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# THE EDEN HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Important Dates & Events

\*12/12 Last Day of Term

\* 27/1 First day Term 1

Year 2004 Term Dates included in this newsletter

**Music Assembly**  
**3-12-03**

## Certificates of Merit:

Video: Sam Allen  
Anna McIntyre

Musical Item: Carina Conlon

Room 1 - Yr R/1  
Kye Playfair  
Kynesha Temple

Room 2- Yr 3 /4  
Nick Albrecht  
Molly Fletcher

Room3-Yr 1/2  
Verity Kameniar-  
Sandery  
Leonardo Vaccaro

Room 4-Receptions  
Nadia Smet  
Kane Hocking

Room 5 -Yr 5/6  
Rachael Lawrance  
Patrick Philbey

Room 6 -Yr 6/7  
Roy Boase  
Lisa Boswell

## Thanks for Another Great Year!

Over the past week or two we have a few occasions to reflect on what an outstanding year we have had at Eden Hills. I would like to thank every member of our community for the care and support you offer in so many ways to our school. I thought the quality of our school community was reflected, once again, in Tuesday's End of Year Performance. You are always such an enthusiastic audience and this adds significantly to the way our students perceive the night. I would especially like to thank staff who have worked tirelessly and professionally throughout the year—they are an outstanding bunch, as you ought know, and deserve our accolades.

For every student and community member the highlights of the year will vary, but as a school we can be proud of all that we have achieved. Included in these are:

- ♦ A highly successful continued school wide focus on approaches to student learning. Many thanks to Liz Black for her leadership in this area as coordinator for Terms 2 and 3. Highlight were:
  - Global Education
  - Philosophy for Children
- ♦ The visit over three weeks by our 13 South Korean students
- ♦ The Great Aussie Picnic
- ♦ A great environmental camp at Arbury Park
- ♦ Grandparents Day—a chance to showcase our work in global education and Studies of Asia
- ♦ Excellent work towards entry into the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program which will commence formally in 2004
- ♦ The success of Science as a new focus area
- ♦ The wide participation of teachers in a range of professional development which has centered around student learning, especially the trip to Melbourne to investigate Philosophy for Children
- ♦ A successful and enthusiastic choir for all students R - 7 under the guidance of Leigh Philp.
- ♦ Sprachfest at Hahndorf - a celebration of German culture by our Year 3 and 4 students
- ♦ Successful strengthening of our middle years curriculum through the IB Middle Years Program
- ♦ The support of students through the Learning Assistance Program (thanks to Ruth Nicholson and a number of parents and community volunteers
- ♦ Continued strong involvement in the DETE Instrumental Music Program. A high rate of participation continues to access the instrumental music tuition offered privately through our school
- ♦ The ongoing commitment by parents to the aesthetic improvement of our grounds and buildings through well attended working bees
- ♦ the continuation of outdoor art projects including the mosaic panels on the Activity Room and the Year 7 art project
- ♦ The strengthening of our German program through Kristina Hauf, our German Language Assistant
- ♦ A continued high level of participation in out of school hours sport, with involvement in basketball, netball, cricket, soccer, T Ball and Kanga-cricket. The Sports Presentation Evening
- ♦ A variety of fun and activity during PE Week
- ♦ Successful SAPSASA representation in soccer, cross country, athletics and tennis along with a range of specialised sporting coaching clinics in basketball, cricket, netball, tennis and football
- ♦ Student voice through our SRC capably led by Steph Philp and Sam Gourd. Class representatives have been excellent in discussing issues and taking action for the environment, for charities and for school projects. Excellent support of students with learning difficulties and disabilities under the leadership of Annie Temby
- ♦ Continued student environmental action with the assistance of Urban Forest bio diversity program and Catchment Care/ Our Patch
- ♦ Excellent 'Buddy Walks' with older students supporting younger students in a range of settings
- ♦ A successful School Sports day
- ♦ Two-way visits with Eden Hills Kindergarten and excellent transition programs with our new students
- ♦ Excellent Aquatics (Year 5-7) and Swimming (Years R-4) programs
- ♦ The inaugural St Pat's Day/ Welcome to new parents celebration
- ♦ The inaugural (does this mean there will be more?) Pet day
- ♦ Book Week "Oceans of Stories"
- ♦ The "Come Out" Week and Parade
- ♦ Our End of Year Performance
- ♦ The building on partnerships with our local cluster schools through a variety of projects and partnerships
- ♦ Life Be In It Day for our Year 6 and 7 students at Belair National Park with other local schools
- ♦ The great farewell to staff, students and families at our Jazz on Sunday Lunch last weekend
- ♦ Teaching Assistant in Terms 3 and 4
- ♦ The strong support of School Council and sub-committees in promoting and working towards school goals

## School Logo

After the recent referendum on school logos, which indicated a majority of families were in favours of changing to the alternate logo proposal we will be gradually changing various applications in the new year. Many thanks to all who have worked through this process, including SRC who helped collate responses and to all families who provided feedback to the sub committee.

