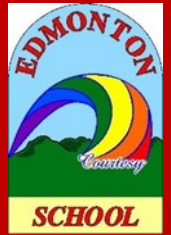


**9 April 2025**

# **Edmonton Primary School**

## **School Newsletter**



### **Principals Korero**

Kia ora, Talofa lava, afio mai, 'nāmāstei , pai ata, Kuja hapa, greetings, สวัสดี, 欢迎 and malo e lelei, Salaam+

On Monday we had a beautiful moving ANZAC ceremony. The rain kept away and we were able to hold the whole event outside on the courts looking up at the bank where the crosses were placed ready for the remembrance ceremony. Thank you to the parents who were able to make it. Our middle school students had made some delicious ANZAC biscuits which we all enjoyed.

We are now in our last week of term 1 and getting ready for the holidays. The teachers and students did an amazing job in temporary classrooms at the beginning of the term , and now back in their own newly renovated classrooms.

Teachers have been working with all of the new curriculum requirements with Numicon being our Maths choice. We are all meeting in the holidays for our second workshop with our facilitators. We have chosen to make these days in the holidays so that there is less disruption with the school day.

I do hope you have a restful holiday and hopefully some great weather so you can get outside, and enjoy doing lots of fun activities as a family.

I look forward to seeing you all in term 2.

Happy holidays everyone

***Margaret Samson (Principal)***

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South

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office@edmonton-  
primary.school.nz

### **TERM DATES**

#### **2025**

##### **Term 1**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February to  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April

##### **Term 2**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April to Fri-  
day 27<sup>th</sup> June

##### **Term 3**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July to Friday  
19<sup>th</sup> September

##### **Term 4**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October to  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

### **School Docs**

Please login to School Docs to have a look  
at our current Policies & Procedures  
Community User: Edmonton  
Password: Respect

# What's Coming up

## **TERM 1**

- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April Whole School Assembly Rooms 11 & 3 hosting
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April Last Day for Term 1

## **TERM 2**

- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April First Day for Term 2
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May Pink Shirt Mufti Day—Gold Coin donation
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Kings Birthday Holiday
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June Matariki Holiday
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June Last Day for Term 2

## **TERM 3**

- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July First Day for Term 3
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>—  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September Year 5 & 6 Camp—Carey Park
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September Last Day for Term 3

## **TERM 4**

- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October First Day for Term 4
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October School Photos
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October Labour Day Holiday
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December Last Day for Children (12:05pm Finish)
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December Teacher Only Day
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December Teacher Only Day

# Save the Date

# Important

**Contact Details:** It is very important that we have up to date contact details for parents/ caregivers. To ensure that we are able to contact whanau please contact the school office with any changes or additions.

**After Hours :** Unless your children are in Before or After School Care. Please make sure they are not at school before 8:25am and they are picked up and off of the school grounds by 3:10pm

**Absence:** Please use the Skool Loop App to report an absence or leave a message on the school phone absence line.

**Collecting Students during the school day:** If you need to collect your child for an appointment during the school day please contact the office **09 838 9318** or email **office@edmonton-primary.school.nz** to arrange. If possible please arrange to collect your child before or after the morning tea and lunch breaks, as it is difficult to find children during these times. Morning tea is 10.30am until 11.00am, lunch from 12.30pm until 1.20pm

## School Lunches

School lunches are available as follows

Wednesdays – Sushi

Thursdays – Bakery

Fridays – Bakery

Order forms are available in your child's classroom

One form per child is required

Payment can be made online to

Edmonton School Board of Trustees

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Please make sure that payments are made on the day of order and that the child's name and 'lunch' are noted on the payment

## Before & After School Care & Holiday Program

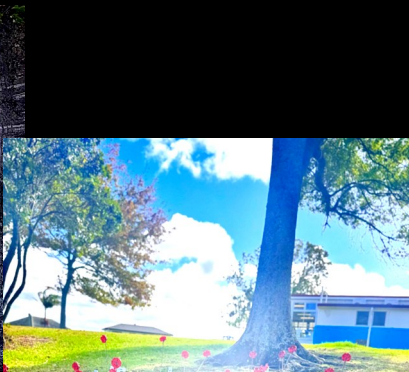
We have before and after school care available on site that runs from 7:00am until 8:30am in the mornings and then from 3:00pm until 5:30pm in the afternoons. This service also runs a holiday program during the holidays

