Dear Parents

What an exciting week for our students in Prep and Year 1 as we celebrate our Under 8's Morning on Thursday morning. This year the activities are based around Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM). The teachers have put on their thinking hats and organised some engaging learning activities. Parents are welcome to join us for the morning and are encouraged to help out with the activities. The P&C has organised tea and coffee and of course a sausage sizzle.

Star FM is broadcasting from the school on Thursday morning. If you are listening to Star FM you will hear one of our school choirs at about 7:45am, Ethan Hurney from Year 2 will be reading the weather report at 8:00am and Clare Rankin also from Year 2 will be reading the weather at 8:30am. At 8:20am Oliver Hales from Year 5 has accepted the challenge “Are you smarter than Inke?”

Over the next few weeks students in Year 6 and Year 5 will participate in camping programs. We believe school camps are a great learning experience and we encourage everyone to participate. This week Year 6C will be at the Holloways Beach Environmental Centre. Year 5 students are off to Mungalli Falls next week. School camps don’t happen without a tremendous amount of extra work from the teachers involved. The camps involve a lot of preparation and of course while on camp the teachers are on duty 24 hours a day. The teachers give up their time because they see the social and academic benefits of the camping program. I know you appreciate the wonderful efforts of our teachers.

Paul Campbell
Principal

New Art Space!!

Frank’s old shed got a face lift!! It’s now our new Art Space. The Art Room opened last week and all we can say is...WOW! There was such a buzz in the room and everyone left smiling including the teachers on duty! We had leaf creatures, paper mache, box construction, French knitting, drawing, collage and painting. Each week it is opened during break times - Year 4/5 on Wednesday and Year 2/3 on Friday. Year 6 students are using the art room to help prepare for our Festival Cairns float. Some Years 6’s are also volunteering their lunch times to supervise some of the activities. A big thank you to our volunteers and artists, they were all sensational!
Around the Classroom

PREP
We can’t wait to take you on a space adventure this Thursday at U8’s day! See you there! Thanks too for your wonderful support of Prep Homework. Family involvement makes a great difference to the fun of learning.

YEAR 1
As U8’s Day is approaching (Thursday 2nd June) we are still accepting donations of recycled items and other bits and pieces. If possible, we are asking students to bring an empty water bottle, a gold coin donation, a small empty yoghurt or fruit cup for a plant and a plastic bag for their items which they have made and collected. We are all looking forward to seeing the different activities that are planned based around STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). It should be a very exciting day!

We have also sent out notes regarding the Mini-Beasts visit (Thursday, June 16th). A payment of $6.00 is to be returned to the office or classroom teacher.

YEAR 2
Next week, Thursday 9th June, Year 2 students are attending a performance of the 52 Storey Treehouse at the Tanks. Thank you to those families who have already sent in payment.

Year 2 have been exploring the life cycles of several animals and plants in Science. Ask your child to tell you about their grass heads, our class mealworms and the vertical gardens that are being planted.

This week we are revising our doubles and 10’s facts. Practising whilst travelling in the car, walking to school, or in a spare moment, helps to develop your child’s knowledge of number.

YEAR 3
If you are hearing about historical fiction, mysteries, fantasy, science fiction or realistic fiction, it is because we are discussing different genres during Literacy appreciation lessons. Our students are being encouraged to read a wide range of genres written by a variety of authors. They are loving being read to each day in class. In Science Year 3 have been learning about how shadows change depending on what time of day it is.

YEAR 6
Year 6 camping adventures start this week!

Camp date reminders:
- 6C Wed 1st - Fri 3rd June
- 6B Mon 6th - Wed 8th June
- 6D Wed 8th - Fri 10th June
- 6A Mon 13th - Wed 15th June
- 6E Wed 15th - Fri 17th June

We wish Ms Gothmann all the best for her maternity leave, and welcome Mrs Harris and Mrs Claremont to 6E!

Awards of Excellence
Congratulations to Year 6C & 6E Silver Award Recipients. They are a group extremely deserving students who are conscientious both within the classroom and with extra-curricular activities. Well done!

Musical Notes

The Senior String Orchestra and Senior Concert Band have been selected to perform in the Fanfare Regional Final. Students from these Ensembles need to meet at E28 and E29 Music Rooms at Cairns State High School 6.30pm Friday 10th June. The performances will begin at 7.30pm. A letter with details and a permission slip has gone home with students. It would be great if these are returned asap. Thank you.

Reading Hint

Read the books your children recommend. By reading the books your children read, you show them that you value them, and the books, and you open up untold avenues for important discussions.

DATE CLAIMER!!
Friday 12th August
Edge Hill State School Annual Fete
Come and Have a Whale of a Time
Under the Sea!!!!

Our P&C have started their planning meetings for this year’s event. We would love to have more ideas and input from our school community. Please feel free to come along and join us as we plan this exciting annual event. Next meeting is Monday 13th June, 9am in the Staffroom.

Would your business or perhaps a business you know like to be one of our fete sponsors? We are excited to already have some great Platinum sponsors on board—and are looking forward to more!!

