## School Newsletter Thursday 4th May 2023



EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## RESPONSIBILITY COURAGE CURIOSITY

## **Class of 2023 Tops**

Our Year 6 students have received their graduation shirts and they couldn't be happier. Just look at all their smiling faces! Thank you to all the parents who purchased a shirt. It's great to see them walking around the school with them on.



## Open DAY

#### Come and see your child's Learning Community at our Open Day! Wednesday 24th May

**2:30-3:15** Learning Spaces (home rooms and specialist buildings) are open for families to see their child learning.

**3:30-6:00** Learning Spaces will be open to see your child's work and the opportunity to have a chat about the learning program with the home group

and specialist teachers.

RESPECT



### Parents We Need Your Help

We have our **Bunnings BBQ** coming up on **Saturday 27th May** this is to help raise funds for our school. We are asking for help from parents. If you are available to volunteer your time on that day to help cook or serve the BBQ please contact Jess at the office on 9407 7100 or email edgars.creek.ps@education.vic.gov.au



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

**IMPORTANT DATES** 

Friday 5th May Progressive Reports on Compass

**Friday 5th May** Term 2 Interschool Sport commences for Year 5 & 6 students

**Thursday 11th May** Prep Students- Draw and Sip with Mum/Grandma/Aunty 2:30-3:15pm

**Tuesday 16th May** Smile Squad Permission forms due

Tuesday 16th May School Photos

Wednesday 24th May Open Day



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Wednesday 17th May District Cross Country Selected students from Year 3 to 6

Saturday 27th May Bunnings BBQ

Wednesday 7th June Student Free Day

**Monday 12th June** King's Birthday Public Holiday

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#### **School Photos**

A friendly reminder to all familes that school photos will be taking place on Tuesday 16th May. You can order your photo packs at www.advancedlife.com.au. Please ensure you enter our school code once logged in E3J TF4 MH4 followed by your child's name.

#### **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.

#### Safe Car Parking Near School





Our school has received a number of communications recently about safe car parking from concerned community members. A friendly reminder to our school community to please park appropriately and safely at school drop off and collection times. We appreciate your support in helping members of our local community to stay safe. A flyer explaining how to park safely near school is included in our weekly newsletters.

#### Egg Cartons



We are in need of empty egg cartons for eggs from our chickens. If you have any empty egg cartons can you please bring these to the office. We will collect the eggs from our chickens and then sell the eggs, but we need egg cartons.





This Friday is the Cinco de Mayo (5th of May). It is a day celebrating the Mexican unity spirit and culture in Pueblo Mexico and the United States. Therefore, in Spanish classes this week the students learnt about Cinco de Mayo (5th of May) and participated in different Cinco de Mayo activities, including designing their own sombreros (hats), tambourine craft, word searches, and Cinco de Mayo







#### LUNCH MUMS



AS OF TERM 2 WEEK 2 LUNCH MUMS WILL BE PROVIDING LUNCH ORDERS EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY FAMILIES are able to place orders via an online App "My School Connect". https://myschoolconnect.com.au/login Orders must be in by Tuesday 8am for Tuesday lunch orders and Thursday 8.00am for Thursday lunch orders. ECPS & Lunch Mums look forward to working with the school community in providing school lunches for your children

