



The key to the future of the world is finding the hopeful stories and letting them be known.

As an educator and a father, I would like to share with you another father's wishes for his son's education. A great education is something that we want for our child/ren, and the following excerpt points out some points which I think are very important in the future direction of Edensor Park Public School

We are in the process in the education of your children, and together we are responsible for this. I'd like you to read this fathers' wishes for his son, and I would love you to relate it to your life and see what is possible when we work together for the students here at Edensor Park Public School.

The link for this article is:

<http://www.edutopia.org/discussions/8-wishes-my-3-year-old-about-future-education>

Have a great week.

Matthew Santucci
Principal

8 Wishes for My 3-Year Old About the Future of Education

Dear Ryker,

Today you are a 3 year-old, fun-loving, energetic, and inquisitive child. In a few short years you will start the epic and life-changing journey called formal education. This journey will consist of many joys, challenges, frustrations, and memories that you will take forward with you through the rest of your life. Remember though, education is not an end goal, it's a beginning. Education opens up doors necessary to make an impact on the world you live in.

You may wonder what your educational journey will look like. Honestly, every person's experience is different. I am hoping that my journey can be a guide for yours, but also that you are able to set your own path.

Right now I see an educational system that is evolving, and hopefully it is evolving to meet your needs, wants, desires and passions. It is my wish that your educational journey will be successful beyond your wildest imagination.

So, here are my wishes for you and all the wonderful educators you encounter along the way:

- My wish is that your teachers invest in you as a person in order to make your learning personalised rather than standardised for everyone. You are an individual and unique. You are not a test score or student ID number.
- My wish is that you are allowed to always embrace your creativity and that your teachers foster that natural curiosity within you. Curiosity is at the heart of all impactful learning. Curiosity is the foundation of innovation. Curiosity drives our world to improve.
- My wish is that you harness the power of technology in profound and unimaginable ways. I don't know what technology you will be using (because it hasn't been invented yet), but hopefully you will be guided and directed in how to use it purposefully and effectively. Technology has the ability to connect everyone, everywhere, at any time. Use it to your advantage.
- My wish is that your teachers help you see the connections and relationships between school and the world around you. School should not be an anomaly from the outside world. It should be intertwined with real life applications to further your engagement and learning.
- My wish is that play will be a part of your daily routine throughout your educational journey. Play may look different as you get older, but it allows you to experience joy, build self-confidence, release stress and tension, and let your imagination to flow limitlessly. Keep playing, it's the greatest joy in life and keeps our mind fine-tuned for learning.
- My wish is that you are allowed to explore the things you are passionate about, and that those interests be cultivated by the educators you encounter. We were not all designed to enjoy the same things. If we are only learning ideas and concepts that somebody, somewhere arbitrarily decided was appropriate for an age-level, then we are failing our students, including you, Ryker.
- My wish is that you have amazing examples of educators and role models who aren't afraid to innovative and crazy teaching techniques to help you grow as a learner, to the point that they might fail in front of you. Failure is not a bad thing. In fact, you can't do anything worth doing without at least failing once along the way. It's not about the failure, it's about how you respond to the failure that matters.
- My wish is that your school looks and acts vastly different than schools of the past. School is no longer a place where a teacher has to disseminate knowledge from the front of the class, on only one subject, while students sit passively in rows in complete silence. Learning doesn't always happen by sitting. It doesn't always happen by listening. It doesn't always happen by taking notes. The great thing about learning is that you can't confine it and hold it down. Learning can happen anywhere and at any time. I hope you get to build, make, create, code, and design, just as much as you read, write, and learn mathematical practices. Learning is diverse. It's organic. And the love of learning is one of the greatest things an educator can instil upon you during your journey.

So Ryker, I am here to support you. You won't ever have to do this alone. It's going to be phenomenal to watch you on your journey. I'm so excited, I can't wait.

Love,
Dad

MERIT AWARDS

K Blue	Jacob, Abdul
K Red	Cody, Rossza
1W	Mike, Amber-Sky
1/2M	Justin, Amelia
2C	Johnathan, Suda
2L	Jaiden, Brayden
3K	Domenic, Talia
3/4D	Eva, Isabella
4N	Rhianon, Evelyn
4/5R	Louis, Hidy
5/6H	Halyna, Isabella
5/6M	Josh T, Catelyn



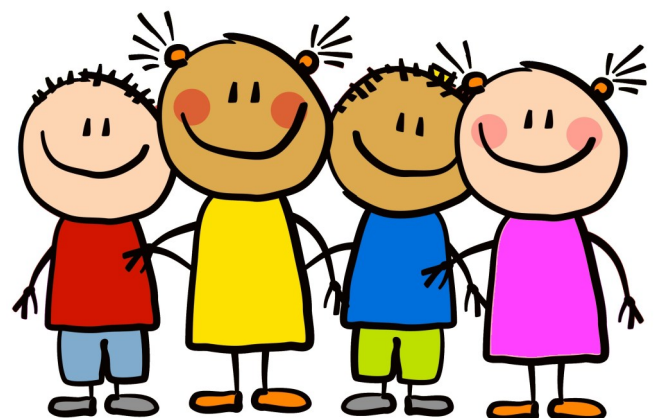
SPORT AWARDS

K Blue	Jaxon, Sarah
K Red	Marina, Rossza
1W	Amber-Sky, Jouel, Bella
1/2M	Maria, Justin
2C	Eric
2L	Jennifer, Joshua
3K	Ronza
3/4D	Dejan
4/5R	Fiona
5/6H	Louis
5/6M	Catelyn

PSSA Netball	Jnr Girls: Sabreen Snr Girls: Alanah G
PSSA Soccer	Jnr Boys: Nathan Y Snr Boys: Joshua T Snr Girls: Hannah C
Miss Hayes	Andrew S
Miss Aboui	Dat
Mrs Moreno	Sam
Miss Drageceovich	Ethan

PEER AWARDS

K Blue	Lilah
K Red	Ereana
1W	Isabella
1/2M	Annalyse
2C	Suda
2L	Hayley
3K	Thomas
3/4D	Joseph
4N	Alex
4/5R	Damian
5/6H	Jimmy
5/6M	Jessica





Library News

We were all excited to see our Book Fair being delivered last week. Students have been looking at the books that will be for sale during their library lessons this week and making their wish lists.

