Edmonton Newsletter Wednesday 3rd July - Week 10 - Term 3

2024

	<u>TERM DATES 2024</u>
<u>TERM 2</u>	29th April—5th July
5 July	Whole School Assembly (Room 11 & 3 hosts)
5 July	Mufti Day
5 July	Last Day Term 2
<u>TERM 3</u>	22nd July— 27th Sept
22 July	First Day Term 3
13 August	School Photos
27 August	Water Skills for Life
3 September	Water Skills for Life
10 September	Water Skills for Life
17 September	Water Skills for Life
24 September	Water Skills for Life
27 September	Last Day Term 3
<u>TERM 4</u>	14 October—13th December
14 October	First Day Term 4
25 October	Teacher Only Day
28 October	Labour Day—NO SCHOOL
11 December	Big Day Out—Pt Erin Pools
13 December	Last Day <u>12:05 Finish</u>
	No After School Care
	TERM DATES 2025
<u>TERM 1</u>	3rd February—11th April
<u>TERM 2</u>	28th April—27 June
02 June	King' s Birthday
20 June	Matariki
<u>TERM 3</u>	<u>14 July—19 September</u>
TERM 4	06 October—16th December
27 October	Labour Day

EDMONTON SCHOOL OSCAR PROGRAM

For information about before school, after school care and holi-

day program or enrolment forms please contact Office Ph 8389318 or Claire Busby 027 550 519



Kia ora, Talofa lava, afio mai, ˈnʌməsteɪ, pai ata, Kuja hapa, greetings, สวัสดี, 欢迎 and malo e lelei, Salaam+

Thank you parents and caregivers for your support over the term. We have had a wonderful time with lots of sporting activities , trips and Kapa Haka performances.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Deborah Heasman who has been teaching in room 8 for the term. Deborah, we have loved having you at Edmonton and wish you all the best in your next teaching adventure. IN term 3 we welcome Sam Baker who will be teaching in Room 8. Sam and Deborah have been working closely over the last two weeks to provide a smooth transition for the class.

I would also like to welcome Fran, our new ENVIRO teacher aide. Fran is joining us at Edmonton to work in class and with the students who helped with the planting a few weeks ago.

In term 3 we also welcome a new teacher in the junior school. Jill Jessop will be joining our team. We are very excited to have Jill join us.

I would like to wish you all the best holiday time. I hope you can relax and enjoy the break.

look forward to seeing you all in term 3

Margaret Samson (Principal)

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be coming up soon and in order to select the time that suits you, you will need the SKOOL LOOP app. Instructions on how to book will be sent home at a later date

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West Auckland is a vibrant hub with adventure and exploration options. Whether your fam loves discovering waterfalls or experiencing kids' theatre at its best, try our 'best in the West' list.

INDOOR ROCK CLIMBING (GLEN EDEN)

Have some family bonding time at West Auckland's premier rock-climbing facility <u>Extreme Edge</u> in Glen Eden (photograph above). There is a vibrant Climb zone for kids, and more difficult options for parents keen to test their limits. This place is a work of art!

WHOA! STUDIOS (HENDERSON)

If you're looking for a combination of memorable food (we're talking seriously delicious) and an international-standard playground for the kids, you'll love <u>Whoa</u>! Studios in Henderson Valley. The playground is lit up for evening meals and you'll find kids of all ages playing on the giant crochet web, rocket ship, dragon's castle, and pirates' cove. There's even more to come, so keep an eye out for fun new additions. And the best news – there's no charge for kids in the evening (if you're eating).

READING CINEMAS (NEW LYNN)

Cheap tickets, newly designed cinemas and world-class sound systems make <u>Reading Cinemas</u> the best place to watch that upcoming movie your kids can't stop telling you about. For an easy and affordable family activity (especially on those rainy days), heading to the cinema is ever so satisfying.

