27 August 2025

Edmonton Primary School

School Newsletter



Principals Korero

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

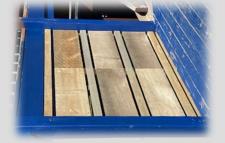
On Saturday the hard work began to make the repairs to the boat before the big day to paint it. Most of the woodwork has been completed and now the next job is to undercoat the new woodwork. Thank you everyone who gave us their options for the boat colours, The colours have been selected and we are nearly ready for the big day of painting in the holidays. It is Sunday September 27. It will be a wonderful day seeing the boat completely transformed back to its glorious self.

On Tuesday our Netball teams played remarkably well . I am very proud of them all. Thank you to Mrs Cunnigham and the students who have helped run the practice sessions.

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 3

Monday 14th July to Friday 19th September

Term 4

Monday 6th October to Tuesday 16th December

TERM DATES 2026

Term 1

Tuesday 3rd February to Thursday 2nd April

Term 2

Monday 20th April to Friday 3rd July

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

2025

TERM 3 * 14th July—19th September

Friday 29th August
 Yellow Mufti Day to support Cancer Society

Monday 1st September Water Skills for Life (Yrs 2—6)

Friday 5th September
 Whole School Assembly (Rooms 9 & 5 hosting)
 Scholastic Book Club Orders—Issue 6 due back

• Monday 8th September Water Skills for Life (Yrs 2—6)

Monday 15th September
 Wednesday 17th—Friday 19th September
 Year 5 & 6 Camp—Carey Park

Friday 19th September
 Last Day for Term 3

TERM 4 * 6th October—16th December

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

<u>2026</u>

TERM 1 * 3rd February—2nd April

Tuesday 3rd February
 First Day for Term 1

Friday 6th February
 Waitangi Day

Thursday 2nd April
 Last Day for Term 1

TERM 2 * 20th April—3rd July

Monday 20th April
 Monday 27th April
 Waitangi Day Observed

Monday 1st June Kings Birthday

Friday 3rd July
 Last Day for Term 2

TERM 3 * 20th July—25th September

Monday 20th July
 Friday 25th September
 Last Day for Term3

TERM 4 * 12th October—15th December

Monday 12th October
 First Day for Term 4

Monday 26th October Labour Day

Tuesday 15th December
 Last Day for Term 4 (12:05pm Finish)

Save the Date

Farewell to our Japanese Students



UNIFORM REMINDER

We have noticed a lot of children are not wearing the correct uniform. Please see our uniform guidelines below.

EDMONTON PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our school uniform is available from any shop but the following stores stock plenty of options: Kmart, Warehouse, Farmers & Postie Plus.

Listed below are our uniform requirements.

Plain red top with a collar or a red skivvy

Plain red sweatshirt

Plain black shorts, skorts, skirt, track pants, trousers

Plain red or black sunhat/cap worn in term 1 and term 4

Black sandals or shoes with black laces. No boots

Black socks

No long sleeves or T-shirts showing under short sleeved tops.



KIDS PAGE

Student of the Week:
Sidney Room 9

For

Covering other peoples crossing duties

AN INTERESTING FACT:

Kiwi is the only bird in the world with nostrils at the end of its beak

CLASS ATTENDANCE This Week

First Place: Room 5

Second Place: Room 10

Third Equal: Room 8

Fourth Place: Room 11

Fifth Place: Room 9

Sixth Place: Room 3

Seventh Place: Room 7

Eighth Place: Room 2

Ninth Place: Room 4

You are Joking:

How do trees get online? They just Log In.

The Kiwi is truly unique

It is a bird, but it has features more characteristic of a mammal.

For example

It has tiny wings but cannot fly.

It has loose feathers that are more like fur and unlike other birds the feathers moult throughout the year.

It is the only bird in the world with nostrils at the end of its beak.

It uses sensory pits at the tip of the bill to find food.

It has no tail feathers but does have whiskers, like a cat.

It has marrow in its bones, just like a human.

Very unusually, females have two ovaries, most birds have only one.

Kiwi are mostly nocturnal

Which means that they come out of their burrows after nightfall to forage for insects, grubs, earthworms, fallen fruit and native plants. Other night birds are equipped with big powerful eyes so they can see at night.

The kiwi is different. It has a well-developed sense of smell with the part of the brain controlling this sense being much larger and more like a mammal's structure than a bird's. Kiwi have small eyes do not see as well at night, instead, it feels, smells and hears its way around.

The Kiwi egg

Kiwi have one of the largest egg-to-body weight ratios of any bird. The egg averages 15% of the female's body weight (compared to 2% for the ostrich).

Incubation is done by the male and can take anything from 74-90 days. When first hatched, the belly of the chick is swollen with yolk which will sustain them for their first few days. Female kiwi grow to be larger than males (up to 3.3 kg and 45 cm).

Feeding

Kiwi are omnivorous and although worms form a major part of their diet, they will also readily eat woodlice, millipedes, centipedes, slugs, snails, spiders, insects, seeds, berries and plant material. Kiwi feed at night and probe into the ground with their bill up to a depth of 12cm.

Big ear openings provide a very good sense of hearing and the long, graceful whiskers and sensitive bill help it locate food in the soil and leaf litter. Kiwi chicks are instinctive feeders and are not taught by parent birds to forage for food.

Threats

Stoats, ferrets and weasels are the biggest threat to the survival of Kiwi, closely followed by cats and dogs. Only 5% of all Kiwis hatched in the wild survive to adulthood. The feather patterns allow kiwi to protect themselves by disappearing into the dark and fading into the forest vegetation. When distressed a kiwi freezes, disguising itself from aerial predators.

The kiwi is often given away by the sound of its uniquely placed 'noisy' nostrils at the tip of its bill. As it walks it taps the ground with its bill, probing the soil and sniffing loudly.



Scholastic Book Club - Issue 6 Available now! Orders due back to school office by Friday 5th September



Please make sure you vote in our Board of Trustees Elections.

There are 3 positions to fill.

Please Cast YOUR vote NOW!

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 12 3038 0453332 00

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

Important Information

<u>Contact Details:</u> 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.

<u>After Hours</u>: Unless your children are in Before or After School Care. Please make sure they are not at school before 8:30am 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'.

<u>Collecting Students during the school day:</u> 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 10.30 am until 11.00 am, lunch from 12.30 pm until 1.20 pm.

<u>Arriving Late:</u> Children must report to the office if they arrive after 8:55am

Before & After School Care & Holiday Program

We have <u>Before and After school care</u> available on site. The program runs from 7:00 am until 8:30 am in the mornings and then from 3:00 pm until 5:30 pm in the afternoons.

This service also runs a <u>Holiday Program</u> 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



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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

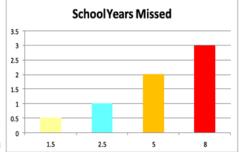
DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?

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!





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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
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