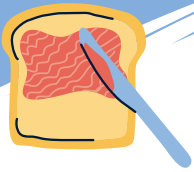


School Newsletter

Thursday 23rd March 2023



EDGARS CREEK
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Ph: 9407 7100 **Web:** <https://edgarscreekps.vic.edu.au>

Email: edgars.creek.ps@education.vic.gov.au

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY COURAGE CURIOSITY



WE NEED YOU!!! ECPS FUNDRAISER COMITTEE

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.

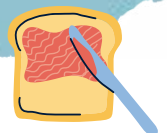
We are establishing an ECPS Fundraising Committee which will report to School Council regularly. Our goal is to raise funds for multiple projects/resources across the 2023 school year. This includes overseeing the organisation of our school raffles, Bunnings BBQs, special projects and our community events.

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.

Thank you Lendlease for supplying our staff with lunch for Harmony Day



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 3rd April

Year 5 excursion
Melbourne CBD

Wednesday 5th April

ECPS Fun Run

Thursday 6th April

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

Monday 24th April

First day of term 2

Tuesday 25th April

Anzac Day- No school

Newsletter Challenge

How many slices of **Toast** 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.

Harmony Day 2023



Harmony Day 2023



Thank You



Twista Bros

Kebabe Man

Flo'wn

Harringtons

YUM

Slushies are back in the canteen. They are on sale each day for \$2 each.



COMPETITION TIME NAME OUR CHICKENS



There is lots of chirping and excitement around ECPS. Our fuzzy friends are here to stay. We have one chicken per year group and each one needs a name. If you would like to help name the chickens please complete a form from the office and place it in our chicken competition box.

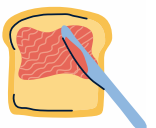
Winning entries will name our chicks, receive 50 Dojo points and are the first helpers with the chickens

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



Learning together for success.

Every day, Every minute Counts at ECPS

DAYS MISSED = YEARS LOST

A DAY HERE AND THERE DOESNT SEEM LIKE MUCH, BUT...

WHEN YOUR CHILD MISSES JUST...

1 day per fortnight



=



=

Over their school
life they miss over
1 year of school.

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS...

If your child
misses
10 mins
everyday.

=

That's 50 minutes
per week.
that's nearly 1 and
a half weeks per
year.

=

Over their school
life they miss
nearly half a year
of school.

WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHEN YOUR CHILD MISSES SCHOOL THEY MISS OPPORTUNITES TO...



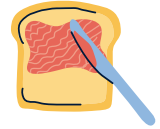
LEARN



**BUILD
FRIENDSHIPS**



**DEVELOP LIFE
SKILLS**



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.



Gastro

There is currently Gastro affecting all year levels across the school. Gastro symptoms are not limited to but may include:



- High temperature
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Stomach Cramps

To assist in the prevention of spreading any illness, ECPS encourages good hygiene practices including: **regular washing of hands, using hand Sanitiser before eating, washing hands with soap and water after the toilet, Not sharing food or water bottles and keeping your children home if they are unwell.**

We ask that parents assist in minimising transmission by not sending unwell children to school. It's the Department's policy that children who have had diarrhea and vomiting are NOT permitted at school 24 hours after their last loose bowel movement or vomit. Gastro is highly contagious and can easily spread.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's health, we advise that you seek medical advice from your family doctor. Please notify the school if your child is unwell.

Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact the school between 8:30 am and 4:00pm.

No Dogs Allowed

Here at ECPS we have a No Dogs Allowed policy. When picking up or dropping off children please keep in mind that we do not allow dogs on the school grounds at any time. We kindly ask that if you are bringing your dog for a walk please wait outside the school grounds with your dog.



ORDER 

Lunch Mums

Lunch orders are available **every Thursday**.

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.

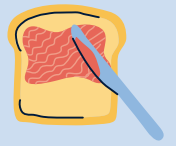
ECPS & Lunch Mums look forward to working with the school community in providing school lunches for your children.



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Sleep Benifits



While we know sleep is essential for good health, research shows that many children and young people are not getting enough sleep on school nights. This can affect thinking, concentration, memory, reaction times and mood. Research shows about 12% of primary school-aged children, a quarter of 12- to 15-year-olds and half of 16- to 17-year-olds don't get enough sleep on school nights. The recommended amount of time to sleep for primary school-aged children is **9 to 11 hours**. For teenagers, it's 8 to 10 hours.