## EDMONTON SCHOOL OSCAR PROGRAM

For information about before school,  
after school care and holiday programme or enrolment forms  
Please contact Office Ph 8389318 or Claire Busby 027 550 5197



# ANZAC DAY SERVICE



# KIDS PAGE

## Student of the Week:

**Dondre' Room 7**

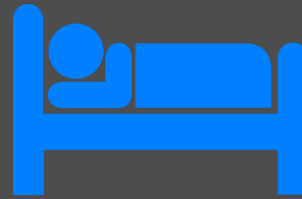
**For doing such a good job playing the recorder for the Anzac Day Service**

### WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE RANKINGS

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| First Place:   | Room 7  |
| Second Place:  | Room 3  |
| Third Place:   | Room 5  |
| Fourth Place:  | Room 9  |
| Fifth Place:   | Room 10 |
| Sixth Place:   | Room 4  |
| Seventh Place: | Room 8  |
| Eighth Place:  | Room 2  |
| Ninth Place:   | Room 11 |

### AN INTERESTING FACT:

In your lifetime, you will spend around 25 years sleeping



## Tiger facts

1) Tigers are the largest wild cats in the world.

Adults can weigh up to **363kg** (that's about the same as *ten* ten year olds!) and measure up to **3.3m!**

2) Tigers are carnivores, eating only meat.

They mainly feed on large mammals such as **deer, wild pigs, antelope** and **buffalo**.

3) Tigers are solitary hunters, and generally search for food alone at night.

They **quietly stalk their prey** until they are close enough to pounce – then they kill their victim with a bite to the neck or back of the head. Ouch!

4) Tigers are good swimmers!

Unlike most members of the cat family, they like water and often **cool off in pools or streams**.

5) A tiger's roar can be heard as far as three kilometres away.

SO when they want to be heard, you'll know about it, gang!

6) At full speed, tigers can reach up to 65km/h.

That's right – they may be big and heavy, but tigers are by no means slow movers!

7) These fierce felines have walked the earth for a long time.

Fossil remains of tigers found in parts of China are believed to be **2 million years old**. Yikes!

8) No two tigers have the same stripes.

Since every tiger has their own pattern not only on their fur but their skin as well, **they are all unique!**

9) Today, there are **five** subspecies of tiger.

These subspecies are the **Bengal tiger, South China tiger, Indochinese tiger, Sumatran tiger** and **Amur tiger** (also known as Siberian tiger). Sadly, three subspecies of tiger have become extinct – the Caspian, Bali and Javan.

10) Less than **100 years ago**, tigers could be found throughout Asia.

Sadly, **hunting and habitat loss** have put populations at risk, and today their range has been reduced to around **7% of its former size**. That's why we need to do all we can to protect these beautiful beasts!



## You are Joking

What did the policeman say to his tummy?....

You're under a vest!

## Craft

### Salt dough Easter egg decorations

Make these easy salt dough Easter eggs by mixing flour, salt and water, then stamping out the shapes with a biscuit cutter. Once baked, paint them with acrylic paints or try acrylic paint pouring. It's easy to do and the patterns will be different every time – just be sure to protect your surfaces first!

**Takes** 15 mins, plus baking time

**To make salt dough Easter eggs, you will need:**

|                |                  |       |             |
|----------------|------------------|-------|-------------|
| Plain flour    | Salt             | Water | Mixing bowl |
| Rolling pin    | Baking parchment |       | Baking tray |
| Biscuit cutter | Acrylic paint    |       | String      |

**What to do**

1. Heat the oven to 120° fan/gas 1.
2. Mix two parts plain flour with one part salt and one part water. Once the dough starts coming together, knead the mixture with your hands – if it feels a little sticky, sprinkle in a bit more flour, or add a splash more water if it's crumbly.
3. Roll the dough out on a lightly floured work surface until it's 5mm-1cm thick. Use an oval biscuit cutter to stamp out as many egg shapes as you can. If you want to make hanging Easter eggs, poke a hole in the top using a skewer or the end of a straw.
4. Line a baking tray with baking parchment and arrange the salt dough eggs on top in a single layer. Bake for 2-3 hrs on the bottom shelf, or until the shapes are hard. Leave to cool completely.
5. Pour over some acrylic paint, making sure to cover all the sides with colour, or paint normally. Leave to dry completely, then thread string through the hole at the top (if using) and secure with a knot before hanging.



