



EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL
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KidsMatter

Australian Primary Schools
Mental Health Initiative

Thursday afternoon saw the official school launch by Andrew Barrett from the Principals Australia Institute. Following a delightful coffee and cake session Andrew addressed a group of over 50 parents and carers where he explained what KidsMatter was all about and how it will look in our school. The afternoon concluded with parents and carers joining their children in classroom activities related to friendship. KidsMatter is a whole-school mental health and wellbeing framework that is proven to make a positive difference to the lives of students. It is not a separate programme—it is more methods, tools and support to help schools work with parents, carers and the wider community to nurture happy, balanced children. But why KidsMatter? Evidence suggests that nearly half of all mental health problems begin before the age of 14. These are things like anxiety, depression or challenging behaviour—and the KidsMatter tools help schools provide students with the skills to cope with these challenges. More information can be obtained from the [KidsMatter website](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au).



Merit Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded merit certificates at the assembly this week: R2 Hamish W, Zoe S | R3 Flynn I R4 Layla Ahearn | R5 Heath R | R6 Ben N | R11 Tayla H | R12 Lauren D, Monty S | R15 Kayleigh G, Maia v | Rm 16 Roxie L, Hugh P | R17 Mia N, Teilha D
Thanks to Dean at Harvey Norman in Joondalup for the printing of the photographs.

From the Principal

Welcome back to our first newsletter for Term 3. As you will be aware, I spent the second half of last term on Long Service Leave. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Val Gray who took over the Principal role in my absence for her leadership, as well as all school staff for their hard work and commitment throughout the term. It was a pleasure to come back and find everything going so smoothly.

KidsMatter

This term has started off very well with an awesome turnout of parents for our launch of KidsMatter. We understand that not everyone could attend the launch due to other commitments, but a big thankyou to those who did. There is the possibility of running an evening information session in the future provided there is sufficient interest. In the meantime, we will be featuring more details of this new initiative in our newsletters and on the school website.

NAPLAN Results

The results for students in Year 3 and 5 who did these assessments earlier this year should arrive in the school mid to late August. Shortly after receiving these we will be distributing individual student reports to parents via their children. We will keep you updated on the likely date of distribution.

Student Reports – Semester One

These were distributed at the end of last term. By now parents will have had the time to read and digest the contents. If you have any concerns or queries please contact your child's teacher now to clarify the information presented or to have your concerns heard. Teachers can only address the issue if they know about it. If there is a problem teachers and parents can work together to find a way to improve the student's social and academic outcomes. Conversely, if a teacher has requested an interview, please contact them now to arrange a time to have a conversation. You can do this by contacting the teacher directly or through the school office.

Term Planner

During the first week of the term you should have received a term planner via the oldest child in your family. The information provided is as up to date as possible at the time of distribution and will provide you with an overview of the term. Due to unforeseen circumstances there may be a change required but we will do our very best to inform you of any change well ahead of time. Our annual Cross Country and Faction Athletics Carnival events are on again during this term. I hope that many parents and friends will be able to join us. Our annual Open Night and Book Fair will be held on Wednesday 18 October, the second week of term four with more information to follow. Please make a note of the date.

Julie Tombs

Dates For Your Diary

August	
Tuesday 1	Secondary Education Information Evening
Wednesday 2	Faction Cross Country
Monday 7	P&C Meeting 6:30
Friday 11	Assembly R6 Y6
Monday 14 to Friday 18	Science Week
Tuesday 15	Billy Cart Building Incursion
Wednesday 16	Interschool Cross Country
Thursday 17	Billy Cart Building Incursion
Friday 18	Big Voice Choir Performance
Friday 25	Assembly R12 Y2/3
CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS	

Edgewater's Got Talent

On Friday 18 August we will be having our annual Edgewater's Got Talent Competition. We hope that everyone is excited and we are looking forward to watching you auditioning. If you want to audition you can write down your act and names on the sheet outside the library. The Years 1-3 will audition in Week 3 and Years 4-6 in Week 4.

It is not too late to write down your act because auditions start for the Years 1-3 next week. You can still write down your acts throughout next week. The same applies to the Years 4-6. There are also prizes for both junior and senior winners. We hope to see as many students as possible auditioning and wish you all good luck.

