



# Eden Public School

DARE TO DREAM & ACT TO ACHIEVE  
163 YEARS OF EDUCATION  
1857 TO 2020



**Term 4 Week 2**  
**20<sup>TH</sup> October 2020**

**Respect Responsibility Resilience**  
**Principal's Message**

## Welcome back to Term 4

### External validation at Eden Public School 2020

Each year, a group of schools are nominated to participate in an external validation process. Eden Public School has been preparing for the validation since the beginning of 2020, with the submission of an extensive evidence set being submitted at the end of last term. Last week, our school completed their External Validation with a panel meeting. This provided an opportunity for a team of 5 staff members to present and discuss our judgements about our practice against the School Excellence Framework with a panel of peer principals. The process has been rigorous, detailed and the outcomes very rewarding. Eden Public School was rated as Excelling in 5 of the key domain areas, Sustaining and Growing in 8 areas (with 2 being very close to Excelling) and Delivering in just one area. In closing, the panel remarked that **“Eden Public School is a high performing school.”**

We are very proud of our school and what we do to improve student wellbeing and learning outcomes for all.

I would like to formally take this opportunity to congratulate and thank the entire staff of Eden Public School for their hard work, commitment and professionalism.

### Mitre 10 Rewards

We are very fortunate to have Mitre 10 as a partner with our school to support our Garden Program.

Eden Public School now has its own Mitre 10 rewards card. If you shop at Mitre 10 and would like to donate your points to the school account, this would help support our school vegetable garden. It would just be a matter of opting to have your rewards go onto the school account when you make a purchase.

### New COVID Guidelines

Schools are operating full time while actively following health advice. Please see the most updates guidelines for further details.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

### **Students should be at school unless;**

- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe
- they are currently unwell.

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms.

NSW Health has requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics.

Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to be tested and provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be symptom-free before being permitted to return to school.

Students who do not undertake a COVID-19 test result will not be permitted to return to school for a 10 day period. Additionally, they must be symptom-free for at least 3 days prior to returning to school.

Students who have seasonal allergic rhinitis or another condition that presents similarly to flu-like symptoms are still required to get tested for COVID-19 and return a negative test result. Where their symptoms continue beyond 10 days, students should provide documentation from their GP confirming their symptoms are typical for their condition. If the student develops new or changed symptoms, they should get tested for COVID-19. COVID-19 testing for students with complex health or disability may be challenging. In these situations, schools will ask the parent or carer to have their child assessed by their medical practitioner. Where a medical practitioner determines that a COVID-19 test is not required, documentation must be provided to the school to confirm that the student does not have symptoms that warrant a COVID-19 test. The certificate must also indicate that the student is able to return to school.

Schools are not required to conduct widespread temperature screening or mandate the wearing of a mask.

All schools will be vigilant when implementing infection control, physical distancing and personal hygiene protocols to protect the health and safety of students and staff. Schools will promote the need to follow good hygiene practices such as:

- regularly washing hands
- avoiding sharing drinks or food
- coughing or sneezing into your elbow, or a tissue which should be discarded immediately
- filling water bottles from bubblers rather than using the bubbler directly.

### Pokemon Cards

**As a result of a number of difficult issues arising from Pokemon trading at school, the school has made the decision to ban Pokemon Cards for the remainder of the term. Students are asked not to bring them to school. Thank you in advance for your support with this matter.**

Tanja Vogt.

# Mathletics Week 2



I would like to congratulate all the students who used Mathletics during the school holidays. It was very pleasing to see **2 Gold Certificate, 7 Silver Certificates and 59 Bronze Certificates** achieved over the two weeks. Well done everyone. Remember to get a Silver certificate you must get four Bronze certificates. Bronze certificates are earned by **getting 1000 points in a week** (Monday morning to Sunday night), about 5-10 activities in total. Just check the rocket ship to see your weekly progress.

Simon Taylor



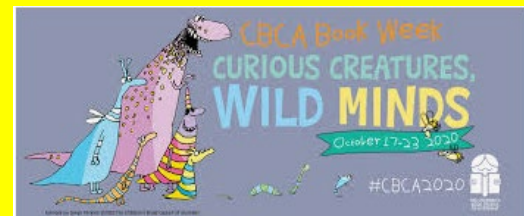
## JOKE CORNER!