## Cooking



### Easter Egg Rice Bubble Nests

10 mins

5 mins

Serves 10

#### Ingredients

Butter, for greasing  
Mars bars, chopped - 4  
Unsalted butter, chopped - 100 g  
Rice bubbles - 3 cups  
Assorted mini chocolate Easter eggs

#### Method

**Step 1**  
Grease and line 10 bases of a 12-hole muffin tin.

**Step 2**  
Place Mars bars and butter in a medium saucepan. Stir over a low heat for 5 minutes or until melted.

**Step 3**  
Place rice bubbles in a large heatproof bowl. Add melted Mars bar mixture and stir to combine. Allow to cool, then divide mixture among pan holes and shape into nests.

**Step 4**  
Refrigerate until firm. Store in refrigerator until just before serving.

**Step 5**  
When ready to serve, place on a platter with Easter eggs arranged inside each nest.

**Tip:** If you have rice bubbles which have gone stale, toast them in the oven to freshen them up and make them crunchy again.

## Colouring



## Word Search

### EASTER WORD SEARCH



BUNNY  
EGGS  
CHICK  
JELLYBEAN

BASKET  
SPRING  
FLOWER  
EASTER

GRASS  
CANDY  
HUNT  
DYE

BONNET  
SUNDAY  
PEEPS  
LAMB

# WHAT IS YOUR CHILD MISSING OUT ON?

*JUST A LITTLE BIT LATE FOR SCHOOL or LEAVE A LITTLE EARLY DOESN'T SEEM MUCH BUT .....*

| If your child is missing | That equals           | Which is                | And over 13 years of         |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 10 minutes per day       | 50 minutes per week   | Almost 1.5 weeks of the | Almost half of a school year |
| 20 minutes per day       | 1 hour 40 minutes per | Over 2.5 weeks per      | Almost 1 school year         |
| Half an hour per day     | Half a day per school | 4 weeks per school year | Almost 1.5 school years      |
| 1 hour per day           | 1 day per school week | 8 weeks per school year | Over 2.5 school years        |

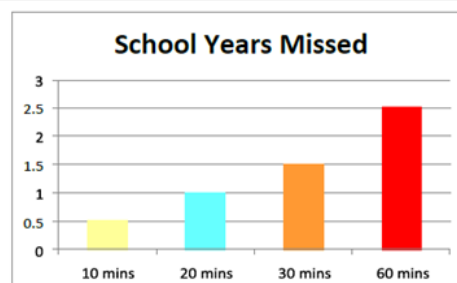


Did you know that your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?

That's when every minute counts the most.

School starts at 8:55am.

## EVERY MINUTE COUNTS



# DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?

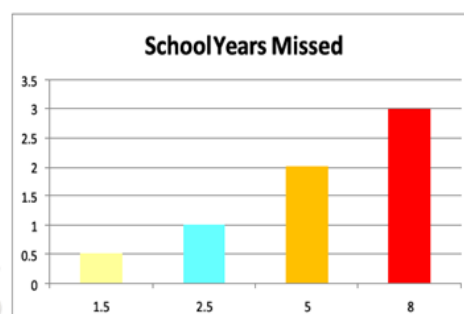
**1 OR 2 DAYS A WEEK DOESN'T SEEM MUCH BUT...**

| If your child misses | That equals       | Which is                 | And over 13 years of schooling that's |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Half a day per week  | 20 days per year  | 1 month per school year  | Almost 1.5 school years               |
| 1 day per week       | 40 days per year  | 2 months per school year | Almost 2.5 school years               |
| 2 days per week      | 80 days per year  | 4 months per school year | Over 5 school years                   |
| 3 days per week      | 120 days per year | Over half a school year  | Almost 8 school years                 |

