Happy Travels
Mrs. Clark, we will miss you.

In this, my very last newsletter, I think back over my career and more particularly, over my tenure at Edwardstown. I reflect upon all the things I have enjoyed most about the community; the friendliness, families feeling well connected to the school, hardworking and highly professional teachers, smiling students who happily run into classes each day, the camaraderie, and the genuine sense of fun that percolates through the school. I then think of the changes that have happened and the very strong contemporary methods that teachers use to engage your children and to stretch their learning. I leave with a strong sense of satisfaction that this is truly a school that caters for all learners and gets the best out of every child.

I thank the Edwardstown Primary School community; students, parents and staff for their friendliness and willingness to make EPS a high performing and exciting learning community, and wish you well for this continued journey with the highly accomplished Kathy Papps leading the way.

Many thanks, Suzanne

FRIDAY WE HAD A FAREWELL ASSEMBLY WHICH WAS A RECOGNITION OF THE IMPACT MRS CLARK HAS HAD AT EPS

DATES TO REMEMBER

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CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL APP INFO STRAWBERRY FAIR – SUNDAY NOVEMBER 6

FRIDAY, APRIL 15th – 2.10PM DISMISSAL, CASUAL CLOTHES DAY – 50C DONATION

PUPIL FREE DAY MONDAY, MAY 2nd Contact OSHC on 82938253 for bookings
FUNDRAISING NEWS

Books will be sent home to every family in Term 2. A note has been sent home with an ‘opt out’ option so that you will not receive a book. You can also notify the Front Office on 82932753.

Edwardstown Primary School

Contact: Judy Fitzpatrick    Phone: 0882932753
Email: judy.fitzpatrick239@schools.sa.edu.au

To order your Book or your Digital Membership securely online visit: www.entbook.com.au/161e373

Alternatively, please complete your details below and return to: Maria Street MELROSE PARK SA 5039

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Not sure which Membership to buy? Try the Digital Membership. The Entertainment Guarantee: if you change your mind, you can swap your Membership over, no questions asked!

For more information go to www.entertainmentbook.com.au

Pop in to the Front Office and flick through the book on display at the reception desk.
Your family and friends are welcome to purchase through our school.

MOTHER'S DAY SHOP

Mother's Day is Sunday, 8th May this year and our Mother's Day Shop will be open for business!
Vouchers are great value at $6 to buy a nice little present for Mum, Nanna or someone special.
There will be some fantastic items to choose from so don't miss out.

Vouchers will be available to purchase from Thurs April 7th until Fri April 15th (last day of term 1)
Every morning between 8.30-8.50am from the stand in the foyer (by the bookroom)
The shop will be open on Thursday 5th May
Thank you, Fundraising Committee.
PETANQUE

Last Thursday night a group of our Year 7 students went to the Unley Park Pétanque Club for the interschool Pétanque competition. This has always been a really popular event for our students, but this year each school could only enter 2 teams, so we restricted it to Year 7’s.

Thanks to Sophia, Tabitha, Tattiara, Hayden, Lachlan R, Minajul, Noah and Theodore who played really well and showed excellent sportsmanship the whole night. Some of our games came down to the last ‘boule’, which made it very exciting.

In between ends, everyone enjoyed a free sausage sizzle.

There was a great atmosphere amongst all students who were keen to show their best skills!

The winning schools were Paringa Park Primary and Trinity College Gawler.

‘Bravo’ and ‘Merci’ to these students their family members who came and supported. Madam Empen

SPORT NEWS

Term 2 Triskills and Hockey Sessions – Sporting Schools Grant

Rooms 4, 5, 6 and 7 will have 4 sessions of Triskills gymnastics on 9/6, 17/6, 24/6 and 1/7. There is no cost to parents as the payment is coming out of the Sporting Schools Grant. The students will need to wear shorts, leggings or loose pants and long hair will need to be in a ponytail or plait for these sessions.

Rooms 13, 14, 15 and 16 will have 4 sessions of Hockey on 20/5, 27/5, 3/6 and 17/6. There is no cost to parents as the payment is coming out of the Sporting Schools Grant.

Rooms 8, 9, 10, 11, 18, 19 and 20 will have their Sporting Schools activity in Term 3.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Thank you...

A BIG thank you to Narelle Burns and Jo Laird for their help in making sure the photo morning ran so smoothly and to plan. Much appreciated.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

Congratulations to Amber W, Violet A, Lily F, Shane R, Tyler R, Katelyn R, Hannah F, Olivia W, Addison G, Connor G, Claire S and Luka J who have all walked 10 walks. They will all receive a voucher which enables them a free ice block from the office any lunch time. Well done!

