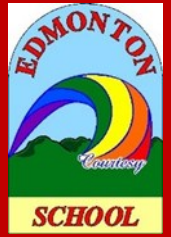


18 June 2025

Edmonton Primary School

School Newsletter



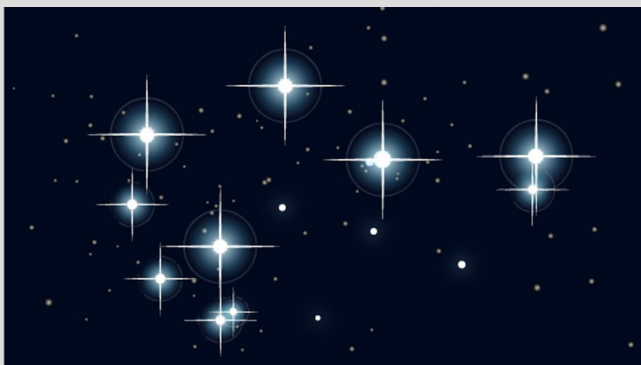
Principals Korero

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

Thank you all for helping out with buying some of our rice fundraiser this week . It all helps to lower the cost for parents and helps get our students to camp. We all really appreciate your support. Our wonderful Kapa Haka group will be performing in the Cluster Matariki Festival held at the Te Atatu Community Centre. We are performing at 12.45. All whanau are welcome. It is always a great experience for our students to be on stage and celebrating.

Have a restful Matariki weekend, and zi look forward to seeing you all for the last week of term.

Margaret Samson (Principal)



Contact Us:

1-29 School Road, Te Atatu
South

Phone:

(09) 838 9318

Email

office@edmonton-primary.school.nz

School Hours

8:55am—3:00pm

TERM DATES 2025

Term 1

Monday 3rd February to
Friday 11th April

Term 2

Monday 28th April to
Friday 27th June

Term 3

Monday 14th July to
Friday 19th September

Term 4

Monday 6th October to
Tuesday 16th 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 2

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| • Friday 20 th June | Matariki Holiday |
| • Friday 27th June | Whole School Assembly (Rooms 9 & 5 hosting) |
| • Friday 27th June | Last Day for Term 2 |

TERM 3

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| • Monday 14th July | First Day for Term 3 |
| • Tuesday 19th August | Water Skills for Life (Yrs 2—6) |
| • Tuesday 26th August | Water Skills for Life (Yrs 2—6) |
| • Tuesday 2nd September | Water Skills for Life (Yrs 2—6) |
| • Tuesday 9th September | Water Skills for Life (Yrs 2—6) |
| • Tuesday 16th September | Water Skills for Life (Yrs 2—6) |
| • Wednesday 17th—Friday 19th September | Year 5 & 6 Camp—Carey Park |
| • Friday 19th September | Last Day for Term 3 |

TERM 4

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

Save the Date

KIDS PAGE

Student of the Week:

Faith Room 5

For

Always being cheerful and helpful

AN INTERESTING FACT:

Butterflies Taste with Their Feet

Butterflies don't use their mouths to taste—they use their feet! When a butterfly lands on a plant, it tastes the leaves to determine if it's a suitable place to lay its eggs. They can even detect chemicals with their feet

CLASS ATTENDANCE

Term 2 Week 8

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

You are Joking:

What do you call a fake noodle?

