On Wednesday 22 April the school held its ANZAC Memorial Service for 2015. This very emotional event saw a large number of parents and friends join with our students to remember times past and to hear from a wide range of speakers. Our student leaders conducted the service and introduced all of the guests to the assembled audience. We were privileged to have cadets, a police piper, representatives from the Army, the Air Force and the Navy and two of our Adopt-a-Diggers attend the service. Jack le Cras OAM, the State President of the Navel Association, was honoured by being inducted as our fifth Adopt-a-Digger. Organised by Mrs Gray and Mrs Radford, this service touched many of the audience who were very positive with their feedback.
Welcome back to Term 2.

100 Years of Anzac Memorial Service
Last Wednesday our school held a 100 Years of Anzac Memorial Service. This was a significant event in our country’s history. The service was a thought provoking occasion for all who attended. It was a great pleasure to welcome special guests, family and friends. I was particularly pleased to see Mr Aleck Newby, one of our Adopt a Digger recipients again in attendance. Mr Newby will soon turn 96 years old. Mr Jack le Cras (OAM), our Adopt a Digger for 2015, proudly wore the medallion the school presented to him at this years’ service as he led the Anzac march along St. Georges Terrace last Saturday. This was a pledge that he gave to our students and it was wonderful to see him wearing it with pride.

School Chaplains
On the 19 April, the Minister of Education announced that further funding had been made available for School Chaplains in public schools. This was wonderful news as we had our previous funding restored to allow us to return to a two day a week service for the remainder of this year and 2016. Mrs Lisa Ingham, our chaplain, is also delighted and is happy to increase her days with us. We will still need to do some fundraising through events like our annual Lapathon to continue the expected community contribution.

Term Planner
The term ahead will be a busy one as usual with many activities planned. To assist parents a term planner was sent home last week. The term planner is also located on our website and is consistently updated as unforeseen circumstances occur. I encourage parents to keep up to date by accessing the school website frequently.

NAPLAN
Commencing Tuesday 12 May (Week 4) students in Years 3 & 5 will undertake the National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). This is an annual assessment strategy based around common national tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy. Students will be engaged in assessments from Tuesday through to Thursday with some students doing final make up assessments on Friday should they be absent on one of the other days. At Edgewater the tests are administered by classroom teachers in the context of the child’s classroom wherever possible. NAPLAN results provide an important measure of how Australian students are performing in Literacy and Numeracy, but it must be remembered that NAPLAN testing is still only one measure. Teachers continue to collect a range of assessment data throughout the year to assist them in planning appropriately for each student’s needs. Later in the year a NAPLAN report will be issued for each student who completed the testing.

Mrs Gray on Long Service Leave
Finally, I would like to advise you that Mrs Gray will be taking some well-deserved long service leave as of Monday 4 May until Friday 12 June. In her absence, Mrs Sue Sugg will take over her Students at Educational Risk portfolio. Mrs Sugg will work collaboratively with the School Psychologist and allied agencies to coordinate services for our students in Mrs Gray’s absence. Parents who have concerns about their children in this area should initially talk to their class teacher, or alternatively Mr Baily or myself. I’m sure you’ll all join me in wishing Mrs Gray all the best as she heads off to Canada.

Julie Tombs - Principal

Mothers’ Day Stall
The Mothers’ Day Stall will be held on Wednesday 6 May. All items cost between $3 and $5 so that as many students as possible can buy something for mum. Raffle tickets will be available to purchase on the day. Tickets are 50c each or 3 for $1.

Upcoming Events

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Assembly Room 9 - Friday 1 May
Aussie of the Month Year 5 - Friday 1 May
Mothers’ Day Stall - Wednesday 6 May
P&C Meeting 7:30pm - Monday 11 May
NAPLAN Testing Week - Tuesday 12 - Thursday 14 May
**Kathy’s Korner**

**Student Banking**
You all know how much I love it when your child is involved with this. I believe it is important for our children to realise at a young age how money works. Finally the financial wizards are also preaching this—‘if you want your child to learn about money get them a bank account. Then they will learn not to get items on credit if they cannot afford them. They learn what is a want and what is a need’. Please encourage your child to do chores to get their banking money, and let them save up for that new book or toy. This way it will have greater value than if you just gave it to them.

