19th August 2026

Edmonton Primary School Newsletter

Principals Korero

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

Help us choose our new school mural

Dear Parents & Whanau

We are very excited to share that we are engaging a **local artist Rashi Shandiliya to work alongside our students to create a beautiful new mural** for the wall beside Room 12.

The mural will be a wonderful opportunity for our students to have their ideas, creativity and sense of community reflected in a special piece of artwork that will become part of our school environment.

We have put together **three concept ideas** for you to look at. Each design celebrates themes of **diversity, belonging, culture, connection and our community**

Now its your turn

Please take a look at the three concepts on the next page and **email through your first choice to the office office@edmonton-primary.school.nz**. We will then collate the votes and choose the **Community Choice** to help guide the final mural design.

Which one is your favourite?

1️⃣ **Concept One – Children Together**
2️⃣ **Concept Two – Aotearoa / New Zealand**
3️⃣ **Concept Three – Growing Together**

We would love to hear from our Edmonton families and have the wider school community involved in choosing the design.

Thank you for helping us make this mural **something that represents our children, our community and our beautiful, diverse school.** 💙🎨

Please send your choice through to the school, by August 31

Name:

My First Choice:

Ngā Mihi

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 2026

Term 3
Monday 20th July to
Friday 25th September

Term 4
Monday 12th OctoberTo
Tuesday 15th December

TERM DATES 2027

Term 2
Tuesday 2nd Februday to
Friday 3rd July

Term 2
Tuesday 27th April to
Friday 2nd July

Term 3
Monday 19th July to
Friday 24th September

Term 4
Monday 11th OctoberTo
Thursday 17th December

School Docs

Please login to School Docs to have a look at our current Policies & Procedures

Community User: Edmonton : Password: Respect

Concept 1: Together Under One Sky

Surrounded by nature and the Auckland cityscape, it represents growing together, respecting differences and sharing a common home.

Concept 2: Many Cultures, One Aotearoa

Celebrating Aotearoa New Zealand as a shared home, where diverse cultures, people, landscapes, wildlife and traditions come together to create one vibrant community.

Concept 3: Together We Rise

Children from diverse cultural backgrounds coming together, supporting one another and moving forward as one community.

What's Coming Up 2026

TERM 3 * 20th July — 29th September

- Friday 21st August	Yellow Mufti Day (gold coin donation)
- Tuesday 25th August	Water Skills for Life (not rooms 1 & 2)
- Friday 28th August	Whole School Assembly
- Tuesday 1st September	Water Skills for Life (not rooms 1 & 2)
- Tuesday 8th September	Water Skills for Life (not rooms 1 & 2)
- Friday 11th September	Whole School Assembly
- Tuesday 15th September	Water Skills for Life (not rooms 1 & 2)
- Tuesday 22nd September	Water Skills for Life (not rooms 1 & 2)
- Thursday 24th September	School Photos
- Friday 25th September	Whole School Assembly
- Friday 25th September	Last Day for Term3

TERM 4 * 12th October—15th December

- Monday 12th October	First Day for Term 4
- Friday 23rd October	Whole School Assembly
- Monday 26th October	Labour Day
- Friday 6th November	Whole School Assembly
- Thursday 10th December	Big Day Out - Pt Erin
- Monday 14th December	Teacher Only Day
- Tuesday 15th December	Teacher Only Day
- Friday 11th December	Last Day for children Term 4 2pm finish

Term Dates for 2027

Term 1 * Monday 1st February - Friday 9th April

- Monday 8th February	Waitangi Day

Term 2 * Tuesday 27th April - Friday 2nd July

- Monday 7th June	Kings Birthday
- Friday 14th June	Matariki

Term 3 * Monday 19th July - Friday 24th September

Term 4 * Monday 11th October -Thursday 16th December

- Monday 25th October	Labour Weekend

SAVE THE DATE

KIDS PAGE

Tongan Greetings

Ko hai ho hingoa?	What is your name?
Ko _____ hoku hingoa.	My name is _____ .
Mālō e lelei	Hello
Mālō e lava mai	Welcome
Nofo ā	Goodbye (to those staying)
ʻAlu ā	Goodbye (to those leaving)
Meʻa a	Goodbye
Mālō ʻaupito	Thank you
Kātaki	Please

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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 8:30am 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'.