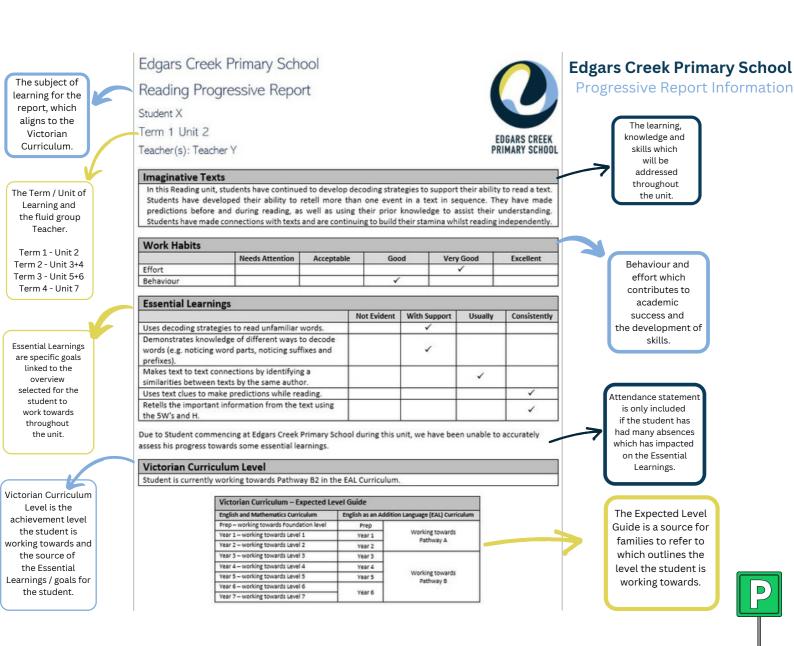
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# PROGRESSIVE

# REPORTS

## AVAILABLE ON COMPASS FRIDAY 5TH MAY BY 4PM

Progressive Reports have changed slightly, below is a break-down of what is included in a Progressive Report at Edgars Creek Primary School. If you have any questions, speak to your child's home group teacher.



EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL



#### Step One

Do you reside in the ECPS school zone\*? Check



Www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au

\*if you currently have children enrolled at ECPS, skip this step



## 2024 Prep Students Enrolments are OPEN!

Step Two

Complete an Expression of Interest Form



and the school will contact you regarding enrolment forms.



#### **Step Three** Interested in a school tour?

#### 10-10:45am

Thurs 4th May Tues 9th May Wed 10th May Thurs 25th May Thurs 15th June



Register at ecpstours2023.eventbrite.com



More information can be found on the school website edgarscreekps.vic.edu.au or by calling 9407 7100



# **Chicken Update**

Our chickens are almost ready to move to their new home. In the next two weeks our hens will be moving outside to their large enclosure as they now have all of their feathers. Our roosters will be leaving us to live full lives at a farm, as we cannot have them in suburbia (they are way too noisy!). Here are some recent pictures of our feathery friends.



Can you work out which ones are roosters and hens?

## **Mothers' Day Raffle**

Our Mothers' Day raffle is ready to go!!!!

Be sure to impress your mum with one of these beautiful gift packs. We have many prizes to be won. Enter our Mothers' Day raffle to be in the chance to win a Fiji camara, candles, perfume, beauty vouchers and many more beautiful packs.

Wondering how to enter? Children have been sent home with a sheet of tickets, Each sheet has 12 tickets and is \$5 per sheet. You'll need to add you or your child's name, phone number, and the home group your child is in.

If you would like to purchase more tickets, please see one of our friendly staff at the office. The raffel will be drawn Friday 12th May, just in time for Mothers' Day on Sunday 14th.



## Melbourne Writers Festival



On the 3rd of May, some of our high abilities students and others with a passion for writing from Year 5 & 6 went to the Melbourne Writer's Festival. We caught Public Transport and made our way to the State Library Victoria to listen, ask questions and be inspired by Children and Young Adult novel authors.

Lev Gossman - bestselling author of the Magicians triology. Sofie Laguna - award-winning author of The Glow. Marc McBride - illustrator of Deltora Quest and The Glow. Zana Fraillon - young adult author of The Raven's Song. Brenton McKenna - Graphic novelist of Ubby's Underdogs.

We were amazed at Marc McBride's live illustration of a monster in "The Glow". We were motivated by their insightful thoughts into finding inspiration, creativity, imagination and overcoming writer's block.

All of the authors shared their inspirations, many of them are inspired by pictures, everyday conversations, stories past down through generations, folklore and finding curious objects that makes them wonder about the world.