Signs that your child is not getting enough sleep can include:

- low mood and irritability during social interactions
- Reluctance or arguing about getting off devices and going to bed
- Falling asleep during the day
- Difficulties waking up for school and sleeping in late on weekends to catch up
- Changes to communicating or interacting at home.



You can help your child to improve their sleep by:

- Establishing a regular sleep pattern and consistent bedtime routine
- Supporting them to avoid using electronic devices such as smartphones before going to bed and in bed
- Encouraging your child to exercise and spend time outside in daylight, steering clear of vigorous activity in the hour before sleep
- Encouraging them to wind down and relax before going to bed.

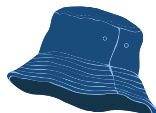
If your child is still having trouble sleeping, has persistent problems with low mood, excessive daytime sleepiness, restlessness in bed, severe snoring or waking unrefreshed, despite getting adequate length sleep, they should see a doctor.

For more information on sleep health, you can refer to: · Sleep tips for children and Facts about sleep for parents and school staff, from the Sleep Health Foundation · Why sleep is so important, from the Kids Helpline's · Sleep explained, from the Better Health Channel.

Year 5 and 6 Interschool Sport Fixture

A Teams

- Round 1 – 10th February
Away vs Al Sirat 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 MacKillop
- 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
- Round 4 – 3rd March
Home vs Marymede Catholic College
- Round 5 – 10th March
Home vs Epping Views Primary School
- Round 6 – 17th March
BYE
- Round 7 – 24th March
Home vs Epping Views PS
- Round 8 – 31st March
TBC

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.

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 collecting your child so we can have them in the office for you. On Fridays when we hold our weekly assembly advance notice to pick your child up is required. If you are needing to collect your child during break times, unfortunately our building are locked so there will be a wait.

School finishes at **3:15pm**, please ensure you have your child picked up by then. If that time isn't suitable for you, Afterschool care is available, please sign up below.

[Xap - An all-in-one childcare Management Platform](#)

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Everybody smiles in the
same language!



HAPPY
**Harmony
Day**

From Prep A





EDGARS CREEK
PRIMARY SCHOOL 4A

MEET YOUR YEAR 4 TEACHERS



Hi, my name is Con Sapardanis. I like to travel and I like being at the beach on a warm sunny day.

Hi my name is Jessica. My teaching philosophy is simple: if my students are having fun then that is when the best learning can happen. I consider myself a funny and bubbly person who loves to smile, make jokes and laugh (mostly at my own jokes!) I recently got married and we are currently building our dream home. I am a big fan of Marvel Comics so if you see me around, I'll always be up for a chat about the newest Marvel movie!

4C



4B



Hi my name is Ellen some of you may recognise me as I taught Prep at Edgars Creek Primary in 2021. I've been a teacher now for 8 years and I'm thrilled to be back in the classroom. I took a short hiatus to have a baby and now have a very busy one year old boy, Freddie. I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, playing tennis and gardening.

4C

"Hi, my name is Kristina I love teaching P.E and also being a part of the Year 4 team. I love being outdoors, in particular going for walks and runs. I also love reading non-fiction books out in the sun."

4D



Hello everyone! My name is Tenille and I am super excited to be a part of the ECPS community this year! I can't wait to meet you all. A fun fact about me is that I love collecting sneakers - you'll have to ask me just how many pairs I own!

ECPS School Tours



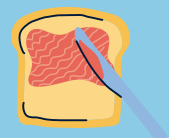
Tours will be held in Term Two.
These tours will provide the opportunity to view and learn about our school.

Tour Dates:
Thurs 4th May
Tues 9th May
Wed 10th May
Thurs 25th May
Thurs 15th June

Tours start at 10am and are approx. 45 minutes.
Tours leave from the School Office.



