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# THE EDEN HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Important Dates and Events

- \* 14/11 Transition Visit for Term 1
- \* 15/11 Netball 6/7 Girls: ETSA Park 9-3pm
- \* 18/11 Pizza / Video Night 3.30-7.30 p.m.
- \* 19/11 Sing, Move & Groove Concert 7.15 - 9.00pm approx.
- \* 20/11 No Assembly
- \* 21/11 Music Assembly
- \* 27/11 School Council

## Certificates of Merit:

- Room 2 - Yr 3/4**  
Jack Darrell  
Breanna Stretton
- Room 3 - R/1**  
Jasmine Brock  
Leonardo Vaccaro
- Room 4 R/1**  
Nicole Ronay  
Cameron Patton  
Dustin Craggs  
Jesse Tarasuik
- Room 5 Yr 5**  
Diana Malizani  
Rachael Daws
- Room 6 Yr 6/7**  
Sean Reschke  
Sam Gourd
- Room 7 Yr 2**  
Molly Fletcher  
Hamish Knight

## WHAT WE STAND FOR No. 7

At Eden Hills Primary School we value and work to develop:  
"authenticity and trust in our relationships"

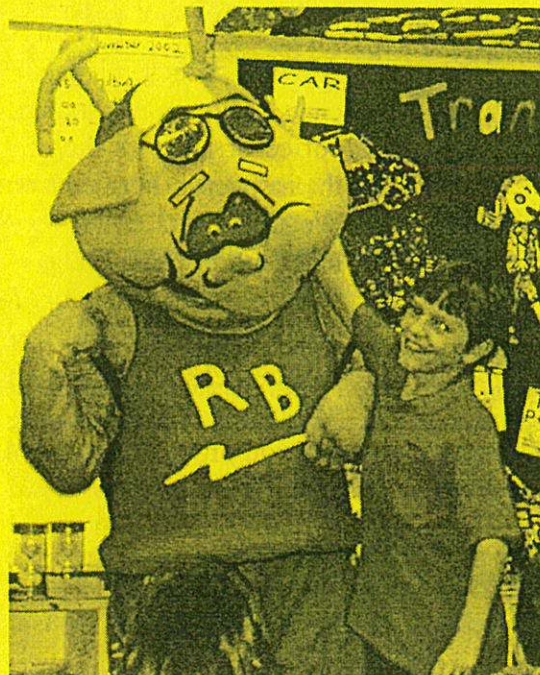
## RAILSAFE MESSAGE TIMELY

Throughout this term, Mrs Mueller's Year 3 and 4 class and Mrs Hartmann's Reception and Yr 1 class have been participating in the Railsafe program. In the wake of a recent stark reminder, the issue of trains and safety is close at heart for many of us, particularly as train lines are close by for many families and indeed our school. The Railsafe program has provided students with understandings and skills in a range of areas. I spoke with a few of our students to find out more:

"We learned about crossing rail-lines safely and using the pedestrian maze. We learned to walk our bikes across the rail lines safely. We went to the RailControl Centre and got to be controllers and push buttons and talk into the microphone." *Joe G and Tess (Yr 3 students)*

"Don't go over the white lines. Don't go under the boom gates. Don't throw anything near the track. We have to sit down when we are on the train." One of the undoubted highlights was RailBug (pictured below with Alexander) who visited our school yesterday: "RailBug was big and funny, but sometimes he wouldn't listen so he got in trouble with the police." *Joe G, Liam, Johanna and James (R and Yr 1 students)*

Many of our students have now completed the excellent Railsafe program and will hopefully continue to do so in future years. It also a timely reminder for all of us to speak with all students about safe behaviour around trains and railway lines



## LITERACY & NUMERACY EXPO



Last week's literacy and numeracy open morning was a great opportunity for parents and friends to come into our school to see, and take part in, student learning in action. It was great to see so many parents, grandparents and friends in classrooms as active participants in learning programs, like parent, Tim Boase and the Year 2 and Yr 6&7 classes pictured above.