# Prep C News

This term in Inquiry Prep students are investigating different ways they can help keep their school wonderful, by using sustainable practices. Today Prep C explored their school environment.





Monday May 15th

This term, our Inquiry topic is titled *How Can I Care For Places?* Yarra Valley Water is providing a **free** 45 minute <u>Water Watchers</u> <u>incursion</u>, which aims to teach primary school students about <u>where water comes</u> <u>from, how people consume it</u>, and <u>why we all</u> <u>have a role to play in saving it</u>.

The Year 1 students will leave the session with an increased knowledge and understanding around water use, and a desire to join the Water Watchers in their mission to save the Earth's supply.



#### EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL 2A

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## MEET YOUR YEAR 2 TEAM FOR 2023

Hello ECPS community! My name is Andrea, and I am one of the Year 2 PLC Leaders. I have been teaching for 20 years, during which I have worked across all primary year levels. After all this time, I still love helping children become lifelong learners.

When I am not working, I enjoy cooking, reading, and going to the park with my three sons and husband. I love taking my children to visit their grandparents at the family farm and allowing them to explore country life. If you see me around the school, come and say hello

Hi Everyone! My name is Trish and I am very excited to continue to be a Learning Specialist at Edgars Creek Primary School. I love helping children succeed, grow and develop into enthusiastic, engaged learners. Outside of school, I love to dance and read. I' m also a massive fan of camels!

> Hi my name is Tammy. My favourite thing is to help children learn. When I'm not teaching, I love to spend time with my family.

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2 B

Hello everyone! My name is Vanessa, When I am not at school you will find me spending time with my family and friends, baking, snuggling up with my dog Mya or having an afternoon nap.



## MEET YOUR YEAR 2 TEAM FOR 2023

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Hi! My Name is Laura. Something you should know about me is I love swimming my favourite food is pizza.

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Hi everyone! My Name is Michaela. A fun fact about myself is that I love to read in my spare time and one of my favourite foods is pizza (with pineapple!).

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"Hi my name is Sweta. I' m so happy to be working with the Grade 2. When I' m not at school I love reading lots of novels and going for walks with my family and my dog."



## **SMILE SQUAD**

All children deserve a healthy smile, and the Smile Squad free school dental program is working hard to help make sure this happens.

Your child(ren) will soon receive a free dental pack to bring home. The dental pack contains a toothbrush, full sized toothpaste, and an oral health brochure. Please take the time to read the brochure. It's full of helpful hints and tips to help your whole family eat well, drink well and clean well – for life. Smile Squad water bottles are not dishwasher safe and must be handwashed.

#### Standard strength toothpaste

Smile Squad provides standard strength fluoride toothpaste that is generally used by ages six and over, unless recommended by a dental or trained health professional.
If your child is under six, please talk to a dental or trained health professional to find out if your child might benefit from using this toothpaste. You can also choose to put the toothpaste away until they turn six or give it to someone else in your family to use.

#### About Smile Squad

Smile Squad is a Victorian Government program that provides free dental care to all Victorian government primary and secondary school students.

We will let you know when Smile Squad will be coming to our school to provide dental examinations.

Visit the Smile Squad website at: www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au to learn more.

#### Supporting good oral Health in Your School

Are you looking for some additional oral health resources to support your school community? You can help families to understand the importance of good oral health by exploring and sharing the information in: A guide to supporting good oral health in schools. This guide is full of useful information and helpful tips on supporting good oral health for your school community.

#### Why Smile Squad is Important

The Smile Squad program provides free dental care to all primary, secondary and special school students enrolled in government schools across Victoria.

#### Do I need to attend my child's appointment?

No, you do not need to attend your child's appointment. If you do want to attend the appointment then we would contact you and arrange for an appointment inhouse at our community dental clinic at DPV Health.

The DPV Health Smile Squad look forward to seeing you soon.



