Dear Parents

As we come to the conclusion the school year there are opportunities to celebrate some of the achievements of the year. On Saturday members of the school choir will perform at a concert in St Monica’s Cathedral accompanied by the Cairns Concert Orchestra. The concert will commence at 2:00pm. The choir members will have a rehearsal with the Cairns Concert Orchestra on Friday evening from 6:30—7:30 pm.

On Monday 28th November all the students involved in our instrumental and choral program will present a concert in the PAC commencing at 6:00pm. The Junior and Senior concert bands, Senior, Junior and Beginning string ensembles and choirs will astound you with what they have achieved this year. All families are welcome to attend the concert.

On Wednesday the 7th December Years 1, 2 and Year 4 will present a choral concert commencing at 2:00pm.

The end of year Disco will be held Thursday 1st December. This is a great way to celebrate the school year. We will have 3 separate discos to accommodate our students. Prep, Year 1 & Year 2 will be 4:15—5:15. Years 3 & 4 will be 5:30—6:45. Years 5 & 6 will be 7—8:30pm. Entry is $2 and there will be a sausage sizzle from 4 –7pm. Glow products, drinks and snacks will be available inside. The P&C would love a few helpers on the night—if you are available please email pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au.

Congratulations to the 12 students who participated in the Aquathlon / Triathlon on Sunday morning at TAS. 5 students have been selected to participate in the Peninsula Aquathlon/Triathlon Regional team to compete in Hervey Bay in 2017.

Year 6 students will participate in the Advancement Ceremony on Thursday evening 8th December. It is an exciting time as the students look forward to the next stage in their learning. Of course there is some apprehension about leaving Edge Hill State School and their friends as students begin their secondary education at different high schools. Year 6 students will participate in orientation days at their high schools on Wednesday 7th December.

Families are taking advantage of being able to organise 2017 school supplies this year. The school shop is open every morning from 8:15 until 9:30am. Avoid the back to school rush and the queues by visiting the school shop before the end of the school year.

Paul Campbell
Principal

EHSS TRI ACADEMY

On Sunday morning 12 members of the inaugural EHSS Tri Academy competed in the Aquathlon (10-12 years)/Triathlon (13 years) Regional Championships held at TAS White Rock. It was a fantastic morning and every member did themselves, their family & their school extremely proud!! Edge Hill had the biggest contingent of participants at the championships and they looked awesome in their tri suits too!!!

Congratulations;
Fleur Potter (5B), Grace Little (6C), Hamish Anderson (5D), I’sha Donohue (5A), Jack Velich (6D), Jacob Beattie (4C), Jasmine Bone (5C), Kayla McCrohan (6E), Lilly-Ruth Eveans (5D), Riley Groennou (5A), Sena Nakajima (6A), Shelby (Bella) Rogers (6B)

Each and every one of these students performed amazingly and myself, Mrs Lutz & the coaches Bill & Mary-Anne could not be prouder of their efforts! Of the 12 members, special mention must also go to the 5 students who gained selection in the Peninsula Aquathlon/Triathlon Regional team and have the opportunity to compete at the State Championships in Hervey Bay early next year!

Congratulations; Lilly-Ruth Eveans, I’sha Donohue, Hamish Anderson, Sena Nakajima and Shelby (Bella) Rogers.
Around the Classroom

PREP
Thank you so very much for your wonderful support of our great musicals. The children really enjoyed their moment of fame on the stage and developing those important performance skills.

Again our achievements are on show at the Prep swimming carnivals next Thursday 1st December and Friday 2nd December, both at 1.30pm - 2.30pm. There is a note coming home with the details. All the best with the last few weeks of school.

YEAR 1
Please start checking for any take home readers that may have found a place at your home! We need all of these returned by Week 9 in order to stocktake them before next year. The Year 1’s are getting excited for the disco next week. The Prep, 1, 2 Disco is held from 4:15-5:15 on Thursday 1st December. Some Year 1 teachers are also holding parent teacher interviews before the end of term. Please see your child’s classroom teacher if you would like to discuss anything in regards to the upcoming report cards.

YEAR 2
All library books are due back this week. Home Reading will continue until the end of week 9, so please continue to listen to your child read daily.

The Year 2 Swimming Carnival is on Tuesday 6th December from midday. Further information will be given closer to the day.

YEAR 2 Student’s of the Week

YEAR 3
That time of year, last week of library! Time to return any books, readers or resources in preparation for the new year! Thank you for all your effort!

With so many events, the classrooms have been a ‘buzz’ with stories. It has been a wonderful time to be writing letters and recounting events with one another. We have been including time, details and the order or events, some have also included their own ‘informal language’ to make it engaging and personal.

