At Edge Hill State School we are committed to preparing students with the knowledge and skills for lifelong learning. We work with students to enable them to develop a positive attitude to learning and to take responsibility for their own learning and behaviours.

I invite you to become involved as much as possible with our school. Education is a shared responsibility which is most effective if parents and teachers work together for the benefit of your child.

Communication is an important part of this partnership and I encourage parents, teachers and the school to develop open channels of communication through regular contact whether it is by newsletters, telephone calls, emails or meetings.

Please feel welcome to join other parents in supporting our students through groups such as the P & C association, Tuckshop and classroom helpers.

Edge Hill School is your school. It has a proud tradition and a bright future. I welcome you to our learning community.

Paul Campbell
Principal
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Postal Address: .............................. PO Box 493H, Edge Hill 4870
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Student Absence Email: .................... studentabsence@edgehillss.eq.edu.au
Student Absence Text: ....................... 0418 138 789
Fax Number: .................................. 4032 1164
Email: .......................................... admin@edgehillss.eq.edu.au
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Office Hours: ................................. 8:00am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday during school terms. An answering machine operates outside these hours. Families are invited to leave a message to which staff will respond at their earliest opportunity.

Parents and Citizens Assoc: .................. pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au
Dental Clinic: .................................... 1300 300 850
Outside School Hours Care: .................. 4037 9519
Tuckshop: ....................................... 4037 9572
Tuckshop Lunch Orders: ..................... www.flexischools.com.au
School Shop: ................................... 4037 9512
Edge Hill Tiger Sharks Swim Club: .......... 0406 423 522
SCHOOL VISION

Vision
Edge Hill State School aims to educate the child as an individual; a communicator; a group member; and a part of the physical world so that our students are prepared for living in and contributing to a global society and working in a global economy.

Values
We will continue to value and encourage:
  - Responsibility
  - Personal dignity, self worth and awareness
  - Initiative and risk taking in learning
  - Interdependence, co-operation, care and tolerance
  - Honesty and happiness
  - Life-long commitment to learning
  - Diversity

SCHOOL PROFILE

Edge Hill State School is highly regarded by students, parents, teachers and the local community. It has a great reputation for academic success and for providing a safe, caring learning environment. The curriculum at Edge Hill State School is well rounded, focusing on the growth of the individual. A close partnership with parents is encouraged.

Our school is well-resourced with excellent facilities; of particular note the swimming pool, performing arts centre, environmental centre, basketball stadium and extensive ovals. Edge Hill State School is an accredited school for international students. It has a focus on having our children respect diversity and develop critical thinking and creativity that equips them to be global citizens in a sustainable world.

We have a particular emphasis on Studies of Asia across the curriculum. Japanese is taught from Prep to Year 6. Edge Hill State School has an excellent music and instrumental music program. Science and environmental education programs are well developed within the school curriculum. Technology is used across the curriculum preparing students for the future.

There is strong health and physical education program with many sporting opportunities.

Edge Hill State School has an enrolment management plan and has a waiting list for students from outside our catchment zone.
BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT

Our beliefs about learning and behaviour:
At Edge Hill we foster an environment where every day, in every classroom, every student is learning and achieving. We believe that education is a shared responsibility. We recognise the close relationship between learning, achievement and behaviour. We encourage an environment where the school and home work together so that, in the social context of the school, the child becomes a responsible, active citizen. Essential to effective learning is a safe, supportive and disciplined environment that respects the following rights.

The rights of all students to learn ~ The rights of teachers to teach ~ The rights of all to be safe.

Our Expectations:
At Edge Hill State School we utilise a whole school approach. Central to this approach is the use of an agreed upon set of School Wide Expectations that are embedded in teaching and learning practices across the school. These expectations are taught, practised and modelled.

Positive Environment for Learning
A supportive school environment is created by positive and high quality interpersonal relationships within and outside of the school. Our approach to developing responsible behaviour is focused on relationships and takes place in a caring and supportive environment where all members feel safe and respected. We believe that self-discipline is necessary for students’ welfare and happiness and their ability to function effectively in society.

Edge Hill State School is committed to providing quality learning opportunities that enable all students to achieve within a safe, supportive and disciplined learning environment. Staff are to maintain high standards of ethical behaviour as established in the Department of Education’s Code of Conduct. All members of the Edge Hill school community are to abide by The Code of School Behaviour in accordance with the following standards.
All members of this school community are expected to:
Conduct themselves in a lawful, ethical, safe and responsible manner that recognises and respects the rights of others.

