

School Newsletter

Thursday 3rd March 2023



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**EDGARS CREEK
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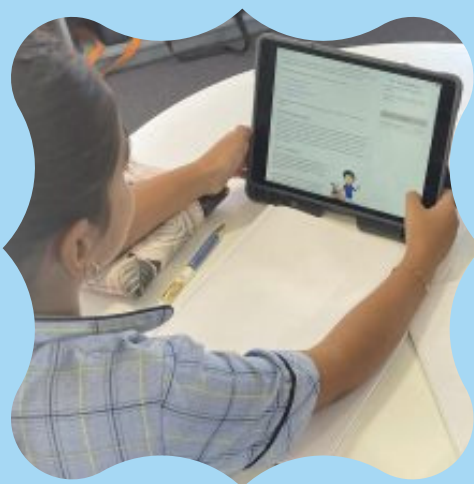
RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY COURAGE CURIOSITY

YOUR PARENT PAYMENT MONEY MADE THIS POSSIBLE!



Thank you to the families who have paid their school contribution. These payments have given students access to books and stationery.

These payments have also contributed towards the new playground.



To help your child have access to learning materials and great play equipment please make your voluntary payment through the Compass Payment Centre when you have logged in:

Payments Centre

Did you know that payments can be made through Compass for school fees, events, and voluntary contributions?

[Click here for more information](#)



| No surcharge

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 3rd March

Clean up Australia Day



Monday 13th March

Labor Day Public Holiday

**Tuesday March 21st
3.15pm-6.30pm**

Harmony Day & Welcome Picnic

**Wednesday 15th- Monday
27th March**

NAPLAN Testing

Wednesday 5th April

ECPS Fun Run

More information to follow

Thursday 6th April

Last day of school- **2:30pm
finish**

Newsletter Challenge

How many **Soccer Balls** can you find? Write your answer and put it in the challenge box in the office. Winners drawn at assembly tomorrow.



Learning together for success.

ECPS RAFFLE



We are asking for donations for both our Easter and Mother's Day raffles. All donations are welcomed and appreciated! They could be anything such as chocolate, vouchers, pamper packs, art supplies, kids toys or kids activities etc

All money raised from these raffles will go towards improving our school grounds.

If you are able to donate, please contact Jess or Sara either by calling the office on 9407 7100 or email edgars.creek.ps@education.vic.gov.au



WE NEED YOU!!!

ECPS FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Our ECPS School Council, along with our staff, are always trying to improve the facilities, opportunities and resources for your children. As a new school, we are still acquiring many teaching resources for our learning communities, along with expanding and improving our facilities for our students.

We are establishing an ECPS Fundraising Committee which will report to School Council regularly. Our goal is to raise funds for multiple projects/resources across the 2023 school year. This includes overseeing the organisation of our school raffles, Bunnings BBQs, special projects and our community events. Please consider joining our team. Our first meeting will be on TUESDAY 28th March at 2.30pm.

Please email Jess edgars.creek.ps@education.vic.gov.au if you are able to support us by coming along or having any ideas for us...

EVERY cent we raise means MORE for your children.



Lunch Mums

Lunch orders are available every Thursday.

ORDER



As of Term 2 Lunch Mums will be providing us with an additional day and will be available to order Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Parents/Students will be able to place orders via an online App "My School Connect".
<https://myschoolconnect.com.au/login>

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.

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.

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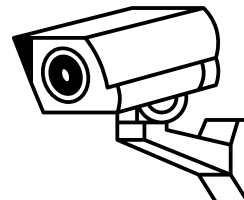
Art Smocks for Visual Arts

All students will need their own art smock for Visual Arts lessons in 2023. Art smocks are available for purchase from many stores like Kmart and Target. Alternatively, an old, oversized shirt or jumper would do. Please label it with your child's name and we will store these at school. Thank you!



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.



CCTV Usage

At ECPS we have the advantage of CCTV systems within the school grounds. This supports and enhances our ability to provide a safe and secure school environment for students, staff and visitors. We ensure that privacy standards are maintained with the installation and the use of our CCTV systems.

Child Safe Standards

At Edgars Creek Primary School, we are committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Our child safe policies, procedures, strategies and practices will be inclusive of the needs of all children, particularly Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, children from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, children with disabilities, and children who are vulnerable.

Edgars Creek Primary School has zero tolerance for child abuse.

Parent Communication of Issues, Concerns or Complaints

As part of our strict Child Safe Standards, parents/carers who have an issue, concern or complaint regarding another student or family within our school community **MUST** communicate this with school staff.

Parents/families cannot approach another student under any circumstances.

Our School Office staff will refer you to the most suitable staff member. Further information can be found in our school's Complaints Policy found on our website under the 'School' tab in the Policies section: <https://edgarscreekps.vic.edu.au/about-us/#policies>.



