Dear Parents and Friends,

Education Week 2015

This week is Education Week in NSW. It provides us with an opportunity to celebrate the achievements and successes of our students, teachers and support staff across all NSW public schools.

The 2015 Education Week theme is ‘Celebrating Local Heroes’ and for us, this will involve acknowledging the important partnership between our students, teachers, local people and community groups that helps us to create and deliver quality programs of learning and an inclusive and respectful learning environment that all stakeholders can be proud of.

Each school in NSW is committed to providing relevant learning, set in a meaningful context, to best cater for the needs of their students. Edward PS staff are privileged to have a dedicated school community, who are keen to be involved in what happens at school, combined with a parent body that works tirelessly for the betterment of the school, and in doing so, to best cater for each and every student.

This Education Week, we will be reflecting on the importance of our students, teachers, local people and local resources in creating and delivering quality programs of learning.

We hope that you will be able to join us in this celebration. Please see the schedule of events planned for this week included in this newsletter.

Leo Barry Fun Day

Parents are advised that there is a change in venue from that identified in the notes already sent home. For both groups of students, the Fun Day will be held at Rams Oval and not Memorial Park.

New Flagpole

Many parents have already observed the new flagpole which has been erected in the playground during the holidays. This is so we can fly the Aboriginal flag each day, as well as the Australian flag.

To celebrate this new addition to our school, a special assembly is being held tomorrow, Wednesday 29 July at 11.30am. We are hoping that members of the community will be able to join us.

Special thanks to our General School Assistants Gary and Graham for undertaking this task during the last school holidays.

Naidoc Activities

To complement the new flagpole in our school, students will participate in aboriginal activities in acknowledgement of NAIDOC (National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee) celebration for the remainder of Wednesday. Each class will complete three specially planned activities, rotating between classes. Huge thanks to the teachers for coordinating this special event.

Premier’s Spelling Bee

Congratulations to our representatives, Kelsey and Paige Wesierski, Gabby Clarke and Eliza Bermingham. They will be part taking in this year’s Premier’s Spelling Bee and are busy learning words for the competition. Good luck!

P&C Meeting

A reminder to all families that this is being held tonight in the staffroom commencing at 7pm. We are looking forward to seeing as many parents there as possible!
Aspire Me, Dance

Best wishes are extended to Jemal Eminovski, Jackson Jefferies, Lily Green and Ruah Fagiri who will be representing Edward Public School at the dance camp being held at the Deniliquin stadium on Thursday and Friday this week. We know that these students will be proud ambassadors for our school and learn a great deal – whilst having fun! We will look forward to reading their reports in next week’s newsletter.

Literacy Groups

The Super Seadragon literacy group have been speaking and writing about interesting things during news time. Last Thursday, the students were very lucky to have a visit from Glen Bright, Ethan’s dad, who spoke to them about taxidermy and showed the students a deer head, a boar head and some of the props that are used when doing taxidermy.

A big thank you to Glen for giving up his time to teach us about how animal skins are prepared, stuffed and preserved.

Ethan’s dad is a taxidermist. He showed us a stuffed deer and a stuffed wild boar. The animals looked real. The deer had sharp antlers. They both have glass eyes. Rhys could still smell the animals.

by Ethan, Kade, Rhys, Kyan, Cyrus, Seb, Ronnie and Kaigh.

Boys Soccer

Our Edward boys will be playing their next match in the State Knockout against Griffith East next Tuesday, 4th August at Rotary Park, kicking off at 11.30am. As this is Round 5, it is, in effect, the semi final for the Riverina. We would love to see as many people as possible from our school community at Rotary Park to cheer and support our boys.

Jeans for Genes

Although Jeans for Genes day is nationally recognised on Friday 7th August, because of the Leo Barry Fun Day, we are going to make our ‘donation day’ on Wednesday 5th August 2015. Students may wear jeans with their normal school jumpers and polo shirts on top. A gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated for this wonderful cause.

2016 Enrolments

We are currently taking enrolments for the 2016 school year. If you know of anyone who has a child ready to commence school and is considering their options, please encourage them to come and speak with us and see the wonderful and exciting learning that is happening here and the opportunities that are available to students in our school.

Basketball

Best wishes to our Girls’ Basketball team who are competing in the next round of the PSSA knockout competition next Monday. These girls are playing exceptionally well and special thanks to Sacha Jefferies for her coaching of these girls. They are playing at the Deniliquin stadium and supporters are encouraged to go along and cheer!

Patty Pan Wednesday

Patty pans will be resuming tomorrow, Wednesday 29th July. All patty pans are $1.00 each and will be available for sale outside the Year 6 rooms.

