminders and other information are sent using this system. Please see the School Office if you are having any difficulties.

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## EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

## MEET THE PRINCIPAL TEAM FOR 2023



It is my great pleasure to welcome you to-Edgars Creek Primary School for 2023. My name is Ann Turner-Calleri and I am very honoured to be the founding Principal and leader of our school community.

I am the proud parent of 3 children, two girls and a boy. I have lived in Melbourne all my life and worked in many schools across northern and western Melbourne. I have been teaching for over 35 years and always wanted to be a teacher. I really enjoy working with people and watching them learn, along with learning with them. I believe teachers can provide life long role models for students.

I am looking forward to meeting our new students, and families and continuing to make Edgars Creek Primary School a great school for all.

Hi. My name is Carly-Marie. I am one of the Assistant Principals at ECPS. I am excited for all of the great things our students and staff will be doing in 2023. A fun fact about me is I love travelling to new places overseas and in Australia.



My name is Stuart and I am excited to join ECPS as an Assistant Principal for Years 2 & 3. Away from school, you'll find me on the golf course or spending times with friends and family, including my dog Cookie. I am looking forward to meeting and working with our community to achieve success in 2023.

Hi my name is Rebecca. I am very excited to be taking on the role of Assistant Principal for Years 4 & 5. When I am not at school, I enjoy spending time with my husband and our puppy Layla. I also love cooking. I am very excited to continue working with you all this year.



Hello everyone and welcome to ECPS for our 3rd year as a school! I am very excited to continue working with you all and getting to know our new students and families this year. As one of the Assistant Principals at our school, I will be leading the Year 6 and Specialist teaching teams in 2023.

As many of you know, I love the Collingwood Football Club and I am hoping they continue to improve this year. I love all things sport and I'm a bit sad there is no tennis to watch on TV now that the Australian Open has finished.

Please come and say hello when you see me at school!



EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

## PRE-LOVED UNIFORM DONATION

We are looking for any reusable school uniform donations. (These can be jackets, dresses, pants, skorts, etc.)

Whether your child has outgrown their uniform as they prepare to return to school, or simply no longer needs them, we will be happy to take them off your hands!

> Please drop any uniform donations into Main Reception, or Student Reception.

Welcoming Wellbeing

## Meet the Team!



#### Meet Beck!

Beck is our Assistant Principal. Her office is located in the main building but you'll see her all around the school! Beck is our Wellbeing and Subschool Assistant Principal for years 4 & 5. She has a wealth of knowledge and will continue to support our community in 2023.

#### Meet Sara!

Sara is our Wellbeing Leading Teacher. Her office is located in the Prep building, sharing a space with Ruby. Sara was our previous Mental Health and Wellbeing Coordinator and will continue to support the wellbeing of our community this year in the Wellbeing team.





#### Meet Ruby!

Ruby is our Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader (MHWL) – previously called the MHWC. Ruby's office is located in the Prep building, sharing a space with Sara. Ruby has been teaching in the early years since our school opened and is now stepping into the MHWL role. She will continue to work with and support the families of ECPS throughout the year.

#### Meet Joyce! (Ruba)

Joyce will continue to be a member of the Wellbeing team in 2023. She will keep supporting students and continue her wonderful work with Breakfast Club. You'll find her smiling face in the Breakfast Club on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays!



ECPS is very lucky to also have Dilara our school psychologist on site 2.5 days per week. She will also be working at Edgars Creek Secondary School the remaining 2.5 days per week so will be able to continue supporting students transitioning from primary to secondary school. We will also continue to have Joseph as our Chaplain this year, he will continue to work with students to support their needs socially and emotionally.





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#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXCELLENCE AND EFFORT

Home Group	Name	Award given
1A	Rohaan	For a positive start to Year 1. Rohaan has settled in and displayed confidence when trying new things. Well done!
1B	Sena	For showing the school value of Courage when starting at ECPS this week! You have shown confidence towards your learning and embraced making new friends. You're a superstar, Sena!
1C	Gurleen	For coming into our homegroup ready to learn and setting herself up for success. Well done on a great start to year one Gurleen.
1D	Harmony	For being a positive role model and beginning Year 1 with courage and confidence. Keep up the awesome effort, Harmony!
1E	Angie	For settling into Year 1 at ECPS with a respectful and positive outlook on learning. We are excited to see your learning journey this year!
1F	Wilky	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility by caring for our homeroom and making positive learning choices. Well done on a great start to Year 1! Keep up the great work, Wilky!
2A	Jasmeen Kaur	For demonstrating the school value of Courage by contributing to our discussion on class expectations. Well done, Jasmeen!
2B	Kalani	For settling into the school year with a positive attitude and a growth mindset! Well done, Kalani!
2C	Aayansh	For settling into Year 2 at ECPS with a positive attitude and showing our school values during the first week. Keep up the amazing effort, Aayansh!
2D	Hunter	For showing the school values of Courage when starting at ECPS this week. Well done, Hunter!
2E	Ali	For showing our school value of Courage in the first week of school and asking for help when needed. Well done Ali!
2F	Rudr	For showing the school value of respect by listening carefully and following the instructions. Well done, Rudr!



