



# NEWSLETTER

Today's newsletter will be sent home as a hardcopy – future newsletters will be via email, on our website and on skoolbag. Please ensure you receive a copy in the future.

**Week 1 – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1st**

## LEADERS' NEWS



**Term Dates 2018**  
**Term 1 – Jan 29 – Apr 13**  
**Term 2 – April 30 – July 6**  
**Term 3 – Jul 23 – Sep 28**  
**Term 4 – Oct 15 – Dec 14**

Welcome to 2018 at Edwardstown Primary, and a special welcome if you are a new family joining our school community. We have 72 Receptions and 10 new families across our 18 classes.

Hopefully everyone got to spend some time relaxing, and our 470 students and staff are excited about a new year of learning. We encourage all families to become involved in our school community. This may include joining the School Council, a committee, walking school bus, or helping in the Canteen, Library or classrooms. Parents are welcome to attend Assemblies; dates and hosts classes are advertised in the Newsletter.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- FEB**  
 2 Whole School Assembly-Introductions – 2.30pm  
 6 Acquaintance Night – 5.30 – 7.00pm  
 9 Whole School Assembly – 2.20pm  
 Room 10 & 15 hosting
- 16 PUPIL FREE DAY**  
 19 - 21 Arbury Park Camp – Rms 4, 6 & 17 – Year 3, 3/4  
 21 - 23 Arbury Park Camp – Rms 1 & 5 – Year 4 & 4/5
- MAR**  
 1 Principal's Tour – 9.15am  
 2 Whole School Assembly – 2.20pm  
 Rooms 2 & 11 hosting
- 12 ADELAIDE CUP HOLIDAY**  
 14-16 Glenhaven Camp – Rms 13, 14 & 15 - Year 6/7  
 15 Commonwealth Bank Information Session  
 23 Whole School Assembly – 2.20pm  
 Rooms 1 & 9 hosting
- 30 GOOD FRIDAY**  
**APRIL 2 EASTER MONDAY**  
 6 Sports Day  
 9 - 10 Year 6/7 Aquatics  
**13 LAST DAY OF TERM 1**  
 2.10pm dismissal  
 Casual clothes day – Gold coin donation

**CHECK OUT OUR SKOOL BAG APP INFO**

## 2018 – WHO IS WHERE? (new teachers in bold and photos attached)

CLASS RM	TEACHER	YEAR LEVEL	PLT GROUP
18	Charlotte Candlish	Reception	Reception
19	Jordan Wallis	Reception	
20	Alex Yin	Reception	
9	<b>Kendall Proud</b>	Year 1	Year 1/2
7	Sheridan Weber	Year 1/2	
8	Robyn Collins	Year 1/2	
11	Toni Hall / Megan Colmer	Year 1/2	
10	Elise Davies	Year 1/2	
6	<b>Rachel Bell</b>	Year 3	Year 3 – 3/4
4	Sarah Newton	Year 3	
17	Bernie O'Connor	Year 3/4	
5	Ebony Drake	Year 4	
1	Caroline Fitzgerald	Year 4/5	Year 4/5 – 5/6
2	Helena Lambrinos	Year 5	
16	Eva Pontikinas/Shane Atkins	Year 5/6	
13	<b>Laura Potts</b>	Year 6/7	Year 6/7
14	Morgan Scottney-Turbill	Year 6/7	
15	Martin Richards	Year 6/7	
12	Madame Empen	French	Specialist Teachers
The Studio	Joy Groves	Music, Drama, Dance	
I-Centre (Library)	<b>Erin Hodges</b> / Shane Atkins	RBL/Library	
Hall	Sue Boggiano	PE	



### Doesn't the school look fantastic?

During the holidays the outside buildings and downstairs student toilets were painted, easy to use taps installed, as well as mirrors, new soap dispensers and paper towels.

The Reception Unit has been recarpeted (Library and Performing Arts carpets on the way) with blinds being replaced in Room 19, air conditioning installed in all learning spaces and the hall resurfaced.

We finally have approval for our Strawberry Fair shed to be built which will start shortly, with a wide verandah useful for after- hours sport. Plans are in progress for our new double portable building to be delivered mid -year, with cricket nets and Indigenous gardens being relocated. The Nature Play area and Front garden landscaping are being designed and work will progress later this term. It was rewarding to see the parent helpers watering and keeping the school looking neat and tidy.

