

#### **EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL**

An Independent Public School

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# Newsletter

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#### December

Tue 14

 Y6 Graduation Rehearsal

Wed 15

◆ Y6 Graduation Ceremony 8.45am

♦ Y6 Dinner Dance

Thu 16

♦ Y6 Fun Day♦ Last Day of Term 4

#### January

Mon 24

♦ School Office Re-opens

Wed 26

 Australia Day Public Holiday

Mon 31

♦ First Day of Term 1

#### **February**

Wed 2

◆ EDU Dance Lessons commence

Mon 14

◆ School Board Meeting 7.15pm

 Welcome Back Picnic

Fri 18

◆ Student Councillors/ Faction Captains announced

### From the Principal

As we approach the end of the school year with the world still affected by the pandemic, it is time to reflect and celebrate that teaching and learning and school events have occurred with minimal disruption at Edgewater Primary School.

Our wonderful school staff and parents have worked together to ensure that the children have had the opportunity to engage and participate in all aspects of school life.

New highlights this year have included:

- Edu-Dance Concerts
- Edgemen Billy Cart Extravaganza
- Raising money for bushfire and a cyclone in WA
- Mindfulness in classrooms
- Planting of native tube stock throughout the school grounds
- Edgemen Camp Out on the school oval
- Naming of the buildings with animal names using the Noongar language
- Panda Picnic
- Artist in Residence Allery Sandy
- Hosting the Interschool Faction Carnival

Next year we will be launching **ParentTV** for the school community. ParentTV is an online resource designed to empower parents with credible and sound information with realistic practical ongoing support strategies.

As there is excellent information for parents with students transitioning to high school, we decided on a soft launch in this newsletter. The special report is labelled - STARTING YEAR 7.

We say goodbye to 22 families as their Year 6 children leave primary schooling. We wish our **Year 6 graduates** all the best as they begin their secondary schooling. We also say goodbye, and send good wishes, to families heading interstate, to country locations and to other neighbourhoods.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the start of the 2022 school year. All parents are welcome on site and into classrooms to settle children. Please see <a href="https://example.com/attached-letter">attached letter</a> regarding the requirements.

**Kim Perkins** 

### **Merit Certificate Recipients**

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly on Friday 10 December: P1 Oliver P | P2 Connor B, Harry W | R2 Kael C, Kiera F, Oliver D | R5 Zac G | R6 Josie R, Noam W | R7 Cole J, Peter I | R8 Skyler B, Tamzin W | Tye K | R16 Callum D, Emma J, Harlow L, Kyrin G, Sienna K



#### **Aussie of the Month**

Diyana is a kind, caring and gentle little girl who demonstrates a positive attitude towards learning and enjoys the company of her many friends. She is self motivated, cooperative and always participates and completes tasks with enthusiasm and to a high standard.

Diyana is a considerate and caring student who is perceptive to the feelings of others. Her bright smile and cheerful quiet manner is greatly appreciated by all. She is a role model and advocate for the values that define Edgewater Primary School, that is, caring for and respecting those around her.

Diyana, you are a credit to yourself and your family and a very deserving recipient of Aussie of the Month for December 2021. Congratulations!



### **Kindy Assembly**

This morning's assembly was all about Goldilocks and the Three Elves! Using a literacy strategy called innovation on text, the amazing two kindy groups updated Goldilocks and the Three Bears to give it a Christmas theme.

The cuteness factor was well and truly on display as our 38 Kindergarten students entertained us all. As this was Mrs Rose's last assembly, several of the Year 6 students who were in Mrs Rose's class in 2014, presented her with some paper roses to send her on the way to retirement.



### **Happy Retirement Mrs Rose**

After 46 years Mrs Rose has decided to read her last Kindergarten story!

With 17 of those 46 years spent giving Edgewater students the best start possible to their formal education, Mrs Rose leaves looking forward to the next chapter of her life with family.

The teaching staff celebrated Mrs Rose's time here at Edgewater with a wonderful garden party on Friday 26 November. Surrounded by friends and colleagues, both past and present, Ann, and her husband Barry, reminisced about her wonderful career.







#### **End of Year School Disco**

Our students always look forward to the school disco's and the one held on Friday 19 November was no exception.

Organised by our Fathering Project's Edgemen, the flashing lights, thumping music and P&C confectionery bags delighted all.

This event was a fantastic way to celebrate a year at school and the upcoming holidays.



### From the Manager of Corporate Services

I was very happy to end on such a high note when I had the great delight of informing some of our Year 6 parents I was sending them a refund of over \$50.00. If you would like this lovely phone call from me when your last child leaves the school, it's easy as keeping their account in credit. It all adds up.

As I'm heading off for my Christmas, I would like to wish all our lovely families here at Edgewater Primary School a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. What a full on year we have had at school this year. I look forward to seeing you all again in 2022. To those families who are leaving us, all the best for the next chapter in your life.

Kathy Dean—Manager Corporate Services

### **Children's University Graduation**

Children's University held their annual Graduation ceremony at Edith Cowan University in Joondalup on Tuesday 30 November.