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
BOOK VIA



ecpstours2023.eventbrite.com

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXCELLENCE AND EFFORT

Home Group	Name	Award given...
6A	Muhsin	For showing the value of Responsibility in Numeracy by demonstrating new knowledge and skills, and applying it to his work.
6B	Isaiah	For demonstrating the school value of Courage when being an active participant during Harmony Day and dancing to the rhythm of the West African drums! You're amazing, Isaiah!
6C	Kristian	For showing the school value of respect and responsibility and being a wonderful role model to those around him. Keep up the great work, Kristian!
5A	Vansjot	For showing the school values of Responsibility in all Learning areas. Well done, Vansjot!
5B	Aahana	For showing the school value of curiosity. Always asking questions and taking interest into the deeper value of her learning tasks. Well done, Aahana! Keep up the great work!
5C	Mikaylah	For showing resilience and courage when completing learning tasks. Keep up the positive attitude, Mikaylah!
5D	Ranbir	For consistently demonstrating the Edgars Creek PS values and being a role model for others. Amazing effort Ranbir!
4A	Ioane	For demonstrating our school values and for being a good friend to others. Well done!
4B	Kaprice	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility by taking care of your belongings and making sure you are always set up ready to learn. Keep up the fantastic work, Kaprice!
4C	Dalveer	For showing resilience and persistence when working through tasks and completing them to the best of his ability. Well done, Dalveer!
4D	Mohid	For demonstrating the school value of Courage and Curiosity by settling into ECPS so bravely and participating in class discussions. It's great having you apart of our class, Mohid!
3A	Jagjot	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility. Jagjot is a fantastic helper in the classroom and is always offering his help and assistance to his teacher and peers. Keep up the amazing work Jagjot.
3B	Izzy	For demonstrating the school value of Courage during our NAPLAN tests! You have been so brave and are doing an awesome job with your learning. Keep up the great work, Izzy!
3C	Aashi	For demonstrating the school value of Courage, by performing a traditional dance in front of the class. I am so proud of your confidence and for always giving things a go!
3D	Ameer	For showing the school value of responsibility inside and outside the classroom. You are always on time, ready to learn with a big smile and positive attitude.
2A	Aadhya	For consistently showing all the school values of Respect, Courage, Curiosity and Responsibility. Well done, Aadhya!
2B	Tyler	For showing the school value of courage by coming to school every day and showing responsibility in his learning by having a growth mindset! Keep up the hard work Tyler!
2C	Sifti	For showing the school value of Courage and having a go at making a text-to-text connection with your Guided Reading book. Keep up the fantastic effort, Sifti!
2D	Noor	For displaying the school value of Courage when sharing her learning about Addition. Amazing effort Noor!
2E	Dominic	For sharing his knowledge on how to use place value to partition 3-digit numbers in multiple ways. Great work Dominic!
2F	Adam	For working really hard in Maths and confidently showing his learning about addition. Well done Adam!



ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXCELLENCE AND EFFORT

Home Group	Name	Award given...
1A	Parinaaz	For participating in Harmony Day and showing the school value of Courage when performing in front of others. Well done! You were amazing.
1B	Ayeza	For showing the school values of Courage and Respect during your first week at ECPS. You are a wonderful friend who shows enthusiasm and positivity towards your learning. Keep up the amazing work, Ayeza!
1C	Gizela	For showing the school value of Curiosity during Harmony Day. Well done Gizela on being open to learning something new and being so respectful during the Harmony Day performances. You are a STAR!
1D	Eknoordeep	For demonstrating the school value of Courage when participating in a Harmony Day performance. What a superstar! You are amazing, Eknoor!
1E	Stefhano	For consistently demonstrating school values in the learning space and in the yard. Well done on being an amazing role model. You're a superstar!
1F	Yagmur	For consistently demonstrating the school value of Courage during Writing by sounding out words on her own. Keep up the amazing work, Yagmur!
PA	Azlaan	For consistently trying his best in his learning and making amazing progress in his writing and Maths! You have improved so much since the start of the year, and I am so proud! Well done superstar!
PB	Shanvi	For showing the school value of Courage when enthusiastically participating in Harmony Day performances. Well done, Shanvi! Keep up the amazing work.
PC	Harsimarpreet	For always showing the school value of Respect and Responsibility. Well done on always trying your best when completing learning tasks and being kind to your peers!
PD	Omraj	For always trying his best at school! Omraj listens carefully and follows instructions. Keep up the great work, Omraj. You are a star!
PE	Jeremy	For always displaying wonderful manners throughout each day. You are very respectful towards your teammates and teachers. Keep on showing our school value of Respect. Well done superstar!
PF	Micah	For being a kind, caring, honest and curious member of the Prep Learning Community. You are always helping your peers and trying your best in all learning areas. Keep it up superstars!
Digital Technologies -Taylah	Lexie - PC	For demonstrating our school values and working hard during our Digital Technologies sessions about how to be safe with iPads. Well Done, Lexie!
Digital Technologies - Sue	Taha - 6A	For showing respect and taking responsibility in your learning. Well done, Taha!
Science - Jemma	Hassan - 3C	For showing curiosity and respect in Science this Term. Well done, Hassan! You're a star! Keep up the amazing work.
Performing Arts - Anita	Amen - 6A	For sharing your fantastic recorder skills with the class. Keep working hard! Well done!
Visual Arts - Kristy	Hukmanreet - 4D	For showing the values of responsibility and curiosity by always striving to make good choices and finishing artwork to a high standard. Keep up the good work!
Spanish- Yooky	Yug - 1B	For showing whole body listening and being an independent learner in Spanish class!
PE-Stuart David	Harriett - 2D	For always trying her very best in PE and demonstrating our value of respect.
Education Support- Lee	Amira - 2F	For showing the school value of courage and trying her hardest with her learning. Well done Amira!



