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Newsletter: **Week 3 Term 3 – 4th August 2020**

**EDWARD PUBLIC SCHOOL**



**A PBL SCHOOL - Positive Behaviour for Learning - WE VALUE**

**RESPONSIBILITY**

**SAFETY**

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**Week 3 Term 3 2020**

Wed 5th Aug • Indigenous DHS Transition 1.30pm

Fri 7th Aug • Jeans 4 Genes Day

**Week 4 Term 3 2020**

Wed 12th Aug Indigenous Engagement Program

**Week 5 Term 3 2020**

Wed 19th Aug • Indigenous DHS Transition 1.30pm

### School Photos

School photos will be taken in the morning of Tuesday 1st September. Envelopes have gone home today. Please contact the office if you have any questions about payment or if you didn't receive an envelope. The uniform shop is fully stocked if needing a fresh look for the photos.

### Welcome Back

Welcome back to Mrs McKinnon. Mrs McKinnon has been away from school due to an unfortunate accident. She is well on her way to recovery and will be returning to school for half days. The staff and students are all very happy to have her back with us.

### Indigenous Year 6 – 7 Transition Program to Deniliquin High

The Local Aboriginal Lands Council has organised, in partnership with Deniliquin High, fortnightly visits for our Indigenous Yr 6 students. Please return permission notes to the office if you haven't done so already and would like to attend.

### Painting

A number of painting projects are taking place around the school due to the scheduled maintenance by the NSW Department of Education. The shelter area and 3 primary classrooms are getting a facelift.

### Indigenous Engagement Program

Aboriginal students in Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) are being offered the opportunity to participate in an Indigenous Engagement Program which is being run by Pretaurus Education Group for the rest of Term 3 and into Term 4. Jennifer Cunningham (Supervising Teacher) and Martin White, will run a fortnightly program. Pretaurus are an environmental education group who have worked with many schools across the Murray region over a number of years.

This program is hands-on and activity based, and students will be exploring places both at school and away from school. It aims to give students opportunities to learn more about natural resources like water, soil, plants and animals, why they are important, how they are managed and who manages them. The students involved will have leadership opportunities, and have a chance to provide input to the program. The program will involve indigenous and non-indigenous land managers from our community.

Permission notes were handed out yesterday and need to be returned by next Tuesday as the program will start on Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of August.

### Jeans For Genes

This Friday the school will be supporting Jeans For Genes on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> August. Students are to wear their regular school uniform but can wear jeans to school. We are asking that each student donates a gold coin to support this worthy cause.

### Principal's Update

#### 'Learning Together'

#### Welcome to Education Week 2020

We will be sharing photos and videos on Facebook and website to celebrate NSW public education.

As we are unable to have our Student led conferences, teachers will be contacting parents by phone to discuss their child's academic and social progress so far this year. If you didn't return the note to have your child's teacher call at a convenient time then please contact the office to arrange a time.

There will be a short Education Week assembly on Friday morning. Unfortunately parents and carers cannot attend. Photos of award recipients will be posted on face book and our website.

Mrs Bermingham and myself attended training last Wednesday to upskill ourselves via the LEED project – Leading Evaluation, Evidence and Data. This project looks at using data and evidence to lead educational change and improve learning outcomes for all. This is a 3-year project and it is great that our school has been given the opportunity to participate. We will all be 'Learning Together!'

#### Covid Advice for Schools for Term 3

Schools will be open to welcome students back to onsite learning from the beginning of Term 3.

School staff and students are practising good hand hygiene and physical distancing.

All students who have been in Victoria must not attend school until they complete the 14 days self-isolation period since they left Victoria unless they can supply a permit that allows them to return to school.

NSW Health has requested anyone who has been in Victoria and is unwell or has flu-like symptoms arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics.

Students need to bring their own **water bottle** from home. This will help to restrict the spread of germs and keep your child hydrated.

#### Teacher Practicum

Welcome to Mrs Christie Gavel- Mrs Gavel has been studying at Swinburne University and is doing a practicum placement on 3/4DY.

## Book Club

Issue 5 of book club has been sent home. All orders to be finalised by Monday 10th August. Parents can order online through the LOOP program or via the office with the correct money.

## Cross Country

Thanks to Mrs Young and the staff who made the cross country such a success last Friday. Photos attached to this newsletter.

## Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open for your child's uniform needs. Please see the office staff. The P & C uniform shop accepts cash and you can also pay by direct deposit on your phone. See to office staff for the details.

## Breakfast program

A reminder that the Breakfast Program is continuing and provides toast for students from the canteen on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Any donations of bread, margarine, jam, vegemite or cash will be gratefully accepted.

## Canteen

The canteen continues to be open on Fridays. Please support our P & C who provide this great service to our school.

## 2021 Kindergarten Enrolments

Enrolments are now being taken for Kindergarten next year. Please let the office know if your child will be starting Kindergarten at Edward PS in 2021. If you have a friend or neighbour whose child will be attending, please ask them to contact the school as well. This will assist us with planning for classes and our transition program in Term 4.

## Mathletics Awardees

Declan Leetham, Chayce Ives, Gwen Gazzara, Ebony Hodgkinson, Jacinta Moloney, Shia Parsons, Narida Miller, Isabella Goodear, Ranbir Singh, Myley Simmons and Jaxson De Mamiel

## PBL Awardees

Summer King, Mannix Taylor, Carter Sartore, Isabella Goodear, Bella Leetham, Steven Busby, Jacob Norris, Kywahn Button, Sara Carter, Josh Goodear, Alex Ledwidge, Nina Glowrey, Oliver Ives, Olivia Didcock, Braelie Wesierski, Aneeka Kirby, Willow Clancy, Shia Parsons, Aria Taylor, Miley McCully, Claudia McMahon, Lincoln Meharry, Leela Rosenow, Harper Taylor, Jaxson Duggan, Bella Jones, Leo Herbert, Michael Gazzara, Tay-lea Gray, Myley Simmons, Zayne Ledwidge, Ayden Duggan, Jeffrey Grady, Zeke Barling, Daniel Greig, Bailey Busby, Myah Gazzara, Ranbir Singh, Mitchell Luckel, Levi Norris, Kaylee Barling, Trevor Quor, Kaleb Leech, Chaise Hurst, Harry Leech and Ollie Simpson-Rose.

Happy Education Week!

*Mrs Rhonda Blacker*  
Principal



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## Factsheet: COVID-19 and children

### How common is COVID-19 in children?

In Australia, the number of cases of COVID-19 in children is low. Only 4.5% of cases have been in school aged children (between five and 17 years). This figure was 2.2% in early June, 2020. The increase is mostly because of more testing and recently recorded cases in Victoria.

### How does COVID-19 affect children?

The virus can infect children, however, they are less likely to have symptoms. Their symptoms are milder and they are less likely to develop severe illness. Children dying from COVID-19 is rare.

### Do children spread the virus?

Children, especially younger ones, appear less likely to spread the virus among themselves and to adults. Most children become infected through contact with an infected adult member of their household. While children can have COVID-19, rates of spread of COVID-19 in schools are very low. Outbreaks in schools are rare.

### What are the symptoms of COVID-19 in children?

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 in children are cough, fever, runny nose and gastrointestinal symptoms.

### What if my child is unwell?

If your child is unwell, even if symptoms are very mild, they should stay home. They should not attend school until they have recovered.

If your child has symptoms of COVID-19 or of cold and flu-like illness, even if they are very mild, see your doctor or go to a respiratory testing clinic. Your child can then be assessed and tested for the virus that causes COVID-19. Your child will have to stay home while waiting for the result of their test. You must follow the advice of your doctor or testing clinic.

### What happens if my child tests positive?

If your child's test shows that they have COVID-19, they will have to stay in [isolation](#). This may be at home unless the home is not suitable or your child is very sick. Your child must stay in isolation until your local public health unit advises you that your child can leave home and return to school.

### Do I need a medical certificate before my child can return to school?

You should not be required to present a medical certificate or written clearance from a GP for your child to return to school. This applies for return to school after your child has been home with an illness, including COVID-19.

However, all states and territories provide a letter to you/your child (and/or your GP) when your child finishes isolation for COVID-19. You can present this letter to your child's school if you are asked.

### What if my child has other medical conditions?

If your child has complex medical needs, ask your health practitioner whether it is appropriate for your child to go to school.

### Advice to schools

The Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) published a [statement](#) on 26 April, 2020 on how schools can further reduce the relatively low risk of COVID-19 spreading in schools.

The Department of Education, Skills and Employment also has [resources](#) available about how to reduce the spread of COVID-19 at school.

