



EDEN HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

An Independent Public School

Information Booklet 2021

Located in Ivanhoe Street, Eden Hill Primary School was officially opened in 1915 and for many years remained as a three-teacher school. The student population increased during the late 1940's and early 1950's until by 1956 the school had expanded considerably. Before neighbouring schools in Anzac Terrace and Lockridge opened and reduced student intake, our enrolment had reached 800 children by the middle 1960's. In December of 1989 the school was partly destroyed by a fire and in 2015 we celebrated our centenary with over 470 children and nearly 60 staff.

In 2010 & 2011 the school underwent a great change due to the BER program which added a purpose built Early Childhood facility and a Music and Arts building. These works have been enhanced through funding and support from the Parents' & Citizens' Association, together with the staff and students. We now have many modern facilities and in 2021 we anticipate our enrolment will be over 440 children in Pre-Primary to Year 6 and 60 kindergarten students in our on-site Centres.

The school's crest boasts the motto *Only Our Best Is Good Enough* and this is promoted in every activity.

This booklet is designed to provide you with important information concerning the school and your children.

Important Dates

Terms

- 1 Monday, 1st February - Thursday, 1st, April
- 2 Monday, 19th April - Friday, 2nd July
Tuesday, 8th June - Student free day
- 3 Monday, 19th July - Friday, 24th September
Wednesday, 4th August - Student free day
- 4 Tuesday, 12th October - Thursday, 16th December

Faction Athletics: - Friday, 3rd September (to be confirmed)

Inter-School Athletics: - Wednesday, 22nd September (to be confirmed)

Year 6 Graduation: - Monday, 13th December

Notes and Newsletters

In 2021 we will use the school space in CONNECT for all notices and newsletter. The school newsletter is also added to our website www.edenhillps.wa.edu.au every second Thursday. Newsletters contain important information so it is essential that you check CONNECT or our website frequently. If you would prefer a hard copy of the newsletter, please collect a copy from the office.



School Hours

Pre Primary - Year 6

School Commences	8.50am
Morning Recess	10.40am - 11.00am
Luncheon Recess	12.40pm - 1.25pm
School Concludes	3.05pm

Please note that whilst many teachers are in attendance earlier than the required starting time, they are extremely busy preparing for the day's lessons. With this in mind, adequate supervision of children cannot be guaranteed prior to the commencement of school. You are therefore asked ***not*** to send your children to school ***before 8.20am***.

Kindergarten

The Centre provides for three groups of students having two full days one week and three full days the next.

<i>Group 1</i>	Monday, Tuesday & alternate Wednesday	8.50am - 3.05pm
<i>Group 2</i>	Thursday, Friday & alternate Wednesday	8.50am - 3.05pm
<i>Group 3</i>	Monday, Tuesday & alternate Wednesday	8.50am - 3.05pm

It is imperative that a **parent** is responsible for bringing their child punctually to Pre-Primary and Kindergarten Centres and picking them up at the end of the school day. Please ensure that you are on time to collect your child, and kindly advise the staff, (in writing) if you appoint another adult to do this for you.

Collecting Children from School During School Hours

In order to safe guard your child at school all parents/caregivers ***must report to the office*** before collecting children during school hours. We have recently introduces a Passtab system where parents/caregivers are required to sign students out using our iPad before children will be released. Children will only be released to adults nominated on the school system. If you want another adult to collect your child, you will need to notify the school office.

School Amenities

Government schools in Western Australia request the support of parents in providing school amenities. The funds collected assist in providing children with art and craft material, sports equipment, photocopying and subsidies for excursions and camps. As ***every child*** in the school benefits from this support it is essential that payment is made by ***every family***. For your information the amenities (payable to the school) are: \$60 Per Child / per year.

Eden Hill's P&C has introduced a contribution request of \$25 per family in order to cover operational costs of our highly successful association. Whilst the P&C supports the school by directing significant finances to assist students each year, initial operational costs of around \$2000 to cover insurance, association fees and charges must be cleared before support can be offered. Your contribution will offset these costs and allow 100% of fundraising to be directed to your school. This amount will be added to the booklist of the eldest school family member only.

Communication - Easy as 1 2 3

Should you encounter a problem which upsets or concerns you, please contact the School immediately to discuss and resolve the matter. Sometimes a lack of communication, a misinterpretation by a child, or a misunderstanding can lead to a situation where negative attitudes could seriously affect the progress of a student. Effective communication involves an exchange between parents and carers, and school that involves information sharing and opportunities to learn about each other. To embed positive communication, the following steps in communication are expected. 1 Communicate with the teacher. 2 Communicate with the Deputy Principal. 3 Communicate with the Principal.

Reporting Procedures

Eden Hill Primary School works hard to maintain communication links between class teachers and parents regarding students' progress. You will be aware that the Department of Education has reviewed the reporting process and Eden Hill has incorporated procedures to align with this. In the meantime of course, you are encouraged to maintain contact with your child's teacher to ensure that you are kept aware of progress. During Term 3 all parents will be invited to an interview with their child's teacher.

Homework

A separate Homework Policy booklet has been produced. If you would like a copy, please request one from the School Office or visit our website.

Handwriting Policy

Eden Hill Primary School uses the New South Wales Foundation Font. The use of this font has been endorsed by our School Board. Templates can be found on-line. School Policies can be found on our website.

In-Term Swimming

As part of our school's compulsory education programme, swimming lessons will take place during Term 1 for Pre Primary to year 6 students. The lessons will be held at Altone Leisure Centre at a cost of approximately \$50 per student. Full details will be provided prior to programme commencement.

Interschool Sport

The school participates in a number of interschool sporting activities. Inclusion in teams is considered only if social and academic performance is satisfactory. The concept of interschool sporting interaction stresses friendly and enjoyable competition.

P & C Association

Eden Hill has a very supportive and active Parents' and Citizens' group which works hard to assist the staff in providing the very best for your children. Parents are urged to attend meetings which are held on a Monday evening. Dates will be advised at the commencement of each term, but as a guide, we aim for the third Monday of each month. Everyone is welcome to attend and our P&C always welcome new members.

Lost Property

Please note that a great deal of lost property is never claimed and is eventually given away. It is therefore essential that *every item* of clothing and personal belongings are *clearly named*.

Finally

Eden Hill is a lovely school. The parents, staff and students are extremely proud of the friendly tone and enthusiasm which runs throughout the school. We work hard to ensure that the education process is enjoyable and varied and ask you to support us in continuing to provide the best for your children.

Eden Hill Primary School

83a Ivanhoe Street - Eden Hill 6054

Phone: 6455 0800

Website: www.edenhillps.wa.edu.au

Email Address: edenhill.ps@education.wa.edu.au