An im-pasta

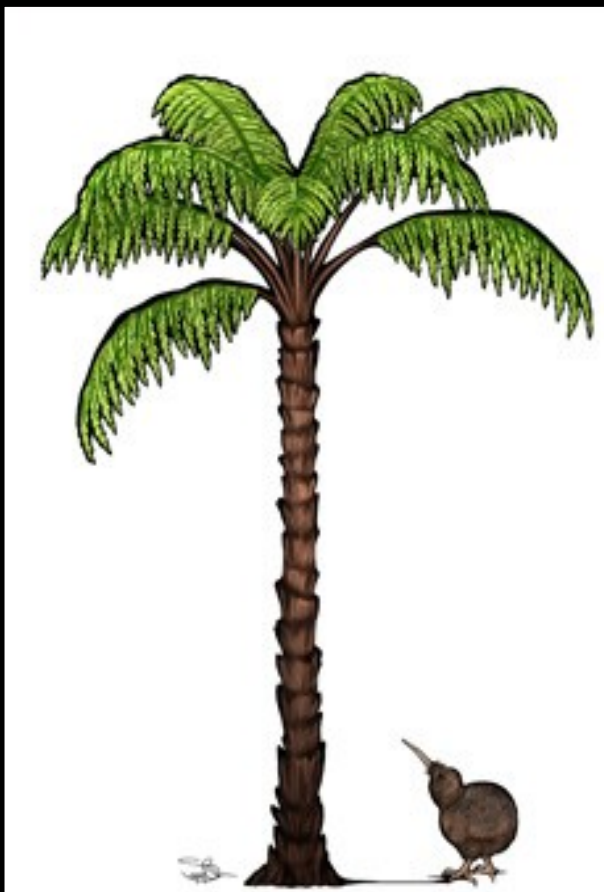
Matariki

Matariki is the Māori New Year celebration. The Māori were the first people to live on Aotearoa (New Zealand). Today they make up about one-sixth of the population of the country. Matariki became an official public holiday in New Zealand in 2022.

Matariki is celebrated in June or July every year. It arrives when the cluster of stars known as Matariki (also known as the Pleiades) appears in the sky. This star cluster is part of a traditional Māori story called “Ngā mata o te ariki Tāwhirimātea,” which means “the eyes of the god Tāwhirimātea.” In the story, Tāwhirimātea (the god of the wind) was very angry because his siblings separated their parents—the sky father and the earth mother. So Tāwhirimātea tore out his eyes and threw them into the heavens.

In traditional Māori culture, Matariki was a time to remember the dead and to release their spirits to become stars. It was also connected to planting and harvesting. If the stars appeared clear and bright, it meant the coming season would be successful. Today Matariki is a time for remembering those who have died in the past year, gathering together with friends and family, and looking forward to what the new year holds.





Edmonton Primary School Reporting to Parents

We are transitioning our student reports to align with the new Curriculum that is coming out in 2026. Hence that is why our reports are the same as we have used in the past. Full implementation is expected to be **completed by 2027**.

Our teachers are receiving ongoing professional development to support these changes.

We will continue to keep you informed and involved, ensuring that your child thrives in this evolving curriculum.

We are looking for support

We will shortly be renewing the adverts for our newsletter sponsors page.

Should you, or anyone you know, like to place an advertisement in the school emailed newsletter please contact

Craig or Jeanette Neeve of Newsletters Unlimited, ph 021 535308, or (09) 817 3867, or email newsletters@xtra.co.nz.

Our Matariki Art Work



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. We need to know when you children are going to be away to avoid them being marked as 'truant'.

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



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

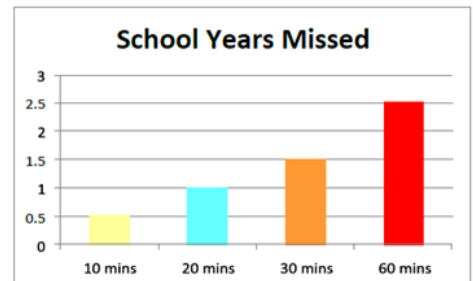


Did you know that your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?

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School starts at 8:55am.

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS



DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?

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

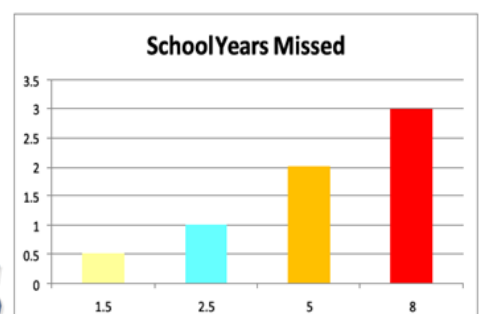
If your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's
Half a day per week	20 days per year	1 month per school year	Almost 1.5 school years
1 day per week	40 days per year	2 months per school year	Almost 2.5 school years
2 days per week	80 days per year	4 months per school year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





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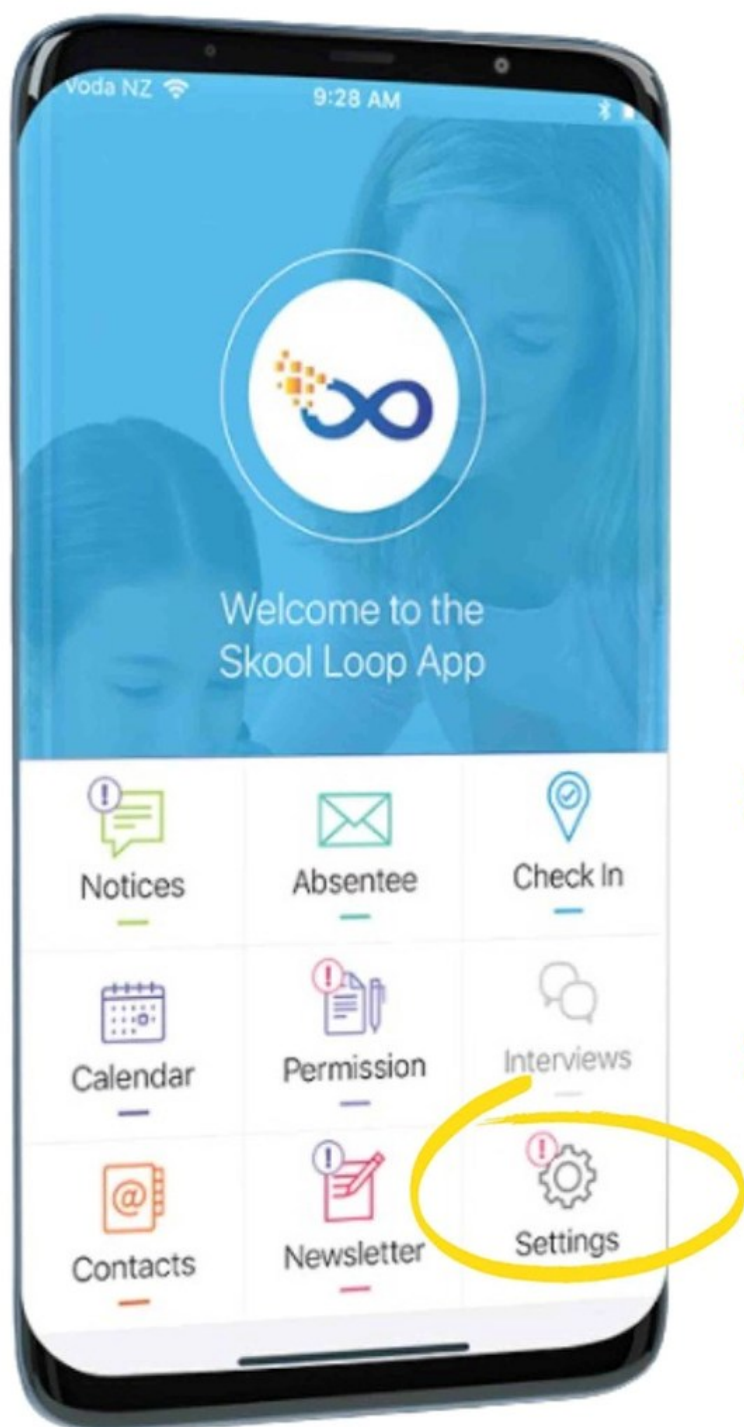
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- > Tap to select the group/s you would like to receive notifications from
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