### What is the inflammatory disease that can occur in children with COVID-19?

Recently, a small number of children have become seriously ill with a condition known as Paediatric Inflammatory Multisystem Syndrome Temporally associated with SARS-CoV-2 (PIMS-TS).

The link between PIMS-TS and COVID-19 is not yet understood. There have been no cases of PIMS-TS in Australia.

PIMS-TS is rare. Symptoms include:

- fever
- abdominal pain
- gastrointestinal symptoms (vomiting and diarrhoea)
- rash
- irritability
- red eyes
- rarely shock caused by low blood pressure.

Health officials monitor for any cases of PIMS-TS in Australia.

The AHPPC published a [statement](#) about PIMS-TS on 15 May, 2020. You can get further [information](#) from the National Centre for Immunisation Research and Surveillance.

# Edward School Cross Country

## Champions



# Junior Basketball

All competitions commencing next week.



**Mondays:** Grades 5/6

**Tuesdays:** Grades 3/4

**Wednesdays:** Grades Kinder Year 1/2

Games/times will vary between 4 and 5.30pm each week

Cost is \$100 for the 14 week season

The Stadium accepts Active Kids Vouchers

For more information or to register please phone/text John on 0408997705



The Fathering Project has a great selection of webinars and talks from dads and experts from all walks of life. Simply go to The Fathering Project website and click on the link for the Fathering Channel.

One I am going to share with you today is: **Fathering values and resilience webinar with cricket dad Peter Smith**

<https://thefatheringproject.org/fathering-channel/webinar-peter-smith/>

If you join The Fathering Project you will receive regular tips and ideas on being a dad or father figure. Mums will find it a great resource also.

We would also love for you to join our own Edward School Fathering Project Groups. Just simply join The Fathering Project and then look for our school in the list of schools and join.

## Edward Public School

Photo Day 2020  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September



### To Order Photos:

Go to [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au), enter your unique shootkey and follow the prompts.

Order your School Photos before midnight Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Late Orders can be accepted after Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September by contacting:

03 5482 3190. All late orders incur an extra \$20 for postage and handling.

Family Photos – Please order online prior to photo day with this unique shootkey. One shootkey per family.



03 5482 3190  
admin.mrr@msp.com.au  
[www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au)



A reminder to all bus travellers that they must have a current 2020 bus pass to travel on our school buses and that this pass must be carried with them at all times as our drivers will be checking.

Also if you have recently changed your address/moved house, we require these details updated if the student still intends to travel.

Sue Horneman at Dyson Group is more than happy to help any parent who needs assistance.

Phone: 58811333 or email: [shorneman@dysongroup.com.au](mailto:shorneman@dysongroup.com.au)

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**My child has lost their order form, so I don't have their shootkey. What should I do?**

If you are planning to pay using cash, pick up a spare envelope from your school's administration. If you would like to order online, please call us on 03 5482 3190 and we can provide you with your child's unique shootkey.

**My child never received an order form or shootkey.**

This is likely because your child was a new student or late enrolment. Please call our office on 03 5482 3190 and we will issue you one immediately.

**My partner and I have separated. Can we both order photos?**

Of course. Simply use the same shootkey to order for your child. Any students with multiple orders processed will have their photographs delivered to the front office of the school to ensure orders are sent home to the correct parent.

**How do I order a family photo?**

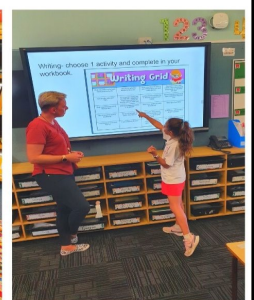
Most schools will have been sent family order forms attached to the eldest child of each family. These forms are orange on the back. If you have not received an order form, please pick up a spare from your school's administration.

**I didn't receive an order reference number, but the money has been taken out of my bank account.**

Your order has been automatically received by our system. Simply send your child to school on photo day with their order form as normal.

**I can't pay today. Will I still be able to get photos?**

Of course. All students will have their portrait taken regardless of whether you are purchasing photos or not. Online ordering will remain open for 3 calendar days after photo day. If you are still unable to order in this time frame, please contact us and we will endeavor to help you out.



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FOR 2021**

Edward School is a leader in quality education with a range of educational programs that cater for the individual needs of all our students!

Please contact our school for more information.

Rhonda Blacker  
Principal