Executive Student Councillors—Jakob, Amity, Rafa, Meg

Secondary Education Information Evening

Tuesday 1 August from 6pm-7pm

School Library

Refreshments provided

Suitable for parents/carers with students in Years 3-6

School Photos

School photos were taken last week and we look forward to their return in about six weeks time.
If you have any queries regarding the photos, please contact Kapture on 9240 1714 or through their [website](#).



Aussie of the Month—Year 1

George sets a fine example of positive work ethic and active citizenship. His empathy, patience and mentoring spirit have supported many in his class, and he is always a popular choice to lead a team or group.

Not only is George a caring and responsible student, his impeccable manners and delightful sense of humour ensure that he is respected and appreciated by us all.

Aussie of the Month for Year 1 is a well-deserved award. Congratulations George.

Proudly sponsored by the Edgewater Primary School P&C



Woolworths Earn & Learn

The school will be collecting Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers again this year. Our experience from the past has been that this programme allows us to acquire outstanding resources without expending any of our valuable funds.

Sticker sheets will be sent home with all students next week so that you can collect the stickers if you are shopping at Woolworths.

Completed sheets or any stickers can be returned to school and placed in the boxes provided in the office or the Early Childhood Centre they can be given to classroom teachers. Stickers can also be placed in boxes located at the front of the Woolworths stores in Joondalup, Woodvale, Whitfords and Currumbine shopping centres.

Earn & Learn is on again
Starts 26 July 2017

\$10 = Woolworths earn & learn 1 sticker

*From Wednesday 26 July to Tuesday 19 September 2017.
Excludes liquor, tobacco and gift cards. While stocks last or until Tuesday 19 September 2017.

From the Chaplain

I can't believe that we are half way through the school year already. This term is shaping up to full of fun activities and things to do. One of the many great things I'm planning is the Year 4 boys *Dads and Lads* get together after school on 6 September. I am still working on the what we are going to do, so at the moment it is a surprise, but I know it's going to be so much fun. Watch this space for more details. If you would like to know more information please contact me at school. Don't forget that I am available on Wednesday and Friday each week. Contact the school office on 9405 4007 to organise a time. I would love to have a chat with you.

Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children."

Charles R. Swindoll

Can't wait to make more deposit!

Lisa Ingham

Manager Corporate Services



Once again our wonderful Manager Corporate Services has put her long locks on the line (or rather, the floor) for charity. Kathy had her hair expertly cut in front of cheering staff members in the name of Brain Cancer Research. If you would like to add to her donation you can do so through the office.

Book Review Winners

The Book Review Competition runs weekly—so get your entries in!



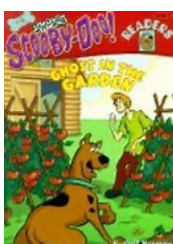
Harrison R from R2 reviewed *The Ant Bully* by Judy Katschke. His favourite part of the book was when the main character, Lucas, begins to understand the importance of friendship and saves the ant colony. Harrison did a wonderful illustration of this part of the story.



Kayleigh G from R15 reviewed *Pandamonia* by Chris Owen. This is a brand new picture story book with funny, catchy rhymes. Kayleigh's favourite parts of the book were when the animals sing and dance. She captured the playfulness of the text with her wonderful illustration of the glow worms dancing.



Claire W from K1 reviewed *Something Wonderful* by Raewyn Caisley. Her favourite part of the book was when the main character runs to see if his invention has worked—and it has! Claire did a wonderful illustration of this part of the story.