Thank you to **Dennis and Malanie** and all the Vac. Care staff who ran an engaging and busy vacation care programme for up to 100 children during the holidays.

### Acquaintance Night Schedule

Please make sure you put a half an hour aside next **Tuesday, February 6th** to hear about your child's learning and class plans for the year. We will offer supervision in the Hall for our students and pre-schoolers if required, as adults only in classrooms due to space.

Times	Activity/Classes open	What	What happens for students
5:30 – 6.00pm	Receptions and Years 5, 5/6 & 6/ 7 Rooms 18, 19, 20 2, 13, 14 , 15 & 16	Teacher chats in the classroom	Supervised in the hall
6.00 – 6:30pm	Years 1 and 1/ 2 Rooms 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11		
6:30 – 7.00pm	Years 3, 3/4, 4 & 4/5 Rooms 1, 4, 5, 6 & 17		

All classrooms will be open for parents, and teachers will spend 15-20 minutes explaining class routines and curriculum and leave time for questions and chats between families.

Please deliver your child to the Hall (if supervision is required) before heading to the classroom so meetings can start promptly.

### VOLUNTEERS

Criminal History Screening (DCSI) is required for most volunteers in public schools. It depends on your role and your interactions with children. Camps, coaches and Council members require a clearance, as do any adults other than school parents. Please enquire at the Front Office. All applications are now done online through our Deputy Principal, Vicky Bashford. Parent volunteers in classrooms or on day excursions currently do not require a screening check. **RAN TRAINING** (Responding to Abuse & Neglect) – RAN is also a requirement for all volunteers.

### Communication Channels – Skoolbag App

**DON'T MISS OUT ON SOMETHING.....SIMPLE AND GREAT WAY TO BE IN TOUCH.**

**Did you know that you can now do your student absence via skoolbag? How easy.....**

The Skoolbag App is able to give you instant notifications and is an easy means of accessing our regular newsletters.

The App can be downloaded from the App store (iphones) Google store (android) and Windows store (Win8.1 phones) on your phone, tablet or laptop. When installing, please make sure you **allow push notifications** because this enables us to get messages to you in the fastest way possible. **You can now notify the school of your child's absence through this app and also change of address/phone number.**

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

School Facebook page for parents is also available if parents would like to join, please follow the prompts: Edwardstown Primary School Parent Group

### 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](http://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 [Kathy.Papps15@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:Kathy.Papps15@schools.sa.edu.au) to ensure that we understand your views.

## SCHOOL FEES 2018

The Material & Services fee approved for 2018, is **\$370-00** per student for the year – no change from last year. The invoice for school fees will be sent home via students within the next 2 weeks. We ask that payment be made at your earliest convenience but certainly before the end of this term (April 13th).

**PAYMENT PLANS** are a great way to stay on top of all the beginning of the school year fees, including camp payments. Please speak with **me in the Finance Office**, to organize a Payment Plan. It takes less than 5 minutes to set up... and then you can forget it. The Payment Plan can extend over a long period of time to alleviate any financial worry.

The Event Levy for 2018 (which pays for and subsidises some incursions and excursions throughout the year) remains at \$60 and will also be invoiced along with the Materials & Services fees.

**PAYMENT OF ALL SCHOOL INVOICES CAN BE PAID VIA OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE**  
Please ensure you **click the relevant button for either SCHOOL** (M&S Fees, Event Levy, excursions, etc) or **OSHC** (for OSHC fees).  
Our web site is... <http://www.edwardps.sa.edu.au>

### School Card (Materials & Services Fee Subsidy)

Have you heard the good news that the eligibility criteria has expanded to the Gross Annual Income Limit of \$57,870? - up by approx. \$20,000 from last year. Do you think you may now qualify? Do you hold a Health Care Card or a Pensioner Concession Card?

We welcome Kelly Elliott (see photo) as a new SSO (School Service Officer), our Cash Register face in the morning.



Please pop into the front office and pick up an application form OR you can now apply ONLINE at <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>  
Follow the link, click on the red PLUS SYMBOL at the right hand side of "Applications", scroll down to find [Form A: income audit – apply online](#)

If you were eligible last year for School Card, please remember that you need to complete an application EACH YEAR.  
**Thank you. Jen Goodman (Business Manager)**

## WALKING SCHOOL BUS



Welcome back everybody! Hope you all had a lovely break. Walking school bus routes will resume this week but you may want to make contact with your driver if you need to check details. If anyone would like to join any of our Walking School Bus routes, students or adults, 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!