# ECPS School Tours



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

> <u>Tour Dates:</u> 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

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Welcoming Wellbeing

## Dental Anxiety Tips For Children

Some children simply just fear going to the dentist. This may be due to a poor experience, an observation of a friend or family member, or something they have seen on a different platform. Here are some reasons why children may have dental anxiety and ways to deal with it to support your child in a successful visit. Smile Squad will be joining ECPS within the next few week, use some of these tips with your children prior if they are displaying some dental anxiety at home.

## What is dental anxiety?

It is the fear or stress surrounding a visit to the dentist. It may be specific to different procedures such as using tools like needles or drills and the sounds they may make. Unfortunately, this anxiety can lead to children avoiding attending check up appointments with the dentist as adults, leading to the need for help with oral care or the need for extensive treatment in later years. Most of the time, avoiding going to the dentist will compound or relieve the stress, though it may continue the cycle of avoiding the dentist in the future and lead to larger issues.

Dental anxiety may occur for many reasons, some factors that lead to dental anxiety may include: The memory of a previous painful experience,

The view or smell of a dental setting, Anxiety about the cost of appointments, The sight or feeling of steel dental instruments being used on their teeth, or inadequate preparation for the dentist appointment.

We can support children by helping them strengthen and develop different strategies and coping mechanisms when attending appointments.

## Some support strategies:

- Talk to your child about their dental procedure before attending the appointment even if it is just a simple check up.
- Answer any of your child's questions honestly, and try to explain the procedure using comforting and easy to understand language according to their age.
- Search for some images online of the dental setting so that children are familiar with what they might see, an office, a dental chair, a light, or some equipment that won't worry them
- You may like to organise something positive for after the appointment has been attended, such as playing your child's favourite game with them straight after, or watching their favourite movie.
- Avoid using dental treatment as a threat
- Encourage oral hygeine and sticking to a morning/night time routine as consistent as possible
- Allow your child to bring a comfort item or toy with them to the appointment
- · Find positive stories or games about the dentist
- Using positive reinforcement or giving oral care awards at home.





Teaching and reinforcing positive oral care habits including regular dental appointments and positive discussion around the dentist will help your child to understand that the dentist wants to help them keep their teeth healthy and clean and there is nothing to fear. If your child is experiencing some dental anxiety about any upcoming appointments, feel free to get into contact with the Wellbeing team at ECPS for some further support.

## **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXCELLENCE AND EFFORT**

Homo Group	Name	Award given		
Home Group				
6A	Mahnoor	For showing the school value of Responsibility by always completing her Numeracy tasks on time and to the best of her ability.		
6B	Tiamat	For spreading kindness and positivity in our home group and constantly demonstrating the amazing qualities of a good friend. Keep it up, Tiamat!		
6C	Aaron	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility by always being ready to learn and being a great role model to those around him.		
5A	Yasser	For showing the school values of Respect and Courage in all areas of learning. Keep up the good work Yasser!!		
5B	Jenna	For showing the school value of responsibility by asking deeper questions and applying herself to learning task. Well done, Jenna! Keep up the amazing work ethic!		
5C	Hamza	For showing the value of Respect towards everyone in the Year 5 Community and showing whole body listening during learning time. Well done, Hamza!		
5D	Linaz	For showing the school value of Responsibility in all areas.		
4A	Ambrose	For settling in really well into his new Learning Community and demonstrating the school values. Well done, Ambrose!		
4B	Ryan	For being a fantastic learner during literacy by thinking of interesting reasons and facts for your persuasive sentences. Keep up the great job, Ryan!		
4C	Ehab	For your amazing work in writing this week using persuasive devices and correctly structuring your paragraphs. Well done!		
4D	Eva-Jean	For demonstrating the school value of courage by being an enthusiastic learner and making a wonderful transition to ECPS. Keep up the great work, EJ!		
3A	Arda	For demonstrating the school value of Courage by participating in classroom discussions and sharing his ideas during our Inquiry lessons. You made some fantastic suggestions about what the words Technology, Design and Innovation mean to you. Keep up the amazing work Arda!		
3B	Prabhleen	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. Keep up the great work. Prabhleen!		
3C	Anhad	For demonstrating the school value of Courage by participating in classroom discussions. I am so impressed with how well you have worked with your classmates this term. Keep up the great work!		
3D	Jafar	For displaying the school value of respect by being polite to all your teachers and classmates. You are doing a fantastic job this term Jafar. Keep up the awesome work!		
2A	Aeden	For displaying the school value of Respect by listening and following classroom instructions and expectations. Well done, Aeden!		
2В	Issa	For showing Responsibility with his Ready to Learn plan and asking questions to help his learning. Keep it up!		
2C	Rikda	For trying his best in Write 2 Read lessons and thinking of words where the code 'g' says its second sound. Keep up the amazing effort Rikda!		
2D	Harriett	For working really hard in Reading, especially when making inferences about a book. Amazing effort Harriett!		
2E	Navraj	For enthusiastically expressing his opinions in Inquiry around changes in technology and how it has impacted us. Great work Navraj!		
2F	Senasha	For demonstrating the school value of Respect by listening, following instructions in the classroom and always being polite to your teachers and friends. Well done!		

