Dear Parents

Our students commemorated ANZAC Day with two ceremonies. 6C students ran a special assembly for students in Years 3—6. Students in Prep—Year 2 had their own assembly in the Prep garden. The class wreaths were then displayed on the school front fence and some were presented at the Edge Hill Dawn Service.

Just a few other events last week. . . . . . We hosted 15 prac students from James Cook University; Prep teachers presented “Homework and Reading” information sessions for parents; the Year 2 musical “Wackadoo Zoo” was superb; the Year 4 students had an excursion to the Cairns Regional Council Waste Station; we hosted a James Cook University Science and Engineering challenge day for high school students; Michael Harris—our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) coach presented at Monash University in Melbourne; Leonardo Awards were presented to students for their invention ideas; Cross Country medals were presented; our Tri Academy continues to train for the upcoming junior ironman competition; we had before school tennis and basketball coaching; bands and choirs practised; our Student Council considered ways to improve what we already have; the Year 4 Stephanie Alexander garden continues to excite; and yes, we even had time for learning . . . . . I’ll take a breath now!

So yes, students at Edge Hill State School have a very engaging time. So thanks to parents and carers for having your children school ready and thanks to our teachers for doing a fine job.

Our Prep enrolments are closing soon. It is important that you contact the office ASAP to enrol your child.

Thank you to all families who have already contributed to the P&C levy or Building Fund for 2016. All contributions are gratefully accepted by our P&C and money goes towards the improvement of school facilities for all children. Today, the P&C are sending home a letter and envelopes for this year’s levy. If you have already contributed—thank you. If you are yet to contribute to the P&C levy or the DGR Building Fund, we ask that you please consider contributing. Payment details are found on the envelopes attached to the letter—cash, EFTPOS, Direct Deposit and cheque are all available.

Kev Holden
Deputy Principal
**Around the Classroom**

**PREP**

Families, thankyou so much for your time spent last week at our various Home Reading and Sightwords Information sessions. We enjoyed the time with you too. You can begin this exciting phase with your child this week! You are most welcome to speak with your teacher at any stage if you have any questions. **Happy Reading!**

**YEAR 1**

Notes were sent home last week about our Geography excursion to Centenary Lakes in Week 4. 1C, D, E, F and G will be going on the 3rd of May, and IA and IB on the 4th of May. Thank you to those who have already returned permission forms to class teachers. We are also looking for 2 parent volunteers for each class, so if you are able to assist please let your child’s teacher know. Parent interviews were held last week with all Year 1 teachers. If you have not had an interview and would like one, please see your child’s classroom teacher to arrange a time.

**YEAR 2**

Science—Thank you to those parents who have already sent in a photo of their child as a baby and provided birth weight and length. If you are unable to provide a baby photo, then a more recent photo is fine, or your child could draw a picture. Please only send copies of photos as they will be used in Science lessons.

**YEAR 3**

In Geography this term students have been exploring the similarities and differences between Australia and its neighbours. They have been asking questions such as “What would it be like to live in a neighbouring country?”

**YEAR 5**

It has been a great few weeks for Year 5 with all students working toward achieving their goals for Semester 1. Last Thursday we were very fortunate to have ‘Cycling Australia’ visit us with two of the world’s best mountain bikers who tackled the Cairns terrain on the weekend in the lead-up to the Rio De Janeiro Olympic Games. CAMP is fast approaching and we ask that all outstanding funds for the camp be paid prior to Friday 20th May 2016 so bookings for accommodation and buses can be finalised. Two long weekends in a row, WOOHOO!!! Don’t forget to take some time to READ.

**YEAR 6**

Congratulations to the 6C students who organised and ran Friday’s Anzac Day Ceremony in such a mature and heartfelt manner. Year 6 teachers were also impressed with the sincerity and pride that our students showed when contributing to our class wreaths.

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**Japanese News**

Thank you very much to all families who have donated Japanese books for our Japanese classes.

We still welcome donations of Japanese toys, books or games. These items can be brought in to the Japanese classroom.

Arigatou Gozaimasu!!

