School Newsletter

Thursday 13th March 2025

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EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Harmony Day

Edgars Creek Primary School be celebrating Harmony
Day this Wednesday in 2025. Harmony Day is a
celebration that recognises our diversity and brings
together Australians from all different backgrounds.
Between 9:00am and 10:00am a Harmony Day parade
will be held in the gym. Student can wear their culture
clothes or orange during this parade. Between 3:30pm
and 5:30pm Food trucks will be serving food and drinks
(Please note there will be no alcohol allowed)
This event is \$11 there will be lots of Harmony Day
celebrations. Please make sure payment is made via
Compass if you have any issue please contact the office
on 9407100









IMPORTANT DATES

Every Friday from 14th February-22nd March Year 5/6
Interschool Sports

Wednesday 12th March-Monday 24th March Year 3 & 5 Naplan

Wednesday 12th Thursday 13th Friday 14th Monday 17th Tuesday 18th Wednesday 19th Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th

Teeth on Wheels will be running on the above dates

Wednesday 19th March Harmony Day

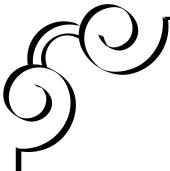
Friday 4th AprilEnd of Term School Finishes at 2:30pm

Wednesday 7th Thursday 8th Friday 9th May Mother's Day Stall

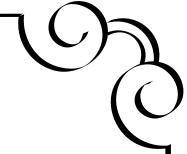
Tuesday 20th May School Photos

Newsletter Challenge!
How many times can you find picture of **School Bags**Write your answer and put it in the challenge box in the office. Winners drawn at assembly tomorrow.

Learning together for success.



PRINCIPAL MESSAGE



NAPLAN

NAPLAN for our Year 3 and 5 students commenced yesterday. We thank our well-prepared staff for assisting with the delivery of instructions and helping the students feel at ease. We wish them the best of luck for the remainder of the assessment period.

Traffic Around the School

The safety of our students and school community remains a top priority. We kindly remind all families to follow key road rules around the school to ensure a safe and smooth drop-off and pick-up experience.

Observe the 40km/h School Zone Speed Limit – Please slow down and drive with care during school zone hours.

No Double Parking

Double parking creates safety hazards by blocking visibility and increasing congestion. Please use designated parking areas and follow traffic flow guidelines.

Student Safety First – Remind children to use designated crossings and always exit vehicles on the curbside.

We continue to work closely with the Whittlesea Council to seek further support in managing traffic around the school. Your cooperation and patience make a big difference in keeping our students safe. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Wishing a Happy Holi

Wishing a joyful and colorful Holi to all those in our community who celebrate! May this festival bring happiness, togetherness and new beginnings for you and your loved ones. Enjoy the celebrations!

Warm Regards, Teresa Marnik Principal



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TERM 1 INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Year 5 and 6 students selected to represent our school in cricket, soccer and basketball will commence their weekly Interschool Sport competition this Friday 26th February. All students not named in these squads will participate in a weekly intraschool sport competition at ECPS



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SPORT		TEACHER	VENUE		
	Soccer boys and girls	Monique	school		
	Basketball boys and girls	Tayla	school		

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SPORT	TEACHER	VENUE
Soccer boys and girls	Payam	Duffy St reserve
Basketball boys and girls	Isabella	St Marys of the cross college
Cricket boys and girls	Tammy	NO GAME /PRACTICE HARD COURT 1

TEETH ON WHEELS

Teeth on Wheels has started this week, on **Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th, Friday 14th, Monday 17th, Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th, Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th** Teeth on wheels will be taking students who have filled out the forms for consent and sent them back. Teeth on wheels will be working around the specialist and NAPLAN timetable. If you have any questions, please contact the office on 94077100





NO PARKING AT GUNBU GULINJ

Ganbu Gulinj Community Centre has advised us that the parking area is designated for patrons of Ganbu Gulinj Community Centre, which serves Kinder staff, MCH clients, Council staff, and community hirers. We would greatly appreciate if you could communicate to staff and school families that the car park is for community centre patrons only, and not for school drop-offs, pick-ups, or teacher parking.

WELCOME OUR NEW IT

We would like to welcome out new IT Rukshan, Rukshan will be working on Wednesday all day if your child is needing their lpad connected please bring it up to the office and Rukshan will be sure to assist you.