👉 Welcoming Wellbeing 👈

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY AND SCREEN TIME!

Digital technology is part of life for most families, and it can be part of fun family time and play with your children. Model a healthy and balanced approach to screen use and show your children how to get the most out of technology.



Screen time and digital technology use are normal parts of life for most children.

The time your child spends watching TV and using computers, gaming consoles such as PlayStation or Xbox, smart toys, tablets and smartphones can be part of a healthy lifestyle.

It's all about making sure of these key things:

Children enjoy plenty of healthy, fun activities, both with and without screens, including physical activity, reading, creative play and social time with family and friends.

When children do use screens, they watch or use quality content and someone at home is monitoring the content being consumed.

Don't forget sleep! A healthy, balanced lifestyle for children includes enough good-quality sleep.

These questions can help you check whether your child is using screens and digital technology in a balanced and healthy way.

1. Is your child: sleeping enough?
2. physically healthy?
3. mentally and emotionally healthy?
4. engaged with school?
5. connecting socially with family and friends, online and offline?
6. enjoying a variety of hobbies and interests?
7. doing physical activity every day?
8. having fun and learning while using screens?
9. using quality content?

If you answer yes to most or all of these questions, your child is probably using digital technology in a balanced way as part of a healthy lifestyle.



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

KUWAIT



Next Friday
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

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.

A

DELUXE

DELUXE PACKAGE \$48.00



203x254mm (10x8")



203x254mm (10x8")



126x176mm (4)



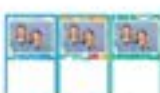
26x41mm (6)



38x135mm



82x127mm



38x63mm



63x87mm



package includes high res digital portrait image

B

VALUE

VALUE PACKAGE \$33.00



203x254mm (10x8")



126x176mm (2)



26x41mm (3)



38x135mm



82x127mm



38x63mm



package includes high res digital portrait image



C

REGULAR

REGULAR PACKAGE \$28.00



203x254mm (10x8")



126x176mm (2)



26x41mm (3)



package includes high res digital portrait image



D

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

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.

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

Check your order carefully, as refunds are not available for incorrect choice. No refunds are available once your portrait image has been downloaded. To find out more, please visit: www.advancedlife.com.au

CONTACT US

Contact us at www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

advancedlife
school photography & print specialists

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

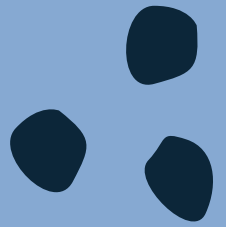
1. Complete the PARENT/CARER DETAILS section.

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.



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Soccajoeys Holiday Camp



Friday, 14th April
10AM - 3PM



TRAC Thomastown
Recreation & Aquatic
Centre, VIC 3074

Soccajoeys Holiday Program teaches your child valuable skills for life while having fun in a safe and nurturing environment. Led by qualified Soccajoeys coaches, the program includes soccer games, skill sessions drills, soccer tennis, soccer golf, and much more fun activities with the ball!

Call or email John to register:
0403 613 095 | melbournenorth@soccajoeys.com

\$70

Bilingual Storytime at Ganbu Gulinj

*in Hindi, Punjabi and Arabic

When: Every Monday 1-3pm
commencing Monday 20th March

Where: Ganbu Gulinj Community Centre
55 Macedon Parade, Wollert VIC 3750

Cost: Free, enjoy free coffee and hot chocolate

Email: ganbugulinjcc@whittlesea.vic.gov.au

Contact ph: 9404 8870



Come and join us in this fun-filled bilingual story time session with your children and grandchildren.

The session is about

- Connecting with your community,
- Children exploring books in multiple languages and
- Finding out about local family support services.