**Q:** What did the left eye say to the right eye?

**A:** Between us, something smells.



Don't forget it's our Book Parade tomorrow! We can't wait to see all our students dressed up in their favourite book characters!



## Wednesday Raffle Roster

### Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October

**KR** Sam Trewin  
**KP** Anna Davidson  
**1/2C** Tara Kauffline  
**1/2D** Emma Godfredson  
**1/2J** Raosalind Falzon  
**3/4B** Emma Godfredson  
**3/4E** Deb Heron  
**3/4K** Shell Banks  
**5/6E** Deb Heron  
**5/6H** Clair Mudaliar  
**5/6L** Emma Bolton  
**K/3D 3/5EB 5/6M** Becca Feeney

### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October

**KR** Jodie Harris  
**KP** Robin Bawden  
**1/2C** Kellie Nicholls  
**1/2D** Summer Michelin  
**1/2J** Alexis Timms  
**3/4B** Clair Mudaliar  
**3/4E** Natalie Deahm  
**3/4K** Summer Michelin  
**5/6E** Mia maze  
**5/6H** Jill Kearney  
**5/6L** Mia Maze  
**K/3D 3/5EB 5/6M** Emma Bolton

### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November

**KR** Stacey Parnell  
**KP** Alexis Timms  
**1/2C** Danielle Rout  
**1/2D** Kaylene Collins  
**1/2J** Sara Doyle-Marrapodi  
**3/4B** Kaylene Collins  
**3/4E** Tiona Hall  
**3/4K** Cass Chatfield  
**5/6E** Belinda Roach  
**5/6H** Julie Illis Boller  
**5/6L** Bec Johnston  
**K/3D 3/5EB 5/6M** Jodie Harris

# SRC NEWS

## INTRODUCING EDEN PUBLIC SCHOOL'S GREEN GANG.

Last year, our SRC decided to help the school and our environment by minimising the amount of waste we send to landfill. We contacted Bournda Environmental Education Centre for help to set up a waste reduction program in our school.

Staff from Bournda visited our school and carried out a waste audit. We then made a list of the ways in which we could reduce the amount of waste we are sending to landfill. They also helped us apply for a 'Let's Get it Sorted' grant through The Bega Valley Shire Council. As a result, the Green Gang was born!

The grant funded the establishment of a new waste reduction program in the school. We have been able to purchase additional yellow recycling bins and new green FOGO bins. Our school canteen was keen to participate in the program and the grant enabled the purchase of compostable containers.

Finally, we had lots of fun getting together with Julie Donne from Bournda to make a movie to explain to everyone about our new bins and waste reduction program. Jayla Gilbert created and designed characters to be our mascots.

Each eating area now has 3 bins:

- A green FOGO bin for food scraps – (which go to the waste facility to make compost)
- A yellow bin for recyclable products
- And a red bin for general waste

At lunch and recess, members of the Green Gang help students to sort their rubbish into the correct bin. Every classroom has a paper recycling bucket. Each week, with the help of staff, the Green Gang are responsible for ensuring the bins are sorted and placed outside the gate for emptying.

Bournda will be returning to our school during Week 7 to carry out a follow up waste audit. So far, we have reduced the number of red bins that are put out by almost half!

Year 4 students are now in training as members of the Gang. So, if you would like to join our Gang or have any questions, please talk to Ms Hopson or a member of the Green Gang.

The Green Gang would like to thank everyone who is helping to make this program a success:

- All staff and students
- The P&C and canteen
- Bournda Environmental Education Centre
- Bega Valley Shire Council

And remember.....We are the Eden Public School Green Gang helping to make our school a better place!

- *I joined the Green Gang because I wanted to help make our school clean and environmentally friendly.* Amelia Year 5
- *I joined the Green Gang because I want to keep the school and the environment clean.* Nevaeh Year 5

- *I joined the gang so I could help make the school a better place.* Viv Year 5
- *Our Green Gang is helping our school by reducing the amount of waste we send to landfill.* Sophie-Ella Year 6

- *I like the Green Gang because it helps the school reduce waste. It was cool making the movie because everyone was working together to help our school be a better place.*

Kodi and Odin Year 5

- *We can teach people about what goes in which bins. We enjoy helping our school sort rubbish. We joined the Gang to lessen pollution, decrease landfill and make the world a better place.*

Ben and Cooper. Year 6

New canteen containers:





# The Gang in Action





# Meet the Green Gang!



*Stage Three*



*Stage Two*

**choose  
the right  
bin**

Download the FREE  
Bega Valley Waste APP

**Recycling YES**



Glass bottles/jars, firm plastic bottles and containers, metal cans, clean paper products, newspapers and long-life cartons.