Child Pick up

When you need to pick up your child early from School please contact the School via email or phone to inform us of the time you will be needing to pick them up and we will have them ready in the office for you. On Fridays when we hold our weekly assembly advance notice to pick them up is required.

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PREPS STARTING FULL WEEKS

We are so excited to announce that as of next week our **Prep students will be at school Monday-Friday**. We have watched the students excel at school over the last 5 weeks in their learning spaces as well as on the playground. We love having them at ECPS and couldn't be prouder of the progress they have made so far.



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SHHHH!.....CHICKS ARE ABOUT TO
HATCH AT EDGARS CREEK

PRIMARY SCHOOL!



From Monday the 6th of March our school will be involved in a hatching chickens program. There is no telling when these fuzzy friends will hatch so we want to give you an opportunity to watch the eggs after school. You may be lucky enough to see one of our chicks hatch! We are setting up a youtube live stream after school each day (or until all eggs are hatched) so you can be a part of the excitement.

You can access the live stream from 4pm each school day on:

<https://www.youtube.com/@edgarscreekPS/featured>

Year 5 and 6 Interschool Sport Fixture

A Teams

Round 1 – 10th February
Away vs Al Siraat College

Round 2 – 17th February
Home vs The Lakes

Round 3 – 24th February
Home vs Morang South PS

Round 4 – 3rd March
BYE

Round 5 – 10th March
Away vs Epping Views PS

Round 6 – 17th March
Home vs St Mary of the Cross MacKillik

Round 7 – 24th March
Away vs Marymede Catholic College

Round 8 – 31st March
TBC

B Teams

Round 1 – 10th February
Home vs Glowrey Catholic PS

Round 2 – 17th February
BYE

Round 3 – 24th February
Away vs Harvest Home PS

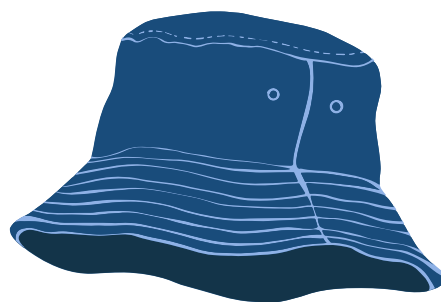
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Hats can be purchased at the school office or via phone for \$18.95 if your child has lost their hat or need a new one.

It is extremely important that all students in Year 5 and 6 have their school hats and drink bottles every Friday for their sport session.

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HARMONY DAY 21 MARCH



Celebrating our cultural diversity

We have lots organised this year for Harmony Day
on **Tuesday 21st March...**

Cultural Infusion will be performing five different cultural events throughout the day for the children (**please make sure children have paid their \$20 to attend**).

Our learning spaces will be open for you to come in and view them from 3.15pm until 4.30pm.

From **4.30pm until 6.30pm** all families are invited to our Welcome Picnic. We will have food trucks serving food and drinks from 4pm on our school oval that you may purchase from (there will be Halal, Vegetarian and gluten free options available). Some of the food trucks coming are below.

If you prefer, please feel free to bring your own picnic.



Children are welcome to wear their cultural dress or **orange** clothes on **Tuesday 21st March** to celebrate Harmony Day!

2B's Classroom News

This week in 2B

This week in Reading, 2B have been focusing on retelling stories and making connections to the text. We have been completing an Author study on Jackie French.

This week in Writing, 2B have been making their own narrative story it has been fantastic to see the students use their imagination while creating their masterpieces.



This week in Maths we have been learning about place value and investigating maths around Edgars Creek Primary School like how many steps it is from our community to the gym.

In SWPBS we have been learning about our zones and how we may feel or self-regulate.



Reminders

Please make sure you remember your hats, book satchels, and iPads 😊





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MEET THE ES TEAM FOR 2023



Hello my name is Vanessa I and I'm one of the Education Support in the Year 2 at ECPS. I started at ECPS in term 3, 2021 and love supporting and working with the students. I am a mum of 3 children and spend most of my free time being a soccer mum, dance mum, uber driver to my kids. I love spending time with my family especially summertime when we can head to the beach.



Hi everyone! Its been so amazing to meet you all! My name is Todd, outside of school I love to play music and eat great food.



Hi! My name is Paola, this my second year at ECPS working as an Education Support Staff... I am very excited to work and support students and getting to know you all more... I'm from Colombia (South America) and I speak Spanish, which would be our School Language in 2023.



Hi Everyone, My name is Amanda I'm an Education Support worker at Edgars Creek Primary School. I'm a mother of two that loves spending spare time on adventures with my family.



My name is Eva, and I'm really excited to be a part of the Education Support team. I am very recognisable by my bright blue hair, and I love Star Wars, Lego, and singing.