**Judy Fitzpatrick**

**Check out the kids on the Southern Route, even new faces! – well done walkers, hope you had fun!!!!**

## STRAWBERRY FAIR 2018

A date for your diary. This year our Strawberry Fair will be held on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> November. Just to let families know that we aren't accepting any donations yet until later in the year as space is so scarce. Thank you.

## SUMMER SPORT NEWS

### PLEASE NOMINATE TO PLAY SCHOOL SPORT

The Summer Sport Nomination form has now been sent home to families. Please ensure that you fill in your nomination form and return to the office. By doing this it gives you the best chance of being in a team and it gives us the best chance of filling as many teams as we can so that everyone wishing to play can do so.

### Sports Equipment/Uniform

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

*Narelle Burns– Sport Co-ordinator*

## 2018 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. Ruth can be contacted by email at [ruthengland6@gmail.com](mailto:ruthengland6@gmail.com) Mobile 0434719015 (Please note that Ruth's email is incorrect on the Performing Arts note which was sent home, sorry!)

### STRING INSTRUMENTS (VIOLIN, VIOLA AND CELLO)

Year 3-7 - tuition will continue in 2018. Please read more details on note sent home if interested.

### SENIOR CHOIR AND GROOVERS AND SHAKERS

Choir opportunities for students from Year 3 – 7. Join in on the fun and be committed to 'song'. Please read this section on the note sent home for more information.

**EPS Performing Arts note has been sent home with each student. If you are interested in any of the above opportunities in 2018 please ensure this form is returned by Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> Feb.** Please contact the front office if you need another form.

## UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

In 2018 our Uniform Shop will be open on **Tuesday** 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.

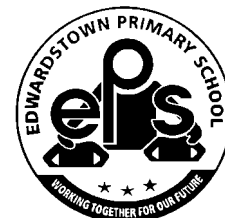


*Edwardstown Primary School*

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**7.30pm – 8.00pm in the School Library**



### **Agenda:**

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Presentation of the Annual Report
3. Election of Councillors

At the conclusion of the AGM there will be a brief meeting of 2018 School Council to elect office bearers and to set a date for the next meeting.

***Parents/Carers who are new to this school community, or who haven't been Council members in the past, are encouraged to nominate – you will be most welcome! If you have any questions about School Council please contact Kathy Papps at the school.***

***Please RSVP to the office using the slip below by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018, or email Kathy***

### **SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM 2018**

I wish to nominate for the Edwardstown Primary School Council and/or Committee (please specify)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

Child/ren name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Room number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

# Read Aloud Daily Project 2018



## Read Aloud Daily (RAD) Project at EPS in 2018

In 2018 all students at Edwardstown Primary School R-7 will be involved in Reading Aloud Daily (RAD) at school and home.

Reading aloud **vs** independently in your head encourage and focus on the verbalisation of the text, comprehension, fluency, expression, and recognition of word structures (spelling), grammar and text structure and sequencing (cause and effect).

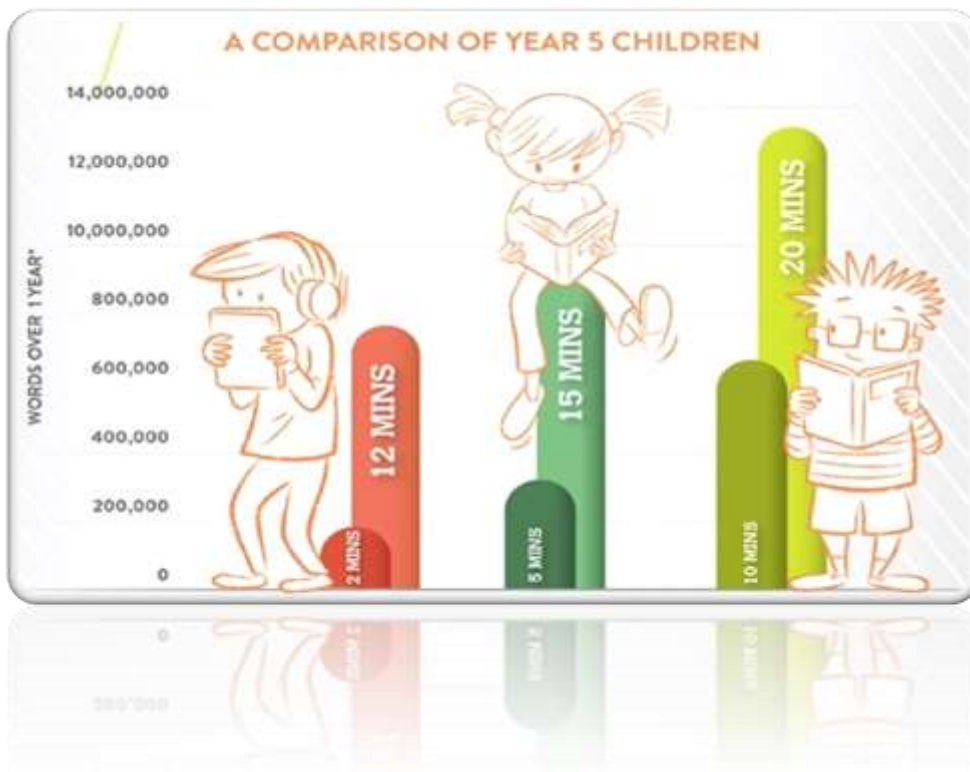
When children read aloud, they make a conscious choice on how to read and what to emphasise, effectively communicating both the surface and deeper meanings of a text.

As well as at school during set times, where they read aloud to a partner, students need to RAD at least 3 x each week at home as part of their homework. This could be in the car to an adult, to their pet to a soft toy, etc... whatever suits the child's family and circumstances.

We will leave you with this thought: a child who reads for 5 minutes each night aloud will be exposed to 200,000 words each year, compared to a child who reads for 15mins aloud each day will be exposed to a whopping 800, 000 words each year... think of the potential for literacy and reading growth!

So go forth and RAD Reception to Year 7!!

**Shane Atkins**



# Pupil Free Day

## Friday 16th February

Excursion to:

# the BeachHouse

We will have a 2 hour session at the Beachouse followed by a play on the playground, beach games and a walk along the beach.



**Depart: 8.30am**

**Return: 3.00pm**



### What to bring

- \$10 maximum spending money.
- Bathers, towel, sunsmart spare clothes, recess, lunch and a water bottle.

# Term 1

EDWARDSTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL 2018

Week	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.	
1	JAN 29	30	31	FEB 1	2 Whole School Assembly – 2.30pm	3	4	
2	5	6 Acquaintance Night	7	8	9 Yr 5-7 Road Traffic Training Whole School Assembly – 2.30pm Rm 10 & 15 host	10	11	
3	12	13	14	15	16 <b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>	17	18	
4	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
	←————— Albury Park Camp —————→							
5	26	27	28	MAR 1	2 Whole School Assembly – 2.30pm Rm 2 & 11 host	3	4	
6	5 Annual General Meeting	6	7	8	9 Choir Rehearsal 1.15-2.45	10	11	
7	12 <b>Adelaide Cup Holiday</b>	13	14	15	16	17	18	
			←————— Yr 6/7 Glenhaven Camp —————→					
8	19 International “Read to Me Day”	20	21 Harmony Day	22	23 Whole School Assembly – 2.30pm Rm 1 & 9 host	24	25	
9	26	27	28	29	30 <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	31	APRIL 1	
10	2 <b>EASTER MONDAY</b>	3	4	5	6 <b>SPORTS DAY</b>	7	8	
11	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
	←————— Yr 6/7 Aquatics —————→				<b>Last day of Term 1</b>			

# COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD 2018

**WESTBOURNE PARK COMMUNITY NETBALL CLUB** are looking for players for the Winter Season. Please contact [www.wpucnc.org](http://www.wpucnc.org) for more information

**Get ready for a Super Savers adventure with School Banking.**

The year is School Banking, and this year the excitement of a Super Savers adventure is being brought into schools.

Children learning encourages children to learn the value of saving and teaches them why responsible saving brings rewards.

**A chance to win a family trip to Hawaii.**

Children who do an Super Savers will have the chance to win a family trip to Hawaii, Hawaii, playing 7 nights of the Dreamtime Hawaii event (plus a 200,000 spending bonus).

To enter, students simply make 10 or more Super Savers deposits during the week of Term 3, 2018, and they will automatically enter the Super Savers draw in their competition.

To find out more about School Banking, or request a school chart, visit [www.100.com.au](http://www.100.com.au) or call 1300 100 100.

