Microscopes in Schools Program

Thank you to the Rotary Club of Joondalup for donating the microscopes, the Science Teachers’ Association of Western Australia and the Water Corporation for their support of the program. Edgewater Primary School now has a class set of hand-held microscopes. The small hand-held unit allows students to easily move it around to view items both indoors and out. The program is an initiative of the Chief Scientist of Western Australia, Professor Lyn Beazley, and the aim of the project is to encourage our students to aspire to be scientists of tomorrow. It allows school children to explore and discover the wonders of science and the natural world.

Gail Baily

Mr Ken Johnson [the President of the Joondalup Rotary Club] presents Harrison from Room 8 with one of our new microscopes.
Principal’s Comment

Today a selected number of students represented our school at the Interschool Athletics Carnival held at Arena Joondalup. This year we competed against three of the larger schools in the Joondalup Learning Community Network, namely Currambine Primary School, Joondalup Primary School and Springfield Primary School. Unfortunately the weather wasn’t in our favour today and the carnival had to be cancelled before all events were completed. The carnival will now be concluded at a later time in Term 4. The students have been training hard for the event every Tuesday and Thursday morning before school and at lunch times. I would like to thank Mr Grey, Mrs Rubidge and Mrs Abbott for the extra effort they have put into this training to get our students ready for the carnival.

Mrs Abbott is now on leave for the remainder of this term. Mr Phil Otley will join our staff for the rest of the term to take over Mrs Abbott’s classes.

As we move into the winter months students will begin rugging up in warmer clothing. I would like to remind parents that students are expected to adhere to the school dress code which is strongly supported by the Edgewater Primary School Council and P&C Association. Further on in this newsletter the school dress code requirements are detailed in full. A copy of the School Dress Policy is available on the school’s website or a copy can be collected from the school office. The school uniform is currently being reviewed with plans to update the school polo shirt and shorts ready for the summer. We are hopeful that these will be available at the beginning of Term 4. There will be a phasing in of the new polo shirt and shorts to allow parents to gradually change over. More details will be forthcoming in due course.

Finally, I would like to announce that we now have two new members of the Edgewater Primary School Council following a nomination process undertaken last term. The new parent representative is Mr Jarrod Buttery and our new school community representative is Mr Simon Corrigan. Both have children who attend our school. I warmly welcome the valuable contribution I believe Mr Buttery and Mr Corrigan will make to the future directions of our school and I look forward to working with them over the coming year.

I hope all families will have an enjoyable long weekend break. Please remember tomorrow is a student free day.

Julie Tombs
Principal

Upcoming Events

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Rhyme Time Story Time will be held every Friday in Term 2 from 9:00-9:30am - All welcome
Chaplain’s Message
Dear Parents and Care Givers. The City of Wanneroo Youth team are presenting a workshop called Shift ATTITUDES which addresses the issues of bullying/cyber bullying/cyber safety. The workshop is free and is open to all parents and carers of children in the primary and secondary years. The workshop will cover elements of traditional playground bullying and focus on the increasing threat of cyber bullying and cyber safety. The cyber bullying section of the workshop will give parents the knowledge of how to keep their child safe online, how to report online bullying and how to stay in control of their child’s online activities. The workshop will be held on 12 June at Tapping Primary School and will run twice, at 8:45-10:45am and 6:30-8:30pm. Please call 9405 5485 on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9:00am-3:30pm or email h.dixon@ecu.edu.au.

The Premier’s Summer Reading Challenge
The Premier’s Summer Reading Challenge was a great success with thousands of students participating across Australia. The Challenge reinforces the efforts of teachers and school staff to develop students’ reading and literacy skills which are so important in life. Thank you to the following students from Edgewater Primary School who fundraised for the Multiple Sclerosis Society of WA through the Reading Challenge: Max, Grace, Ethan, Chloe and Ryan.

The Fogarty Mathematics Coaching Clinic
For children from Years 4-6 who are having some difficulty in learning mathematics. ECU are offering 6 free coaching sessions to take place during the July school holidays. Final year Pre-Service teachers under supervision by University staff will work with these children. Please contact Helen Dixon on 6304 5485 on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9:00am-3:30pm or email h.dixon@ecu.edu.au.

Uniform Shop
Open on Monday 8:30-9:15am
edgewateruniformshop@hotmail.com

Student Contact & Medical Information
Parents are reminded to keep the school updated with contact details and student medical information
**ANTEQUE FAIR**

**Monday 27 May until Saturday 1 June**

Currambine Central - Cnr Marmion & Shenton Avenues Currambine

Please visit us with all your valuables and for a gold coin donation our Antiques Specialist will give you a valuation and offer advice as needed.

All monies raised over the week - Currambine Central have kindly offered to donate to the Edgewater Primary School 30th Anniversary fund.

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**Staff Car Parking**

Earlier this week in the staff carpark a collision between the childcare bus and a parent’s car was narrowly avoided. As the safety of students is our top priority, parents/carers are not permitted in either of our staff carparks unless they have business to attend to at the office.

Several vehicles have also been noticed using the Treetop Avenue staff carpark as a turn around or for dropping off and collecting students. This dangerous practice also puts our students safety at risk.

Brian Baily
Associate Principal

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**DRESS CODE REQUIREMENTS**

### School colours are royal blue and gold

#### Daily Wear

- Gold polo shirt or T-Shirt
- Royal blue shorts (no cuffs & conservatively worn)
- Royal blue skorts
- Royal blue skirts (no shorter than 15 cm from floor when kneeling) - no pleated netball skirts
- Blue checked dress
- Royal blue windcheater
- Royal blue tracksuit pants or trousers
- Hat or cap (with peak or brim) in royal blue for all outdoor activities
- Graduation T Shirt (Year 7 only)

### Sports Days

- T-shirt or polo shirt in faction colour
- Royal blue shorts
- Royal blue skorts
- Hat or cap in royal blue

### Other

- Appropriate footwear—no thongs, slip-ons, high heeled footwear, Ugg boots or Crocs
- Joggers must be securely laced & tied
- Shoulder length hair or longer to be tied back—head bands or clips to be in school colours or natural hair colour
- No make-up, nail polish, jewellery (except for a watch, signet ring and ear studs or sleepers)
- Black or Royal Blue tights (winter only)

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**Voluntary Contributions**

Statements went out this week. Many thanks to all the families who have paid their Voluntary Contributions and if you wish to put additional funds into your child’s account please do so.

For online payments BSB 016 261 Account 340968448

Remember if you pay accounts online you must email Kathy.Dean@education.wa.edu.au. If you are unsure if you have paid an account or not, please check with the office.

I am hoping to organise more raffle draws later on in the year, with the major one being the booklists at the end of the year.

Kathy’s tips No 2 —My favourite word is **Budget**. The same bills come up each year, so to avoid a shock you can plan for them. Even events at school have an annual occurrence. I know when my kids were at school they always dragged out the surprise note asking for money (which they had in their bag for over a week) just as you were rushing out the door. With the new system we use at this school you can put money against your child’s account without worrying about finding that $2 at the last minute. Not to worry if your child leaves the school, any money still in their account will either go to their sibling or back to you. When a note comes home asking for money just tick the credit box.

Kathy Dean - Registrar