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Home Group	Name	Award given
ЗА	Liyana	For showing Courage and confidence during her first week at ECPS! Amazing work, Liyana!
3B	Dareen	For having a positive start at ECPS and taking on board changes in routines. Well done, Dareen!
3C	Avneet	For embracing her new start at ECPS and making new friends. Keep up the good work, Avneet!
4A	lsaac	For having a great start to ECPS and making new friends. Well done!
4B	Leilah	For displaying the school value of Courage by making new friends & having a fantastic start to 2023. Well done, Leilah!
4C	Nikita	For her positive attitude to learning and enthusiasm for all learning tasks. Great effort Nikita!
4D	John	For settling into ECPS extremely well and being respectful to teachers and his peers.
5A	Akeem	For starting 2023 in a positive way demonstrating the school value of Courage.
5B	Avneet	For starting Year 5 in 2023, with a big smile on her face and a bounce in her step. Loving the positive attitude Avneet, keep it up!
5C	June	For settling into classroom expectations positively and demonstrating Respect for his teachers and peers. Great job, June!
5D	5D Dean For making a positive start to 2023 and showing the scho of Respect. Well done Dean!	
6A	6A Ayaan For starting Year 6 enthusiastically, and showing respect teachers and peers. Well done Ayaan!	
6B	6B Cilina For starting the year in a positive manner and being an appreciation our home group discussions. Keep it up, Cil	
6C	Moh	For showing the school value of respect and making a fantastic start to 2023. Well done!
Digital Technologies - Taylah	Rohaan - 1A	For showing whole body listening and sharing his learning in Digital Technologies. Great start to the year Rohaan!
Science - Jemma	Yasmin - 1C	For showing all our school values during Science this week. Thank you for being so helpful in our first lesson back, Yasmin! Keep up the amazing work!
Visual Arts- Kristy	Julian - 5C	For being so creative in Visual Arts this week. Great job, Julian!
Performing Arts- Anita	Yagmur 1F	For trying your best during Performing Arts lessons. It is great to see you contributing to class discussions with positivity! Well done.
Spanish-Yooky	Andrej- 1A	For showing the school value of courage in his first Spanish class on the first day of school. Well done, Andrej!
PE-David	Jana-5C	For showing our school value of courage to step up and act as a positive role model for other students.
Science- Sue	Savannah -5C	For helping your teacher to learn all the names of your friends. Thank you for being so helpful



#### Celebrating Our Multicultural School Community



#### EVERYBODY IS WELCOME AT EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY

At ECPS this year we are celebrating our wonderful and extensive Multicultural community. Each week at assembly, we are unveiling a different cultural flag.

This week we are celebrating those in the ECPS Community from



#### CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL	015310			
School Name	School REF ID			
Parent/carer details				
Surname				
First name				
Address				
Town/suburb	State Postcode			
Contact number				
Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card number (CRN)				
	OR			
Foster parent under a temporary care order* OR	eterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)**			
*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH). **Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card				

Is this an application for special consideration (no CRN needed)? Yes No 🗆

#### Student details

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Student's surname	Student's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- · DFFH will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- · I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- · If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
  - · Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the DFFH and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ D a t e \_\_/ /\_\_



#### CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below are the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

#### Criteria 1 – General eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or carer of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one
- · on the first day of Term two
- a) be a holder of one or more of the eligible financially-means tested cards OR be a temporary foster parent, and;
- b) submit an application to the school by the due date.

For the list of eligible financially-means tested cards refer to the CSEF Policy: https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/policy

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with the above.

#### Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

#### Special Consideration

A special consideration category exists for

- Families on a bridging visa, temporary protection visa, in community detention or are asylum seeker families
- Students in temporary out of home care arrangements, including statutory kinship care

For more information, see https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/guidance/eligibility

#### Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer concession card being validated successfully with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30 January 2023) or term two (24 April 2023).

#### PAYMENT AMOUNTS

#### CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- · Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: <a href="http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx">www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx</a>

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents/carers so please register your interest at the school.

#### HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

#### NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/CARER DETAILS section.

Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.

If you are claiming as a temporary Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

If you are seeking special consideration, mark this in the form and provide a copy of the relevant documentation.

- 2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
- 3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2023 closes on the 23 June 2023.



Lunch Mums are an exciting new business to Edgars Creek Primary School.

Lunch Mums are an external business that provides lunch orders to the local Schools. They pride themselves in providing wholesome and tasty lunches to the school community. Their aspirations are not only to offer healthy lunches and treats to children, but to also offer a simple and effective ordering solution to help busy parents, without the worry or fuss.

Lunch orders commenced this week and will be available Thursday's.