Students are expected to:
Participate actively in the school’s education programme.
Take responsibility for their own behaviour and learning.
Demonstrate respect for themselves, other members of the school community and the school environment.
Behave in a manner that respects the rights of others, including the right to learn.
Cooperate with staff and others in authority.

Parents/carers are expected to:
Show an active interest in their child’s schooling and progress.
Co-operate with the school to achieve the best outcomes for their child.
Support school staff in maintaining a safe and respectful learning environment for all students.
Initiate and maintain constructive communication and relationships with school staff regarding their child’s learning, wellbeing and behaviour.
Contribute positively to behaviour support plans that concern their child.

Teachers are expected to:
Provide safe and supportive learning environments.
Provide inclusive and engaging curriculum and teaching.
Initiate and maintain constructive communication and relationships with students and parents/carers.
Promote the skills of responsible self-management.

The School Leadership team is expected to:
Play a strong leadership role in implementing and communicating The Code of School Behaviour to the school community.
Ensure consistency and fairness in implementing the school’s Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students.
Communicate high expectations for individual achievement and behaviour.
Review and monitor the effectiveness of school practices and their impact on student learning.
Support staff in ensuring compliance with The Code of School Behaviour.
Facilitate professional development to improve the skills of staff to promote responsible behaviour.

Upon enrolling, student and parent/s are required to sign the ‘Edge Hill State School Student Expectations Agreement’, agreeing to abide by the above expectations and rights. Included in this is a student agreement that they are:

Responsible for their behaviour,
And that all behaviour, both appropriate and inappropriate, has consequences,
And that consequences will be applied for their behaviour.

Further information can be found in ‘The Edge Hill State School Responsible Behaviour Plan’ which outlines the whole school, targeted and intensive behaviour support processes in place for responding to the full spectrum of appropriate and inappropriate behaviours.

Our behaviour Management Plan and related documents are available on our school website www.edgehillss.eq.edu.au
STUDENT DRESS CODE

It is an expectation of the Edge Hill State School Community – the Parents’ & Citizens Association (P & C), the Principal and staff – that all students abide by the School Dress Code Policy. A parent / caregiver application to enrol at Edge Hill State School is taken as acceptance of this policy.

Rationale
Our School Community believes that the Dress Code requirement is important in developing a sense of identity and pride for our students. It aligns with the general expectation in today’s workforce where, in most instances, there is an established Dress Code at the work site. For students, this school is their work site.

Our uniform:
- Caters for all students in the school community in a manner sensitive to gender and local cultural and social issues;
- Meets requirements of occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation;
- Promotes the health and safety of students by identifying items necessary for particular activities eg items for sun protection;
- Provides girls and boys with equal access to the full range of school activities.

The Edge Hill State School student uniform will be worn by students when:
- Attending or representing their school;
- Travelling to and from school; and
- Engaging in school activities out of school hours.

Wearing school uniforms by students of Edge Hill State School will assist the school community to:
- Define an identity for the school within its community;
- Develop students’ sense of belonging to the school community;
- Provide an opportunity to build school spirit;
- Enhance the health and safety of students when involved in school activities;
- Promote a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity;
- Reinforce the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment;
- Increase the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school;
- Make school clothing more affordable for families by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear fashionable and expensive clothes.

Healthy and Safety Legislation
The school must ensure that students are not exposed to risks to their health & safety and must take steps to identify and eliminate or control such risks. Therefore our school:
- Requires students to wear appropriate footwear or other protective clothing to avoid injury;
- Requires students to wear a hat for outside activities when appropriate;
- Requires that jewellery/hair accessories or other items that could cause an injury to themselves or other students are not worn.

Non-Compliance
The school may impose a sanction in the event of non-compliance:
- Imposing a detention for a student during lunch or after school;
- Preventing a student from attending or participating in any school activity that is not an essential school educational programme;
- Preventing a student from attending or participating in any activity for which the student is representing the school;
- Parents will be informed of a student’s non-compliance through the normal channels of home school communication.
**Uniform details**
School uniform items can be purchased through the school shop weekly 8:15am – 9:30am.

Students may participate in Music or Sports programmes which require a specific performance uniform. Supervisors of these programmes will notify parents and uniforms will be loaned to students for the duration of their extra-curricular programme if required.