Canteen Roster

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<td>Wed 29th July</td>
<td>CANTEEN CLOSED</td>
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<td>Thurs 30th July</td>
<td>Kylie Green, Shirlee Jennings</td>
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<td>Fri 31st July</td>
<td>Felicity Michael, Shirlee Jennings</td>
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♦ Thank you to all the children for their beautiful manners at the canteen. As I am new to this school, I would be grateful for any helpers who could come in on Thursdays and Fridays for 1-3 hours. Especially Fridays! I hope to have a lovely lot of people helping out on the roster. Your children will love to see you there. Shirlee

♦ Special Meal Deal - To help celebrate Education Week, the canteen will be hosting a special meal deal this Friday. Please see order form in this newsletter.

Canteen Roster

This is also a reminder of the importance of lunch orders from the canteen being placed in the mornings. It puts considerable extra pressure on the canteen staff when late orders are made. Parents and students are thanked for their cooperation.

Head Lice

We are currently having an exceptional number of incidences of head lice at school. Please, please, please check your child’s hair and treat if required. And remember a follow up treatment will be required in a few days!
Chocolates - Our chocolate fundraiser has begun! Chocolates went home to families on Friday. Each box will raise $50, half of which goes to the P&C for projects to benefit all of our children, including a donation towards subsidising the cost of the Stage 3 excursion.

All money and unsold chocolates are **DUE** back to the office by **Friday 7th August PLEASE**.

Next P&C meeting TONIGHT Tuesday 28.7.15 at 7pm in the staffroom.

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Name: __________________________ Contact Telephone _____________________________

Please tick what you can help with.

### Help Prepare & Serve Food

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<td>Breakfast 7.30am - 8.15 am</td>
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### Donation of Food

- Mini choc chip muffins- Number ......................(need 100)
- Slice- (suitable for children) Number ..............(need 4)
- Full Size chocolate muffins- Number ..............(need 40)

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**P&C News 27.07.15**

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**Special Meal Deal**

- Hamburger in bun/Fruit Box - $5.00
- Sausage in bread/Fruit Box - $3.00

Please tick a box and hand this notice in with your money to the Canteen by Thursday 30th July 2015

**NO LATE ORDERS**
FIREWOOD
$100 per ton (split & round), kindling included.
Phone: 0477302890
Locally operated.

Education Week 2015
Edward P.S. Celebrations

ALL WELCOME!

Tuesday 28 July
9 am to 11 am
Literacy groups open to parents and carers

Wednesday 29 July
9 - 11 am Literacy groups open
11 am tea and coffee
11.30 am - Flag Ceremony
Recognising our new flagpole for flying the Aboriginal flag
12.00-12.50 Naidoc Activity 1
12.50 – 1.30 BYO Lunch
1.30 – 2.15 Naidoc Activity 2
2.15 – 3.00 Naidoc Activity 3

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Friday 31st July
12.15pm - ASSEMBLY in hall
12.50 pm - Parents and student: Picnic Lunch
(Meal deal offer through canteen available)
1.30 pm - Stage 2 Bush Dancing demonstration
1.45 to 3.00 pm
Students and parents tabloid sports afternoon

'Celebrating Local Heroes'

Community News

EVERY DAY COUNTS...
A day here or there doesn’t seem like much, but...

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<td>1 day each morning</td>
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<td>16 weeks per year</td>
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<td>3 days a week</td>
<td>120 days per year</td>
<td>24 weeks per year</td>
<td>Nearly 6 years of learning</td>
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Give your child every chance to succeed...

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baby2kids market

Saturday August 1
10.00am—2.00pm
Waring Gardens Hall
(next to the Multi Arts Hall)
Cressy St

Pre-loved, new and unique children's items

- Pre-loved clothing, size 0 to 16
- Handmade clothing
- mosses
- Nursery items
- Photography
- Handmade jewellery
- Children’s Products, services & toys

Do you have a business with relevant children's goods or services?

Contact: 0477 302 890

Entry Gold Coin Donation
(children free)
Science
We have been learning about Energy. We are exploring the different forms of energy and whether they are renewable or non-renewable.

We even made our own “wind turbines”

Learning in 5/6 NB

We have settled into Term 3 and are working on task in class.

Maths
We have been solving patterns

1 3 5 7 11 13 17 ?

Working out the mass of different items

Did you know a paperclip weighs a gram and a pineapple weighs a kilogram.

Reflections - What we think about Literacy Groups?
I like Literacy groups because the work is exactly at my level! Tara
We do lots of fun activities like Word Search game, I pads and we use the Notebooks! Lachie
We are challenged in our reading and get to rotate through fun activities! Georgia
We get to share with others and be challenged with our spelling, grammar and reading! Taylor
Literacy groups are great because we learn with other people rather than our friends. Quintin

Aboriginal Education
Our Indigenous students graduated from the program Bro Speak & Sister Speak. They were presented with their own polo shirts with their names in Wamba Wamba on them.