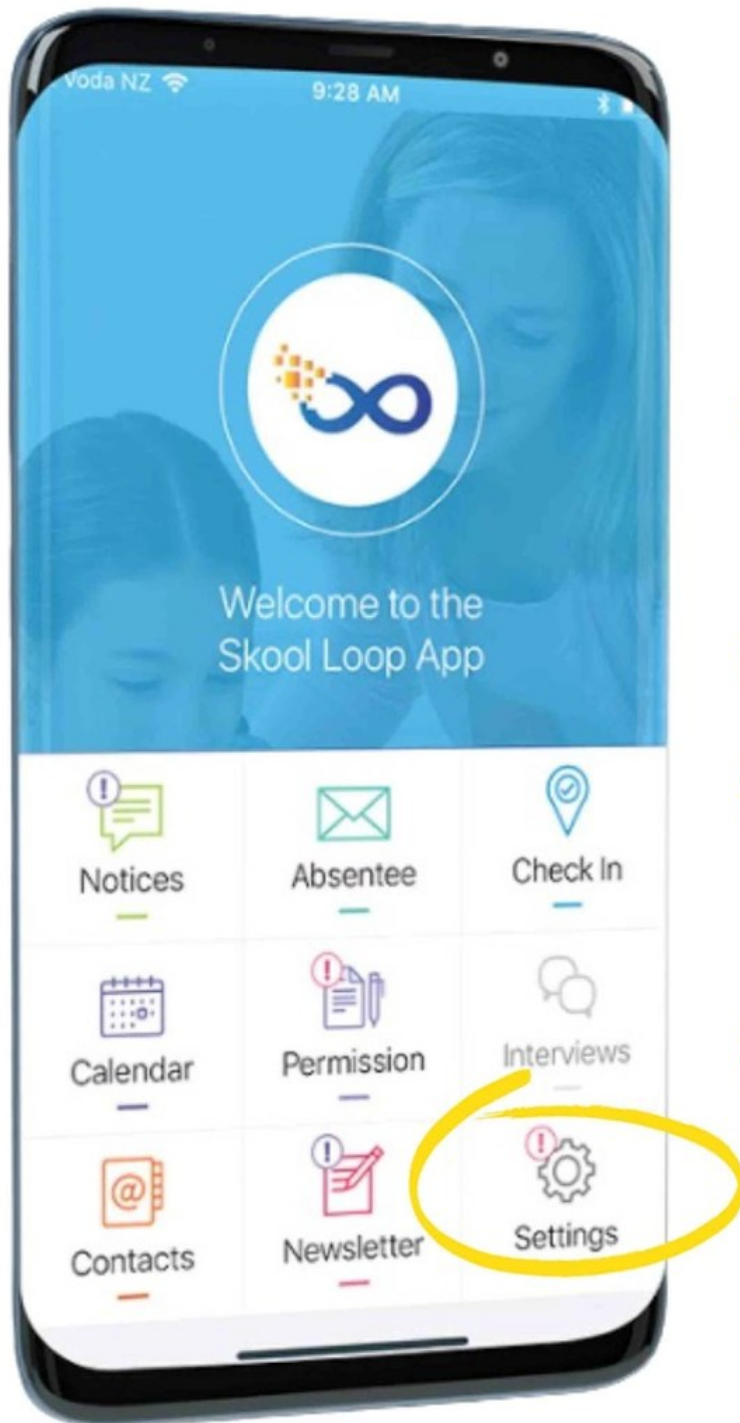


If you want your child to be successful at school then  
**YES, ATTENDANCE DOES MATTER!**

## EVERY DAY COUNTS



# HOW TO SUBSCRIBE TO NOTICE GROUPS



**TO JOIN YOUR SKOOL LOOP APP NOTICE GROUPS, SIMPLY FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW:**

- Go to the 'Settings' tile in the bottom right hand corner of the Home Screen
- Go to 'Subscribe to groups'
- Tap to select the group/s you would like to receive notifications from
- You're good to go - you will now receive all notices sent to the groups you have subscribed to

## NEED MORE INFO?

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