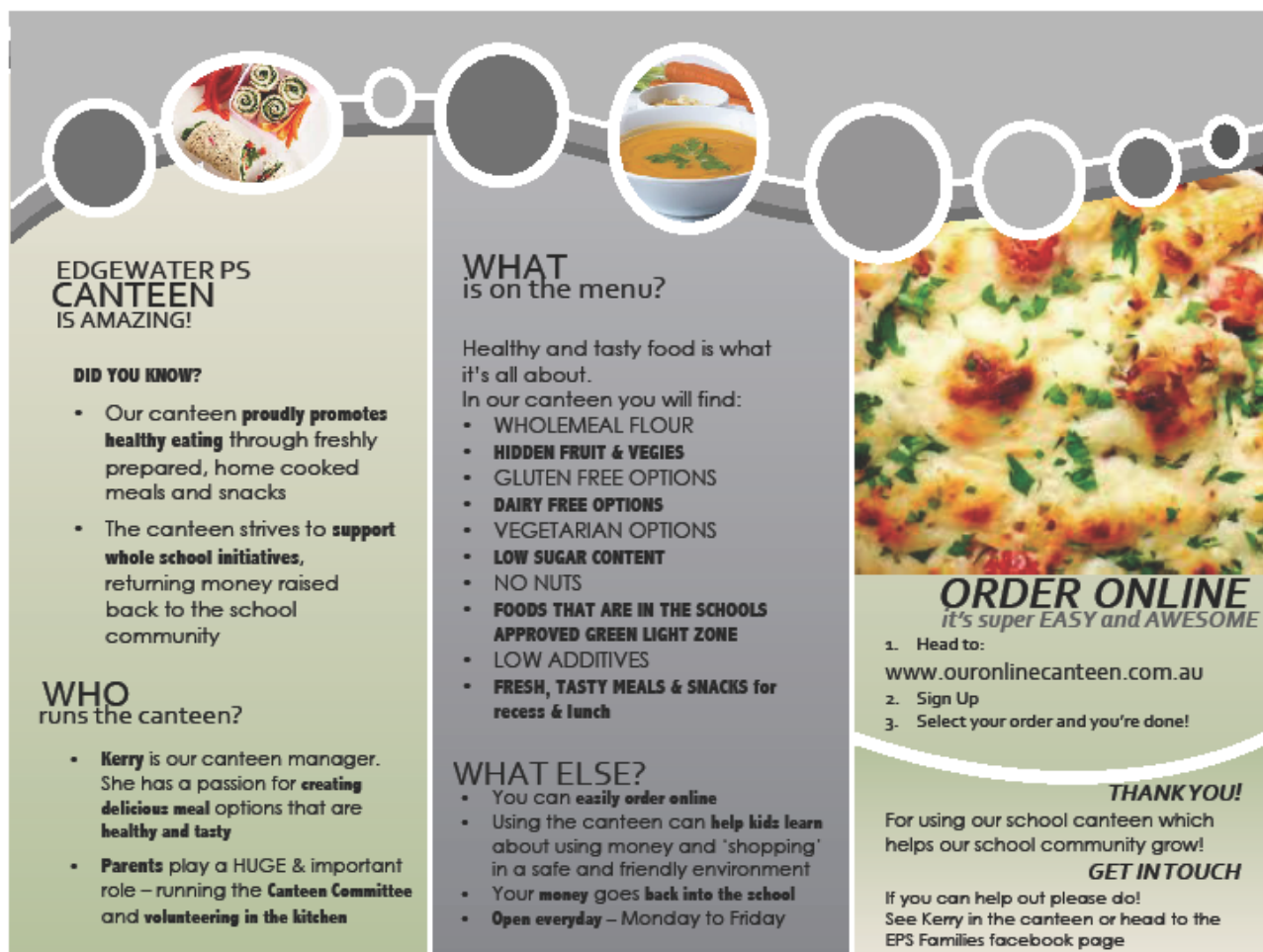


Jackson V from R2 reviewed *Ghost in the Garden* by Gail Herman, which is part of the Scooby Doo! Series. He produced a very neat review, highlighting that his favourite part of the book was when Scooby Doo was scared by a tiny bird landing on his shoulder. Jackson's wonderful illustration showed just how scared Scooby Doo was!

Canteen News

Thank you to Mrs Sammy Bell for drafting our new informative Canteen Brochure which will be included in the new families and welcome package. Take a look!

Kerry van Drunick—Canteen Manager

A brochure for Edgewater PS Canteen. It features a grey background with a white circular graphic at the top containing images of food like sushi, soup, and pizza. The text is organized into columns. The left column has a green background and contains information about the canteen's mission and who runs it. The middle column has a grey background and lists menu options and other services. The right column has a light green background and provides online ordering instructions and contact information. Images of food are interspersed throughout the text.

