#### 26 March 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+

Thank you all who have replied and our coming tonight to our BOT hui at 6pm in the staff room . I look forward to meeting you and sharing information on being part of our school board. We have elections coming up later in the year.

Thank you to the room 3 and 11 parents who are attending the Maths Inclusive process Research project tonight at 6pm. This is being held in room 11.

The senior school is preparing for their tee ball cluster sports day next week. Thank Ms Naylor for training the students each lunchtime.

Room 8 has been given an opportunity to view and walk the Te Whau Walkway construction. Thank you Richard Garrett, one of our BOT members for organising this for us . It is a great opportunity for our children to learn about suburbs as well as the importance the Whau river holds to this area.



Margaret Samson (Principal)

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## 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 Friday 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

## Whats Coming up

#### TERM 1

Wednesday 26th March

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April

Friday 11th April

BOT Hui 6pm

School Athletics Day—All Welcome

Whole School Assembly Rooms 11 & 3 hosting

Last Day for Term 1

TERM 2

Monday 28th April First Day for Term 2

Friday 16th May Pink Shirt Mufti Day—Gold Coin donation

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Kings Birthday Holiday

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June Matariki Holiday

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June
 Last Day for Term 2

TERM 3

Monday 14th July
 First Day for Term 3

Friday 19th September Last Day for Term 3

TERM 4

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>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.

**Sun Safe:** In terms 1 & 4 we require children to wear hats when outside. Black or Red hats are preferable, however any hat that provides protection from the sun and it appropriate at school can be worn.

<u>After Hours:</u> 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 3:05pm

## **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

We have <u>before and after school care</u> 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 <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



## KIDS PAGE

#### **WEEKLY CLASS** ATTENDANCE RANKINGS

**First Place:** Room 8

**Second Place:** Room 5

**Third Place:** Room 4

**Fourth Place:** Room 7

Fifth Place: Room 9

Sixth Place: Room 11

**Seventh Place:** Room 2

**Eighth Place:** Room 10

**Ninth Place:** Room 3

#### Student of the Week: Kent Room 11

For working hard, building independence, working independently and resilience

#### AN INTERESTING FACT:

#### **SOME THINGS YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT DOLPHINS**

Dolphins are marine mammals known for their intelligence. They are found all over the world in almost all aquatic environments, including around the coast of New Zealand.

Here are 10 facts about dolphins that you might not know.

#### 1. Many different types

There are around 40 different species of marine dolphins. They can be found in oceans, coastal and estuarine environments, and freshwater. Dolphins can adapt to a wide range of temperatures, from icy Antarctic waters to warm tropical

#### 2. Some are only found here

New Zealand has 2 endemic species - Māui and Hector's dolphins. With grey, white, and black markings and a distinct snout without a beak, their flat, black dorsal fin resembling a Mickey Mouse's ears, sets them apart from other dolphins that have a pointed dorsal fin.

#### 3. Freshwater dolphins

The Amazon River is home to 4 species of dolphins that have adapted to life in freshwater and are found nowhere else on Earth. Some of them are pink.

#### 4. Fast Swimmers

Dolphins are known for their impressive swimming abilities, and bottlenose dolphins can reach speeds of over 40km/hour for brief periods, although they usually travel at about 3km/hour.

#### 5. Clever Hunters

Dolphins are skilled hunters and have some interesting hunting techniques. Some use bubbles to herd their prey to the surface and stun fish with their tail in a technique called "fish-whacking."

#### 6. Chatty Creatures

Dolphins are very talkative animals, and they communicate with each other using a variety of sounds that have been described by humans as whistles, clicks, squawks, squeals, buzzes and even barks.

Dolphins are known for their intelligence, and they have some unique abilities. For example, they are one of the few species, along with apes and humans, that can recognise themselves in a mirror. Dolphins have also been known to use tools, such as marine sponges.

#### 8. Half asleep

Did you know that dolphins sleep with only half of their brain at a time? It allows them to keep one eye open to watch for predators and to make sure they stay with their group.

9. Under Threat

Many dolphin species are threatened and few more so than our Māui dolphins. Living close to shore, accidental entanglement in fishing nets is likely the largest cause of human-caused Māui dolphin mortality.

#### 10. Conservation efforts

Around the world WWF is working to save many endangered dolphin species. In New Zealand we are using <u>cutting edge technology</u> to learn more about Māui and Hector's dolphins and fisheries to reduce interactions with fishing vessels and protect these precious species.



### You are Joking

What do you call an international traveller that always stays in a corner?

A Stamp

## SCHOOL ATHLETICS FUN DAY FRIDAY 28TH MARCH

School Games Fun Day will be held on Friday 28th March beginning at 9.10am until 12.30pm.

Children will need a drink and will need to wear a hat & shoes suitable for running.

There will be lots of FUN activities all morning

Spectators are welcome - we'd love to see a big crowd - come and have lunch with your children.



#### **BIKE RAFFLE**

Barfoot & Thompson Glendene won 2 bikes at a charity auction for the Graeme Dingwell Foundation and now want to use this opportunity to raise more money for a great cause - Local Schools.

Barfoot & Thompson decided to sell raffle tickets for both bikes with all the proceeds to go to local Schools.

We have been selling some tickets at the monthly Te Atatu Food Truck Fridays but sales are low, so I have decided to reach out to local schools and give them the opportunity to sell their own tickets and retain the proceeds for their school plus go into the draw to win the funds Barfoot & Thompson Glendene have raised.

With the raffle tickets being sold by local schools, the raffle stubs from these books will go into the draw for the 2 bikes which will be drawn at the final Te Atatu Food Truck event on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April.

Cheers

Paul Fox
Branch Manager
Barfoot & Thompson Glendene
pfox@barfoot.co.nz

I would like	raffle tickets @ \$1.00 each for the <u>blue</u> Bike
I would like	raffle tickets @ \$1.00 each for the green Bike
Enclosed / Online	\$
Name:	Room

## 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

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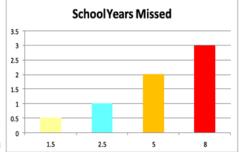
## DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?

### 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

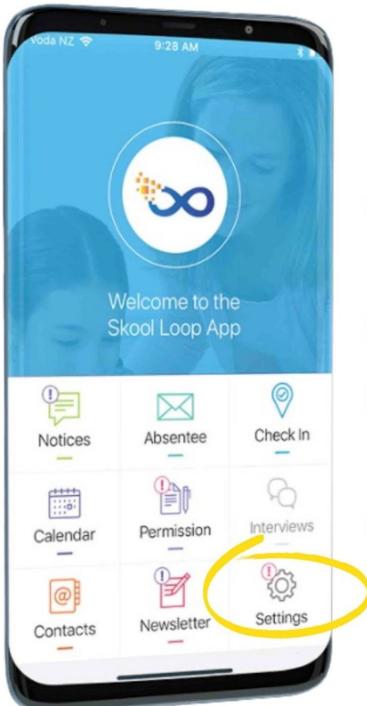


If you want your child to be successful at school then YES, ATTENDANCE DOES MATTER!





## **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
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