MEET THE ES TEAM FOR 2023



Hey everyone, my name is Adam. I'm originally from London, England and have lived in Australia for 8 years. I'm an outgoing active person that is passionate about sport, especially soccer. I love being apart of the team at ECPS and meeting everyone in 2023"



My name is Lee and I love working at Edgars Creek Primary School. I am passionate about supporting all children to be their best. I enjoy playing tennis, paddleboarding, travelling and spending time with family and friends



Hi, my name is Lisa Finlayson and I am an Integration Aid at Edgar' s Creek Primary School. I am very passionate about making a difference to all children in their education regardless of their little challenges. Building strong relationships is the foundation all children need to develop positive self - esteem and resilience. Through this we see them succeed and achieve great results whether they are big or small. Watching and supporting the students to grow, learn and celebrate their achievements is very rewarding to me. Outside of school I love spending time with my two beautiful children. We love spending time at Lakes Entrance and making memories. I get great enjoyment watching my children at netball and dancing. When I have the time, I enjoy reading, sewing and catching up with friends and family.



My name is Shirisha. I'm very excited to be part of the amazing staff at ECPS. I'm from India and speaks Hindi, Telugu and understanding Punjabi. I have been an Education Support Staff since 2017. I love working with children and support them in their learning journey. This year I have been working with the Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6 Learning Communities and I love seeing the progress of the students every day.



My name is Sravani (I will prefer Vani), I am very excited to work at ECPS. Staff are very welcoming and made me comfortable. I love spending time with my kids. During my free time I explore like cooking new recipes, bike riding and watching movies with family.



MEET THE TUTORING TEAM FOR 2023

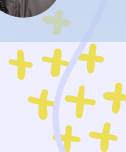
Hi, my name is Kaitlyn. I love working as a tutor at ECPS because I am surrounded by such kind people every day. I enjoy participating in running events and relaxing with my whippets, Roxi and Coco. I am so excited to get to know everyone, and I hope you have a fantastic year!



Hi, my name is Tori and I am a Tutor at ECPS, I love working at ECPS because everyone is extremely kind and caring! I love spending time at the lake and enjoy going on the boat, water skiing and wakeboarding. I can't wait to see all your big smiles and happy faces every day and I hope you have a great year!



Hi my name is Sarah! I'm new to ECPS but I'm already loving the welcoming and friendly staff and students here. I'm currently studying my final year of primary teaching and looking forward to getting more experience and eventually teaching my own students! I love reading, listening to podcasts and hanging out with my friends and family. I grew up on the South West coast of Victoria so I love the beach!



ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXCELLENCE AND EFFORT

Home Group	Name	Award given...
6A	Lila	For showing the school value of Respect by always listening to her peers and teachers during learning time.
6B	Mateja	For demonstrating leadership in our learning community and constantly setting the right example by being organised. Well done, Mateja!
6C	Stela	For showing the values of Respect and Responsibility by demonstrating leadership and kindness to all her peers. Thanks for being such a great role model, Stela!
5A	Yasser	For showing the school values of Responsibility and Respect when collaborating with his peers. Well done Yasser!
5B	Emilia Saleh	For showing leadership and kindness to new students of our community! Well done Emilia! Thanks for making everyone in our homegroup feel welcome!
5C	Abdulahi	For being a helpful classmate towards his peers and being a positive role model in the Year 5 Learning Community. Well done, Abdulahi!
5D	Hussain	For showing the value of 'Responsibility' when listening in class and completing his tasks. Keep up the great work Hussain!
4A	Rihana	For showing all of our school values and being dedicated to her learning. Well done, Rihana!
4B	Aydin	For displaying the school value of Responsibility by checking symbols on food containers, throwing out your rubbish and using the correct bins. Thanks for being a great role model, Aydin!
4C	Soulayman	For an excellent effort following the writing process during our fractured fairytale unit. Well done, Soulayman!
4D	Gabriel	For consistently following our school values and working hard to include synonyms in his fractured fairytale writing piece. Super work, Gabe!
3A	Jesleen	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility. Jesleen is a fantastic helper in the school yard and always comes back to class with Dojo stickers for cleaning the yard or helping teachers on yard duty. Keep up the amazing work Jesleen.
3B	Tyson	For demonstrating the school value of Courage and Responsibility during his first week at Edgars Creek Primary School. Well done, keep up the amazing work Tyson!
3C	Hussain	For demonstrating the school value of Respect by consistently using his manners with all members of the ECPS community. Hussain has worked incredibly hard over the past two week and I couldn't be prouder. Keep up the awesome work!
2A	Andrew	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility by working independently in Maths to finish his work on time. Well done, Andrew! Keep up the fantastic work!
2B	Lucas	For consistently demonstrating the school value of responsibility by having a growth mindset and trying his best in all learning areas. Well done Lucas!
2C	Pal	For working hard during Write 2 Read lessons to say the code she lands on when playing code mania. Keep up the amazing effort, Pal!
2D	Mousa	For working really hard to edit his narrative piece of writing. Brilliant effort Mousa!
2E	Yalsu	For writing a detailed narrative that included characters, a setting, a problem and solution. You did a fantastic job with your writing this week Yalsu!
2F	Manshaan	For displaying our school value of courage by putting your hand up for answering the questions during class discussions. Well done, Manshaan! Keep up the amazing work!



ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXCELLENCE AND EFFORT

Home Group	Name	Award given...
1A	Prajna	For including others in her games and being a wonderful friend. Well done!
1B	Antony	For always showing enthusiasm towards your learning and demonstrating the school expectation of Being Respectful to everyone in our Learning Community. You're a superstar, Antony!
1C	Saharsh	For helping others and always offering to support others. Well done Saharsh on being such a helpful member of Year 1 and helping other members of our community. You are a SUPERSTAR!
1D	Sabarish	For always displaying the school values of Respect and Courage. Sabarish, I am so proud of how you respect your belongings and are always organised and ready to learn. You are always trying your best and never give up! What a superstar!
1E	Ved	For a fantastic start to the school year! Well done Ved for being an amazing community member, who is always showing the values of respect and responsibility, and always being kind and helpful to others. Keep up the great work!
1F	Ayaan	For a demonstrating the school value of Courage during his first week at Edgars Creek Primary School. Keep up the great work, Ayaan!
PA	Annie	For consistently always trying her best in learning tasks and being a kind and helpful member of Prep A. You are a superstar Annie!
PB	Gurmaan	For being such a kind and helpful member of the Prep Learning Community. It has been great watching you make friends and show kindness to your peers. Keep up the great work, Gurmaan!
PC	Luke	For showing the school value of Courage and Responsibility when working in his homegroup. Well done Luke! You have worked super hard to pack up your belongings independently and try new learning tasks with a can do attitude!
PD	Aya	Aya consistently displays all school values. She is respectful and responsible and always tries her best when completing her work. Keep up the great work, Aya! You are a super star!
PE	Noah	For constantly demonstrating the school value of Courage. You are working very hard to try new things at school and I am beyond proud of how courageous you are being. Keep it up superstar!
PF	Gurnawaz	For consistently displaying our school values of Courage, Respect and Responsibility. Gurnawaz is always helping his peers and trying her best when completing his work. Well done Gurnawaz!
Digital Technologies -Taylah	Eilya- 2E	For showing the school value of Respect during Digital Technologies by being a great listener. This helped him to make sure he completes his task on an iPad to a high standard. Well Done, Eilya!
Science -Sue	Ali – 4D	For showing the school values of responsibility in your learning and trying your best. Well done, Ali!
Science -Jemma	Prabhas - 5B	For showing curiosity and being respectful in Science during our waterbug incursion this week. Well done, Prabhas! Keep up the amazing work.
Visual Arts - Kristy	Kristian 6C	For showing the values of courage, respect and responsibility by always giving things a go, following instructions and keeping the classroom nice and tidy! Amazing work Kristian!
Performing Arts - Anita	Haymann 3D	For showing the school values of Respect and Curiosity during Performing Arts lessons. You are always so well mannered and very eager to learn new things! Well done!
Spanish- Lily	Kiyansh 1D	For showing the school values of Respect and Responsibility in Spanish lessons this week. Muy bien Kiyansh!
PE - Kristina	Daphne PC	For following all instructions given and showing the school value of Responsibility during PE. Keep up the great work!
PE-David	Jaslyn K 4C	For excellence in PE, Well done, Jaslyn!
Education Support- Shirisha	Aashi 3C	For showing the school values of Respect in all Learning areas. Well done, Aashi!