Parents/Students will be able to place orders via an online App <u>"My School Connect"</u>. Please refer to the instructions below on how to set up an account and register your child/children.

#### Orders must be in by Thursday 8.00am.

ECPS & Lunch Mums look forward to working with the school community in providing school lunches for your children



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Please call the office if you require assistance to set up the app.



## WHITTLESEA COMMUNITY NEWS

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& Marvel<sup>™</sup>!)

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#### Monday 23 January, 11am-3pm TRAC, Thomastown



**BUILD YOUR CONFIDENCE, FEEL HEALTHIER AND A WHOLE LOT HAPPIER** 

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#### PARKING AND SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS

Speed



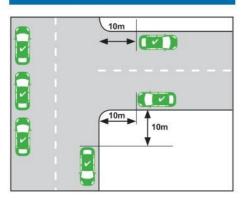
Look out for the reduced speed limit around schools and slow down to improve safety.

#### School crossings



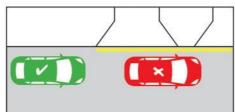
- Look out for flags and Crossing Supervisors
- You must stop for anyone waiting to cross, or who has started crossing
- Please remain stopped until the crossing is clear.

#### Within 10 metres of an intersection



A driver must not stop with any part of their vehicle within 10 metres of an intersection unless signed otherwise.

#### Yellow edge line

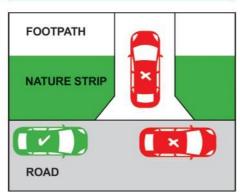


A driver must not stop on the side of a road marked with a yellow edge line.



Parking is illegal on nature strips and footpaths.

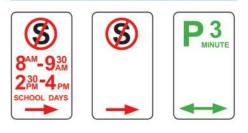
#### Stopping across driveways



It is illegal to, stop/park across a driveway unless you stay in the car are there for no more than two minutes and move immediately if required to do so to allow entry or exit by the owner/occupier.

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#### Parking/Stopping signage

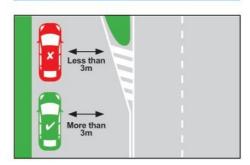


No stopping areas must be kept clear. If times/days are specified, restrictions are only applicable to the specified times/days. You cannot park in a P3 minute area for longer than three minutes.

## Double parking

It is illegal to double park at any time. This affects the flow of traffic.

#### 3 metre gap for signage



At least 3 metres must be left between your vehicle and the centre dividing line to allow other vehicles to pass safely and not obstruct traffic.

#### What can you do to stay safe

- Supervise your children in or near traffic
- Walk or cycle to school with your child
- Respect all road rules, parking signs and instructions from authorities
- Wait on the same side of the street as your child
- Always let your child out of the kerb side of the car.

## School Crossing Supervisor positions now available.

#### Enjoy the benefits of permanent part-time work!

There are so many great reasons to join the City of Whittlesea team as a Crossing Supervisor:

- Starting hourly rate of \$31.96 (work 40 weeks but be paid for 52 weeks a year)
- Work 15 hours per fortnight during school terms (Annualised salary paid 12.6hrs per fortnight)
- Paid public holidays that fall during school terms
- 10.5% superannuation and pro-rata sick leave
- Receive on-the-job training and uniform is provided
- Reduced price memberships available at Mill Park Leisure and Thomastown Recreation & Aquatic Centre
- Join the City of Whittlesea's active social club and attend organised events
- Health & Wellbeing Programs available

#### TO APPLY

Complete the application form on the reverse side of this flyer or online at www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/schoolcrossings

For further information please contact the School Crossing Team on 9217 2508 or email school.crossing@whittlesea.vic.gov.au



### Apply now!

## Apply to become a School Crossing Supervisor

Join the City of Whittlesea and make a difference in our community!

This very rewarding role helps the most vulnerable members of the community, our children. Assist school aged children and other pedestrians to cross the road at designated school crossings.

#### **ABOUT YOU**

To be considered for this job you need to:

- be medically fit
- have your own transport
- be of good character
- relate well to children and be able to talk to children's parents and teachers
- be available to work for 1.5 hours per day, generally between 8am-9am and 3pm-4pm on weekdays during school terms
- be able to obtain and retain a Working with Children Check (WWCC)
- be fully vaccinated against COVID-19

If this sounds like you, then you should definitely apply! Complete the application form below or online at www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/schoolcrossings

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Please send your completed for to: City of Whittlesea, Locked Bag 1, Bundoora MDC VIC 3083

Name:		
Address:		
Phone:	Mobile:	
Email address:		
Do you have any experience workir	ng with children? If yes, please provide details:	
Why do you want to work as a scho	ool crossing supervisor?	
What do you know about being a so	chool crossing supervisor?	
	and phone numbers of two (2) referees (cannot be family or friends). ith each referee (for example, your last employer, a supervisor, oluntary work, etc).	
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