Dear Parents,

In spite of the hot weather and air conditioners struggling to keep classrooms cool our school routine is well established for this year. Please don’t hesitate to speak with your child’s teacher if you have any concerns about how your child has started the school year. Parent Information Nights are being held over the next few weeks and I invite you to come along to meet your child’s teacher and to find out what is planned for the year.

In the news in the past week it was reported that some schools across Australia were required to undertake emergency evacuation procedures. All schools have emergency evacuation plans and we practice them during the school year. Our school will be having a practice Fire Drill on Wednesday 17 Feb. The signal for an emergency evacuation is a continuous ringing of the school bell. Classes will evacuate the classroom and will proceed to assembly points on our school oval. Over the coming week teachers will prepare the students so that they know the required procedures.

This week is the start of the Chinese New Year celebrations. On Wednesday Lion Dancers from the Cairns and District Chinese Association will welcome the lunar New Year with a performance commencing at 12 o’clock. I am pleased to advise that after school Chinese language lessons will be offered for interested students commencing on Monday 15 April. The Chinese language lessons will be offered by Julya Cai. Ms Cai is an experienced language instructor who has run successful Chinese lessons in schools in Darwin. For further information contact Julya on 0451018961 or cjulya@hotmail.com.

At Edge Hill State School students in Years 1-7 have the opportunity to participate in a weekly 30 minute program of religious instruction offered by a combined Christian faith group. A program is also offered by the Baha’i faith. Religious instruction is only provided to students whose parents have given written permission for their child to participate. The school provides alternative arrangements for students who do not attend religious instruction. A permission form to attend religious instruction is available from the school office, the permission form is also found on the enrolment form. It is not necessary to provide permission every year but please advise us in writing if you wish to change your permission. Religious education classes will commence this Wednesday.

The Disco last Thursday was a great way to celebrate the start of the school year. We appreciate the efforts of the P&C in sponsoring the disco organising the sausage sizzle. Thanks also to Mr Ashton and his many helpers for organising a fabulous night. I also want to acknowledge all the teachers and staff who turned up after a hard day’s work. Teachers appreciate the opportunity to see their students in a social situation. Thank you for supporting this school activity.

Paul Campbell, Principal
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Parent Information Sessions

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Choir
Wednesday mornings 7:45
Starting Wed 10th Feb

Fun Run Training
Wednesdays 3:15pm – 4pm & Fridays 8:15am – 8:50pm

P&C
Monthly Meeting
Wednesday 17th February
7pm, Staffroom

Come and Tri
Triathlon Academy
Thursday 18th Feb 11am

Power of Positive Parenting
Monday 29th Feb
6:30pm, PAC

Disco Fever!!
Last Thursday night the PAC was pounding with fantastic music and groovy dancers at our annual Back to School Disco. Thank you to all who attended—it was a great night and our P&C were able to raise over $2,000!!!
Around the Classroom

PREP
Families thank you for making healthy lunches for your Prep children. It makes a big difference to their learning. Thanks too for checking that your child has a hat and drink bottle as the weather is wel, pretty hot! We are looking forward to spending some, hopefully helpful, time with you next Tuesday February 16 at 5pm for our Parent Information Evening in your child’s classroom.

YEAR 1
Thank you to all Year 1 families for a great start to 2016. Most Year 1 students have settled into their new classes well and have begun working hard. We had a very successful parent information night on Monday evening. Year 1 homework has begun this week and students are required to practice their sight words or spelling, complete a maths task and write and rehearse a short oral language presentation as well as reading their take-home reader. Please see your child’s classroom teacher if you have any questions about homework.

YEAR 2
What a great 5 day week we had last week! We are all busy learning about the text type of procedures. There has been lots of cooking going on with our budding little Master Chefs. Congratulations to everyone who is remembering to return their homework folders/home readers and library bag on the correct days.

Year 2 Students of the Week

YEAR 3

YEAR 4
Welcome to Year 4. It has been a busy start to the year already and everyone seems to be settling into the routines well.
Yr 4 Parent and Teacher Night is on Wednesday next week 10th Feb at 5:30pm in each of the classrooms. Hopefully you can attend. Swimming has already begun in PE lessons and will continue all term! Starting this year is our Edge Hill Kitchen Garden. All Year 4 students will be participating and we would love to have volunteers to help out in both the garden and kitchen. We are also looking for donations of crockery and utensils (including pots and pans) to use in the kitchen if you have anything suitable that you don’t need any longer. Please see your class teacher regarding any questions, but more information will be given at the Parent Teacher Nights.