CHILLED OUT DAY AT (PIHA)

No matter the weather, <u>Piha Beach</u> showcases the heart and beauty of West Auckland. Walk up Lion Rock to enjoy the picturesque views of the shoreline and get that family photo while you're there. As a treat head down to Blair's on the Beach or the Piha Café for some delicious fish n' chips.

SURVIVAL DAY (MURIWAI VALLEY ROAD, MURIWAI)

Experience the outdoors for real on a <u>SOS</u> (Survival Training) family day. Trainee commandoes will learn to shoot down targets, fish for eels, build shelter and create an open fire. An army-themed tent is onsite for the post-survival feast. You can tailor the level of challenge to your preference, but you're in the hands of an experts (we're talking ex RNZAF Commander), so prepare for good old fashioned adventure. It's like extreme camping with someone else sorting all of the organisation for you. Whoop whoop!

CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN (SWANSON)

Hidden in Swanson, this family attraction has everything from cute farm animals to a thrilling rollercoaster to expend your children's energy. <u>Here</u>, you and your children can journey through the animal park on the express train, have a pony ride or come face-to-face with mammoth replica dinosaurs.

WAJTAKERE RANGES BUSH WALK

If your Brady Bunch craves a bit of adventure, then the <u>Waitakere Ranges</u> is ideal. On the tracks and depending on which ones you choose, you will encounter breathtaking views and on some there are waterfalls. Make sure you wear suitable footwear to keep your feet dry and bring snacks/water to keep energy levels up. Please check online to see which ones are open,

KIWI VALLEY FARM PARK (HENDERSON VALLEY)

Get up close and personal with piggies, goats and donkeys at <u>Kiwi Valley</u>. Admission (\$13-15) includes a farm walk, unlimited horse and pony rides, one animal feed bag and access to the hidden maze. After all the adventure, chill out at the cafe and snack on some of the best wedges in the West.

TREE ADVENTURES (WAIMAUKU)

For the parents of little monkeys, this one's for you. <u>Tree Adventures</u> is home to all things swinging and climbing amongst the forest. With courses designed to suit a range of different ages and confidence levels, it is the ideal challenging day out for the whole family.

MERCER BAY LOOP TRACK (PIHA)

Views, views and more views are the only way to describe this West Auckland hot spot. Grab your picnic necessities and head to <u>Mercer Bay</u> to enjoy the coastal views, sea cliffs and the West Auckland wildlife, while enjoying some homemade bites. Throughout the walk, there are plenty of places to stop and catch your breath while taking in the mesmerising outlook.

WEST WAVE (HENDERSON)

Designed to keep kids of all ages and abilities entertained, <u>West Wave</u> is a must visit. With one of the longest hydro slides in New Zealand and a lazy river to catch your breath at the end, we recommend you give this aquatic centre a visit if your family's eager for some action.

FLYING FOXES

If your kids go batty over flying foxes, then you'll love these three (free!) options in the West. **Tui Glen Reserve** (2 Claude Brookes Drive, Henderson) doesn't just have one flying fox, but a dual one, as well as giant pyramid teepees. This treetop-themed playground is for those little adventurers and daredevils (but it is ages 5+ for safety). **Owairaka Park** (off Owairaka Ave, Mount Albert) also has a giant double swing, climbing wall, basketball courts, a volleyball court, a skate park, and a bike track with speed bumps.

Waikowhai Park (off Waikowhai Road, Hillsborough) not only has a flying fox, but you can also do a spot of bird-watching, trek along the harbour shore at low tide, and if the bush walks are too muddy, there are concrete paths lining the tracks.

BIKE TRACKS

We are loving this new bike track craze, and West Auckland has seven heart-pumping ways to get those wheels moving. So if you've got a daredevil bike rider, then pump tracks, loop roads and cycle trails are the biz. The fun factor is seriously high, and it turns out that racing around tracks with a myriad of corners, lumps, bumps and other riders to avoid will actually develop your child's hand-eye coordination and technical skills.