

EDEN HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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No.4

DIARY DATES:

Wed.27th & Thurs.28th Monday, 4th March Tuesday, 5th March Tuesday, 12th March Monday, 18th March E.R.U. visit to our school Social Mtg. 7.45pm - Spriggs' Acquaintance Night Finance Mtg. 5pm School Council Mtg. 7.45pm

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (S.D.P.)

This term, the Eden Hills School Development Plan focuses on 3 main areas. Student Behaviour Management, The Culture and Ethos of the School Community and the Development of a Management Plan for the formation of Curriculum policies.

Student Behaviour Management - In 1989 the Education Department published a very comprehensive document entitled "School Discipline - The Management of Student Behaviour", but each school is also expected to formulate their own document which specifically relates to the needs of the individual school. To do this, the staff must first have a clear understanding of the Departmental document and to this end, the guest speaker at our next staff meeting will be a representative from the Southern Area Behaviour Support Unit (S A.B.S.U.) who will discuss the Department's requirements with us. This year, most children in the school have been involved in formulating class rules and consequences which will be used until such time as a whole school policy is developed. Updates of the progress of this policy will be published from time to time.

In the next two newsletters I will talk about the other areas mentioned. Parents are always welcome to have a look at our plans and policies and/or copies of any or all of the policies so far completed are available on request.

Policies formulated last year were Parent Participation and Internal Upgrading of Buildings. Continuity in Children's Learning with Graham Gordon as Key Teacher, is continuing this year, as is the Curriculum Management Policy.

SWIMMING is progressing well - keep up the good work with sunscreen and hats.

LIBRARY

The Library has had a "face lift", thanks to the great efforts of Margaret and Ailsa and some new shelving.

You are welcome to pop in and have a look. Library days are Tuesdays for

Rooms 2, 3, 4 & 5 and Wednesdays for Room 6. Please provide your child with a Library Bag. MUSIC

Recorder - lessons will start next Wednesday. Notes regarding fee payments will be sent out tomorrow. The Finance Committee has agreed to a fee of \$25 for this year. This may be paid in 4 instalments if you wish (at the start of each term). There will be 8 lessons per term.

Cello - Several children have registered an interest in learning Cello and will be having lessons with Paula Scott after school hours at Belair Primary School.

Violin - As explained, there are a limited number of placements for beginners because of a shortage of instruments. However, if your child is very keen to learn and is not selected please contact the school as we may be able to suggest some alternative arrangements.

Fee notices will also go home for Stringed Instruments tomorrow. The cost will be \$48 for this year if children are using school instruments.

E.R.U. (EDUCATION REVIEW UNIT)

Many thanks to those parents who have agreed to participate in interviews with the E.R.U. team. I hope you have received your "confirmation of time and place" letters. If not, please look in "someone's" bag. If it is not there, please contact the school. Paul Needle has been selected as the Community Representative. Thank you Paul.

PARENT/TEACHER ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT

This will be held on Tuesday, 5th March.

Junior Primary 7 - 7.40pm Upper Primary 7.45 - 8.30pm

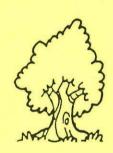
If you have any concerns, questions, etc. please mention them to your child's teacher prior to or at the meeting.

For our new families: These acquaintance nights give you a chance to meet your child's teacher and to find out what will be happening in your child's classroom this year. It also gives you the opportunity to meet and chat to other parents who have children in the same class, to ask questions and voice concerns. It is not a time for discussions about in dividual children's progress. If you wish to discuss your child please make arrangements to see the teacher at a time convenient to you both.

We hope to have a creche in the Activity or Science Room - definite news on this next week.

TREE CLIMBING

Eden Hills is unique in more ways than one. Tree climbing (much to all new teachers astonishment) is actually allowed! However, some concerns have been raised regarding the safety aspect of this and the matter was referred to School Council. It was agreed that "tree climbing" has become an important part of the culture of Eden Hills School and as such, should not be banned. Teachers will, as always, continue to monitor the safety aspect closely and children who do not confirm to requirements of height, type of tree etc. will be banned. Council also felt it was appropriate to give parents the option of allowing their children to climb trees and you are therefore invited to notify your child's teacher if you do not want your child to climb trees



L.A.P.

Thank you to those people who have volunteered their help. Notices will go out next week ready to start in week 5. I will also try and arrange a time for you to talk to "your" child's class teacher.

Ruth Nicholson

BANK DAY - TUESDAYS

<u>LUNCHES</u> - These may be ordered on Mondays and Fridays only (or first and last days of school week).

SOCIAL SUB-COMMITTEE

Members will be meeting on Monday, 4th March at Bob Spriggs', 10 Murtoa Road, Eden Hills at 7 45pm to plan social events for 1991. Any suggestions you have will be much appreciated. Please phone Bob on 278 6580 with your ideas, or let any of the social members have your suggestions.

CRICKET - A Grade at Hawthorndene School, Suffolk Road.
C Grade at Blackwood Football Club, Cumming Street.

'GREENING AUSTRALIA' - If parents would like to know the name of the plants which their children help plant last week, we have a list in the office.

<u>BLACK WOOD HIGH SCHOOL</u> - Language School is seeking students in Years 6 and 7 who are interested in learning the **Greek Language**. Classes are held one day a week after school.

Please contact Mrs. Anna Christo or Mrs. Jan Doddridge at the high school (278 6777).

The Sturt Swimming Pool, Flinders University (formerly Sturt Campus, SACAE) will remain open until March 28th, 1991.

The 50 metre heated outdoor pool, in very pleasant surroundings, is situated at the rear of the Sturt oval, University Drive, just off Sturt Road, Bedford Park.

Admission is \$1.70 (concession booklets available), and public swimming times are:

Monday to Friday 6 – 9am and 3 – 6pm Saturday and Sunday 1 – 6pm

Parking is available in the Sturt Buildings' grounds.

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