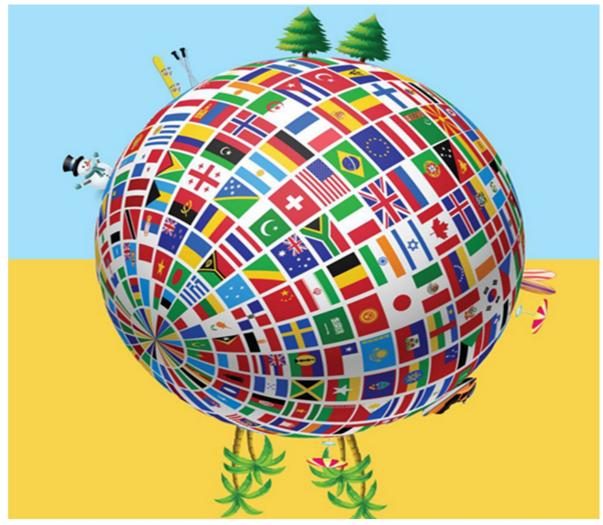


### **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT EXCELLENCE AND EFFORT**

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Home Group	Name	Award given
1A	Parinaaz	For your amazing work during Writing this term. Parinaaz has used her codes
18	Adam	For your outstanding efforts towards your learning this term! You have shown the school value of Courage when sharing your ideas as well as the school value of Responsibility by making great choices both inside and outside of our Learning Community. Adam, you're a superstar!
10	Noah	For demonstrating the school value of Curiosity in Mathematics. Well done Noah on not giving up when learning about multiplication! Keep it up!
1D	Hussein	For always being a responsible and organised member of 1D. Thank you for making sure we change our days of school display every day. Great work, Hussein!
1E	Raavi	For demonstrating personal responsibility by being ready to learn every morning. Well done Raavi!
1F	Ariana	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility by choosing a good fit spot on the floor during learning and always having your learning materials organised. Keep up the great work, Ariana!
PA	Sophia	For having courage to contribute to class discussions and always following the teacher's instructions. Well done superstar!
РВ	Shivaya	For trying his hardest to learn the letters of the alphabet. Your amazing at the letter S. Well done superstar!
PC	Namra	For demonstrating the school value of Courage when arriving to school and in her learning experiences. Well done Namra for trying new things and being brave! Keep up the amazing work!
PD	Adriana	For making a wonderful start to Term 2! Adriana has settled in well, displaying the school values of Respect and Responsibility. Well done Adriana, keep up the great work!
PE	Alvin	For showing the school value of Responsibility when being a learner. You are trying so hard with all of your work and I am so proud of you. Keep it up superstar!
PF	Elias	For displaying the school values Respect and Curiosity during learning by doing whole body listening and trying his best. Keep up the great work Elias!