- X ALL plastic bags (including biodegradable and degradable)
- X Soft plastics
- X Packets and wrappers
- X Nappies and hygiene products
- X Polystyrene
- X Clothes and shoes
- X Food scraps
- X Electronic items
- X Building materials
- X Wood
- X Batteries

**FOGO YES**



All food scraps (including meat and bones), garden waste, tissues, food-soiled paper products, newspaper, pet waste and compostable products (excludes nappies).

- X ALL plastic bags (including biodegradable and degradable)
- X Soft plastics
- X Packets and wrappers
- X Nappies and hygiene products
- X Building materials
- X Recyclables
- X Treated wood

**Landfill YES**



Items that cannot be reused, recycled or composted. Nappies, foam, soft plastics and plastic bags. Please consider taking soft plastics to Coles or Woolies to be recycled.

- X Food and garden waste
- X Recyclables
- X Building materials
- X Gas bottles
- X Batteries
- X Fluoro globes and tubes

# COMMUNITY NEWS!



**Royal Far West**  
Children's health, country-wide

**In-community visit:  
Eden**

## **Are you a parent/carer who would like some extra information & support in helping your child?**

Dealing with the impact of the bushfires and now COVID-19 over the last 12 months has been difficult for many children and families in rural and regional areas.

A small team of clinicians from Royal Far West will be visiting Eden from Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October to provide a range of support activities as part of their Bushfire Recovery Program.

In addition to providing school sessions for some students, RFW staff are also providing sessions for parents/carers.

**Where:** Eden Log Cabin

**When:** Session 1: Tuesday 27 October, 4-6pm  
Session 2: Thursday 29 October, 11am-1pm

**For whom:** Parents/Carers (you are welcome to bring children however you will be required to supervise them during this time)

### **What will be discussed and aims:**

- Provide brief education about what children need after experiencing community trauma
- Share simple techniques to support children's anxiety or changes in behaviour (e.g. aggression, increased clinginess, unsettledness)
- Help parents to support their children to understand and express emotions in appropriate ways
- Discuss what children are learning about in the Stormbirds Program

The Clinicians from RFW will be following all the COVID-19 policies, procedures and advice from Health and Education during their visit. The RFW Team is looking forward to connecting with the community.

## **To register your interest or if you have any questions:**

Please contact Chris Anderson, Social Worker at Royal Far West on 02 8966 8598 or [chrisa@royalfarwest.org.au](mailto:chrisa@royalfarwest.org.au). Due to COVID-19 restrictions, numbers are restricted and it is helpful you register in advance to attend a session. Walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.





# Tuning into Kids<sup>TM</sup> at headspace

**Starting:** Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October –  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

6 week course – every Wednesday

**Where:** headspace Eden

**Time:** 10am – 12:30pm

***Bookings essential***

**Contact:** headspace Reception

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program for parents and  
carers of young people.



Designed  
for parents  
of kids up  
to 12 years  
old



FAR SOUTH COAST  
Family Support Service Inc.



headspace

National Youth Mental Health Foundation

## Placement in selective high schools for Year 7 entry

# in 2022

### Information for applicants

Thinking of applying for  
a government selective  
high school for Year 7  
in 2022?

You must apply online at:

[https://education.nsw.gov.au/  
public-schools/selective-high-  
schools-and-opportunity-  
classes/year-7](https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7)



### Key Dates

Application website opens:  
**13 October 2020**

Application website closes:  
**16 November 2020**  
You must apply before this date.

Test centre and test authority advice  
released:  
**25 February 2021**

Selective High School placement test:  
**11 March 2021**

Placement outcome information released:  
**2 July 2021**

Please read this booklet carefully before  
applying.

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From this year, you will be able to log  
into your application to send and  
receive messages and notices.