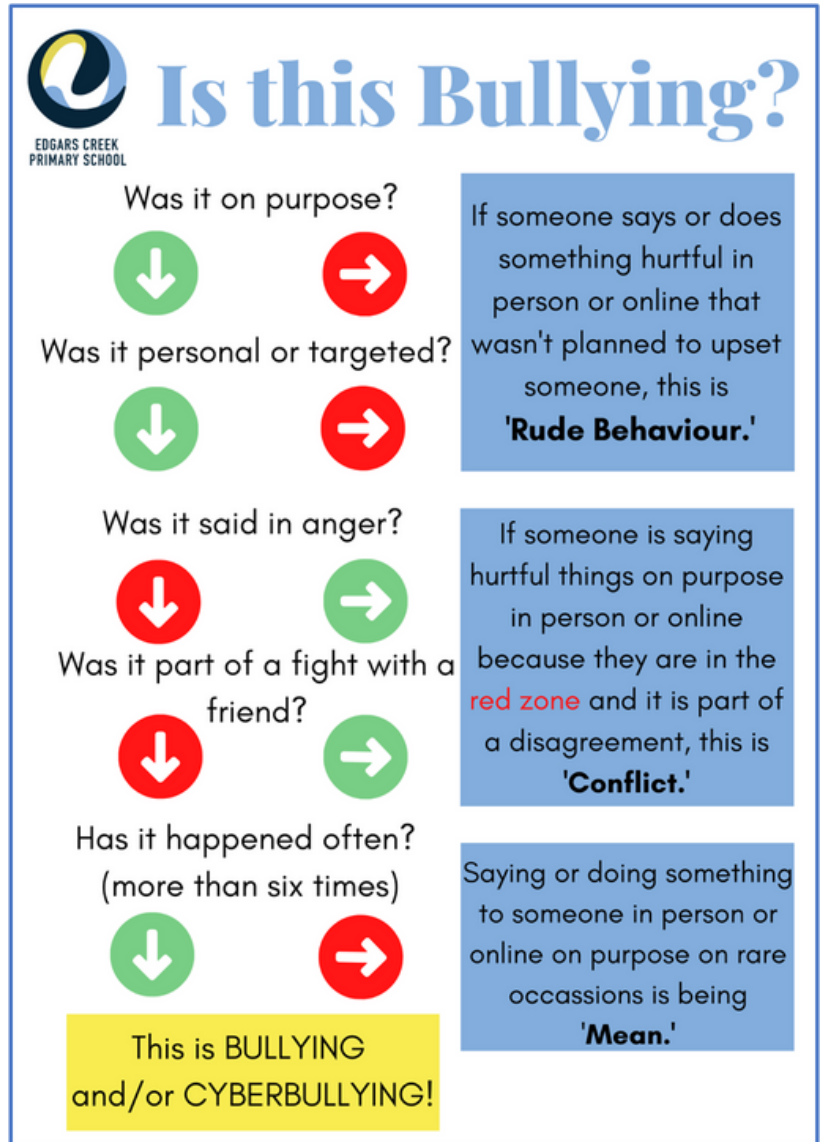


Welcoming Wellbeing

It is important to understand what bullying is as it is sometimes confused with children being mean. Please see below a flow chart which is a great visual to explain what bullying is and when it's not bullying.

Some ways to prevent bullying include:

- **Helping children understand bullying by talking** about ways to stand up instead of being a bystander.
- **Keeping Communication lines open** by checking in with children often and providing a safe space where they can discuss any concerns.
- **Modelling how to treat others** by teaching children with actions and words.
- **Encouraging children to engage in activities that they love.** This can support children to boost their self esteem, confidence and encourage them to have a growth mindset. It can also help students learn strategies to build friendships and support social skills.



Celebrating Our Multicultural School Community

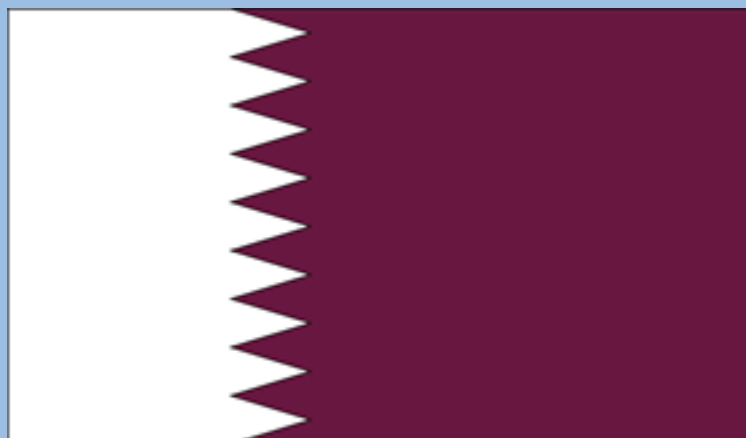


EVERYBODY IS WELCOME AT EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY

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

QATAR



YOU'RE INVITED TO

YEAR 5 INQUIRY EXPO

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE ALL THE INQUIRY
LEARNING IN THE YEAR 5 COMMUNITY

WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT THE HISTORY
OF AUSTRALIA, INVESTIGATING THE QUESTION:

**WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT THE LIVES OF
PEOPLE IN AUSTRALIA'S COLONIAL PAST AND
HOW DO WE KNOW?**

Friday 30th of March

Double storey
portables

2:25-3:00pm

Year 5 Learning
Community



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Whittlesea
Community
Connections

HOMEWORK CLUB

Please scan the QR
code below to fill out
your expression of
interest.



On Mondays from
3:30 - 4:30pm



2023 Photo Day

Online Order Instructions

Dear Parents and Students,

Edgars Creek Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 16-05-2023

Your school prefers orders to be placed online.

However, if unable to order online, please complete your order using the Envelope at your school office. It is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

**** IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE – ONLINE ORDERING FOR SIBLING PHOTOS WILL CUT OFF ON 15-05-2023 ****

ONLINE ORDERING Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

Step 1 [Click Here](#). - For online ordering process for your school.

- OR - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [E3J TF4 MH4]

Step 2: Enter your student's details

Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)

Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

****Online Orders have a 1.5% merchant fee applied when using Visa, Mastercard or PayPal.**

Please Note: If you miss photo day, portrait and group packages can still be ordered online for 7 days afterwards with no late fees. After that time, late orders will require separate processing and handling and therefore will incur a \$15 late fee per package.

FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS No envelope required if ordering online

3 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [E3J TF4 MH4]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on [15/05/2023]
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with exact cash amount.

ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE

PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO RECEIVE ONE AND RETURN ON PHOTO DAY ONLY

Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.

Please use black or blue pen.

Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.

Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.

Credit Card – Online Only at www.advancedlife.com.au

Cash – Please enclose correct money – as change is not available

Please Note: A portrait and a class group photograph will be taken of every student at the school, regardless of purchase. Photographs of your children taken as part of a class group are only permitted to be distributed within their own class. Your child's name will appear on the class group photo. If you Do Not wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries regarding your child's school photo order.

info@advancedlifevic.com.au or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team

IMPORTANT: Sibling packages must be ordered before photo day, so your school knows to collect your children on photo day for a sibling photo. Final online orders for siblings close at 12.00 a.m. the night before your school's first photo day. If you miss the order cut off, let your school know you would like a sibling photo taken, collect a sibling envelope from your school and return the completed order envelope (including exact cash payment) directly to our photographers. Sibling photographs are by request and cannot be ordered after photo day. Only siblings attending the school are permitted to be photographed.

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PACK

DELUXE

DELUXE PACKAGE \$48.00



203x254mm (10x8")



126x176mm (4)



26x41mm (6)



38x135mm



82x127mm



38x63mm



63x87mm



package includes high res digital portrait image

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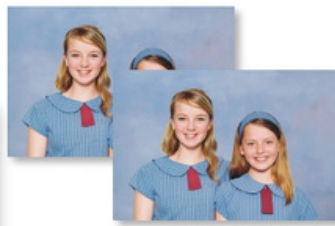
PACK

VALUE

VALUE PACKAGE \$33.00



203x254mm (10x8")



126x176mm (2)



26x41mm (3)



38x135mm



82x127mm



38x63mm



package includes high res digital portrait image



C

PACK

REGULAR

REGULAR PACKAGE \$28.00



203x254mm (10x8")



126x176mm (2)



26x41mm (3)



package includes high res digital portrait image



D

PACK

BASIC

BASIC PACKAGE \$25.00



126x176mm (2)



26x41mm (3)



package includes high res digital portrait image



E - ENLARGEMENT \$22



203x254mm (10x8")

Option E **DOES NOT** include a high res digital portrait image



PERSONALISED MUGS \$20



Available online only



Flyer Code S

HOW TO ORDER

OPTION 1 ORDER ONLINE NOW

Online payment options include Visa, Mastercard and PayPal. Alternatively, you can choose to pay over 10 weeks using LatitudePay.

STEP 1

Find your school's shared 9 digit community order code on the *advancedlife* order envelope.



STEP 2

Go to www.advancedlife.com.au on your computer, phone or tablet.

Enter your school's 9 digit order code in the 'order & download' box. This will take you to the secure online ordering site for your school.



STEP 3

Click on 'Order Photos' and complete your details and choose your package, then follow the payment process. During this process you can place orders for additional children at your school and sibling photos, if available.



OPTION 2 CASH/ENVELOPE ORDERING

Schools prefer orders placed online. However, if you are unable to order online, please complete your order using the order envelope provided.

STEP 1

Complete a separate order envelope for each individual child's package/s ordered. If ordering for more than one child, payment should be enclosed in the envelope of the eldest child and this should be indicated on the envelope of the other child/children (the envelope that does not have cash enclosed).

STEP 2

Enclose exact cash payment in one envelope for the package/s you are ordering. Payment for more than one child should be in the eldest child's envelope and marked at the bottom of the envelope in the space provided.

STEP 3

Return your completed envelope/s, with correct cash payment, to our photographers on photo day.