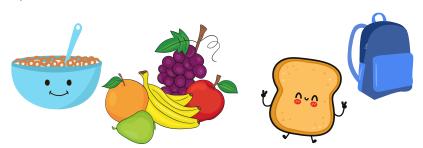
YEAR 6 VISUAL ARTS

This term, our Year 6 students have been exploring the world of colour value in Visual Arts. They have worked hard to develop their skills, focusing on the art of shading and creating realistic depth.

The students were given the exciting challenge of shading apples, through blending, layering, and careful attention to light and shadow, the students have made remarkable progress. It's clear that each student took great pride in their work. We are incredibly proud of the Year 6 students and their achievements in Visual Arts this term. Keep up the great work!

BREAKFAST CLUB

Just a reminder every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday our Teachers and ES love serving the children some warm toast, cereal, fruit and milk before they start their big day of learning. This is a free service we love doing for our students so please come down from 8.20am-8.45am





COMMUNITY HELPERS

in Prep B



In Prep we have been learning about many different Community Helpers such as Police Officers, Firefighters, Nurses and Crossing Guards. Through different activities we have learned about the important role they play in our community.





EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL'S

Harmony Day

WEDNESDAY MARCH 19TH 2025

Cultural performances for the whole school

\$11 per student

A day to celebrate the wonderful cultures that make ECPS!

Cultural Dress Parade.

Wear your culture's traditional clothing or wear the colour orange!

Food trucks from 3:30pm-5:30pm.
All welcome!

Live entertainment and snacks sold at the canteen at the family picnic!



Between 9:00am and 10:00am a Harmony Day parade will be held in the gym. Student can wear their culture clothes or orange during this parade

Between 3:30pm and 5:30pm food trucks will be serving food and drinks on our Basketball from 3:30pm until 5.30pm with vegetarian, gluten free and halal options available. Families are also welcome to bring your own food and drink. (Please note that no alcohol will be allowed)



Wednesday 7th, Thursday 8th, and Friday 9th May ECPS will be holding our Mothers Day stall. This will run over 3 days giving all student a chance to pick a present. Please note this will be CASH ONLY.

More information to come.









A warm welcome to all prospective families! School tours are now available – come and visit our learning environment and discover what makes our school special.

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Bookings can be made via the link below:

CLICK HERE TO BOOK A SPOT

For further information please visit our website **www. edgarscreekps.vic.edu.au** or contact our office on **9407 7100.**

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	Homegroup	Name	Week 7 - Award given
	6A	Reet	For showing the school value of Responsibility by always being ready to learn and preparing her school belongings.
	6B	EJ	For showing resilience and persistence when completing difficult tasks in Maths. So proud of you, EJ!
	6C	Taleb	For his exceptional use of figurative language in his writing, well done, Taleb!
	6D	Andrea	For demonstrating great initiative in your writing and continuously improving the quality of your work. It is wonderful to see you take ownership of your ideas and show dedication to refine your writing skills. Keep up the fantastic effort, Andrea!
	5A	Ali	For showing the school value of Courage when writing a narrative. You put so much thought and effort into your work and trying your best in all areas of learning. We are so proud of you!
	5B	Jesleen	For showing the school value of Respect and 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, Jesleen!
	5C	Abeer	For consistently following the school values and expectations and going out of your way to help others within the learning space. Keep up the amazing work, Abeer!
	5D	Liyana	For demonstrating the school value of Courage by participating in classroom discussions and sharing your ideas during our Inquiry lessons. Keep up the amazing work, Liyana!
	4A	Gurleen	For showing the school value of Responsibility within the Learning Community. You always demonstrate the expectations and take pride in your responsibilities. Keep up the amazing effort, Gurleen!
	4B	Nerthus	For showing the school values of Respect in all Learning areas. Well done, Nerthus!
	4C	Arda	For consistently demonstrating the school values of Respect and Courage. Arda, you bring a bright and bubbly attitude to every day. Your positivity is infectious, and we appreciate the way you support your peers in following routines and striving to be their best. Keep up the fantastic work!
	4D	Mia	For showing Courage by participating in new sports and sharing your learning. I can't wait to see what you do next! Keep up the great work Mia!
	4E	Shakshi	For demonstrating the school values of Respect and Responsibility in all areas of her learning. Shakshi, well done for always doing your best with everything you do and being a helpful member of 4E!
	4F	All of 4F	For showing all the school values each day and being such an incredible homegroup. I am so lucky to have been your teacher.
EIO	4G	Bharat	For showing the school value of responsibility. Bharat is always willing to help in the classroom. We appreciate your dedication to making the classroom a great place to learn! Well done, Bharat!