**EDGEWATER PS
CANTEEN
IS AMAZING!**

DID YOU KNOW?

- Our canteen **proudly promotes healthy eating** through freshly prepared, home cooked meals and snacks
- The canteen strives to **support whole school initiatives**, returning money raised back to the school community

WHO runs the canteen?

- **Kerry** is our canteen manager. She has a passion for **creating delicious meal options** that are **healthy and tasty**
- **Parents** play a **HUGE & important role** – running the **Canteen Committee** and **volunteering in the kitchen**

WHAT is on the menu?

Healthy and tasty food is what it's all about.
In our canteen you will find:

- **WHOLEMEAL FLOUR**
- **HIDDEN FRUIT & VEGIES**
- **GLUTEN FREE OPTIONS**
- **DAIRY FREE OPTIONS**
- **VEGETARIAN OPTIONS**
- **LOW SUGAR CONTENT**
- **NO NUTS**
- **FOODS THAT ARE IN THE SCHOOLS APPROVED GREEN LIGHT ZONE**
- **LOW ADDITIVES**
- **FRESH, TASTY MEALS & SNACKS** for **recess & lunch**

WHAT ELSE?

- You can **easily order online**
- Using the canteen can **help kids learn** about using money and 'shopping' in a safe and friendly environment
- Your **money goes back into the school**
- **Open everyday** – Monday to Friday

ORDER ONLINE
it's super EASY and AWESOME

1. Head to:
www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au
2. Sign Up
3. Select your order and you're done!

THANK YOU!
For using our school canteen which helps our school community grow!

GET IN TOUCH
If you can help out please do!
See Kerry in the canteen or head to the EPS Families facebook page

Library Book Sale

Our successful book sale in Term 2 has resulted in a fantastic upgrade to the Reading Corner. With the money raised we purchased a couch, a display cabinet and some new cushions. Thank you again to all the students and parents/carers for their support. A special thank you to the Year 6 Student Councillors Amity, Meg, Jacob and Rafa who helped run the book sale.



Holidays During Term Time

If you are planning to take your children on a holiday during term time it is really important that you notify the Principal in writing. Whilst Mrs Tombs can't approve of the holiday, she will respond in writing with the conditions that apply. Students are usually encouraged to prepare a journal or diary of their time away and then present it to the class on their return.

Where Are They Now?

Since leaving Edgewater Primary School, we are delighted to hear that Maisy Redden has been excelling in her sporting pursuits. Maisy left us as a Year 6 student in 2015 and currently attends Duncraig Senior High School.



Maisy's multi-talented

WHETHER on land or in the water, Maisy Redden has proven an elite and versatile endurance athlete.

Not only is the 12-year-old Edgewater resident a State champion iron woman, she is also among the best triathletes for her age in the country.

And she's tough too; Maisy once ripped her toenail off during a triathlon but powered through to finish third before heading to first aid for treatment.

Her triathlon success is particularly impressive given she took up the sport just a year ago.

The Duncraig Senior High School student earned selection in the WA team for the Australian All Schools Championships, placing fourth over distances she had

never raced before as one of the youngest in the field.

"It was the first time I had competed at national level... I was so happy to place fourth amongst the great girls of my age group," she said.

And her newfound dedication to triathlon, in which the swimming leg is her strength, has not taken away from her commitment to surf lifesaving.

The biggest achievement of her six years with Mullaloo Surf Life Saving Club came earlier this year when she won an iron woman gold medal at the state titles.

She described the moment as "extra special", given she had set herself the gold target after taking bronze last year.

"This medal was my proudest because of the endurance and fitness... the course tested us all," she said.

The effort led to her claiming the accolade of overall surf lifesaving champion in the state under-13s.

Maisy's success does not come easily. On some days, the youngster is awake at 5am for swimming training before school and commits to running and cycling practice in the afternoon.

But she understands they are necessary sacrifices if she wants to achieve her dreams of winning a national iron woman championship and representing Australia in Olympic triathlon.

Visit www.localsportstars.com.au.