Digital Technologies -Taylah	Mustafa- 5D	For demonstrating our school values during Digital Technologies by consistently working hard during our sessions about how to be safe online. Well Done, Musty!
Science - Jemma	Ved - 1E	For showing respect and curiosity in Science lesson each week. Well done, Ved! Keep up the amazing work!
Digital Technologies- Sue	Saharsh- 1C	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility and Respect by being an enthusiastic learner in Digital Technologies sessions. Keep up the great work!
Performing Arts - Anita	Claudia 3A	For your amazing work during drama lessons. You have been using the best facial expressions and slow motion movements ready for our assembly performance! Well done.
Visual Arts - Kristy	Andrew - 6C	For showing all the school values in Art class every week! Keep up the good work Andrew!
Spanish- Lily	Mariam - 1D	For showing the school value of Responsibility and being a great role model to her peers in Spanish class. Muy bien Mariam, you're a star!
Art - Sara	Naadir - 3D	For putting time and effort into his drawings. It is so wonderful to see you adding lots of details to your artwork. Well done, Naadir!
PE - Kristina	Armaan – PD	For being respectful towards his peers in PE and encouraging them to keep going.
PE – David	Xavier S-6B	For showing respect and a high level of leadership in PE
Education Support- Sravani	Adam -1B	For showing the school value of Responsibility of being a learner and following teacher's instructions. Keep up the good work Adam!



#### 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







## 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 <u>Click Here.</u> - 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 <u>Do Not</u> wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

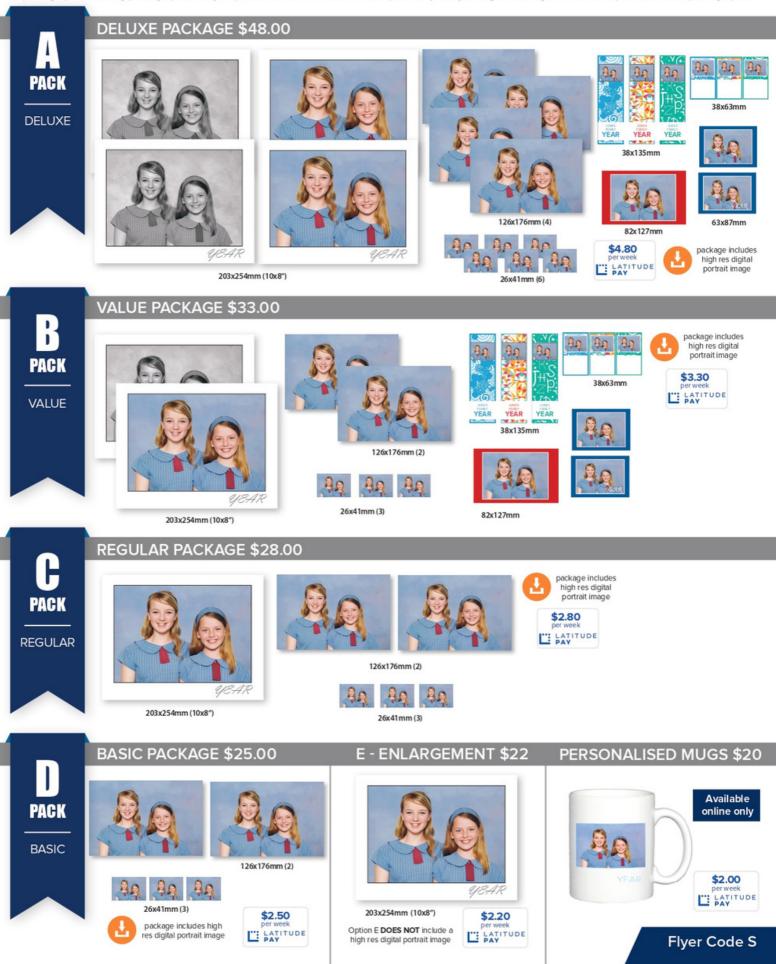
Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries regarding your child's school photo order. <u>info@advancedlifevic.com.au</u> or 03 9852 1133 Advancedlife Team

#### advancedife school photography & print specialists

LATITUDE PAY

<sup>2</sup>Shop now. Pay over 10 weeks. No interest. Ever.