Homegroup	Name	Week 7 - Award given
ЗА	Sabriyyah	For consistently showing the school values of Respect and Responsibility. You always try your best at every task. We're so proud of you, well done Sabriyyah!
3B	Azzam	For showing the school values of Responsibility and Courage during NAPLAN this week. Well done Azzam on trying your best and being a responsible learner during NAPLAN. You are amazing!
3C	Shrihari	For showing the school value of Courage and Curiosity and trying your best when solving addition and subtraction problems in our Maths fluid group. Keep it up, Shrihari!
3D	Niroshan	For being a responsible learner and attempting new skills with a positive attitude. Well done, Niroshan.
3E	Kavya	For being a curious and responsible learner. You have been trying your best in your writing and your ideas are fantastic. You have included finger spaces and correct punctuation. Well done Kavya!
3F	Gurleen	For always showing the school values and trying her best with her learning. Keep it up, Gurleen!
2A	Jai Partap	For showing the school of Responsibility by making sure you are doing the right thing and being a role model for others. Keep up the hard work!
2B	Mehar	For trying his best in all learning areas and being so positive in our learning communities. Your motivation and can do attitude inspires everyone! Keep it up Mehar!
2C	Aaliyah	For showing the school value of Curiosity and Responsibility in Maths lessons. It has been great to see you working so hard learning new concepts. Well Done!
2D	Ina	For always displaying the school values in all learning areas. I love how you show Courage throughout your learning and never give up. I am so proud of you superstar! Keep it up Ina!
2E	Layan	For showing the school value of Courage and settling in so well to her new school. Keep up the great effort Layan!
2F	Anvi	For always displaying the school values of Respect and Responsibility in all learning areas. Well done, Anvi!



	Homegroup	Name	Week 7 - Award given
	1A	Kiyaan	For being such a kind member of our Learning Community and always wanting to help your friends. Well done, Kiyaan!
	1B	Gurneet	For showing the school values of Respect and Responsibility for your learning by choosing a good fit spot to learn and asking clarifying questions. Well done, Gurneet!
	1C	Viraaj	For always showing the school value of Respect to his teachers and peers in his learning space and in the school yard. You should be so proud of yourself, Viraaj!
	1D	Shivanya	For being such a respectful and considerate member of 1D. You are always so kind to your peers and are willing to celebrate other's achievements. You're a superstar, Shivanya! You should be so proud of yourself.
	1E	Megan	For always showing kindness towards others and enthusiasm towards your learning. We are so lucky to have you in our Learning Community, superstar Megan!
	1F	Blake	For always helping others in the classroom from helping them with their work to helping them pack their bags. Well done Blake, keep up the good work!
4	Prep A	Matthew	For showing Courage by coming to school and trying new things every day. Well done Matthew, we are proud of your efforts and resilience!
	Prep B	Samrath	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility. Well done for being an honest and caring member of the Learning Community. It has been wonderful to see you try your best in everything you do. Keep up the wonderful work, Samrath!
	Prep C	Kultej	For showing the school values of Respect and Responsibility. You always help others, listen to the teachers and show that you are ready to learn. You are such a wonderful role model to your peers. I am so proud of you. Keep it up superstar!
	Prep D	Lorenzo	For demonstrating the school value of Responsibility by being ready to learn. It has been wonderful to see you settle into the school routine and know what you need to do. You are a superstar, Lorenzo!
	Prep E	Adriel	For showing the school value of Courage in all learning areas. It has been wonderful to see you be brave and try your best when learning something new. Keep up the amazing work, Adriel!
	Prep F	Rabab	For being a kind and helpful member of the Prep Learning Community. We love how you have been offering to help other students with their learning and in the yard. Keep spreading this kindness, Rabab!