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 10.30 am until 11.00 am, lunch from 12.30 pm until 1.20 pm.

Arriving Late:

Children must report to the office if they arrive after 8:55am

Hearing & Vision:

The National Public Health . Results of vision and hearing screening will be sent home with your child. The results may be shared with the school, including your Service – Northern region's Vision and Hearing Screening team will be visiting our school during the school year to screen those in Years 0-2 who have not previously had their B4School screening or require a follow-up re-screen. If you do not want your child's vision and hearing to be screened, please notify the school.

Results of vision and hearing screening will be sent home with your child. The results may be shared with the school, including your child's teacher.

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

OSCAR PROGRAM

Before & After School Care & Holiday Program

We have ***Before and After school care*** 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 ***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

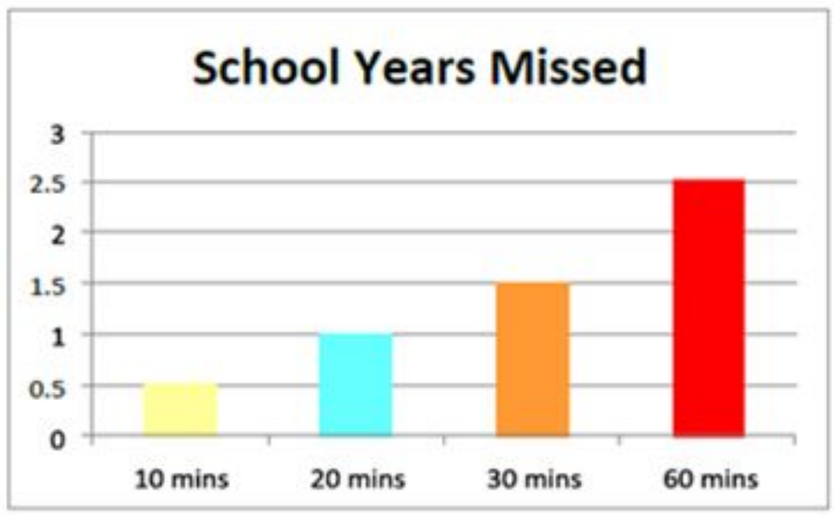
WHAT IS YOUR CHILD MISSING OUT ON?

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

EDMONTON Courtesy SCHOOL

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

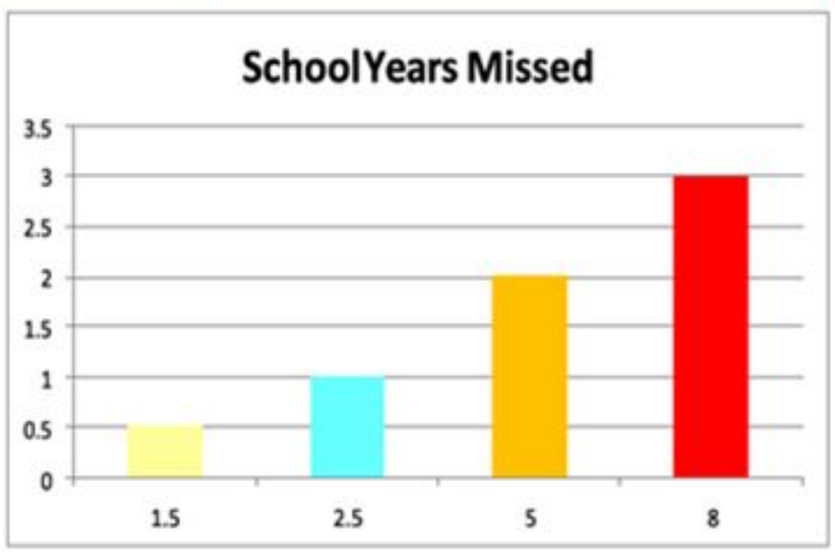
DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?

