



NEWSLETTER

Week 2 – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th

LEADERS' NEWS



Thanks to the families who came to **Acquaintance Night**

New siren times 2016

8:35 am – children begin play
8:50 am – lessons begin
10:40 am – recess begins
11:00 am – end recess
12.40 pm – lunch eating
1:30 pm – end of lunch
3:10 pm – end of day

Term Dates 2016

Term 1 – 1 Feb – 15 Apr
Term 2 – 2 May – 8 July
Term 3 – 25 Jul – 30 Sep
Term 4 – 17 Oct – 16 Dec

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEB

19 Fri
25 Thurs
29 Mon
29 – 2
2 – 4

Whole school Assembly – 2.15pm UP Hosting
5:30pm - Finance Meeting
7pm - **Annual General Meeting**
Rms 4, 15 & 16 to Arbury Camp (Yrs 3-5)
Rms 5, 6 & 7 to Arbury Camp (Yrs 3-4)

MAR

2 Wed
4 Fri
14 Mon
16-18
24 Thur
25 Fri
28 Mon
29 Tues

9.15am - Principal's Tour
SAPSASA Swimming
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Year 6-7 camp (Rms 13 & 14)

SPORTS DAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
PUPIL FREE DAY

CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL APP INFO

TEAM CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the following students who are the Team Captains for 2016: We look forward to sports day on Thursday, 24th March.

DOLPHINS



Lachy, Stephanie N, Tom M and Jordan W (absent)

EAGLES



Chris P, Tabitha W, Emma B, Noah W

KANGAROOS



Alexis V, Tattiara K, Theodore H, Hayden W

KOALAS



Lizzy P, Hayley M, Eleni S, Sarah A

MUSICAL NOTES

EPS MUSICAL

What an exciting beginning for our school and the Performing Arts department!! Seventy-five **year 4, 5, 6 or 7 students** took a form home on Friday or Monday because they really wanted to be involved in "**Aladdin Trouble**", **EPS's first musical!**

Could you please talk with your child, help them to complete the form and return it to the front office urgently.

- **The due date for form returns has been extended to this MONDAY 15th FEB.**
- **Year 4-7 students** (even though the registration form states 4-6)
- Rehearsal times still to be determined

WATCH THIS SPACE !!!

Joy Groves

Performing Arts teacher

STRING LESSONS

We still have vacancies for violin and viola students on Thursdays at school. Tuition is provided FREE by DECD. There are some charges for instrument hire, books and administration costs. Please pick up an Expression of Interest form from the Front Office or see Joy Groves.

Book Room

The Cashier is open at the Book Room at 8.35am each morning. If you are unable to make it when it is open you are welcome to pop your payments in the **Blue Payment Box** next to the payment window. Payment will be processed and receipts will be sent home via the classroom. This will save you from a long line up.

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.

Should you have difficulties accessing the App please talk with our Front Office staff.

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

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

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.

SCHOOL FEES 2016

The Material & Services fee, agreed and approved for 2016, is \$360 per student for the year. The invoice for school fees will be sent home via students during the next 2 weeks. We ask that payment be made at your earliest convenience but certainly before the end of this term (April 16th). If you wish to negotiate an alternative payment plan please make a time to meet with the Finance Officer, **Glenys de Wit** or **Jen Goodman**

The results of the parent poll, late last year, was a conclusive YES. There were 43 votes for and 12 votes against. This now means that the full amount of \$360 is legally recoverable.

The excursion levy for 2016 remains at \$60 and will also be Invoiced along with school fees.

School Card

Do you think you may qualify?

Please pop into the front office and pick up an application form.

PAYMENT OF ALL SCHOOL INVOICES CAN BE PAID VIA OUR WEBSITE. BIZGATE is available to pay school monies as well as OSHC/VAC CARE. Our web site is... <http://www.edwardps.sa.edu.au> See Glenys if you have problems using this system.

STUDENT BANKING

EVERY THURSDAY- Commonwealth Bank

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

Welcome back everybody! Hope you all had a lovely break. Walking school bus routes are back on the streets. If anyone would like to join any of our Walking School Bus routes please pop in to the front office and we can let you know what you need to do. Thank you, have fun walking to school! Congratulations to **Josie B, Adam B, Ash T and Ella S** who has walked 10 walks. They will all receive a voucher at the next assembly which enables them a free ice block from the office any lunch time. Well done!