**New Super Savers reward items.**

Continuing an exciting range of reward items, we have released our new Super Savers items.

- Super Savers calendar
- Super Savers notebook

Visit [www.100.com.au](http://www.100.com.au) to see the full range of Super Savers items, which are available after making 10 School Banking deposits.

**Remember, with the 100.com.au app, you can see the full range of Super Savers items, which are available after making 10 School Banking deposits.**

Heaven Brass

**Play Brass!**  
...and percussion

Do you want to learn a musical instrument?  
Already play and would like to play in an ensemble?  
Tuition and instrument included in term fees

Any age welcome!

Tuesday nights @ 48 Dumbarton Ave, Edensorhurst

Visit [marioncityband.org](http://marioncityband.org)  
or call 0412 866 737

**Grasshopper Soccer**

SOCCER FUN FOR GIRLS & BOYS AGED 2 - 12  
TERM 1, 2018 PROGRAM

Starting from February 10th. 10 Locations to Choose From!

Grasshopper Soccer is a fun, non-competitive way for your child to make a start in learning developing skills to soccer. We offer programs available after school and on weekends all year round, to fit with school terms.

Grasshopper Soccer provides a great opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and enjoy fun ball-based games.

**Mini-Kickers (2-4 yrs)**

- 20 minutes of play
- Kick with both feet
- Learn to use the ball
- Fun activities and games
- Non-competitive environment

**Mini-Kickers (4-6 yrs)**

- 30 minutes of play
- Introduction to shooting, passing, dribbling and goal keeping
- Play to different parts of the field
- Fun activities and games
- Non-competitive environment

**Mini-Kickers (6-8 yrs)**

- 40 minutes of play
- Introduction to shooting, passing, dribbling and goal keeping
- Play to different parts of the field
- Fun activities and games
- Non-competitive environment

**Mini-Kickers (8-10 yrs)**

- 45 minutes of play
- Introduction to shooting, passing, dribbling and goal keeping
- Play to different parts of the field
- Fun activities and games
- Non-competitive environment

**Mini-Kickers (10-12 yrs)**

- 50 minutes of play
- Introduction to shooting, passing, dribbling and goal keeping
- Play to different parts of the field
- Fun activities and games
- Non-competitive environment

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**JG TENNIS COACHING**

**JOHN GERICKE TENNIS COACHING**  
Tennis Australia Club Professional Coach

Offering a coaching program from beginner level for children aged 6 – 12 years through to intermediate & advanced juniors.

Using Tennis Australia ANZ Hct Shots program plus our own 21 step monitoring guide we can give your child a great start to playing tennis.

**Key advantages**

- Quality coaches
- Small groups
- Affordable prices
- Easy pathway from learning to playing

**Training Squads** are available to all levels of competitive junior players. An ideal way to keep improving your skills at affordable rates. Squads comprise of drills, fitness, hitting tactics and match play.

**Private Lessons for All Ages.** Each lesson is designed to your own requirements, and is ideal for improving specific components of your game.

The Kingswood Tennis Club is situated in Batchelor Reserve Westbourne Park a lovely community park. The club has a strong focus on junior development & offers coaching & competition for all levels, from beginner junior through to top senior competitions. Offering competition & social tennis throughout the year we have a program for all members of the family.

To enrol or discuss one of the programs, please contact John Gericke on 0419 829 624 or [jgericke@senet.com.au](mailto:jgericke@senet.com.au)

**Skoolbag**  
Business solution for small businesses

Skoolbag is a mobile app for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. (Works through both email & phone & internet) (Works on both PC and mobile devices) (Check for updates)

Send, receive & manage messages  
Send notices  
Send documents  
Send photos  
Send calendar events

Send messages directly to parents & students  
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**How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone**

**Phone Users**

Simply search for your school name in the App Store on your phone, PC or Mac, and install.

After the app is installed on your phone, make sure that you select "YES" to allow push notifications. Also click on "more" from "Settings" and select which categories you want the app to receive push notifications for.

**Android Users**

Simply search for your school name in the Google Play Store on your phone, PC or Mac, and install.

After the app is installed click on "more" from "Settings" and select which categories you want the app to receive push notifications for.

Don't forget to like us on Facebook! [www.facebook.com/skoolbag](https://www.facebook.com/skoolbag)

Find out more at [www.skoolbag.com.au](http://www.skoolbag.com.au)

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