YEAR 5
Wow! Yesterday we got to meet Mr Harris, our new STEM Teacher. What is STEM you ask? Well it stands for SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING and SCIENCE. Apart from showing us some really cool experiments, Mr Harris also told us a bit about his time training with NASA in America. This year he is going to be helping us with Technology and also running some lunchtime and after school activities for those interested in Robotics, etc. How COOL is that!!!! Just a reminder also that ‘Parent Information Night’ is this Thursday at 5:30pm in your child’s classroom. Well done everyone for remembering swimming on Wednesdays for ALL Year 5. Another AWESOME week!!!
From the Year 5 TEAM.

YEAR 6
Year 6 have certainly stepped zealously into their role as leaders of the school this year. Many will have the chance for a more formal leadership role. Last year, our four amazing School Leaders were elected while last week saw the election of four House Captains for each sporting house. Congratulations to all who applied. Final opportunities occur this week for leadership with both the Music and Language Captain considered and the election of two Student Councillors for each Year 6 class. Good Luck.
P.S Interschool Sports starts this Friday. Your child will need $4.00, permission slip, Code of Behaviour signed by them, water bottle and hat. Don’t forget this Thursday night is the Parent Information night. It will start at 5.30pm in your child’s classroom.

Sport’s News

EHSS SPORTS LEADERS FOR 2016
CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!!
Blue Giants – Jack Veitch, Rosann Shaw, Joe McDonnell & Max Kennedy

Green Gryphons – Rafael Grant, Brianna Smith, Kayla McCrohan & Molly Stuchbury

Purple Serpents – Grace Yamashita, Kellan Forward, Matilda McGregor, Nicholas Maguire

Red Dragons – Marcellus Luki, Bella Rogers, Annabelle Christie & Sena Nakajima

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Thursday 18th February, 11am
Fun Run Training
Wednesdays 3:15pm – 4pm & Fridays 8:15am – 8:50pm
Tennis
Thursdays 7:30am Sports Shed $70 / term
Call Jaqui 0427 507 145
Netball
Wednesdays 3:15–4:15 Sports Shed $90

Japanese News
I would like to ask for some donations of Japanese toys, books or games. If you have any items that your children have outgrown, we will welcome them at school. Please bring them to the Japanese classroom.

Change of Details Form
If any of your family details have changed recently please fill in and send back to the school office.

Child’s Name
Class

Child’s Name
Class

Child’s Name
Class

New Address

New Home Phone Number

New Mobile Phone Number

New Work Phone Number

New Emergency Contact

New Medical / Medication Details

COMMONWEALTH BANK
STUDENT BANKING PROGRAM
Our Banking Day is Thursday
Please hand in your deposit books and $5 to either your class teacher or the office.
There are many ways that you can help out throughout the year. By joining our Helping Hands email group you will receive updates and details on opportunities to help out around the school. Just email pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au

Please consider contributing to our P&C school projects by payment of our P&C Levy. This is a voluntary donation of $50 per student or $90 per family.

Our major project for this year is the construction of a Technology & Innovation building. We invite all school families to contribute to this project by donating to the P&C Building Fund. This donation of $60 per student or $110 per family is tax deductible and a receipt will be issued for tax purposes. Payments can be made at the school office.

We look forward to seeing new faces at our monthly meetings which are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the staffroom.

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2016 Catholic Sacramental Program
Mother of Good Counsel Parish
Compulsory Parent Evening to be held at Mother of Good Counsel Church, 6pm Friday 12th February, 2016. Please bring completed Enrolment Form and copy of Baptismal Certificate to this meeting.

Term 1 – Reconciliation
Two training sessions 15th February and 7th March, starting at 6pm.
Sacrament of First Reconciliation 8:15am Thursday 14th April, or at 4pm Sunday 16th April, for those unable to attend the Thursday Liturgy.

Term 2 – Confirmation
Two training sessions 18th April and 16th May, starting at 6pm
Sacrament of Confirmation 6pm, Tuesday 31st May, at St Monica’s Cathedral.

Term 3 – Eucharist
Two training sessions 18th July and 15th August, starting at 6pm.
Sacrament of First Eucharist 5:30pm, Saturday 3rd September.

Cairns Youth Orchestra
Cairns Youth Orchestra is accepting new enrolments in ALL orchestral instruments at ALL levels for the Friday afternoon/evening weekly rehearsals.

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CYO 2 rehearse 4pm – 5.30pm
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Sun 9:00am - 1:00pm

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