



Edinburgh College

Character... through Nurture, Learning and Service

Newsletter

Term 1 March 29, 2017

Year 5 Step Back in Time

Last week, Year 5 students stepped back in time as they experienced life as school students in the 1850's at Sovereign Hill. The students spent two days participating in a costumed role-play where they learned about manners, behaviour and re-lived the discipline of school life on the goldfields.



Primary Family Picnic

The weather was lovely for our family picnic last Sunday. Families came dressed in 'house' colours and had a lovely time getting to know each other and enjoying some family fun. Many thanks to our Primary Parent Association for organising the event.



Please remember school finishes at 2:30pm this Friday.

Enjoy your holidays and we look forward to seeing you back to start Term 2 on Tuesday, 18th April.

Poem in Your Pocket

Poetry Week in the Secondary concluded with a poetry slam at lunch time on Friday. Students and staff delivered poetry with energy and enjoyment, including a musical rendition of an old favourite. Presentation winners were: 1st—Nicholas Biddle, 2nd—Daniel Spink and 3rd—Cody Rule. Awards won for most poems shared during the week: 1st—Nicholas Biddle, 2nd—Tom Gladwin and 3rd—Samuel Buckley.



Young Leaders

Our Edinburgh Primary student leaders attended the Young Leaders Conference on Friday where they listened to a number of inspirational young leaders who challenged them to always strive to do their best in all areas of life.

I enjoyed what Jade Hameister, the youngest person to have travelled to the North Pole, had to say. She was just 14 years old. At 6 years of age, Jade did her first triathlon and at 12, she did the Mt Everest Base Camp Trek. I found her inspiring because she never gave up on her dreams and goals and because of her determination she accomplished a lot. - Paige



Matt Crossgrove was an inspirational speaker and funny too. He said that to accomplish great things you need to work with other people, have a positive attitude, be creative and listen to other people's ideas. He left us with the thought that if you follow these steps you could be a great leader. - Jerush



- Jerush

There was a buzz of excitement in the room as the hosts of young leaders walked on stage. Our hosts were Jemma Knight and former Prank Patrol host, Scott Tweedie. The hosts did activities with us between speakers, and also did a special challenge each. Jemma's challenge was to play the saxophone in front of everyone and Scott's challenge was to go up on stage dressed in a silly flamingo costume. Overall, it was a really good day. - Lushi

- Lushi

Josh Richards amazed me with his quest to live on Mars in 2031. Over 230,000 people have applied to leave Earth and live on Mars. Josh has made it through to the top 100 applicants. He said that it would take seven months to land on Mars and there is no returning! His message to us was that if you don't try, you won't get anywhere. - Joby

- Joby

From the Principal

Can you believe it! We are nearing the end of Term 1 already. What a fast-paced, busy and fun-filled learning term it has been. I have really enjoyed witnessing our Edinburgh College community growing closer together, hearing our students excitedly sharing what they have learnt and receiving positive feedback from our parent body. I have also enjoyed our daily staff worships, planning and reflecting with our dedicated team.

A few things to take note of:

- ◆ We have updated our **Edinburgh College Uniform Policy** to reflect a more consistent approach across the campus - an email will be sent to families and students shortly highlighting these updates.
- ◆ The **boom gate** near the Uniform Shop will be closed from the beginning of Term 2. Staff and family members will be unable to drive through the middle of the campus from this point on. This will ensure the safest environment for our children throughout the day, as they move about our campus.
- ◆ **GIG Week** (Growing in God) begins first day of Term 2 at 9am for our Secondary students, and will run throughout the week. Pastor Willy Ramos, the Ghetto Preacher, will be sharing a daily God-centered message with our Year 7-12 students.

Always remember that you are most welcome to come and chat with myself or any of our staff members, regarding concerns that you may have or opportunities you wish to share to enhance your child's schooling experience.

Thank you for supporting Edinburgh College. Your prayers, dedication and support make our community a much better place of learning for our students. We wish each of you a safe and enjoyable time with your loved ones over the holiday season and look forward to seeing each of you again on Tuesday, 18 April for another successful term together.

- Mr Tim Borgas

Staff Long Service Leave

A number of staff will be taking some Long Service Leave in Term 2. Mr Smith, Mr & Mrs Brooks and Mr Jones will all be enjoying some long service leave during the coming weeks.

Mr Adrian Stiles joins our dedicated team throughout Term 2, as Mr Smith embarks on his well-deserved Long Service Leave. Mr Stiles has had over 10 years of administrative experience, including Principal, at Nunawading Christian College. We are very excited that Mr Stiles will be joining our team next term as Head of Secondary.



Year 2 Project Presentations

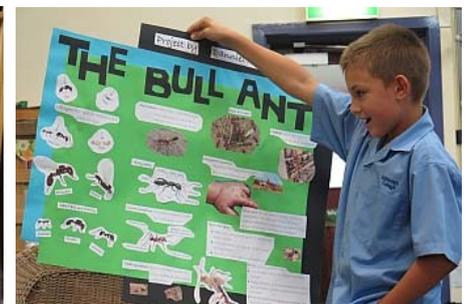
The students have been presenting their mini beast projects in class this week. Each presentation has kept their fellow students very interested and at times, quite amused.