**Reading hint:**

“At least once in a while, let your children stay up late reading books under the bed covers”.

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**Japanese Notes**

Notes with permission letters about the upcoming Fanfare festival (from 9.15am Saturday 21st May at CSHS) have gone home with students who are in Senior String Orchestra and Concert Band. Thank you to those that have already signed and returned these, and I looking forward to receiving the rest of these notes asap.

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**Musical Notes**

Happy Reading! Have any questions. Happy Reading!}

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**Student Absences**

When your child is absent from school please send an email to:

studentabsence@edgehillss.eq.edu.au

Clearly stating your child’s name, class and reason for absence.

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**Enrol Now For Prep 2017**

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**HEAD LICE**

Head lice are small wingless egg laying insects found on the human head.

Live eggs (sometimes called nits) are glued to the hair shaft within a distance of 1.5 cm from the scalp, they hatch within 7-10 days.

**Detection** of adult lice in the scalp is the best way to determine if head lice are present. Scratching and the presence of eggs are not reliable signs of head lice.

Head lice are a very common problem in schools, they can affect anyone and are not a sign of poor hygiene. Head lice do not jump or fly they are spread mainly by direct head to head contact.

**Prevention:**

Keep long hair tied back:

Wash combs and pillow cases in hot water:

Notify the school so others can be alerted:

**Treatment:**

Products to treat head lice are available through chemists or Ex –Lice $17.50 & combs $7.50 can be bought at our school shop. Shop Hours 8.15-9.30 Monday-Friday

It should be remembered that no chemical treatment kills all the eggs so a second treatment should be applied seven days later. If we are all vigilant we can help eradicate this problem in our school.

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**Change of Details Form**

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

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**Tuck Shop**

Orders must be handed in to Tuckshop before 9am—OR—you can order online at flexischool.com.au

**Congratulations to our Flexi draw winner for the week—Maya Schnell 2C**

To enter simply tear off your name label from your order bag and pop it in the lucky box at the Tuckshop.

Please feel free to stop by and say hi—and maybe try something different off our menu. Have you tried our yummy toasted wraps, pizza scrolls, or spinach rolls?

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**P&C Corner**

pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au

Thank you to everyone who attended our monthly meeting last week.

May is always a busy month for our P&C—we have our Mother’s Day Stall, Bookfair and Big Family Breakfast.

We will need lots of Helping Hands to make these the best events ever! Please email pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au to join our email group.

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**Shhhhh we are having a Mother’s Day Stall**

Tuesday 3rd May—Friday 6th May

Undercover Area 8am–8:50am

Great selection of Mother’s Day gifts available $2—$8

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**You are invited to our annual Big Family Breakfast**

Wednesday 18th May 7am—8:50am

Bacon & Egg Rolls (Macon option available)

Pancakes & Syrup

Piece of fruit, cup of juice

Tea and Coffee

Tickets available from the school office. $5 each or $20 for a family (up to 6 members of one family).

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**Around Our Community**

**Hot Shots tennis coaching program in Edge Hill State School Stadium will commence from Thursday 21st April at 7.30am.**

Registrations: Email jacqui_pohlner@hotmail.com or 0427 507 145

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**You and your friends are invited along to TCYS...**

**The Grumpiest Boy in the World**

By Finegan Kruckemeyer

In Zachary’s class, everyone is interesting—except Zachary. Zachary Bridgling is secretly moulding his hair into quite fine. He’s both an outcast and a socialite expected, and in space non-existent. So Zachary grows up in Zachary does, to which his mum reasons: “You that is just normal for him”. And she reminds of all the other places—bed with plans and intricacies, and funny things, and funny things—places where Zachary would not be entertaining at all. And so he sets out...to stand out.

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**Edge Hill State Primary School NetFut Programme**

Are you 5-10 years old?? Come and Try Netfut!!!

Friday the 3rd May 2016, 3:15-4:15pm

At the undercover sports area!

NetFut will run every Friday afternoon 3:15-4:15pm, for 7 weeks.

Registering Friday the 13th May and finishing Friday 24th June 2016.

More information and registration forms are available at the school office.
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