Eddy Emu Loves Mathematics!!

Eddy Emu’s Editorial

Throughout 2014, St Oliver’s children have challenged themselves with some really hard mathematical thinking. They have been great mathematical detectives by finding lots of mystery numbers on number lines and solving countless challenges in Mathematics both in the classroom and at home with their families. All the children at St Oliver’s are congratulated for their enthusiasm and love of Mathematics this year.

The 10 students with the most points at the end of each term receive the special EDDY EMU Prize. The students with the most points at the end of Term 4 are:

- Sarvesh Petchi Mahesh in Kindergarten
- Karthik Ananthanrayanan in Year 1
- John-Paul Abood in Year 3
- Dhairyra Bheda in Year 3
- Dhoon Patel in Year 4
- Seth Belcher in Year 4
- Karen Fernandes in Year 1
- Nehal Singhal in Year 2
- Scarlett Lawler in Year 3
- Kuhoo Uppal in Year 4
- Aryan Nomula in Year 4

These students will be receiving the Eddy Emu Prize at assembly on Monday. Congratulations!

Eddy Emu wishes all the children and their families a very Merry Christmas and a restful holiday break! EDDY EMU WILL BE BACK IN 2015!

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The Eddy Emu Challenge Awards and Points

Last fortnight, students investigated times as many as a way of multiplying. Congratulations to Jonas Cuevas, Leyot Lomude, Scarlett Lawler who will be receiving the Eddy Emu Challenge Award and 5 bonus points.
THE SUMMER SLIDE

Top of the Slide!
Eddy Emu is more than ready for school next year because he has noticed lots of Maths over the summer holidays!

KIDS WHO NOTICE MATHS DURING THE HOLIDAYS BEAT THE SUMMER SLIDE!

Moving on Up!
Eric Emu noticed some Maths so he is almost prepared for school next year.

Oops!
Ernie Emu is way behind because he didn’t notice any Maths over the holidays. It’s a big climb up the slide to catch up!

Time for Some Fun Maths Riddles...

1. What occurs twice in a week, once in a year but never in a day?
2. Where do fish keep their money?
3. What goes up and doesn’t come back down?
4. If two’s company and three’s a crowd, what are four and five?

(Answers: The letter e, In the river bank, Your age, 9)
How to beat the Summer Slide…

Read books with Mathematical content with your family. Some examples are:

- A Million Dots by Andrew Clements
- 365 Penguins by Jean-Luc Fromental
- Counting on Frank by Rod Clement
- One is a Snail, Ten is a Crab by April Pulley Sayre
- The Great Divide: A Mathematical Marathon by Dayle Ann Dodds

Also, have a look in bookstores or at your local library for some more ideas.

When travelling notice timetables and try to work out the time it takes to get from one destination to another. If you are going on a road trip, older students might try and work out the time it takes to travel a distance based on kilometres per hour.

Play games such as Snakes and Ladders, Snap, Partners to 10 or Partners to 20. You might even like to make your own Place Value Target or Round the Garden Game.

Watch summer sports such as cricket or tennis and calculate the scores, work out how many points would be needed to win. Younger students might work out one more/one less or ten more/ten less for the score that is on the TV.

Go shopping and help Mum and Dad add up how much the shopping will cost and work out how much change the shop assistant will give you from $10, $20, $50 or $100. Discuss what is cheaper and what is more expensive.

Do some cooking with your family, measure the weight of different ingredients, talk about what is heavier and lighter. Use measuring cups and discuss 1 cup, half a cup, two-thirds of a cup and notice all of the mathematics involved in cooking.

Count collections of objects at home. Write the number, draw a picture of your collection, make up a story and place the number on a number line.

Notice arrays in the environment and take photos of all the different arrays you can find. Email these photos to Eddy Emu.

Have fun finding and talking about as much Mathematics as you can over the holidays to beat the summer slide!

Summer Holiday Eddy Emu Challenge

Eddy Emu will be relaxing and hanging out at St Oliver’s this holidays and he would love to hear from you! Take photos of all the Mathematics you notice or write a letter to Eddy Emu telling him about the Mathematics you have been doing over the holidays.

Email your photos and letters to stolivers@parra.catholic.edu.au