Project Exhibition for Grandparents

Year 1 & 2 student projects will be exhibited in the classrooms for grandparents tomorrow afternoon. The students are really looking forward to sharing what they have learnt.

- Miss Courtney & Mrs Turner



Student Participation in the PB4L Matrix

Student representatives from Year 7 - Year 12 reviewed the Secondary PB4L (Positive Behaviour For Learning) matrix and made a significant contribution towards this. Students analysed the current matrix devised by the Secondary staff that identifies the appropriate conduct expected of students in each of the College's learning areas, facilities, locker areas and recreational zones within the Edinburgh College Secondary campus. These expectations are set within the framework of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) principles including respect, responsibility, resilience and willingness to learn. Student representatives were encouraged to add, change and reconstruct this matrix to ensure it can be a relevant, user friendly document that can be widely implemented by staff and students. Thank you to our student representatives for their input.

- Mrs Harvey

Week of Camps for Secondary Students

Many of our students are away on camps this week. Year 7 and 8 are spending a few days at Billabong Ranch, Echuca, Year 9 are continuing 'The Challenge' with a five day survivor camp at Eildon and Year 12 students left today on a trip to NSW to visit Avondale College of Higher Education.

Year 10 and 11 won't miss out, they have camps to look forward to later in the year.



Sovereign Hill Camp



We had a lot of fun at Sovereign Hill last week. Thank you, Mr Harris, for organising this camp for us and to Mrs Pascoe, Mrs Hassan and Mr Krieg for looking after us. —Year 5 Class.



Fruits of the Spirit—KINDNESS

Congratulations to the following students who were recognised for displaying the value of KINDNESS at school last week.



Back row: Jordan B., Caitlin, Cody, Kahlia and Charlotte C.
Middle Row: Gracie, Riley Jorjah, and Lily H.
Front row: Luci, Ari, Jed, Caitlyn, Joel, Sharan and Kai

Purple Day

The Shields family would like to thank the Primary students for their support in raising money for further research into Epilepsy in honour of Joseph.
Total Raised = \$412

Respect
is easier lost
than gained!
Year 12 Class Motto



Safety in the Water—Final Swim Lesson

This Friday the Primary students will be learning about water safety and are **required to bring a long sleeve top and long pants** (winter pyjamas are perfect) to wear over their bathers. Please do not send any 'onesies'.



Library Volunteer Required

The Library Resource Centre is looking for a volunteer to assist with student returns and borrowing, shelving, library displays and general support. If you are available on a Monday or Tuesday for a few hours or part of the day, please contact Mrs Stanton in the Library. A current Working with Children's Check is essential.

Where's Whalley Photography is offering a special deal-

leading into Mother's Day, with 15% off all prints and framed photography. The sale goes from April 9th-30th and friends of Edinburgh College can get an additional 10% off by typing the Promo Code: "**Edinburgh**" on checkout to get a total of 25% off the normal price. Treat your Mum or someone special by visiting the website: whereswhalleyphotography.com/shop



Term 2—Winter Uniform News

Term 2 will see our students transition into full winter uniform during the first two weeks of term. Please note students can either wear full summer or full winter uniform during the first two weeks.

Primary students will wear sport uniform Tuesday (TriSkills), Wednesday (PE) and Friday (Sport) during Term 2.

Uniform Shop Specials

- ◆ Boy leg brief—\$6 each (to wear under girls dresses)
- ◆ Long sleeve sports polo's—\$29.00
- ◆ Long sleeve under T-shirts—\$15.00
- ◆ Buxwear pants—\$35.00
- ◆ Gloves and beanies—\$4.00
- ◆ White long socks—\$5.50
These are not for school wear, just a clearance item.



Chaplain/Counsellor Contact Details

If you would like to chat or need help, please contact our Chaplain or College Counsellor.



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IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

PRIMARY

TERM 1

March

- 29 Treat Day
- 30 Year 4 Science Works Excursion
- 30 Year 1 & 2 Project Exhibition for Grandparents
- 31 Swimming—Water Safety Lesson (Bring PJ's)
- 31 Final Day of Term 1

NOTE: 2:30pm finish this Friday

TERM 2

April

- 18 First Day of Term 2
- 19 EC Cross Country—Years 5-12
- 25 ANZAC Day

May

- 2 TriSkills commences
- 4 ASV Primary Cross Country
- 9 NAPLAN Testing for Years 3 & 5
- 10 Mother's Day Stall

Secondary Parent/Teacher Interviews

Bookings are now open for next term's interviews on April 19. Please finalise your bookings before April 18th. Please use the booking form emailed to you with today's newsletter.

SECONDARY

TERM 1

March

- 27-31 Year 9 The Challenge Camp
- 28-31 Year 7 and Year 8 Camp
- 29-2 April Year 12 Avondale College Trip
- 31 Final Day of Term

NOTE: 2:30pm finish this Friday

TERM 2

April

- 18 First Day of Term 2
- 18—21 GIG Week
- 18 Closing Date for Parent/Teacher Interview Bookings
- 19 EC Cross Country—Years 5-12
- 19 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 25 ANZAC Day

May

- 1 SEISS VCE Futsal
- 5 Year 11 Careers Excursion
- 9 NAPLAN Testing for Years 7 & 9

Uniform Shop Opening Hours

- Mondays 8:15—9:15am & 3:00—4:00pm**
- Tuesdays 8:30—9:00am**