Girls: Maroon skort or shorts– mesh style  
Gold EHSS school polo shirt /or  
EHSS dress

Boys: Maroon shorts - mesh style  
Gold EHSS school polo shirt

**Hats / Sunscreen / Swim Shirts - essential**
Broad-brimmed hats are an essential component of the uniform. The school's Sun Protection Policy, endorsed by P & C, indicates that children must be wearing a hat during all outdoor lessons and playtimes. If children are not wearing hats, the teacher on duty will require that they stay in the shade. Our school is a ‘Sun Smart’ school. Sunscreen is available in every classroom.

- Hats and sunscreen must be worn while students are participating in lessons, coaching or recreational activities outside the classroom;
- Swim shirts must be worn by Prep-Year 6 students during all water-based activities including swimming lessons. The wearing of swim shirts will also be enforced on camps and excursions where water-based activities are involved;
- If parents are unable to provide a swim shirt, the wearing of a T-shirt is permitted.

**Jewellery - permitted items**
Due to Workplace Health and Safety issues, jewellery is to be limited to:

- One watch
- One discreet necklace for religious purposes only
- One ring
- Small sleepers or studs as earrings

Beads, shells, chains and/or facial adornment are not suitable for school. Students will be asked to remove inappropriate jewellery. This jewellery will be held for parent collection.

**Footwear**
Fully enclosed shoes or sandals must be worn for health and safety purposes. Thongs are not acceptable.

**Make-up**
The wearing of make-up is not appropriate for school.

**Hair**
Due to Workplace Health and Safety issues:

- Long hair is preferably tied up with hair ties/bands.
- Hair should be clean and neatly groomed.
- Hair accessories- headbands, hair ties, ribbons and clips are permitted but are limited to small and discreet.
- Hair ties, head bands, clips with adornments are not permitted.

Ribbons are small and Edge Hill colours

**Prep**
Prep students have had a uniform especially designed so that they can be identified easily throughout the school. This shirt is to be worn only by Prep students.

**Sport Uniform**
Hat and suitable footwear are required for all sports. Some sports have team uniforms which are issued by the school. For Interhouse athletics students are able to wear their house colour shirt: Green Gryphons, Red Dragons, Blue Giants and Purple Serpents
Parents’ & Citizens Association Endorsement
The Parents’ & Citizens Association (P & C) of Edge Hill State School resolves that it supports a student dress code for Edge Hill State School because it believes that a student dress code promotes objectives of the Education (General Provisions) Bill 2006. In particular, the P & C of Edge Hill State School supports the intention of a student dress code in providing a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment by:

- Ready identification of students and non-students at the school;
- Eliminating distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school;
- Fostering a sense of belonging; and
- Developing mutual respect among students through minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences.

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Specialist Curriculum Areas

**LOTE:** (Languages other than English). Japanese is taught from Prep to Year 6.

**Health & Physical Education:** (including swimming): The Physical Education teacher takes class lessons weekly. School sports competition is held each Friday afternoon for years 5 and 6. Generally, team sports (softball, basketball, cricket, football, etc) are played during first, second and fourth terms of school and athletics during the third term. Children are required to bring a note from parents if they wish to be excluded from any sport. A small charge for transport, registration and hire of venues is sometimes required.

**Swimming:** Edge Hill State School is fortunate to have a pool in the school grounds. Lessons are conducted weekly in first and fourth term by the H.P.E. teacher and a qualified Aus-Swim Coach. Parents are fortunate in not having to meet transport charges. An invoice will be issued to help cover the costs incurred for coaching and maintenance.

We are a Sun Smart School and it is mandatory to wear a swim shirt (“rashie”) or T shirt at our swimming activities.

Children must wear caps when swimming. Lycra caps are available from the School Supply Centre. Children are required to bring a note from parents if they wish to be excluded from swimming lessons which are an important part of the curriculum.

**Music Tuition:** The school has a music teacher who takes class music lessons weekly. Instrumental music lessons (brass, woodwind and strings) are available. Choir is also available for children from Years 1 - 6. Should you be interested in having your child participate in these activities, please contact our music teacher. Students who participate in the instrumental music program are required to join a music ensemble. Performances by the choir and music ensembles are an essential part of our school music programs.
Absences: Direct phone line – 4037 9566 or email studentabsence@edgehillss.eq.edu.au
Education Queensland policy is that all student absences must be accounted for. Parents/guardians must telephone the school or provide a written note explaining the reason for absence, emails should be addressed office@edgehillss.eq.edu.au A record is made of your call and all notes are kept on file. Unexplained absences are marked accordingly. Teachers or administrators will contact families where children are absent without explanation.