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

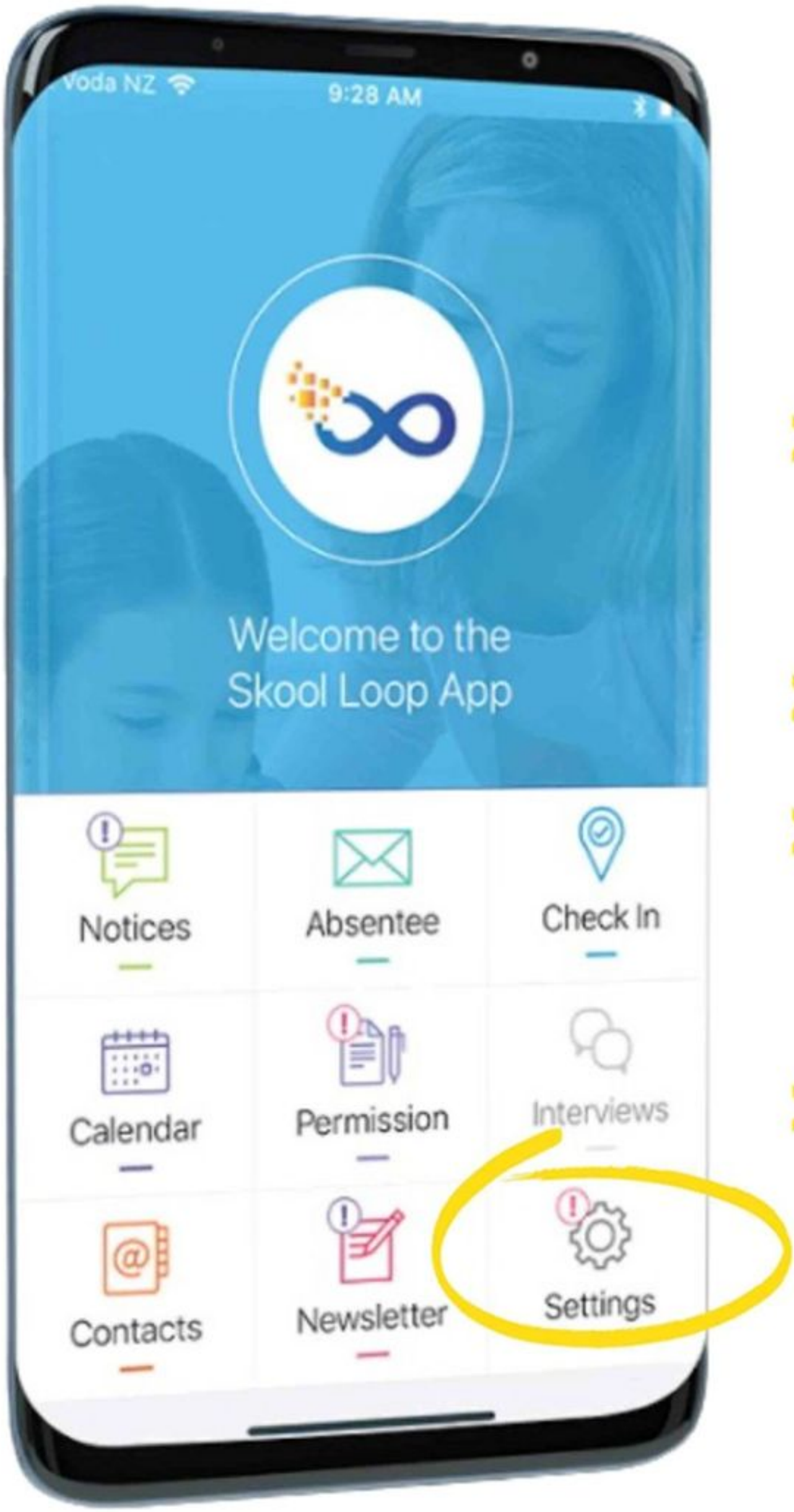
EDMONTON Courtesy SCHOOL

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?