Regards, Peter O'Sullivan



## Farewell

Last night we celebrated the graduation of our Year 7 students as they prepare for their last days at EdenHills PS. Our Year 7s have been great role models this year are to be congratulated on the positive way in which they have approached their learning. We wish them all the very best as they head off to Blackwood High School. Farewell to: Brigitte Barr, Zoe Offord, Sam Kobelt, Kirsten Daws, Sara Norwood, Sam Gourd and Steph Philp.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

To all students and families I would like, on behalf of our Eden Hills staff, to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a relaxing and enjoyable holiday season. We look forward to seeing most of you back here on **Tuesday, 27th January**.

## Your New Representatives

Last week we held our Annual School Meeting, providing an opportunity to celebrating the achievements of the year and for electing our committee representatives and School Councillors for 2004. I am pleased to announce the following:  
**School Council**

Lucy Anglely  
Mike Puczkowski  
Jo Mc Intyre  
Russell Morgan  
Angela Chappell  
Deirdre Daws  
Jacqui Hull  
Colin Leech

Kathy Gadsden  
Penny Wright  
James Brock  
Petryn Thiele- Swift  
Michael Playfair  
Horrie Tarasuik  
Wendy Craggs



"THANKYOU"



The weather was fine, the food & wine too.  
The music was fabulous & the company congenial.  
Every good wish treasured. All in all the ambience was great..

We would like to express our sincerest gratitude for the memorable farewell given us by the Eden Hills school community. Memories are made of days like those.

Thankyou one & all

**Debra Dankbaar & Meg Ryan**

### TERM DATES

Term 1: Tuesday 27th January	Thursday 8th April
Term 2: Monday 26th April	Friday 2nd July
Term 3: Monday 19th July	Friday 24th September
Term 4: Monday 11th October	Friday 10th December

## LIBRARY NEWS

Check at home if you have any library books, please put them in the red box in the borrowing room.

If you find any readers at home could you please return them to your child's class teacher, Thankyou Tracy

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL!**

## GOOD-BYE.....

It's amazing how time flows by! I've spent the last six months at Eden Hills PS, working with **Josie Whitehead** as a German Teaching Assistant. My work included oral conversation, teaching new songs, helping the 3 /4 class with their Sprachfest item in Hahndorf, and providing the students with cultural knowledge about Germany.. With some classes we had a look at Germany's geography & what school is like in Germany.

A big **THANKYOU** goes to **Josie Whitehead**, who let me teach independently & always supported me. I certainly gained a lot of teaching experience & I hope to bring some real Aussie slang back to my English classes in Germany!! **THANKYOU** also to the very nice staff—I was always looking forward to being in the staff room & spending my time with you!

As you're reading this, I'll be in NZ for a holiday, I'll start teaching English & Religious Education in February, back in Germany, of course.

Finally: Tschüß and Auf Wiedersehen to all my classes!!  
I'll miss you!!

**Kristina**

## STRAWBERRY FAIR IS COMING IN 2004

"SMASH EM UP STALL"

Looking for something to do in the holidays?

Clean out the kitchen cupboards at home & grandma's house and see if there is any old crockery or pottery for the stall.

All donations welcome.

**NO GLASS ITEMS**

Thankyou Gail Miller

## Parents & Friends

**report for 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2003**

It was great to see some new faces at our last P&F for the year, as well as those who are usually there.

This time we had Kim Reed, Petryn, Fiona E, Corrine, Kylie, Jeanette and Jane Knight.

Peter dropped in to talk about classrooms, teachers and the school in general.

We didn't really have anything to decide or organise so we just chatted. It was a nice way to finish the year, thanks for your support everyone.

Lisa





## Australian Music Examinations Board Exams Results

Congratulations to the following Forte students on their outstanding achievements in the recent AMEB Music Exams.



**Roberto Riedig** Piano First Grade Distinction

**Rachel Lawrance** Piano Preliminary Grade Distinction

**Elizabeth Affleck** Flute First Grade Credit

Congratulations to **Eleanor Ludington** on winning a position in the Adelaide Youth Orchestra

Well Done to all!!