Ambulance: Every child is covered by Community Ambulance Cover. However, parents are contacted in the first instance wherever possible. Please advise the school immediately if there is any change to contact telephone numbers supplied when enrolling your child.

Book Lists: A parent is directly responsible for providing the student with textbooks and other resources for a student's use while attending school.
A list of school requisites is available from the school office on enrolment. The school book list includes a 'Classroom Resource Pack' which is a cost effective way to provide student consumable items and resources. Teachers may on occasions request additional items for students in their class. The school shop provides a service to parents in the form of a book pack. Orders are placed in Term 4 for the following year.

Chaplaincy Service: In 2013 we began offering a chaplaincy program which is an optional service introduced into a state school to provide students, staff and parents with support which may have a religious and/or spiritual component. Chaplaincy services provide an additional adult role model in schools. Whilst personally modeling and owning their own faith positions or belief, chaplains avoid any implications that any one religion, denomination or other set of beliefs is advantageous or superior to any other denomination, religion or belief.

A school's chaplaincy program complements other support services in the school such as those offered by the Guidance Officer. Parent consent will be required prior to a student participating in the program. The program will be offered 2 days a week.

Costs and Charges:
Swimming charges are $30 per year ($15 each for 1st and 4th terms – Years 1-6/ $20 only for Preps).
Instrumental music levy $50 and hire of instruments $50 (if available).
Costs of school excursions and school camps will be advised as appropriate.

Counselling: While the school does not have a responsibility in this area, children's learning cannot be separated from other concerns in their lives. The school may be able to assist through the services of the Guidance Officer, family support officer or by recommending other outside agencies.

Custody of Children: Please ensure that the teacher and contact administrator are familiar with any situation that (a) may affect your child's learning, or (b) involve a risk to personal safety. Copies of custody orders will be noted on file. All arrangements on the custody orders need to be explained in detail. Please keep legal documents current.

Cyclones and Other Emergency Situations: Cairns is located in a cyclone zone with the cyclone season being from November to April. If a significant cyclone threat emerges during the day, parents will be advised at short notice through local radio stations. Adequate supervision will be provided until students are collected. If a cyclone develops during the night, school closure will be decided by the Executive Director in consultation with the police. Advice will be made available through local radio stations.

Dental Clinic: (1300 300 850) There is a QHealth dental clinic located within the school grounds. The dental therapist usually sees every child at least once per year. A notice will be sent home when a child is due to visit the clinic. Parents need to sign this letter. Appointment cards are sent out. Please be on time. Please feel free to contact them if a problem arises with your child's teeth.
Early Departures: Please come to the office and sign the register if your child has to leave the school early. When you have signed the register you will be issued with a form to take to the teacher as we are accountable for the safety of every child.

Family Welfare Worker: A qualified social worker works in the Central Cairns Cluster as part of the behaviour management team. This support is carried out in conjunction with the Guidance Officer. Referrals through an administrator are necessary.

First Aid: Staff with current qualifications deal with first aid cases at the office. We will contact the parent or the designated emergency contact where possible. The rostered First Aid people, together with administration decide when an ambulance is to be called.

Guidance Officer: A Guidance Officer is based at the school four days per week and works with staff, parents and children on a referral basis.

Hire of School Facilities: The office maintains a booking plan for the hire of school facilities.

HOMEWORK:
Homework is an integral component of children’s daily learning. It is also an important insight for parents into their children’s learning and expected outcomes.

At Edge Hill our Homework expectations are:

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<td>Students need to develop responsibility for home and school tasks.</td>
<td>Students take a reading folder home each night, have it signed and return it to school each day.</td>
<td>Students listen to homework instructions and record in a set book or homework sheet.</td>
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Hygiene: To prevent the spread infections students are encourage to follow good hygiene practices such as washing hands, using tissues etc. Head lice are common in the tropics. Students should be checked regularly for head lice and treated as required. The school will notify parents when head lice is a problem.

Infectious Diseases: Please contact the school for advice on exclusion times.

Inclusive Education
Students with disabilities are supported by Edge Hill’s Special Education Program. The delivery of Inclusive Education is supported by providing quality assistance and services to students, teachers and parents. This support enhances the learning and teaching experienced by all students, regardless of circumstance.
International Education: We welcome international students to our school. International students may attend as full fee paying students on either long or short term visas. Our school also encourages visits by overseas students and educators on study tours. From time to time we ask the assistance of families to act as host parents for visiting students.