Literacy and mathematics continues to be a most important part of curriculum here and we look forward to continuing our learning and professional development in this area. Special thanks to Mr Ambers Yr 5 students who helped set up and serve morning tea

## BUSHFIRE SAFETY

With the whole state on bush fire alert our school will soon engage in a bush-fire drill. Our school has been inspected by CFS officers and although in a high risk area has been declared reasonably safe. Two buildings - the Old House and Library - have been designated safe refuges in the event of a fire passing through the area. In the event of a fire occurring near the school students will not be dismissed early or sent home before the normal dismissal time, irrespective of any messages transmitted via TV or radio. In the event of a fire in the immediate area, students will not be allowed to leave school at the normal dismissal time but will remain in the care of staff until collected by parents or a nominated adult.

On days of extreme fire danger parents may keep children at home if they consider it to be in the best interests of those children. Please feel free to get in touch if you would like to discuss this further.

Regards, Peter O'Sullivan  
Principal



## STRAWBERRY FAIR WRAP UP

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With what appears to be most of the costs taken into account, the bottom line for this year's Strawberry Fair is looking good.

—We have netted just over \$18, 000 in profit!

This has been a magnificent effort and again, everyone involved ( at what ever level)

THANK YOU! If you are interested in the takings on a per stall / activity basis, a final list has been on display in the office.

Melissa and Beatrice.

## Rotary Fair:

Come one, come all to Karinya Park for the annual Rotary Fair this Saturday 16th 2002. We will be running a stall offering a range of items – just in time to fill y Christmas shopping needs. If anyone would like to help out on the stall please call Wendy on 0408 781 698.

See you there.

## Hats:

Can all those children who have Borrowed the OSHC spare hats please return them as soon as possible. Missing are 2 blue wide brimmed, 2 red wide brimmed & 1 red legionnaire style, all the hats are marked with the OSHC name. They can be returned to OSHC during session times or to the school office.

## MOVIE UNDER THE STARS

Put this date in your diaries

Friday, November 29th

Details will follow soon

## Help Wanted

Mad Mosaic people wanted for Monday 18th November to help Meg & Fiona finish wall piece near Mrs. Ryan's classroom. From 11 am onwards, prepare to get down & get grotty – No experience necessary.

Thanks Meg and Fiona

## SOCCER TOPS

Please return your soccer tops by this Friday 15th, November, thankyou to those who have already done so. If you would like to purchase your soccer top please send \$ 40.00 to the office..

## Parents & Friends

A very successful cake stall was held by Melinda's class. The money raised will be used to buy a new coffee dripper, as the other one was deemed unsafe by the inspector. Fear not! The real coffee will continue..... Week 6, the 20th November will be another cake stall, this time by Julie's class. A get together will be held at 9am, before setting up for the stall. We have lots to discuss for the end of term. A Christmas get – together will be held at Fiona,s house soon. Thanks Fiona, this will be great.

See you on the 20th

Lisa.



## UNIFORM ORDERS

Reminder! Have you received your Uniform Order? If you haven't, please come into the office. Order's due back by 29th November.

## SPORTS PRESENTATION EVENING

Last Friday evening saw our school's inaugural sports presentation evening under the stars of our water course area. All students who represented our school in an out of school hours sport, including netball, T-Ball, cricket, basketball, soccer and Pedal Prix were recipients of a fine medallion designed by our very own Tim Saunders to commemorate a year of playing a school sport.

Many thanks to Tim and the sports committee, Sheila Gatehouse, David Albrecht, Sharon Leech, David Wood, Bruce Amber and Neil Brown for their work to develop sporting opportunities for our students. They must be doing a fine job as more than 100 of our students have played a sport this year. We are aiming to do even better than that next year.

I would like to thank and commend Sturt Football Club for their generous assistance in organising a guest speaker for the evening - the up and coming Tate Kaesler - who spoke well to children and adults alike and presented the medallions.

Sturt Football Club has suffered much publicised trauma in recent times and our sports committee wanted to offer a measure of our support. The profit we raised on our pizza sales will be forwarded to the Sturt FC/ Red Cross Bali appeal and we will also be taking any donations from families to add to this.

Please send any contributions to the front office. Thanks.