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There may be changes to the procedures  
in this document. Check the website at  
[education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc](https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc) regularly for  
updates throughout the application and  
placement process.

Please check the website for information  
before you contact the Team.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team. It is referred to as 'the Team' in this document.

#### Contact Details:

High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education  
Email: [ssu@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ssu@det.nsw.edu.au)  
Telephone: 1300 880 367  
Postal Address: GPO BOX 33, SYDNEY NSW 2001

Facebook:  
[https://www.facebook.com/groups/  
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# School Travel for 2021



## 2021 school travel applications are now open

Applications for student travel in 2021 opened from Monday 12 October 2020.

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass for 2021 can now [apply](#) online. A new application should be submitted if a student is applying for a school travel pass for the first time or requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who have changed school/campus, changed address, repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [re-apply or update their details](#).

\*Applications must be completed by the student's parent or legal guardian if the student is aged under 18 years. Students 18 years and over must complete the application form themselves.

Where there is a change of distance eligibility based on a student's grade, the system will automatically update a student's entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If a student needs to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/sssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before **31 December 2020** to ensure that current student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card remains valid. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2020, the system will automatically cancel an entitlement/card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2021.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the commencement of the new school year from their nominated operator, this may be distributed via the school or sent direct to their address. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/Parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

## **New Concession Entitlement Cards**

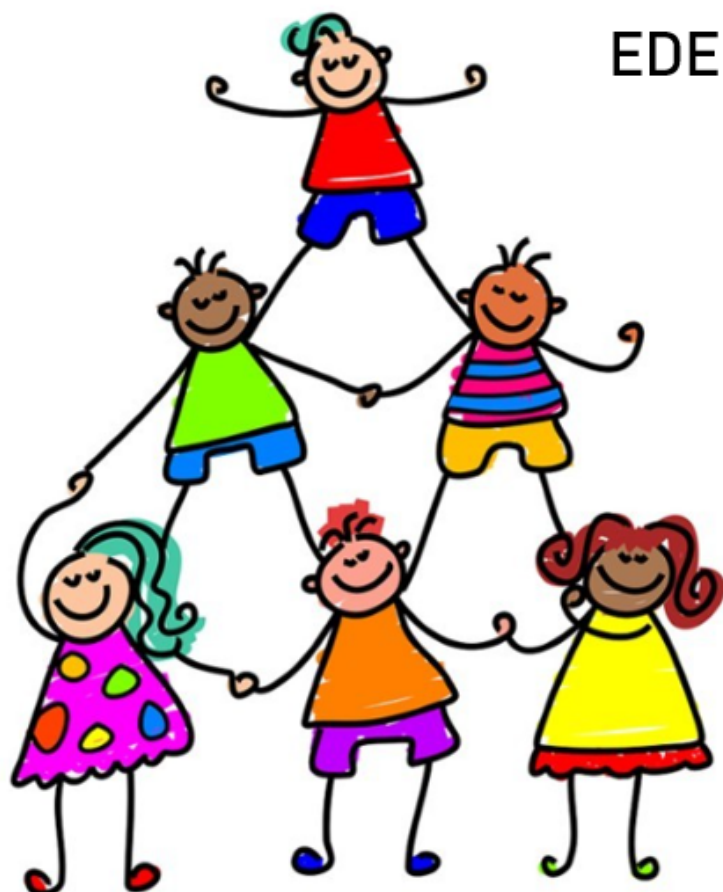
Transport for NSW will be replacing the below cards with Transport Concession Entitlement Cards (TCEC) from October 2020:

- Senior Secondary Student Concession Card (16 years and over) – also used by Mature Secondary Students (18 years and over), Distance Education Students and Home School Students
- Proof of Age card (when a student under 16 years of age looks older)
- Boarder Rail Pass.

All previous cards will be valid until they expire. Students who require a Transport Concession Entitlement Card should speak with their school administration staff.

Enquiries regarding school student travel can be submitted to Transport for NSW at:

<https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback>



**EDEN PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**Kindergarten  
2021  
Enrolments**

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school website:  
[eden-p.schools.nsw.gov.au](http://eden-p.schools.nsw.gov.au)  
forms are also available  
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**Ph: 6496 1169**