Kids First and City of Whittlesea practitioners are on-hand to provide information and support services to Children and Families.

*Facilitators in Hindi, Punjabi and Arabic



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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CHILDCARE



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT

O.S.H.C?

- 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





EASTER FEST



WEEK 1: 10 Apr 23 - 14 Apr '23

WEEK 2: 17 Apr 23 - 21 Apr '23



MON 10 APR | PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Big Childcare is offline today due to the public holiday. We're going to recharge, and we hope you get the chance to do the same with your family too, as 2023 is going to be a BIG year!



TUE 11 APR | EGGSTREME \$70

It's Easter time, so that can only mean one thing... Eggstreme fun! You can expect egg decoration, Easter themed games and of course a BIG easter egg hunt! So get Egg-cited for a day of chocolate fun!



WED 12 APR | FLIP OUT \$70 + \$35

We're off to climb, jump, grab and go at this incredible indoor play centre! Can you jump higher than your friends? Or will you make it across the Ninja warrior course? We'll see you at the top!



THU 13 APR | LEGO MASTERS \$70

You've seen the TV show, now it's over to you to become a true Lego Master! We'll learn about lego, and even watch some of the masters to inspire our BIG Lego challenge, will you win the title of master builder?



FRI 14 APR | MINI GOLF \$70 + \$30

Take a swing and putt for glory on this amazing themed golfing adventure! Whether you're a pro or beginner, anything can happen on this crazy course, this day out is always a 'hit' so we'll see you on the green!



MON 17 APR | HEALESVILLE SANCTUARY \$70 + \$35

On this day out, you have the chance to meet and get up close and personal with a whole range of Australian animals, from Dingos and Koalas to Kangaroos and Wombats. It's sure to be a 'wild' day out!



TUE 18 APR | MOVIES \$70 + \$30

Settle in the corns a poppin', the movies where the bus is stoppin'! The lights are dimmed, and the screen is set for a fun for all ages movie. Check with your centre manager to see what we'll be watching today



WED 19 APR | NAILED IT BAKE OFF \$70

It's time to get messy baking cakes! Sprinkles and icing galore! We'll be creating our own version of the TV show 'Nailed it'. See if you can bake the crazy cake creations and of course you get to take part in the taste test too!



THU 20 APR | LUNA PARK \$70 + \$45

It's our annual BIG day out to Luna park, and we have the whole park to ourselves! Ride the Scenic Railway, face the Twin Dragons or for the smaller ones hop on the carousel. Luna Park is always a favourite for everyone!



FRI 21 APR | DISNEY PJ PARTY \$70

Roll out of bed and rock up to Big Childcare, we're having fun in our PJ wear! This fun-filled slumber party is always a favourite with dance parties, competitions, party games and a chill out movie session too everything disney!





Edgars Creek

Address: 45 Macedon Parade, Wollert, VIC
 Phone: 0420 801 651
 Email: Edgarscreek@bigchildcare.com

Our school holiday programs are based on the children's interests. We predominantly travel by bus to our On Tour locations and do our best to meet all the needs of the children.

HOW TO ATTEND?



PROGRAM & PAYMENT DATES



2023 AUTUMN HOLIDAY CARE BOOKING FORM

EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL
 Address: 45 Macedon Parade, Wollert, VIC 3750
 Phone: 0420 151 651
 Email: Edgarscreek@bigchildcare.com



Please complete this booking form and submit it to our centre in person or by email.

1. ENROLMENT STATUS - Does your child attend a Big Childcare Service? Please tick the appropriate box.

Yes Proceed to section 2
 No Scan or click on QR code to enrol online. You must be enrolled for your booking to be accepted.