Books will be sold on:

Wednesday 22nd July before school and 1st half lunch

Monday 27th July before school, 1st half lunch and after school

Tuesday 28th July before school, during classroom visits, 1st half lunch and after school

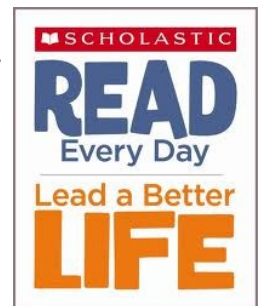
Wednesday 29th July before school only

You can pay with cash, credit card or online. Books can be re-ordered if the available stock runs out except for those on Table 1 and Table 3.

There is also a range of posters, pointers and stationery items for sale as well.

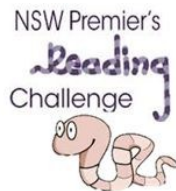
Great work by Stage 3

As you walk into the library, you might think that you are walking into a rainforest! Thank you 5/6H and 5/6M for your wonderful work with the research and presentation; so many people have commented about our exciting entranceway. 4/5R's fantastic work is on display in their classroom's rainforest.



Book Club

Book Club forms will be given to students on Wednesday 29th July and any orders will be due back to school by Friday 7th August.



The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading. Available for all NSW students K-9.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Great effort those students in Years 3-6 who have already finished the challenge! For those who are still reading, your Reading log need to be handed in by **Wednesday 19th August** (Wednesday, Week 6). K-2 students will complete the Challenge during their library lessons.

Book Character Parade

We will be holding our book character parade in Week 8 of this term to celebrate Book Week and National Literacy and Numeracy Week so put your thinking caps on about which book character you will dress up as. More details about the day will be given in coming weeks.

Happy reading!

Mrs Bendit





**OUR NEWSLETTERS WILL BE
AVAILABLE ON LINE ONLY AS FROM
OUR NEXT ISSUE**

DOWNLOAD Skoolbag NOW

As we are now publishing the Newsletter on **Skoolbag** we have decided that it is time to do our bit to save our planet. This is the last Newsletter that will be distributed as a hard copy. There will be a limited number of printed copies available from the office for anyone who does not have a mobile phone, but we hope that everyone gets used to the digital option.

By doing this, we will save a lot of paper, time and money, and there will be no more wrinkled copies to find at the bottom of schoolbags.

We value your opinion of this initiative, so please call in at the office and let us know of any objections or problems you may have with it.

Once again, we have included instructions for downloading the Skoolbag app. onto your phone. If you need any help to do this, let us know.

We look forward to initialising this system and keeping up to date with the technology we have available.

**The Newsletter is also posted to the school's website:
*edensorpk-p.schools@det.nsw.edu.au***

Skoolbag 
Complete communication solution

Don't forget to download the app

to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. We are asking parents/students to install our Skoolbag School App. To install it, just search for our school name, "Edensor Park Public School" in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store.

Pizzeria EPPS



Years 3 to 6 Native Italian students learnt how to make **pizza** in Week 10 of Term 2. The students had been waiting all term for this day!

Students split into groups to start making the dough and then kneading it. During the second lesson each student had their own dough ball to roll out and to add toppings to. There was a lot of peer assistance which was

amazing! Finally each mini-chef walked to the staffroom to cook their pizza.



The pizzas were **delizioso!** Some students brought in **nutella** and strawberries for their pizza topping. They looked **fantastico!**

There were a few lessons learnt during this cooking experience (in particular making sure the oven doesn't switch off!). I can't wait till next time. It will be even better!

Mrs Wiecek

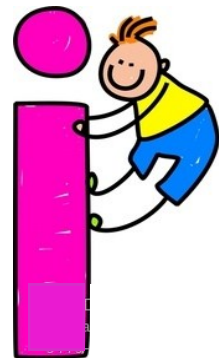


Poppets



This week we looked at all the letters and sounds we have learnt so far and we remembered them all. I was very excited!!!

We also learnt about the letter i. Yummy things like ice cream start with the letter i. This week we made an insect with long furry legs!!!



Until next week,
Mrs Watson

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Invoices will be sent home next week, to all families who have not paid their School Contribution this year.

Dates to Remember

- 27-31 July : EDUCATION WEEK
Tuesday 28th—Education Week Assembly
- 22, 27 & 28 : BOOK FAIR
- 28th July : Local Heroes Canteen Promotion
- 4th August : Athletics Carnival
- 6th August : Yr 4 CARES Excursion
- 7th August : Book Club due



Enrol now for Kindergarten 2016



Children who turn five before 31st July 2016 are eligible to start school next year.

If you have a child, or you know of any children in Edensor Park who will be ready to start school next year, please call into the office now for an enrolment form.

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