2016 MUSIC INSTRUMENTAL TUITION

GUITAR AND KEYBOARD

Guitar and keyboard tutor, Ruth England will be providing a high standard of tuition at a very economical rate. Check your child's bag for information.

STRING INSTRUMENTS (VIOLIN, VIOLA AND CELLO)

Year 3-7 - tuition will continue in 2016. Information will be sent home soon.

2017 MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP – IMMANUEL COLLEGE

I have received information from the Director of Music at Immanuel College, offering **Music scholarships to NEW Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students in 2017** who “demonstrate *outstanding music skills and/or potential* in Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Brass, Woodwind, Percussion, Piano or Voice”.

“Awarding of a scholarship provides percentage remission for tuition fees for the duration of the student's enrolment subject to satisfactory progress each year. There is no minimum performance standard for entry.”

Applications close on Friday, 5th February, 2016.

Please see Joy Groves for more detailed information and / or application forms.

Joy Groves - EPS Performing Arts Teacher



2015 YEAR BOOK

There are still copies of our Year Book from last year available from the Front Office for \$20 if you would like to purchase one. Don't miss out on a great keepsake.

SPORT NEWS

Summer Sport – Basketball and Cricket

Basketball and Cricket will commence next week, week 3. Please keep an eye out for information being sent home with your child and/or on notifications on the Skoolbag App.

BASKETBALL MEETING – Thursday night, 11th Feb, after school in the hall for all students intending to play.

CRICKET MEETING – Monday night, 15th Feb, after school in the hall for all students intending to play.

VOLLEYBALL NEWS – Volleyball is back and starts on Wednesday, 10th February. 3.15 – 3.50 for Years 4/5, 3.15 -4.20 for Years 6/7. If you are interested please pop into the Hall Wednesday nights and have a chat to Karola or Dom Laventure.

Sports Equipment/Uniform

Could all players and coaches return any sporting equipment and/or uniforms to the front office immediately?

Sharon van Kempen – Sport Co-ordinator

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

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.

Please Check LOST PROPERTY for unclaimed clothing and hats

CANTEEN



1 hour per day 12.30 – 1.30
volunteers needed to cut up
fruit and serve at the
counter.

Is this you?

Please contact **Simone** via the
front office or email:

simone.morrison196@schools.sa.edu.au
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*No children in the canteen are
allowed due to Health & Safety*

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

<p>ADRA cafe @ Maria St, Melrose Park Invites you to P.N.O (Parents Night Off) \$4 Buffet Dinner 4pm - 6.30pm Please call Kari 0404 653 062 for bookings.</p>	<p><u>DENTAL CARE</u> FREE for most school-aged children and ALL preschool children at the School Dental Service. School Dental Service clinics are open during the Christmas school holiday break. Phone your local School Dental Service clinic now for an appointment. For clinic details visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au.</p>
<p>ART CLASSES There will be NO after school art Classes this year.</p>	<p>MILO GETIN 2 CRICKET FUN Adelaide Cricket Club Fridays at Glandore from Feb 12 Register online www.playcricket.com.au For ages 5-8 years This year Alex Reardon (ex EPS student) is running the program.</p>
<p>Trinity Baptist Sports Association Winter Basketball Season Sign up day Sunday Feb 14th 1.30-4.00pm Registration form on line at www.trinityclg.org.au or ring Johanna 0412 912280</p>	<p>Grasshopper Soccer Southern Adelaide Soccer program for ages 2-12 Visit www.grasshoppersoccer.com.au For programs and costs.</p>
<p>COME DANCE WITH US AT MITCHAM GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL If your child is currently in Year 7, you may also be interested in the opportunity for your child to audition for the Gift Dance Program for Year 8 entry in 2017. Auditions are being held at the MGHS Dance Studeo on Tuesday 1st March, 1.30-3.00pm. Please contact Judy Swan judy.swan833@schools.sa.edu.au for more information.</p>	