Keep an eye out for the BLUE SPONSORSHIP FORMS coming home today.

We appreciate all offers of sponsorship—and are particularly looking for donations of prizes for our raffle, cent sale and popular auction. We are also looking for donations of items for our showbags—in lots of 50 (stickers, toys, lollipops, books). Please contact the P&C if you are able to help out.

Chaplain News

THANK YOU!
A big Thank You to everyone who supported Chaplaincy during the Cycle for Hope on Saturday 21st of May. A 150 km ride from Redlynch to Port Douglas via Kuranda and Mareeba, to raise money and awareness for Chaplaincy in FNQ.

Your support has been much appreciated!

Sport’s News

Regional Cross Country

Congratulations to our 6 Edge Hill State School students, Sena Nakajima, Shelby Rogers, Asha Strang, Noah Jones, Nahed Adam and Brooke Newman, who participated in the Regional Cross Country at TAS Whiterock recently! Of the 6 students representing Edge Hill, both Brooke Newman — who was crowned Age Champion & beat the existing record held for her age and Noah Jones, who finished 5th will go on to represent Peninsula at the State Championships in Maryborough in the middle of July! Other notable performances were 12 year old Sena Nakajima finishing 7th and Shelby Rogers who finished 10th! Congratulations to all our participants and good luck to both Brooke & Noah at the upcoming State Championships!!!

School Banking

School Banking is held every Thursday and to encourage consistent savings the Commonwealth Bank will reward you. For every 10 deposits you earn a reward and this can be redeemed by visiting Mrs Skinner in the Resource Room. So see if you are eligible for a reward!

STEM Morning
(Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths)

Under 8s Day
Thursday 2nd June
9am
Prep Playground

A morning of creating, exploring, experimenting, investigating and learning.

Thank you so much for all of your support and fantastic donations!!

Looking forward to seeing you all there.
Have you donated to our Building Fund??
$$ we receive through the fund will directly fund the building of our new Innovation Centre.

The end of the Financial Year is only weeks away—now is a great time to make a tax deductible donation to our Building Fund. Receipts are issued for tax purposes. You can make payment at the school office or can donate via Direct Deposit and receipts will be forwarded home. Please make sure to note your child’s name as class as reference.

P&C DGR Building Fund
BSB 064 804 Account Number 1395 2953

$60 Single or $110 Family
Of course you are welcome to donate any amount.

This weekend several of our P&C executive attended the area P&C QLD Conference. This was a great opportunity to learn more about P&C operations and also network with other P&Cs from around our area.

This week Thursday our P&C will be providing a free sausage sizzle at our Under 8s STEM day. If you are able to come and help out on a BBQ for an hour or so in the morning please let us know.

We always need lots of Helping Hands to make our events the best events ever! Please email pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au to join our email group & find out how you can help.

Fete
Blue Sponsorship letters have been sent home today. We are always looking for local businesses to come on board and support our fete in a variety of ways. If you, or someone you know can donate a prize or other services we would love to hear from you!!

We have a few mums who are already getting plants ready for the plant stall. We are looking for donations of potting mix and plastic pots. If you have some you would like to donate please email pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au

EHSS P-6 INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL WEEK
THURSDAY 23rd JUNE
9AM – 10AM (Assembly at shelter shed behind the pool)
800m
For all students born 2006, 2005 & 2004
11.40AM-1.30PM
SHOT PUT
For selected (see sent email) boys & girls born 2006, 2005 & 2004!
ASSEMBLE BEHIND BIG GREEN SHED at your specified time….Please be on time!!!!
2006 (11.45am), 2005 (12.15pm), 2004 (12.45pm)
FRIDAY 24th JUNE
8.50AM – 9AM
Gather on Senior Oval - March Past followed by National Anthem
9:15AM- 11AM
Prep– Year 2 Athletics Carnival Rotations & Year 3 – Year 6 Inter-house Ball Games Competition
11:30AM - 3PM
Year 3 – 6 Athletics Carnival
All students (2008 & 2007) participate in 80m, Long Jump & High Jump
All students (2006, 2005 & 2004) participate in 100m, 200m, Long Jump & High Jump.
The Top 8 runners in each age group (2008-2004) in each house participate in relays!

ZUMBA KIDS IN CAIRNS
FUN & FITNESS!!
Thursday from 4:30pm to 5pm (4-7 yrs) $7 per class
5pm to 5:45pm (8-13 yrs) $9 per class
The Railway Halls, 77-89 McNamara St Manunda
(Term2 only)
Contact: Deb 0401 023 084 or deb-zumba@bigpond.com
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WHILST WE ARE UNABLE TO ENDORSE PRODUCTS OR SERVICES WE THANK THOSE LOCAL BUSINESSES WHO HAVE SUPPORTED OUR SCHOOL. WE TRUST THAT YOU WILL SUPPORT THESE BUSINESSES WITH YOUR CUSTOM WHENEVER POSSIBLE AND PLEASE LET THEM KNOW THAT YOU READ THEIR ADVERTISEMENT IN OUR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER.