Dear Parents and Friends,

Canteen

Hopefully all families received the notice which was sent home with students yesterday advising of the change in canteen operating days.

The canteen will operate on Tuesday's but will be closed each Wednesday for the foreseeable future. Parents are thanked for their understanding in this matter. The P&C are also thanked for working to ensure our families have access to this valuable service.

Class News

This week, families will enjoy reading of the happenings in 3/4DB. Thanks to Mrs Bowie and students for their efforts in compiling this.

NAPLAN

As previously advised, these national tests are being held across Australia this week. There will be some changes to literacy groups in order to accommodate the implementation for students in years 3 and 5.

Breakfast Club

Many thanks to those parents who are supporting school staff in implementing this important program on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Families are reminded that the breakfast closes at 8.45am sharp, so that students and staff can be prepared for literacy groups. The program is immensely popular with 7 L of milk and 4 loaves of bread being consumed on average each day. Huge thanks to Nat Dawson for coordinating this program.

Athletics Carnival

On Friday, we saw lots of great performances and smiles as every child tried their hardest to earn points for their house. The overall point score for the winning house was:

1st Peppin 389
2nd Lawson 326
Equal 3rd McLean 251
Falkiner 251

The K/1 students also enjoyed participating in numerous novelty events as well as their age races.

Huge congratulations to Ella Harvey who broke the 12yrs Girls 800m record. The record was previously held by Sophie Walmsley (2011) with 3.11. Ella’s new record is now 2.56.

Congratulations to the following students who excelled in their respective age groups.

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Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and friends who came to watch. We really appreciate the assistance many parents gave us as timekeepers and helping with field events. Special thanks to Mrs Young and Mrs Werner for their fabulous work in organising such a smoothly run carnival.

The district carnival is not until Term 3. Mrs Young will be working with the students who have qualified for district to help improve their times and distances.
Creative Catchment Kids 2015
Our school is thrilled to be involved in this year’s Creative Catchment Kids (CCK) program. This year, the following students Jack Michael, Georgia McCulloch, Ruah Fagiri and Nathan Kelvy will represent our school. At a recent workshop the students were involved in a tutorial on how to develop a school reader based on a Local Land Hero who is managing a pest species in our region. As well as completing a book this year, the CCK team will be involved in a field trip. The Creative Catchment Kids program is an initiative of Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre, at Burrumbuttock and is supported by the Murray Local Land Services.
Over 60 schools from the Murray and Riverina regions are involved in this engaging initiative.

Seasons for Growth
We are so very fortunate at EPS to have the services of our chaplain Mrs Susan Strong available to us. Mrs Strong is qualified to implement this program and all parents and carers are urged to read the letter accompanying this newsletter for information and, if considered to be beneficial, complete the EOI form also included. This program is highly valued and well recognised and there are many ways students could benefit. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions about this.

Patty Pan Wednesday
Year 6 will be changing their ‘Patty Pan’ day from Tuesday to Wednesday as of next week. Patty pan treats will be available every Wednesday at recess from outside the Year 6 rooms. All treats will be $1.00

Canteen Roster

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P&C News 12.05.15

Canteen Changes - we will be changing the canteen days until further notice to open Monday and OPEN Tuesday, CLOSED WEDNESDAY and open Thursday and open Friday.

Sacha Jefferies will be filling in for the remainder of Term 2 as the canteen manager.

We are still looking for volunteers to help - especially 12.30pm till 1.30pm. You can volunteer on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis. Please give your name to the office.

Mothers Day stall - thank you to everyone who kindly donated items for the Mother’s Day stall. The children loved picking something special for their Mums or that special person in their lives!! A big thank you to Rachel Finn, Sarah Herberte and Pru Meharry for running the stall.

AGM - was held last Tuesday night. These are your representatives for 2015.

- **President** - Felicity Michael
- **Vice Presidents** - Anthony Bradley & Peter Bermingham
- **Secretary** - VACANT
- **Treasurer** - Scott Mildren
- **Uniform Shop representative** - Sarah Herberte
- **Canteen Representative** - Kylie Green

Thank you to these people, as they put in many hours of their own time to make Edward a better place for all of our children. Thanks also to the parents and staff who regularly come to our meetings and make valuable contributions. If you have an idea or suggestion, please come along to our next meeting or chat to one of the committee above. If you are willing to be Secretary- or to share the job with someone else- please contact Felicity on 0488054356

The Annual School Report and the School Plan were tabled at this meeting. They make interesting reading, and can be found on the Edward School website.

Fete - we are thrilled to announce that the fete made a profit of $7140.87. THANKYOU to everyone who helped make this event such a great success!!! We are working with the staff to purchase a set of ipads in the near future.