Specialist	Name and Homegroup	Week 7 - Award given
STEM - Sue	Ranveer-2B	For showing the school values in STEM by. You have been putting a lot of effort in working as a team to build a tower. Keep up the amazing work superstar!
Science - Binny	Yalsu- 4E	Well done, Yalsu, for demonstrating the school values of Respect and Responsibility in all Science lessons by actively listening and participating in class discussions.
Science – Jemma	Sarah - PF	For always showing Respect and Responsibility in Science lessons. Thank you for being a superstar helper, Sarah! Keep up the amazing work!
Spanish - Lily	Avni - 3E	For always showing our school values in Spanish classes. You always do your best and help others. ¡Eres una super estrella!
Spanish - Anita	Aaron - 1D	For trying your best during all Spanish lessons. I am always very impressed with your valuable contributions. Well done on practising your counting this week! Keep up the great work!
The Arts - Kristy	Sofia - PF	For showing the all the school values in Visual Arts every week. It is amazing to see how much effort you put into completing your tasks! Keep up the good work Sofia!
PE – David	Harper -2D	For her respectful and positive attitude in PE
PE - Todd	Anvi - 2F	For always being respectful in PE and trying your best when rolling at your target. Well done, Anvi!
Oral Language- Sweta	Mubasher- 1E	For showing commitment to your learning and not giving up. Keep up the good work. Mubasher!
Education Support - Amanda	Shivaya 2F	For showing the school value of Courage and trying his best when decode words during guided reading. Keep up the great work Shivaya!
TLI - Carla	Waris 4G	For showing the school value of Curiosity by thinking outside of the box when making predictions in Reading. Well done Waris!!





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:

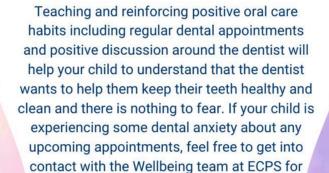
The memory of a previous painful experience,

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.



some further support.



Celebrating Our Multicultural School Community Everyone is welcome at Edgars Creek Primary School!



WHERE IN THE WORLD HAVE OUR FAMILIES COME FROM?

We are extremely proud of our multi-cultural community at ECPS! The families that are part of our school have come from many different countries.

Throughout 2024, we are acknowledging the geographical location of a new country each week during our school assembly. A dot is added to each country as we have acknowledged it.

This week's country is Poland





2025 • TERM 1 Registrations

NOW OPEN

MILL PARK STADIUM

WEDNESDAYS 4.00pm = 5.00pm

12 February 2025

19 February 2025

26 February 2025

5 March 2025

12 March 2025

19 March 2025

26 March 2025

EDGARS CREEK PS

TUESDAYS 3.30pm = 4.30pm

11 February 2025

18 February 2025

25 February 2025

4 March 2025

11 March 2025

18 March 2025

25 March 2025



NEW PARTICIPANT PACK INCLUDES A PERSONALISED SINGLET AND BASKETBALL



LEAD COACH: LUKE EGAN



COST: \$145 NEW PARTICIPANTS \$100 RETURNING PARTICIPANTS



Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter

Edgars Creek Primary School





11/03/2025

Your OSHC.



A message from your Coordinator

Hello all.

I would like to express my gratitude and joy that I have the opportunity to care for your children, as well as supporting them through their learning and growth.

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been focusing on planned experiences/activities on KINDNESS and what this looks like within our words and actions. All the children have engaged well through out experiences and daily conversations. I am extremely proud of the children's participation and willingness to learn.

We have a lot of fun things planned in the coming weeks.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly at 0432 311 902.

Warm Regards, Bianca.

Activities coming up

We are currently enjoying a week full of physical activity and sports.

- Special Olympics World Games (10th -14th March)
- Holi (14th March)
- Autumn (17th-21st march)
- Creative (24th -28th March)

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

Book now

A social space that inspires your child and their friends to try new experiences? Discover Your OSHC by Camp Australia. Find out more: https://campaustralia.com.au/your-oshc.

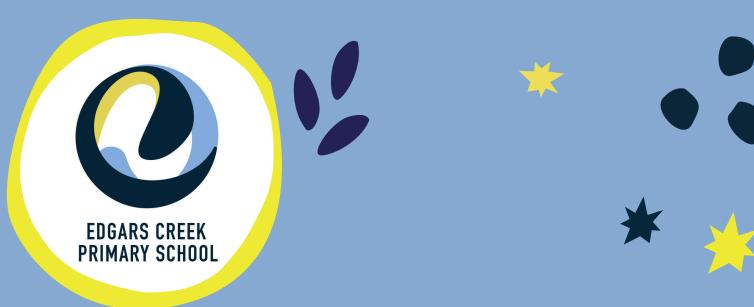
Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at <u>pp.campaustralia.com.au</u> or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.