**There is some great news from the school banking team: Disneyland Competition**
Please continue to tell your child about the Disneyland Competition. All they have to do is make 25 deposits to be automatically entered in the draw to win an all expenses paid holiday for 4 to Disneyland, California. **After week 5 of Term 2, students who have not banked this calendar year will be unable to be entered into the competition.**

I have noticed that there has been a significant increase in the number of students returning to school banking. Perhaps the news of the Disneyland Competition has spurred them on.

**School Contributions Raffle**
The lucky winners of the Term 1 raffle are the Bilchuris family ($50) and the von Guttenberg family ($40). Thanks to your P&C for once again supporting the raffle. I am hoping to have another one at the end of the year, so if you missed out on this one, you still have a chance. All you have to do is to pay your School Contribution either online or in the office.

**Kathy Dean - Registrar**

**Chaplain’s Chat**

Resilience is in the best interests of children and here is a **common parenting mistake** that will reduce children’s resilience from www.parentingideas.com.au.

**Make their problem, your problem**
Sometimes parents can take too much responsibility for issues that are really up to children to work out or decide. Here’s a clue if you are wondering what this means: a jumper is something a mother puts on her child when she (mother) is cold.

**Resilience Insight: Make their problem, their problem.**
Lisa Ingham - School Chaplain

**Canteen News**

Thank you to everyone who supported our sales of blue snacks and mini muffins on World Autism Awareness Day. We were able to donate $50 to the Autism Association of WA for continued research and education. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Congratulations to Mrs Beverley Power who won the canteen volunteer prize draw at the end of Term 1. Thank you Bev and all the volunteers for generously giving up your time to help me. The canteen couldn’t operate without you. This term we have a fantastic Arbonne gift pack up for grabs. So come on mums, dads, aunties and grandparents. If you have 20 minutes or 2 hours to spare, why not help out in the canteen for a bit? Not only will your name go into this term’s prize draw, but you will also get $5 off your child’s lunch on the day that you help! There is a signup board outside the canteen, otherwise you can call me on 9405 3528.

**Kerry van Drunick - Canteen Manager**

**Thank You**

The students and staff at Edgewater Primary School thank **Choices Flooring** in Joondalup for their generous donation of approximately 200 carpet squares for our students to sit on during our assemblies.
On Tuesday 31 March a large contingent of excited Edgewater students participated in the annual Interschool Athletics Carnival at Windermere Park opposite Joondalup Primary School. As the top school athletes, these students performed at their best and did our school proud.

‘I was so struck by how hard all of students tried at the Carnival,’ Mr Grey said. ‘They all put in maximum effort.’

Congratulations to the students who enthusiastically took part in our Library Easter competition. We are pleased to announce the winners and congratulate these students on a great effort.

Jacob, Darcy, Ewan, Holly, Mia, Taryn, Tiahna, Karolina, Ryan, Ben, Taya, Jac, Connor, Claire.

Please come to the library to collect your prize.

Dearma & Anne - Library Officers

Scholastic Book Club

Thank you to everyone for your support of the Book Club. 20% of all sales go directly back to the school to allow us to purchase extra books and resources for the library. From Term 1 sales alone we were able to purchase 102 new books for the library!

Issue 3 brochures are heading home with the students this week and are due back on Wednesday 6 May. You can also now order and pay online or via an app (details on brochure), which means no paperwork to be returned to school or lost in the school bag bottomless hole!

Joanne May and Lee Tanner—Book Club Coordinators

“A person’s a person no matter how small” Dr Seuss

The Big Campout at the WACA

The Big Campout offers fathers and father figures the chance to spend quality one-on-one time with their child in a unique camping experience at WA’s premier cricket ground, the WACA and camp under the stars.

The Big Campout will be held Saturday the 16 May, 2015. Gates will open at 4:00pm on Saturday (May 16) and the event will end 10:00am on Sunday (May 17).

The event offers a unique camping opportunity for fathers and children to campout on the WACA. Participants are encouraged to bring their favourite activities and games to play, as you would on a traditional camping adventure. A BBQ dinner and breakfast will be provided along with Saturday night entertainment. You need to bring your e-Ticket, a small tent, mattress, sleeping bags/sheets, pillows, a torch and camping chairs (if desired). A complete list of what to bring and what not to bring is available on our website - thebigcampout.com.au/event-information/

Entry Fee - $75 for 1 Father Figure and 1 Child.