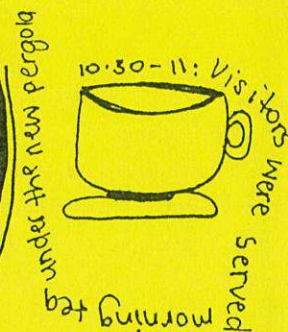
## COMMUNITY NOTICES

- ◆ Fitness classes at Eden Hills Primary School Activity Room 6:15-7:15 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday evenings. \$5.00 per night. Qualified instructor Chris Dippy pH 8278-5204. No classes through the holidays.
- ◆ Anglicare is the major provider of foster care services in metropolitan Adelaide: Foster carers wanted overnight, weekend and longer term care. Training, support and reimbursement provided. Please call Anglicare on 8305 9261.
- ◆ There are a few Vacancies for keyboard / piano and flute lessons. If you are interested in your child learning either of these instruments. Please call Jasmin on 8333 3769 or Mob. 0403 177913
- ◆ Blackwood Parish offers a comprehensive Religious Education Program for children of Primary School age. Lessons are held on Wednesday afternoons between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. during school terms. They are conducted at The Our Lady of the Way Church, 2 Laffers Rd, Glenalta. Enrolment forms are now available. For further enquiries, ring Sr Carmel Thomas on 8278 6619
- ◆ Can you help us spread the Word? We want to speak to people who may consider being a host parent one day? Do you enjoy caring for others and have any love to spare.....? If interested please call The Families Team on 8347 4588
- ◆ The Smith Family Toy Christmas Appeal 2002. We need toy's for boy's and girl's up to the age of 12. Toy's & Donations can be placed under the tree at Elder's Blackwood, opposite Coles, 225 Main Road, Blackwood. We would really appreciate toys before Tuesday 10th December.
- ◆ SA Water VACSWIM 2003: "The vacation water safety and swimming program, SA Water VACSWIM will be conducted at public, private and selected school swimming pools. Beaches and lakes from Monday 6th until Thursday 16th January 2003. Enrolment forms containing all details of the program are available from schools, swimming centres and Chemplus pharmacies. Enrolment will be conducted at all locations conducting the program on Saturday 4th 2003. Selected larger community pools will conduct an extra enrolment on Saturday 7th December 2002 For more location information visit [www.vacswimsa.com](http://www.vacswimsa.com)
- ◆ Know anyone with a spare fridge? My name is Stacey, (A parent at the school) and I run a shop in the city, I am opening a charity tea-room within the shop whereby all proceeds (tea & coffee by donation) will be given directly to charity. Please phone 042 22 7 811 if you know of anyone who can help. Thankyou
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# Numeracy & Literacy Morning

9-10.30 am Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> Nov, 02



## Ms Dankbaar's Class (yr 6/7)

Kirsten reports: The 6<sup>th</sup> of November was Literacy and Numeracy Morning.

Each class did an activity on Literacy and Numeracy and presented it to any parent who came in.

The year 6/7s of room 6 combined with the year 2s of room 7, performing sock puppet stories.

After seeing one of our fantastic sock puppet performances, the year 2s completed some

Literacy activities arranged at six different stations by Kirsten Daws.

Overall I think it went well and was a day of success and fun.

## Julie's Class (R/1)

We had a fun morning with lots of visitors-not just from our class either, which was great.

We read a big book together, wrote in our swimming journals, listened to some show and tell, did spelling activities

and finished with handwriting lessons. Our visitors joined in and helped us with some of the work. It was excellent!

## Mrs Ryan's Class (yr 2)

We began our day with a Numeracy focus with students working in small groups.

In particular we played some games that we use often which allow us to practise our mathematical skills, particularly in number.

This article was collated and edited by Zoe Offord (yr 6).

## Mr. Amber's Class

Stella reports: Four classmates from Mr. Amber's yr 5 class made tea and coffee for all the parents who could come.

Room 5 started a new activity for the day: creative writing using Multiple

Intelligences and the Thinking Hats.

## Mrs. Hartmann's Class (R/1)

We rotated around four different language activities. The children made books, asked questions and learnt reading and storywriting skills.

Parents were invited to join in and have a go.

## Mrs. Mueller's Class (yr 3/4)

We read a book called "Daniel's Dinosaur", then we had six different stations with activities relating to the book. Each group had twenty minutes on each station then the groups swapped.

It was great to see parents and grandparents participating too.

Afterwards we worked in a cross-age situation with the year 6/7 students on literacy activities based on a puppet performance of "Tubby Joins the Circus". Students had an enjoyable and productive learning experience.