At the end of Term 1, thank you so much to all our volunteer parents in driving our busses. Without your help our busses would be in the shed. At assembly this Friday we will draw the raffle for a regular walker to receive the Term prize which is a $10 voucher from Big W.

Next term we are hoping to find an adult who may be able to walk from the Southern area – usually they meet at the Jose St playground but at the moment this bus isn’t moving. Please come and see me if you can help.

Well done to all our walkers and thank you again to our helpers.

Judy Fitzpatrick
STRAWBERRY FAIR NEWS.....

Having a clean out during the holidays or clearing out old season clothes? The Strawberry Fair will have a Second hand clothes, shoes handbags etc

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CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICES

There WILL be practice on Thursday this week. Thanks, Sue Boggiano

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CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS FORM

Name: ___________________________  email address: ___________________________

PLEASE RETURN TO THE FRONT OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

OUR SCHOOL WEB ADDRESS IS: www.edwardps.sa.edu.au  Our school newsletters are always available on this website

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PARENT FEEDBACK

I WANT TO KNOW....

Your views are important to us! Please send an email to Suzanne.Clark516@schools.sa.edu.au to ensure that we understand your views.

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UNIFORM SHOP NEWS – Tuesdays and Fridays

In 2016 our Uniform Shop will be open on Tuesdays (not Wednesdays) and Friday mornings. If you aren’t free those mornings, please feel free to pop in and grab an order form. It will be processed and left at the Front Office for collection anytime during school office hours.

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EXCITING WAY TO CONNECT – SKOOLBAG APP

DON’T MISS OUT ON SOMETHING......SIMPLE AND GREAT WAY TO BE IN TOUCH......please read on.

The Skoolbag App is able to give you instant notifications and is an easy means of accessing our regular newsletters. The Smartphones App, for both Android, iPhones and now Windows 8.1 and Windows 10 see below. The app is able to push out urgent messages and reminders and connect with our website and newsletter. The App can be downloaded from the App store (iphones) Google store (android) and Windows store (Win8.1 phones) App store and Google store are listed under the school name. See note below about Windows phones. This App is free to parents, the school pays to set up and maintain the App. When installing, please make sure you allow push notifications because this enables us to get messages to you in the fastest way possible.

NEW Skoolbag is now available for Windows 8.1 phones or Windows 10 tablets/laptop. Look up Skoolbag in the Windows store and install it. Once installed you can find the school Edwardstown Primary, then pin it to your home screen.

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FINANCE NEWS

IMPORTANT ONLINE PAYMENT CHANGES

As you would be aware from previous newsletters, we have a new online payment system which is now up and running. This new system replaces Bizgate payments made to either the school or OSHC/Vac.

Head to the EPS website and click on the "Pay Your Fees Online" tab. When in here, please take a moment to print and keep the instructions (which are very simple). You can see that the school and OSHC/Vac have 2 SEPARATE BUTTONS on which to click to make payments.

Two important instructions are:-

- Instruction No 3 - Enter your Family name. On the payment screen FAMILY NAME = your name (the person making payment).
- Instruction No 4 - Enter the Description/Invoice No/Student Name. On the payment screen = the description or invoice no. of the payment PLUS your STUDENT’S LAST NAME.

The information above will ensure your payment is allocated to the correct child/invoice to be paid. It is a very simple system which accepts both Visa and MasterCard. Please see our Finance staff if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Glenys de Wit and Jen Goodman
**AFTER SCHOOL SPORT NEWS**

**NETBALL**
Dear netballers, just to let you all know that school netball will start on Saturday 14th May.

*We have 5 teams* this year, a Year 2, Year 3, Year 4/5, Year 6/7 and a Year 7 team. Thank you to those parents who have put their hand up to coach and organise our teams. They will be in touch with you soon regarding teams and organisation.

*Training will start* Week 1 next term, Year 2’s will train on Wednesday nights after school, Year 3’s, Year 6/7 and the Year 7 team will all train on Thursday night after school. The Year 4/5 team will train Monday night after school but they will start in Week 2.

*Please help your coach* by helping or offering to help in any way parents can as we are all together on this to allow our students to enjoy and be a part of school netball.

We also have *sports shirts* which we are hoping our netballers will wear on Saturday mornings – they will look great as a team. These shirts will be available soon from the uniform shop for $20.00 per shirt. If your netballer bought one last year, then they are already organised.