Interviews: Class teachers will indicate the necessity of an interview by direct contact with parents or by indication on the formal report card. Should you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher directly or through the office to make an appointment time with the teacher or your contact administrator. We believe it is very important for parents and teachers to work as a team. School policy indicates that teachers will make time available for a minimum of one interview per year usually in Term 1.

Learning Support: Two Learning Support Teachers are attached full-time to the school and coordinate programs set up by the Enhanced Learning Committee as well as working with children referred by class teachers. These teachers are supported by well-trained teacher aides and offer a variety of programs. Appraisement, which includes advice to teachers and parents to support students with learning difficulties, is now mandated. Reporting to parents is part of this process.

Late Passes: Children who are late for school need to come to the office to collect a late pass which has the child's name, time of arrival, date etc. This information will be recorded. Families are encouraged to make every effort to be on time, ie 8:50am start.

Library: The Library is a very important resource area of our school and is open daily for class and individual visits. Children are encouraged to borrow regularly from the library and this can be done before school and at lunch times. It is recommended that children have a library bag in which to keep their books clean and dry.

Lost Property: All items of lost clothing (except for togs/towels which, if left in the pool area, will be placed in the lost property bin at the pool) are kept in the lost property bins in the School Supply Shop. Small items such as watches and purses containing money are kept in the office. Unclaimed, unnamed articles are donated to charity at the end of each semester. To ensure your child's belongings are returned to him/her, please name each article clearly.

Lunch: Our first break is not until 11:00am. Please ensure your child has an adequate breakfast and something substantial as this break is regarded as lunch. Teachers supervise all breaks and there is plenty of time for eating. Talk to the teacher or friends to gather ideas for what children like to eat. In accordance with ‘Smart Choice’ healthy food and drink strategy, lollies and junk food are not acceptable at school.

Medication: If your child needs to take prescribed medication while at school, Education Queensland requires parents to complete and sign a medication form. Forms are available at the school office. Medication must be in the original container dispensed by the pharmacist with the child's name, dosage and time to be taken clearly labelled. This is an additional responsibility that the school assumes and it needs to be negotiated. Non-prescription medication or analgesics are not able to be administered by staff.

Mobile Phones: Mobile phones must be turned off upon entering the school premises and not turned on until after 3:00pm dismissal.

Newsletter: The Leading Edge is a weekly newsletter distributed each Tuesday; a copy is also available online (www.edgehillss.eq.edu.au). This will help to keep you up-to-date with current school news and is sent home with the youngest child in the family. If you do not receive the newsletter due to absence of your child etc., spare copies are available from the office. Advertising space is available on the back of the newsletter at a cost. Contact the office for details.

Out of School Hours Care: Direct phone line – 4037 9519. The school (under P & C auspices) provides high quality Outside School Hours Care for children at a reasonable cost. The children are supervised by employed aides and participate in a variety of activities throughout the semester. The OSHC program is run under the supervision of the P & C and the Department of Communities and meets a very real need for safe supervised care for the children of working parents. Vacation care is also organised for school holidays and student free days. Organisation and Behaviour Management reflect school expectations.
Parent Teacher Nights: These will be held early in the year (usually February) and are a great chance to get to know your child’s teacher, be made aware of the curriculum for the year and the teaching and learning models in operation. You will also find out about resources and facilities, how the school operates, the expectations of you as a parent and how you can become involved. Teachers are asked to notify parents about the possibility and costs of camps and excursions.

Payment Methods: Payment is accepted by cash, EFT and credit card. For ease of convenience credit card payments are accepted by phone, in person or by completing a credit card payment form and returning to the office. Centrelink direct debits for payment of large purchases such as uniforms, school packs and camps can be arranged by the School Shop.

P & C Association: Our P & C Association welcomes you to our school. Parent involvement at all levels is actively encouraged and valued. The P & C meets as an executive group with school leaders. A published annual plan shares the P & C involvement in the school. Services and facilities which are under the auspices of the P & C are:- Tuckshop and Outside School Hours Care.

P & C meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month during school terms.

P & C contact: pandc@edgehillss.eq.edu.au

The P & C has a voluntary levy, $90 per family or $50 per child which is used to reduce the pressure of fundraising for the school. This levy is not tax deductible. As an alternative, the P & C has a Building Fund which is tax deductible. This voluntary levy is $110 per family or $60 per child.