Seven very proud and excited students from Edgewater graduated with either a Bronze or Silver Award. They got to wear a graduation cap and gown and were presented with their certificates by Dr Colin Pettit - Commissioner for Children and Young People WA.

We look forward to more Edgewater students graduating in 2022.



### **In-term Swimming**

We have just completed a very successful two weeks of in-term swimming with students learning many of the basics to stay safe in water.

With lessons provided at no charge by the Department of Education at the HBF Arena, they are an integral part of our Physical Education programme.



### Birak is here!

The season of heat, dry fuel and fires. Keep your family and property safe by following the guidelines on www.emergency.wa.gov.au



### **Safety House WA Art Competition**

Primary schools all over Western Australia celebrated Safety House, the community volunteer child safety program; in the 2021 Art Competition. From thousands of students across all primary school age groups, eight winning student artists were recognized at their local school assemblies. Unfortunately no student from Edgewater PS won in any of the eight age group categories, but all entrants below received a personal Certificate of Participation.

P2 Adele M | P3 Flynn S | R15 Isabel H, Malcolm V | R14 Joshua B | R2 Jack W | R6 Amelia W



#### The Hour of Code

This week many of our students from Pre-primary to Year 6, were joined by their parents and carers to showcase their skills developed through our coding classes.

As we prepare our students for the world ahead, we are equipping them with computer and thinking skills which are supported by our Computer Science Curriculum.





#### From the Canteen

It has been an exciting few weeks in the canteen. Kaye our Christmas Elf has been working her magic to create some amazing treats for the students. It has been so much fun to see what she is going to come up with next and the looks on the students faces has been priceless.

We are sure you have all noticed the impact Covid has had on food prices. We have made the tough decision to increase some of the canteen prices in 2022. The increases have been kept to an absolute minimum without affecting the value and quality of our homemade meals.

As the 2021 school year draws to a close, the Canteen Committee and ourselves would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support. A huge thank you to Kaye and all of our wonderful volunteers who gave up their spare time to come and help. The Canteen couldn't operate without you.



We wish all of you a happy and relaxing holiday and look forward to your continued support and assistance in the new year.

Please note that the Canteen will be closed for the whole of Week 10 (the final week of Term 4). Kindly ensure that your children have a packed lunch from home for this week. Thank you.

Merry Christmas!

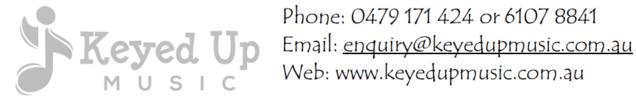
Kerry van Drunick and Vanessa Browne—Canteen Managers



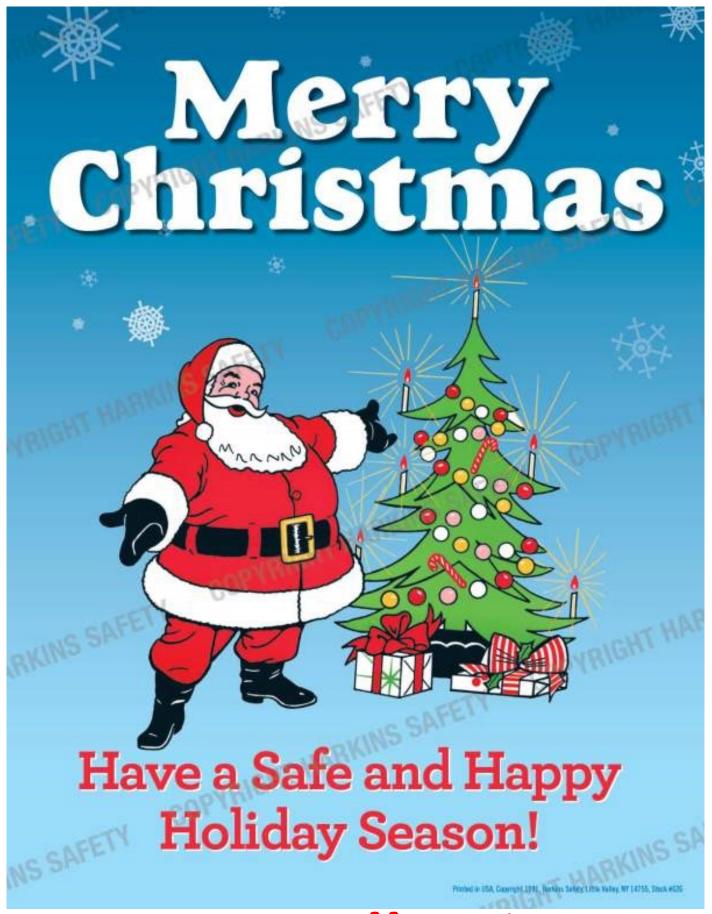
## Learn Keyboard or Guitar at Edgewater Primary School!

- Prices are per lesson and start from \$18.65 group of 4 (keyboard)
- \$19.20 for group of 3 (quitar)
- Held after school—Thursday (Keyboard)/ Tuesday (Guitar)

www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form



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From all the staff at Edgewater
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