Please contact one of us, or your coach if you have any questions about school netball.

*Thanks Judy Fitzpatrick and Larni Riley-Bell (school netball co-ordinators)*

**WINTER SPORTS – SOCCER AND NETBALL**
Players have received their payment forms at our Winter sport meeting last week. Can parents please pay the fee at the front office so teams can be sorted. Late payment may mean that your child misses out. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

**BASKETBALL**
*www.marion.basketball.com.au*
Term 1 Basketball Wrap Up from EPS 1/2 Blue Team
EPS 1/2 Blue team returned to winning form, defeating Stella Maris(1) 11-0 on 1 April. They kept the winning vibe and steamrolled in to another victory in their last game for Term 1, overpowering St Marys (2) 19 pts to Nil. The coaches are extremely proud of you all, especially for the way you have all worked together as a team. So, we trust that each team member is proud of their achievements too.

We thank you all for your efforts and look forward to see you back on the court soon.

A special thank you to the coaches, and parents for your ongoing support of school sports.

**VOLLEYBALL NEWS –**
EPS Turquoise 4/5 team played well in their first grand final. Unfortunately going down to St Theresa's, but still took home a silver medal. The second one for our school in this competition.

EPS Saphire (6/7 team) won their play off for third place.

EPS Gold defeated EPS Titanium in their play off.

Well done to all players. It’s been a great term of improvement.

Do you have a keen volleyballer? We always welcome new players. Contact Karola.laventure@gmail.com.au to join in the fun.

*Kind Regards, Karola & Dominic Laventure*  Mob: 0409 114 043 (Karola)

**C Grade Gold Cricket Team**
**SCHOOL FEES 2016**

**School Card**
Are you the holder of a Pensioner Concession Card or Health Care Card? Are you having financial difficulty at present, or has your financial situation changed? Call in to the Front Office or Finance Office for further info on applying for School Card Subsidy. It’s here to assist you!

**LOST PROPERTY**
Please check the Lost Property cupboard for any of your missing items. Clothing, hats, lunch boxes, drink bottles

**STUDENT BANKING**

**Commonwealth Banking**
All deposits received this week will be processed and deposited NEXT week. Bank books will be returned on Tuesday, May 3rd (first day of Term 2).

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**A note from Simone - Pastoral Care**

For some time now we have been provided with free fruit and emergency sandwiches from Kickstart for Kids, this is a great organisation that works hard to support schools across SA. Throughout the first few weeks of term 2, I will be collecting Vegemite & tinned fruit to send to them to assist in their ongoing programs, please drop any donations to the front office. Thank you for your support.

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KickStart for Kids is a not for profit charity which delivers food to over 230 South Australian schools and provides 35,000 breakfasts per week. We have volunteers who assist in schools helping at breakfast clubs, or assisting children through our mentoring program by helping with their school work and building their self-esteem through play. KickStart for Kids spends thousands $$$ on Vegemite and tinned fruit each year. Any size jar/can that you donate is greatly appreciated.
Please find the April school holiday programme below. Bookings are now being taken so please get in early so you don’t miss out. Please contact 82938253 a.s.a.p.

Thanks, Dennis

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL
Wednesday May 6th

We invite you to join us
AUSSIE RULES FOOTBALL
Ben (EFC Junior Football Director)
Mobile: 0452 171 729 Email: edwardstownfcjuniors@gmail.com
Web: www.edwardstownfc.com.au
Address: East Tce South Plympton

MITCHAM GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
Open Day – 9th May 9-11am and 5-8pm

LIFE BE IN IT – COME AND TRY SPORT
Monday, 18th – Friday 22nd April.
Adelaide CBD and Park Lands

BRIGHTON SECONDARY SCHOOL  Wed, May 11th
9am, 2pm, 5.30pm
7pm Principal’s Address

Grasshopper Soccer
School Holiday clinics and Term 2
www.grasshopper.com.au or phone 0433422347

WORKING BEE

SUNDAY, MAY 22nd
10am-12 midday - ALL WELCOME
THINK YOU KNOW...

› HOW YOUNG PEOPLE USE TECHNOLOGY?
› HOW TO HELP THEM OVERCOME CHALLENGES ONLINE?
› HOW TO REPORT IF THINGS GO WRONG?

DO YOU KNOW?
Find out at the cyber safety and security presentation

or go to www.thinkuknow.org.au to find out more.