**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.

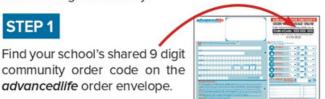


#### **HOW TO ORDER**

#### **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



#### 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.

advancedlife order envelope.



#### 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.

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#### **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



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

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

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

#### Student details

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

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

I understand that:

- · DFFH will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- · this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.

· I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and

Excursions Fund can be determined.

- · If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- · Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the DFFH and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

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

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



#### CSEF ELIGIBILITY

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

#### Criteria 1 – General eligibility

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### Special Consideration

A special consideration category exists for

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

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

#### **Eligibility Date**

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

#### PAYMENT AMOUNTS

#### CSEF payment amount

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

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

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

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

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

#### HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

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

1. Complete the PARENT/CARER DETAILS section.

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

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

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

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



- 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 ageappropriate and extend every child.





- 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





MELBOURNE | SYDNEY | PERTH | BRISBANE | ADELAIDE

Monday 1 May 2023

Dear Principal

#### Information about Child Care Subsidy Changes for OSHC Families

Please be advised that effective from Monday 10 July 2023, changes will be made to the way Services Australia calculates Child Care Subsidy (CCS) entitlements for your OSHC families. The good news is that child care will be cheaper for most families!

In summary:

- The maximum amount of CCS is increasing from 80% to 90% for families earning up to \$80,000.
  - If families earn over \$80,000, their CCS percentage will go down by 1% for each \$5,000 of income they earn. They will either get more subsidy or there will be no change to their entitlement.
- The income limit for CCS has increased to \$530,000.

Please <u>click here</u> to download an information sheet we will be sharing with all OSHC families today.

#### REQUESTED ACTION:

We would like to request you share this information sheet with your school community as well, just in case more families wish to use our service given the changes. If you could please place a copy in your newsletter or via your communication portal, we would be most grateful.

In most cases families will not need to do anything to get the increased subsidy rate if they are entitled. The changes should be applied automatically from 10 July 2023. Families should however check their income estimate and update it should their circumstances change.

Thank you for your support in sharing this information with your school community.

Yours sincerely

Ted Hatzakortzian CEO

## The POLICE WANT YOU Do you have CCTV

Do you want to partner with police to fight crime Victoria police are seeking people with CCTV to join a network of residents to form a camera net over your Community, for police to call upon to help fight crime.

All you need to do is register by emailing your Name, address, phone number and email to:

#### MERNDA-FILES-MGR@POLICE.VIC.GOV.AU TOGETHER, we will FIGHT CRIME For enquiries contact L/S/C VANDERLEEST at the above email.

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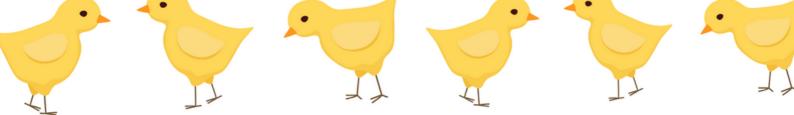
or fill out this form and return it to a police station near you.