Call Skool Loop Aus on 1800 203 493

Call Skool Loop NZ on 0800 238 379

SKOOL LOOP

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Lunchbox ideas, priced before you shop.

Kiwi Lunchbox plans a week of school lunches around whatever is on special at Woolworths and New World — and shows what the week will cost.

- ✓ **No account needed, nothing for sale.** Open it and use it.
- ✓ **Allergy filters** — nut-free, dairy-free, gluten-free, egg-free, vegetarian and vegan.
- ✓ **A shopping list you can print**, sorted by supermarket aisle.
- ✓ **Prices checked every week** against the current NZ supermarket mailers.

~$4	94	$2–$7.80
median cost of a complete lunchbox, per day	lunch menus — 89 of them nut-free	the range, depending on the main

Over a 10-week term that spread works out at roughly **$100 to $390 a child**, depending on what you pack.

kiwilunchbox.co.nz

Built and maintained by Yong Jae Lee, a parent in Flat Bush, Auckland.
Questions: kiwilunchboxplanner@gmail.com

Prices are tracked weekly and shown as estimates. August 2026.

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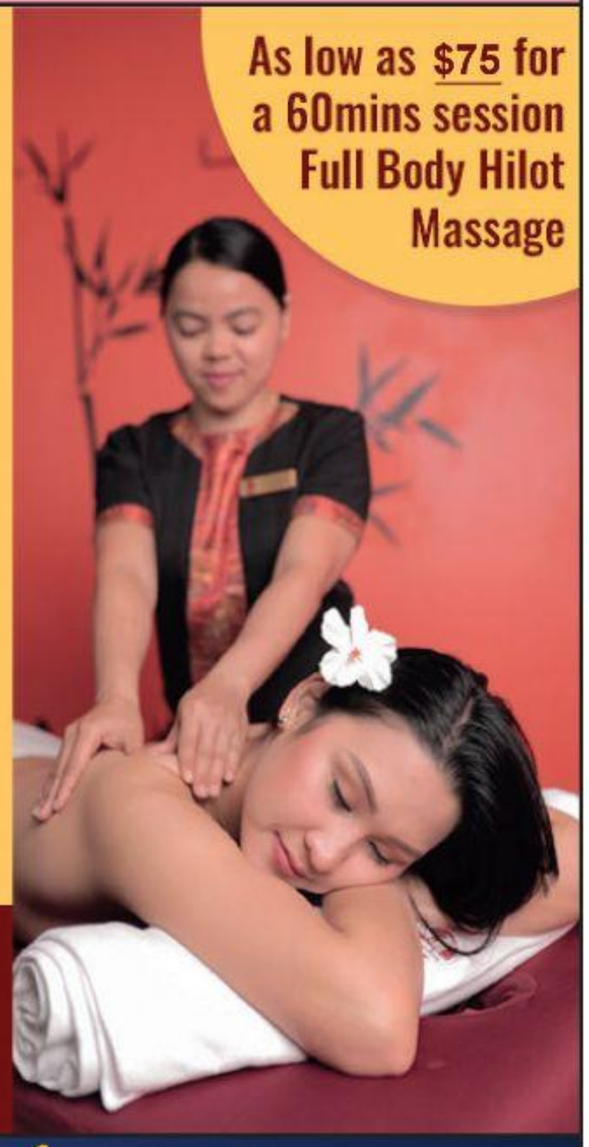

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