**Singing Lessons 2004:** Any parents interested in their child having singing lessons in 2004 please contact our singing teacher, Leigh Philp, via the contacts below.

Individual lessons : \$17.50, Group lessons \$10 (Children 10 years old and over)

Shine Music: Office: 8271 1145 Mobile: 0414 921 036 Email: [shinemusic@chariot.net.au](mailto:shinemusic@chariot.net.au)

**lost property**

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL FOLDERS**

**Please check lost property in the annexe outside Mrs. Kenyon's room. At the end of term we will be giving it to a local charity**

Need to be returned ASAP, can you please bring them into the office, thankyou

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Fitness classes at Eden Hills Primary School Activity Room 6:15-7:15 p.m. Tues. and Thursday evenings. \$5.00 per night. Qualified instructor Chris Dippy PH 8278-5204. No classes through the holidays.

## **SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS**

Celebrate Christmas—Christmas carols concert "Women with Latitude is an acappella women's singing group are having a concert on Sunday 14th December 5.30pm at St. Theodore's Church Hall, Prescott Terrace, Toorak Gdns.

Enquiries contact Penny Wright ☎ 8278 6101 or just turn up.

Blackwood & Mitcham Library Summer Holiday Fun—Bookings with payment are essential. (NO REFUNDS GIVEN) Places are limited so book early. Classes \$2 per child Blackwood Library, 215 Main Rd Blackwood ☎ 8278 5200 & speak to a member of Community Programmes Team, Mitcham ☎ 8271 0999

State Swim Morphett Road Swimvac Programme during December & January Holidays Cost \$60.00 per child (5 Sessions) payment paid within 48 hours of booking Details of times and dates on notice board ☎ 8296 2442

State Library Summer school 2003/2004 Fun at your library Booking forms available in the state library, bookings can be made online at [www.slsa.sa.gov.au](http://www.slsa.sa.gov.au)

YMCA Sharing the fun—Skill Development Program for children with a Disability, Ages between 5 & 13yrs, many suburbs to enrol at please contact Penny at YMCA ☎ 8223 1611 or more info on the board

YMCA Christmas, Adventure & Summer Fun camps Details in the office, Brochure available

Adelaide Boys Choir Ages 5-18years—Can your son sing, if you'd like to find out more ☎ The choir Manager on 8294 4265

Australian Coaching Network- Summer Series Super Clinics Dec/Jan 2004 (Our 10th year) Choose from Cricket/Tennis/Basketball/ Soccer & Combo cost of 4 day clinics 9am -12noon \$125 or 9am-3pm \$175 ☎ 1300 134 154

Mitcham Hills Cluster Vacation Care Please see OHSC for more details

Breakdance -Free Demo & Try Out Masonic Hall, Blackwood Thursday Jan. 15th 2004 Details 8370 6880

\* Kidding 2004: 9.30am 12noon daily, Mon. January 19th—Fri January 23rd \$65.00 for the week, Sessions held at The BCSA Chapel 176 Wattle St, Malvern

\* Zoo Adventures December/ January—Details on notice board



# Room 5's

Highlight's and Holiday's sentences!"

I think a night in was going to Arbury Park  
Rachel R

The highlights of this year have been  
Aquatics and School Camp. by Rachael.h

Merry Christmas Mum & Dad  
by Liaga

The Snapshot of this year is Spring  
in term 1 week 3 Aquatics.  
Merry Xmas to all, Hi Mum  
Patrick Hull

I had park blacks art  
lessons, Hi mum Ben.M.  
Merry Christmas  
from Joshua!!

Enjoy your x-mas and  
enjoy your present album  
I liked Mrs Blacks performance  
My favourite holiday of the year is  
X-mas. By Georgia

I like opening presents  
I liked it how we had a we have wern't  
just put song into groups.  
I think the end of year Blacks class Concert was  
fantastic Mr's Blacks did a good job.  
(Emily)

I think a Highlight of this  
year is opening K.K presents  
Breanna & K.K presents  
Merry Christmas everyone here  
you will have a great Xmas  
Get lots of presents from us  
One of the highlights was going  
to Arbury Park by Heidi miller

Enjoy your xmas presents  
from Matt

I liked doing art with Mrs.  
Black.  
sandra

Aquatics. by Eleanor.L  
the holidays because I am  
gain - to a Jamboree  
for end-of-year concert  
Milly