Athletics carnival - thank you to Sacha Jefferies, Debbie Gazzara, Sarah Graham and Ally Wesierski who ran a very successful canteen at the athletics carnival. Thanks also to all of the parents who volunteered their time to timekeeping or measuring or helping with the tabloid sports to make the day better for all of our children.
Community News

The Big Bowel is coming to Deniliquin
Learn more about cancer screening
Walk through the Big Bowel
(children must be supervised at all times)

The journey through the Big Bowel (7m long, 5m wide x
2.6m high) provides a way of learning about the prevention
of bowel cancer

When: Thursday 28th May 2015
Where: RSL Club, Deniliquin
Time: 10am to 3pm

Education sessions on cancer screening 11am & 2pm

Healthy food platters provided
Lucky door prizes

Bowel Cancer Australia

National Families Week

Come & join us for a
FREE Afternoon Tea
to celebrate
“Families Week 2015”

When: Thursday 14th May
Where: Townsend Park Cnr
Henry & Decimus st
Time: 3pm – 4.30pm

Fun Activities
for the children

If you have children aged from 2 to 12
years, and would like some practical help
to survive and thrive as a parent,
join us for the Triple P program.

We can help your family build positive:
• relationships
• communication, and
• behaviour.

It’s a great way to chat with other parents,
take time out, and get some new ideas for
a happier family.

Cost: It’s Free! Morning tea is provided.
Time: 10am to Noon
Starts: Thursday 14th May to
18 June 2015 (5 sessions)
Where: Intereach Family Centre
Deniliquin

Sound interesting?
Deidre McCallum
Intereach Parenting Program
Phone: 03 5890 5242

The Positive Parenting Program (Triple P) is an initiative of the Intereach Parenting Program and
is financially supported by Families NSW.
Intereach – Helping children and families of the Deniliquin region for 40 years

Children & Family Services

The Family Support Service is a FREE service which provides a range of information and
support for families with dependent children.

The program uses practical and proven skills to build families capacity to cope with difficult
times such as separation, divorce, access, grief and loss, unemployment, financial hardship,
parenting, family violence and sexual assault.

The Family Support Team provide assistance and support to families living in Deniliquin,
Conargo, Jerilderie and Berrigan Shires.

If you would like to speak to a Family Worker please call 03 5890 5200
Deniliquin

Deniliquin is a great town to live in.
Here are some reasons. It has the best restaurants and the best schools in the world. It has the
best teachers in the world.
I think everyone should live in Deniliquin.
By Tyler Marchant

Edward Public School

Edward School is the best in town. Here are some reasons why.
It is the sportiest school in town. It has the best canteen in town. It has the biggest oval in town.
So that is why Edward is the best in the world.
By Samuel Blenkiron

EDWARD PUBLIC SCHOOL

Edward School is my school. It is the best school in town.
Here are some reasons. It is the sportiest school in town. It is a PBL School that teaches us re-
sponsibility, safety and respect.
This is my school and it is the best.
By Trinity Larcombe

Hero Award

Dad is my hero. He did many things for me.
He always took me to his work. He always looked after me when I was a baby. He loved me
and I loved him too.
But sadly he died when I was four. I cried.
My dad deserves a Hero Award.
By Ellie Rourke

Hero Award

Sue Buckley is a hero. She does many WONDERFUL things.
She walks the dog around the lake and she takes me to the shop. She helps at school. We go
to the movies and she makes noodles and warm chocolate milk. Sometimes we go somewhere
and we do a job. We get a coin.
Sue Buckley deserves a Hero Award.
By Connor B

HERO AWARD

Aunty Sophie is my hero. Aunty Sophie does many wonderful things.
Sophie is the best aunty ever and she is never mean to my two sisters and my brother and me.
I think Sophie deserves a hero award because she saves me from the big waves at the river
when the stream drags me away.
By Chantelle Molloy
Dear Parents and Carers

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Edward Public School we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called Seasons for Growth.

This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research that highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks.

The Seasons for Growth Program runs for eight weeks and each weekly session is 40-50 minutes. The program concludes with a 'Celebration' session. Later in the year, each group will have the opportunity to meet for two further sessions to build on their earlier learning.

Seasons for Growth will commence later in Term 2 and will be facilitated by Mrs Susan Strong, who has received special training in this program. If you think your son or daughter would benefit from Seasons for Growth, we would encourage you to talk to him/her about this. Should he/she decide to participate please fill in the tear-off section below and return to the school by Friday 22 May, 2015.

Parents and carers who would like more information about this program are invited to contact Susan on Tuesdays or Thursdays by calling 03 5881 2612.

Edward PS is pleased to be able to offer this important program and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved.

Susan Strong
Co-ordinator

Judy McGuiness
Principal

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PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION TO THE SCHOOL

I give consent for my child/ren ________________________________ of classes
________________________________________________________________________ to attend the Seasons for Growth Program.
I have discussed this with him/her.

Signed: ________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature Child's Signature