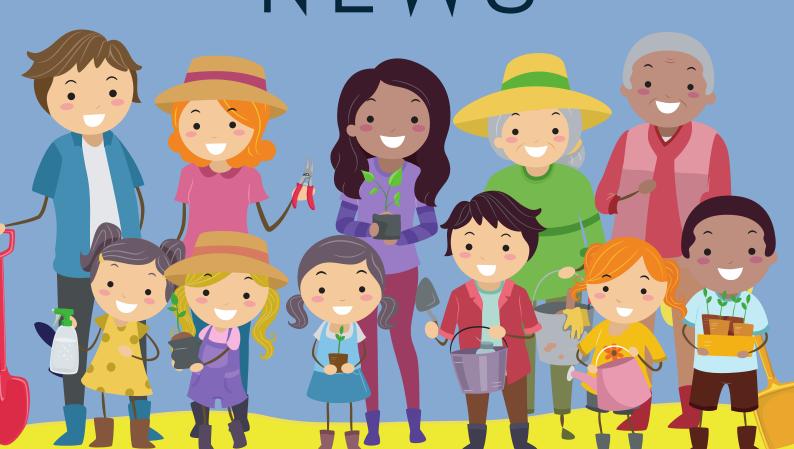








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FUN AWAITS! YOUR AUTUMN

YOUR AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Edgars Creek Primary School

Address: 45 Macedon Parade WOLLERT VIC 3750

Mon 07 Apr Special Event: LEGO® Masters Training Day

This is it - your ticket to LEGO masterdom starts here! With special video guidance from Brickman, sharpen your building skills and tackle an epic build challenge.

Full Fee \$87.00 | After Max. CCS* \$8.70



Tue 08 Apr Big Art Day: Eco Masterpieces

Everyone's favourite day is back - and it's time to think BIG! Transform recycled materials into spectacular sculptures. Robots, animals, or wild inventions—the only limit is your imagination.

Full Fee \$65.00 | After Max. CCS* \$6.50



Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

Wed 09 Apr

Project: Day Dreamers

Grab your PJs and join us for the ultimate feelgood day! Build a teddy with a recorded message, make yummy banana sushi and take part in wellness activities. It's a cosy, happy adventure to remember!

Full Fee \$87.00 | After Max. CCS* \$8.70



Thu 10 Apr Adventure: Aussie Rules Road to Glory with No Limit Sports

Get ready for non-stop footy fun! This actionpacked program with No Limit Sports will have you kicking, handballing, and sprinting through exciting drills, skill challenges, and mini games with expert coaches. Bring your A-game and get ready!

Full Fee \$115.50 | After Max. CCS* \$11.55



Fri 11 Apr Operation: Hop, Skip, Play!

Get ready to jump into a day of fun and games! From bouncing challenges to creative activities, it's all about movement, laughter, and creativity no bunny business, just pure fun!

Full Fee \$65.00 | After Max. CCS* \$6.50



Base Camp Day

Mon 14 Apr Project: Super Hero Academy

Swing into action! Build your own Bolt Blaster, craft Spider-Man masks, and join an epic Super Hero treasure hunt to help the masked heroes save the world from a powerful villain!

Full Fee \$110.60 | After Max. CCS* \$11.06



Project Incursion

Tue 15 Apr Operation: Explore your Values

Today, we'll be exploring the values that connect us. Your Base Camp will have meaningful and creative activities that will help us discover how our values help shape our understanding of history, community, and the world around us.

Full Fee \$65.00 | After Max. CCS* \$6.50



Base Camp Day

Wed 16 Apr **Experience Takeover: Move & Groove Challenge**

Get ready to dance, dress up, and take on the ultimate challenge! Learn your favourite dance moves, recreate viral trends, and bring the fun to life with exciting dress-up challenges. Strike a pose and own the stage!

Full Fee \$93.38 | After Max. CCS* \$9.34



Thu 17 Apr Adventure: Walking on Air! at Inflatable World

Jump with joy, literally! Bounce off walls, go down the slides and make your way through obstacles as you experience this MEGA inflatable land where everything is filled with air for a fun affair!

Full Fee \$115.00 | After Max. CCS* \$11.50





Make a DATE, Grab a MATE and Come CREATE!

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