Name:	
Str No:	
Str Name:	
Suburb:	
Phone number:	
Email:	

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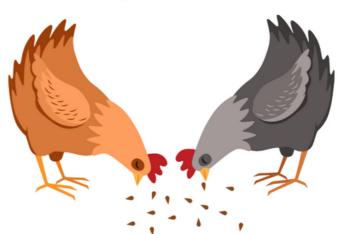




## **Chicken Names**

We had so much interest in our Chicken Naming competition. Look how many entries we had:





The winners of the chicken naming competition and the names they chose are:

Student Name	Year Group	ChicKen Name
Hargun	Prep C	Candy
JR	1A	Nugget
Khadija	2A	Pepsie
Anahi	3B	Lexie
Violet	4D	Marshmello
Ayaana	5A	Charchole
Anhad	6C	Laya

Thankyou to everyone who participated in our naming competition and congratulations to our winners. We look forward to caring for our chickens in the years to come.



# WHITTLESEA COMMUNITY NEWS

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## **Rugby League**

#### NOT JUST A CLUB BUT A FAMILY. A CLUB BUILT FROM PASSION!

Contact and non contact teams avalible

NO experiance necessary

Our season runs from April - August. Hume Eagles are apart of the Storm Junior League and play against all clubs across metro Melbourne. Our training nights are held on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** nights from **6pm-7pm**. Our club is growing fast but we still have plenty of room for more boys and girls of all ages and abilities all are welcome.



REGISTER AT PLAYRUGBYLEAUGE.COM

Contact us on: 0421 167 722 follow us on instagram and Facebook Hume Eagles Rugby League Club Hothlyn Drive Reserve, Craigieburn





Register Via The QR Code.



Join Us For Our Twilight Tours

> MONDAY 1st MAY 2023 Tours 5:30 Q&A 6:30

Every story will be different but, every story will be great!



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## COULD YOU FOSTER A CHILD?

We <u>URGENTLY</u> need Foster Carers in your area. Enquire now on how you can help change a child's life.

Can Foster.com.au | 1800 932 273



# Make a difference in your community.

### 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 (updated from 1/7/2022)
- Pro-rata sick leave
- Receive on-the-job training and uniform is provided

- Reduced price memberships available at Mill Park Leisure and Thomastown Recreation & Aquatic Centre
- Join the City of Whittlesea's active social club and attend organised events
- Health & Wellbeing Programs available

TO APPLY 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**

Relationship: \_

To be considered for this job you need to:

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

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

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

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	Mobile:
Email address:	
Do you have any experience working	g with children? If yes, please provide details:
Why do you want to work as a schoo	ol crossing supervisor?
What do you know about being a sch	nool crossing supervisor?
•	d phone numbers of two (2) referees (cannot be family or friends). n each referee (for example, your last employer, a supervisor, untary work, etc).
Name:	Name:
Phone:	Phone:

**Relationship**:

If you have any further questions, please contact our School Crossing Team on 9217 2508.



### PARKING AND SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS

Speed



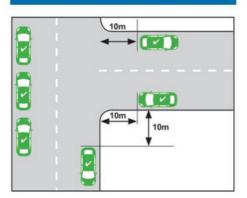
Look out for the reduced speed limit around schools and slow down to improve safety.

#### School crossings



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

#### Within 10 metres of an intersection



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

#### Yellow edge line

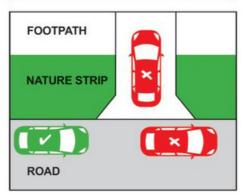


A driver must not stop on the side of a road marked with a yellow edge line.



Parking is illegal on nature strips and footpaths.

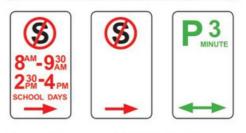
#### Stopping across driveways



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

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Ελληνικά	9679 9873	Македонски	9679 9875	தமிழ்	9679 9879	Other	9679 9879
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#### Parking/Stopping signage

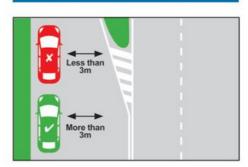


No stopping areas must be kept clear. If times/days are specified, restrictions are only applicable to the specified times/days. You cannot park in a P3 minute area for longer than three minutes.

# Double parking

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

#### 3 metre gap for signage



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

#### What can you do to stay safe

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