Please note: You must enclose exact correct payment, as change is not available. Credit card payments can only be made online and we no longer accept cheques. There is a separate envelope for sibling photo orders, should your school choose to offer sibling photos.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

SIBLING PHOTOS

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ONLINE ORDER RECEIPTS

An order receipt will be emailed to the email address you provide during the ordering process. Please note that orders placed via PayPal can take up to 48 hours for payment to be processed and a receipt sent.

ARE THERE FEES FOR ORDERING ONLINE?

There are no fees for LatitudePay or envelope ordering. There is a 1.5% merchant fee applied when using Visa, Mastercard or PayPal. For more information go to: www.advancedlife.com.au/FAQ

CO-PARENTING FAMILIES

If you prefer to personally collect your photographic package from the school office, rather than have it sent home with your child, please select the "Collect Your Pack" option when you order online.

NOT FOR PUBLICATION STUDENT INFORMATION

If your child's image is "not for publication" and your school is aware of your decision, your child should not be presented to our photographers on photo day and school photographs will not be available for purchase. All students presented to our photographers by your school for a photo on photo day will be photographed, their images will appear in school photography packages and these packages will be available to purchase.

REFUND POLICY

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CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Name

015310

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** Veterans 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

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 _____ Date ____/____/____

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:

www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

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

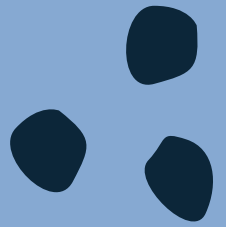
1. Complete the PARENT/CARER DETAILS section.

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.



WHITTLESEA COMMUNITY NEWS





8 MARCH 2022

INTERNATIONAL

women's day

AFTERNOON TEA



**Ganbu Gulinj
Community Centre
55 Macedon Parade
Wollert**



2 - 3pm



**City of
Whittlesea**



Night Cleaners Part Time - required for Local School sites.

Work Entails:

Office & Classroom cleaning

Hygiene cleaning

Shifts are available from 3.30pm to 7.30pm Monday to Friday, with potential for additional hours for the right candidates. An hourly rate up to \$29.59 per hour exists for this position as well as an opportunity to join a reputable Global company.

Essential Criteria includes:

Demonstrated previous experience in Commercial Cleaning

Hold a Victorian Driver's License and reliable vehicle

Have strong attention to detail and organization skills

Consistency with processes and daily tasks

A keen eye for detail as well being physically fit to undertake a range of cleaning duties

A reliable work history and good customer service

Please send application clearly marked to:

Noor Shaik

Customer Service Manager- Cleaning Division

noorahmed.shaik@au.issworld.com

Phone Number- 0447 108 305

Pat Dalton

Operational Manager – Cleaning Division

pat.dalton@au.issworld.com



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- About Our Prep VIP Program
- Children are valued and respected as individuals and central to our programs. The programs we offer are developed in conjunction with educators, schools, the community, children, and families. They are critically reflected upon and evaluated to ensure we are providing positive experiences that are age-appropriate and extend every child.



HOLIDAY CARE



- From visits to the Melbourne Star, Adventure Park or to see Disney on Ice, to in-house days where children meet AFL stars, cook feasts or make movies; our choices are second to none! Our passion is in creating happy memories for children. Holiday Care with Big Childcare is known as being exceptional! We offer variety in our experiences, where children get to vote on where they want to go.... after all, It is their holidays!
- Vacation care bookings can be made via the Big Childcare website once a Xap enrolment has been complete this can also be done via our website.
- AUTUMN HOLIDAY BROCHURE COMING SOON.....

Enroll your child on Xap NOW



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Vets for Compassion
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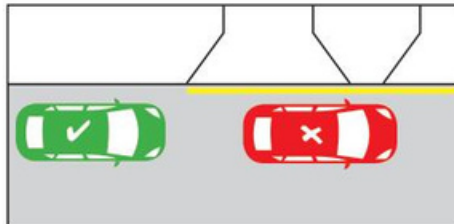
PARKING AND SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS

Speed



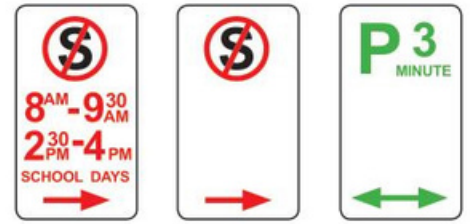
Look out for the reduced speed limit around schools and slow down to improve safety.

Yellow edge line



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

Parking/Stopping signage



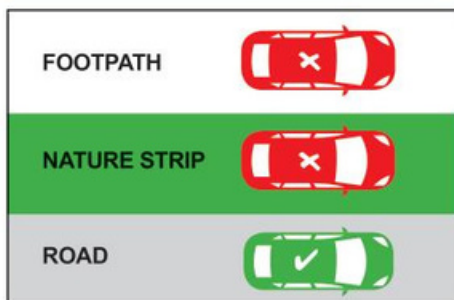
No stopping areas must be kept clear. If times/days are specified, restrictions are only applicable to the specified times/days. You cannot park in a P3 minute area for longer than three minutes.

School crossings



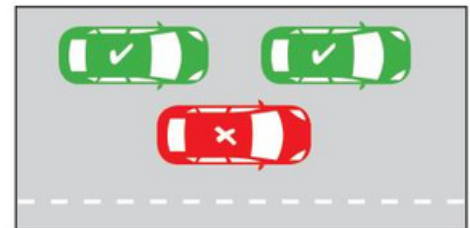
- Look out for flags and Crossing Supervisors
- You must stop for anyone waiting to cross, or who has started crossing
- Please remain stopped until the crossing is clear.

No parking on nature strips/footpaths



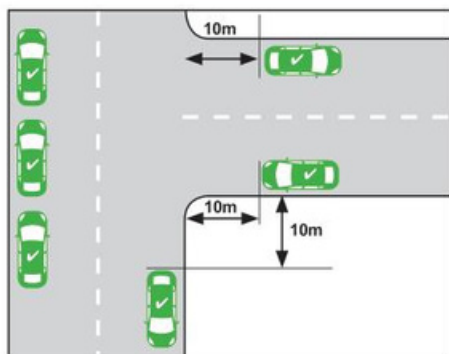
Parking is illegal on nature strips and footpaths.

Double parking



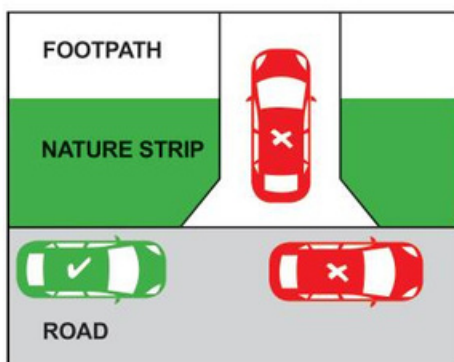
It is illegal to double park at any time. This affects the flow of traffic.

Within 10 metres of an intersection



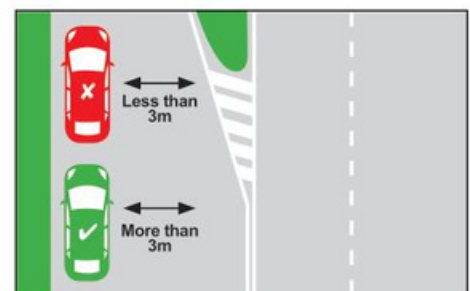
A driver must not stop with any part of their vehicle within 10 metres of an intersection unless signed otherwise.

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.

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.

Free Telephone Interpreter Service

العربية	9679 9871	Italiano	9679 9874	ਪੰਜਾਬੀ	9679 9879	Tiếng Việt	9679 9878
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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

Apply now!

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



**City of
Whittlesea**

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



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

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Mobile:** _____

Email address: _____

Do you have any experience working with children? If yes, please provide details:

Why do you want to work as a school crossing supervisor?

What do you know about being a school crossing supervisor?

Referees: Please provide the names and phone numbers of two (2) referees (cannot be family or friends). Please state briefly, the relationship with each referee (for example, your last employer, a supervisor, involvement in a community group, voluntary work, etc).

Name: _____ **Name:** _____

Phone: _____ **Phone:** _____

Relationship: _____ **Relationship:** _____

Employability skills

Barista & Cafe Operations

Gain the essential employability skills required to be successful in the hospitality industry.

No experience necessary as you will gain the skills that will prepare you to hit the ground running to fill the labour shortage currently advertised in the hospitality industry. This 3 week program includes:

- Hands on training in a cafe environment
- Connect with industry representatives and employment opportunities
- Workplace communication and conflict resolution
- Resume and interview preparation
- Industry specific OHS requirements

Pathways

Employment in the hospitality industry, education pathways.

Workforce Australia

This course counts towards Workforce Australia mutual obligation requirements.

Prace encourages individuals with disabilities to participate in our programs and activities. This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth Government funding. Prace TOID 4036

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Location

Shared Space Community Centre at Olivine by Mirvac, 995 Donnybrook Road, Donnybrook and Prace Mernda Campus 56 Schotters Rd, Mernda

Dates and duration

16 March - 3 April 2023
6 Sessions plus
2 x 5 hour industry placements

Days and hours

Mondays (Olivine) & Thursdays (Mernda)
9.30am to 2.30pm

Entry requirements

Enthusiastic and motivated individuals interested in hospitality work

Fees

Concession \$43
Full \$43
Plus \$10 Services fee

Enrolment

Call 9462 6077 or visit us at Merrilands Community Centre



This course is endorsed by Learn Local.



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