Our P & C believes it is very important to include families and community members at our school. A number of community events are sponsored to do this each year – Fete, Family Breakfast, Welcome Morning Teas for parents and students, ANZAC Day Ceremony and Advancement Ceremony for Year 6.

Planning and Accountability: The operation and development of this school is directed by a Strategic Plan and an Annual Operational Plan. Copies of the Strategic Plan and Annual Plan are available on the school website. Reporting on student learning outcomes will be through interviews, report cards, presentations and interpretation of a range of data.

Our school is required to publish an Annual Report and this will be available on the school website. From time to time surveys of staff, parent and student opinions will be sought to inform planning. Parents are reminded that any concerns about student learning or other classroom activities should be discussed with the teacher in the first instance. The Deputy Principals attached to specific year levels are available for further discussion. Please make an appointment with the Principal to share positive input or concerns.

Religious Education: Queensland legislation allows for religious instruction to be offered in Queensland state schools. Classes are taught by instructors from faith groups using a curriculum authorised by relevant faith groups. At Edge Hill students in year 1-6 have the opportunity to participate in a weekly 30 minute program of instruction offered by a combined Christian faith group. A program is also offered by the Baha’i faith. Religious instruction is only to be provided to students whose parents have given written permission for their child to participate. (Included in the application for student enrolment) The school provides alternative arrangements for students who do not attend religious instruction.

Road Safety: Our school community is very concerned about the safety of all its members. We therefore ask families to strictly observe all of the signs and traffic rules. Please do not double park. Use the drop-off zone as indicated. If you have to visit school please park in an appropriate zone. The parking lots set aside off Russell and Pease Streets are for school staff or volunteers working in the school only. Please do not drive into these areas to pick up students as this endangers students’ lives. While crossing supervisors are employed by the Department of Transport, they are fully supported by the school staff and community. Please cross with lights or in crossing zone. Pease Street is a 40 km/h zone from 7:00am – 9:00am and 2:00pm – 4:00pm.
School Shop: Direct phone line – 4037 9512 or email shop@edgehillss.eq.edu.au The School Shop operates daily from 8:15am – 9:30am. The school shop supplies all books, stationery and uniforms at competitive prices. This is also the stock control centre for our school. Any profits are returned to school funds.

Speech Language Pathologist: The school has the services of a Speech Language Pathologist who reviews children referred by the class teacher. The model of operation varies from year to year

Student Banking: School banking is conducted by the Commonwealth Bank for children from Prep to Year 6. Children are asked to hand books and money to their teacher by 9:00am each Thursday. Any queries should be directed to the Commonwealth Bank (Schools Officer) in Lake Street.

Swimming Club – Edge Hill Tiger Sharks: Direct phone line 4032 1423. From August to March, the swimming club provides learn-to-swim classes, fitness swimming and competitive swimming for local children. The pool is also available for hire all year round provided insurance coverage is adequate.

Tuckshop: Direct phone line – 4037 9572 or order on line at www.flexischools.com.au (Flexischool Help Line is available on 1300 361 769) or order directly at the Tuckshop before 9:00 am. Eftpos is available for orders placed before school. Please use a paper bag or envelope with class, name, whether food is required for lunch or afternoon tea, do not staple bags.

The School Tuckshop operates daily to provide for our students. A Tuckshop Convenor manages the tuckshop on behalf of the P & C. Volunteer helpers are welcome in the tuckshop. A phone call to the convenor would ensure you are included on the roster. Helping in the tuckshop is a great way to make new friends and to be part of the daily life of the school.

Current price lists and order bags are available from the tuckshop. Please note that first lunch must be ordered. Second lunch can be purchased at the tuckshop. A full range of food requirements is available and special requests can often be met by consulting with the convenor and staff. The tuckshop is working to provide the healthy foods listed in the Education Queensland Smart Choice Healthy Guidelines.

Visitors and Volunteers: We welcome visitors and helpers to our school. We ask you to sign in at the classroom or at the office if you are staying, to ensure you are covered by insurance in the event of an accident. A stick-on name tag obtained from the office or classroom should identify all visitors. All voluntary workers are required to sign the visitors register at the school office or the Volunteer Register kept in each classroom. Blue Cards are required by volunteers who are not directly related to students in the school.

School Hours

Prepare for Classes ....................... 8:50am
Lunch .................................... 11:00am - 11:40am
Afternoon Tea ............................ 1:30pm - 2:00pm
School finishes ............................ 3:00pm
Thank you for choosing to enrol at Edge Hill State School

Great Kids Come To Our School