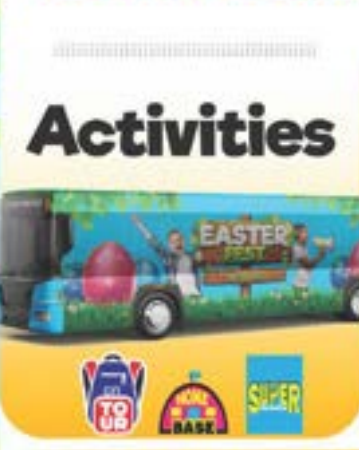
2. CHILDREN ATTENDING

	First Name	Last Name
CHILD #1		
CHILD #2		
CHILD #3		
CHILD #4		

3. DAYS/ ATTENDING - Please tick the corresponding checkbox for each child attending

CHILD #	Date	Program	Type	Base Fee	Activity Fee
	WEEK 1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday 10 April	NO SIGNAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday 11 April	Eggstreme 45 Macedon Parade, Wollert VIC 3750		\$70	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday 12 April	Flip Out 2/21 Elgar Rd, Dennington VIC 3606		\$70	+ \$30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday 13 April	Lego Masters 45 Macedon Parade, Wollert VIC 3750		\$70	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday 14 April	Mini Golf 606 Plenty Rd, Bundamba VIC 3083		\$70	+ \$30
	WEEK 2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday 17 April	Healesville Sanctuary Glen Eadie Ave, Healesville VIC 3777		\$70	+ \$30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday 18 April	Movies 415 McDonalds Rd, Mill Park VIC 3082		\$70	+ \$30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday 19 April	Nailed It Bake Off 45 Macedon Parade, Wollert VIC 3750		\$70	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday 20 April	Luna Park 18 Lower Esplanade, St Albans VIC 3187		\$70	+ \$40
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday 21 April	Disney PJ Party 45 Macedon Parade, Wollert VIC 3750		\$70	

HOLIDAY PROGRAM PREPARATION GUIDE



ON-TOUR ACTIVITIES will depart at approximately 8.30am unless otherwise specified.

What to wear?
 Children are encouraged to wear comfortable, weather appropriate clothing, with closed toe shoes.

Safety attire
 Every child is provided with a bright coloured Big Childcare vest with centre contact details attached. For water events, every child is provided with a Big Childcare rashie for protection and safety.

What to pack?
 Backpack, lunch, morning and afternoon tea, water bottle, hat, sunscreen, change of clothes. For water events, bring bathers, towel, plastic bag and change of clothes.

What NOT to pack?
 We strongly encourage children to leave valuables at home as Big Childcare will not be responsible for any loss or damage. We kindly ask that you do not provide your children with spending money.

Disclaimer
 Excursion locations may be subject to change. You will be notified via email or text when this happens.

SUPER INCURSIONS AND HOME-BASED ACTIVITIES:

You can arrive at any time within our opening hours during a Home Base day, or before a Super Incursion activity begins. Super Incursions are hosted by an external group, or involve resources booked for a specific experience. Themes can range from Build a Bear, Petting Zoo, Mobile Arcade, Cooking Class, Colour Run etc... You will be updated on any special items to bring on these days. Home Base days are hosted by the centre and include a variety of fun themes of current interest to children. There is no additional cost on a Home Base day.

Booking Changes

Changes
 If making a change to your booking you will need to do this by **Wednesday 5 April 2023**.

Cancellations
 Cancellations are not permitted during school holiday programs. Amendments to bookings will need to be made prior to the holiday program starting.

Refunds
 No cancellations or refunds are permitted during holiday care as staff, resources and/or venues and transportation have been secured based on your confirmed booking.

Health & Safety

Medical Plan
 If your child has a medical condition, you will need to provide medication(s) along with the relevant completed action plan before your child can attend. Medication must be in the original packaging, clearly labelled with the child's name. The packaging must also clearly state the dosage and be within the expiry date. Additionally, you must complete a medication consent form filled out at your centre. Please note that without clearly labelled medication and consent form, children will be unable to attend the holiday program. Please allow time to process this when enrolling and booking.

COVID-19 Safe
 Our service follows the advice mandated by the Department of Health and Department of Education. Our COVID-19 Safe Plan is available to view at the service.

2023 AUTUMN HOLIDAY CARE BOOKING FORM

EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL
 Address: 45 Macedon Parade, Wollert, VIC 3750
 Phone: 0420 151 651
 Email: Edgarscreek@bigchildcare.com



PARENT CONTACT

First name: _____ Surname: _____
 Best contact number: () personal () home () work _____
 Secondary contact number: () personal () home () work _____
 Enrolment Email Address: _____
 If you type and enrol, please enter the email that you will be using to enrol. Your booking confirmation and statements will be sent to this email.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have completely read and fully understood the following terms & conditions:

- I have a current / I have attached a copy of the Big Childcare enrolment form (in addition to the holiday booking form) and understand that my child cannot attend, unless all the details in this form have been completed.
- I acknowledge that if my child is prescribed with any medication to be administered at the service, that it is provided to staff before attendance, along with medical action plan, medication consent form and the risk minimisation and communication plans, completed in consultation with the centre manager.
- I understand that full payment on statements emailed to me upon the conclusion of each week's Holiday Program will be payable in arrears the following Monday.
- I understand there will be no refunds once my booking has been accepted and confirmed.
- I am aware that 'On Tour' and 'Super Incursions' will be an additional cost to the Home Base Price, as outlined in the brochure.
- I give permission for my children to be taken outside of the education and care service for all 'On Tour' activities I have authorised them to attend. Big Childcare determines means of travel, this predominantly is bus travel, seatbelts will be provided and required to wear as per jurisdictional regulation.
- I acknowledge the ratio of 1 educator to 15 children. I understand approximately 30 children attending the excursions there will be a minimum of 2 educators.
- Departure time away from the service will vary and is approximately between the hours of 8.30am to 3pm. Exact excursion departure and return times will be communicated closer to the excursion date.
- Risk assessments have been prepared in accordance with regulation 101 and I am aware they are available to view at the service.
- I understand that further information regarding the description of the proposed destinations and/or activities to be undertaken are available in the holiday program brochure. I understand that risk assessments, including but limited to 'On Tour' venues can be found on the parent table at the centre.
- I am aware that children are not allowed to make any purchases whilst on any excursion. I will not provide my children with extra money to spend unless specified by management.
- I understand my contact details may be provided to 'On Tour' venues in accordance with contact tracing. Services Victoria sign into venues and the Department of Health.
- I am aware that extra bookings can be made during the school holiday program, subject to availability.
- I have read and agreed to further terms and conditions outlined in BigChildcare.com/terms-conditions.
- I am aware that excursion locations and proposed activities may be subject to change, and I will be notified via email/text when this happens.

Parent / authorized guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Disclaimer: In order for bookings to be confirmed, you **MUST**
 1. be enrolled with Big Childcare.
 2. receive/booking confirmation from the centre manager.
 3. By filling out this document as a booking for your children on this form, you agree to the terms and conditions outlined in the brochure, and acknowledge the additional necessary subscriptions for you.



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Entered by: _____ Date: _____



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PARKING AND SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS

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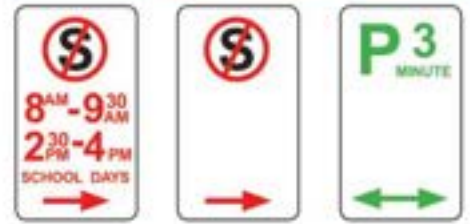
Look out for the reduced speed limit around schools and slow down to improve safety.

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



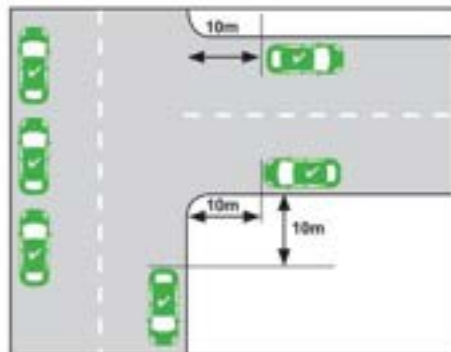
Parking is illegal on nature strips and footpaths.

Double parking



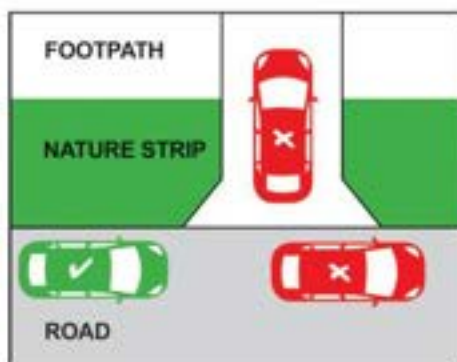
It is illegal to double park at any time. This affects the flow of traffic.

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 and 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

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हिंदी	9679 9879	简体中文	9679 9857

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- 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 (updated from 1/7/2022)
- Pro-rata sick leave
- Receive on-the-job training and uniform is provided
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- Join the City of Whittlesea's active social club and attend organised events
- Health & Wellbeing Programs available



TO APPLY visit the City of Whittlesea website 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 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:** _____

Grandmothers & Senior Women Morning Tea

Please bring your friends and share some tea and conversation!



29 March 10 am - 12 pm
5 April 10 am - 12 pm
12 April 10 am - 12 pm
19 April 10 am - 12 pm



**Ganbu Gulinj
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Wollert 3750

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