Year 3 are learning in Health about participating in my community. We have learnt why we make rules and how decisions are made democratically. We have also been busy assisting the Cairns City Council with the planting of saplings along Russel Street.

YEAR 6
Time is flying! Busy time with assessments and reporting. Teachers and students are also planning for the Advancement Ceremony which is in two weeks! Week 10 on Thursday 8th December beginning at 6.30pm. An invitation will be sent home this week. General consensus amongst the cohort is they’re excited but quite sad to be leaving EHS! Interschool Sports finished last Friday and we are sure students gained different skills and made new friendships along the way. Congratulations must be given again to our students who achieved fantastic results in the Bebras Computational Thinking Quiz: Ronan (6A), Alex, Eoghan, Max (6B), and Annabelle (6C). Extra big congratulations to Yazmin (6D) who was in the TOP 1% of Australian students!

Year 6 Awards of Excellence
Congratulations to our Gold Award of Excellence recipient - Kayla (6E).

Musical Notes

Congratulations to the Preps on their performances of The Three Little Pigs, Hansel and Gretel and Little Red Riding Hood.

Thank you parents who came in to assist with getting students ready before the shows on Wednesday.

The EHSS Choir is singing at the Classical Favourites Concert, 2pm Saturday 26th November at St Monica’s Cathedral. A note has gone home with details. A reminder: choir students need to attend the practice at the Cathedral, this Friday 25th November 6.30pm.

The EHSS Choir, Concert Bands and String Orchestras have the Celebration of Music concert in the PAC this Monday 28th November from 6pm. A note has gone home about this. Senior Concert Band students will be wearing the formal uniform that they wore at Fanfare, therefore, these students need to remember to bring black socks, black shoes and boys also a black belt.

Nihongo News

Improve your language skills during the Summer holidays

Academy of Modern Languages at JCU is inviting young people aged 12 – 17 to participate in short Japanese immersion language course.

When: Monday 9 January 2017 – Friday 13 January 2017 (9:30am – 1:30pm daily)
Cost: $275

Department of Education and Training is offering limited scholarships. If you are interested see Stevenson Sensei ASAP to apply.

Also, a very big thank you to all of the families who hosted students from Japan visiting our school in 2016. If you are interested in hosting students in 2017 (Term 3), email rstev85@eq.edu.au to express interest.

School Shop

Get organised for 2017 today and stop in to the school shop to get your school book packs, EFTPOS facility available.

Centrepay option available for those eligible on Centrelink payments.

On Friday 18th November a customer bought a prepack from the shop totalling $332.65. Unfortunately this was not receipted against a child. If this was you please contact Alison in the school shop. 4037 9512

Reading Hint
Encourage your child to read anywhere and at any time.

Lost Property
Please come and check our lost property shelves near the office—we are getting quite a collection of wet swimmers, towels, hats and drink bottles.
Thank you to those who attended our final meeting for the year last Wednesday at the Bowls Club. We have had a great year—and have been able to contribute back to the school in many ways in 2016:

- New fridges in approx. 10 classrooms $15,000
- New play areas in the junior school area including the new stage area and new giant umbrella shaded area and undercover area about to start construction approx. $80,000
- Continued to upgrade the Outside School Hours Care facility including installing air conditioning approx. $10,000
  - $3000 Musical instruments
  - $3000 Sports equipment
- $4,000 Library resources and we contributed $310,000 towards the building and fit out of the STEM Innovation Centre!!

For 2017 we will continue with our regular support to the various departments within the school and have also committed to support the school Kitchen Garden project with $30,000 and the Japanese Immersion Program with $15,000. We will also be providing $2000 of resources to the Art Department.

Please continue to support our P&C activities (Fete, Mother’s and Father’s Day Stalls, Discos, raffles) and contribute to our fundraising or building levy so we can continue to provide your children with the best school resources we can. The continued and generous support of our school community is what allows us to be able to provide so well for our students. Thank you so much to everyone for your continued support.

**We will need some parents to help out on Disco night—please email pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au with your availability**

**Around Our Community**

Dear Parent/Guardian of EDGE HILL SCHOOL STUDENTS

Queensland Health continues to offer free dental treatment* Our service is improving and we now have new ways for you to contact the School Dental Service to make an appointment.

We can see ALL children aged 0-17 years. This is a FREE service and is NOT means tested.

How to make Appointment for your family:
Call us on 1300 300 850 to make an appointment including emergencies between 8.00am – 4.00 pm.

*Who is eligible?
ALL Qld children from 0 years to 17 years (before 18th Birthday)
*NB Parents must attend all appointments with all students.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

Cairns Regional Gallery
Summer Art Classes for kids


Go online to see schedule and make bookings

Cairns Concert Orchestra presents

Classical Favourites

Saturday 26th November, 2pm
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