

EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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From the Principal

Welcome back to Term 3.

Thank you for the friendly welcome as I take on the leadership of Edgewater Primary School. The highlight of the first day was the smiles of the year 3 students' as they ventured down the new slide in the nature play area. Congratulations to the P&C and the hardworking efforts of members on the completion of this project. The joy of working in a school is that life is always busy and exciting. Annual school photos took place last week and students enjoyed a visit from Constable Care this week.

Mr Russell Grey has informed me that he will be retiring at the end of the school year. So please take the time until the end of the year to share a school story with Mr Grey so that he takes with him past and present memories.

I would like to acknowledge Julie Tombs and thank her for her leadership of nine years. On Wednesday I participated in Rhymetime/Storytime. Rhymetime/Storytime provides pre-kindergarten children and their parents the opportunity to become familiar with the school setting and assists with the transition to Edgewater Primary School.

I look forward to continuing to get to know the students, staff and parent community. The School Board meets on Monday 30 July and I look forward to discussing ways to build on the strong foundations of the Edgewater community.

Kim Perkins

Aussie of The Month

Roxane has been chosen for Aussie of the Month for July 2018 as she displays many admirable qualities. She is a hardworking student and can be relied upon to do her best at all times. Her work is always maintained to a high standard in terms of both content and presentation. Roxane cooperates well with others and is always willing to lend a hand when needed. Her respectful, thoughtful and positive attitude towards others makes her an excellent role model to her



peers. For all these reasons, Roxane is a very deserving recipient of this Aussie of the Month award and she should be very proud of this achievement. She displays all the qualities necessary to achieve her potential and dreams in life. Congratulations Roxane, she is a wonderful member of our class and a credit to her family and school.

The Aussie of the Month is proudly supported by the Edgewater Primary School P&C

Merit Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly on Friday 27 July:

P1 Karl W | P2 Dongcheng Y, Zoe B | R2 Zoe C | R3 Jack G, Lucy N | R4 Louisa T | R5 Aiva C, Matilda C | R7 Jaeda C, Chris N | R8 Aidan A, Lucas B, Scarlett B | R9 Cameron B, Devon C | R11 Jenny C | R12 Samar A | R16 Abby J | R17 Aleisha K, Hugh P |

Students Leaving The School

We will shortly be looking at predicted enrolment numbers for 2019. If you know you will be leaving the school before the end of the year, please notify the school office as soon as possible.

Semester 2 School Councillors

Our Year 4/5 Student Leadership Team has been announced for Semester 2. The elected student councillors are: Elise R, Jack G, James H, Ellis M, Aryan N and Chloe C.

Congratulations to all—we know you will do a fine job helping to lead the school.



School Sport Australia National Championships

Jacob F has been selected from hundreds of applicants and trials to be one of the talented 23 members of the Western Australia School Boys State 12s AFL squad which will fly out to Canberra to compete in the State Competition in early August 2018.

Jacob plays his local football at Edgewater Woodvale Junior Football Club and is the youngest player to have ever been selected to play in the WA squad.

We are all extremely proud of Jacob and his recent achievement and we wish him all the best in Canberra next month.





Dancesport

Dancesport lessons provided by Humphreys
Dance Studio commenced this week from Preprimary to Year 6. Students learn many dance
moves in a safe, fun and supportive
environment over seven weeks. The lessons
culminate in a social dance session in Week 9
to which parents/carers are invited.



Assembly— Room 8

Today's assembly was hosted by the Year 5 students in Room 8. Their theme supported the value of reality over surreal whereby using our brains will often win out over computers in the real world.



Featured Classes—Pre-primary 1 & 2

PP1 and PP2 have been very busy this week exploring and learning about snails. Snail has the 'ai' sound we have been learning about. After reading the story 'Snail Mail' by Hazel Edwards we wanted to find out what snails really like to eat. We placed several snails into separate containers with lettuce, bread, cabbage, paper, carrot and strawberry. We are observing the snails every day to see which food they like best.







Constable Care

All classes from Pre-primary to Year 6 were entertained and informed by two actors from Constable Care Child Safety Foundation on Wednesday 25 July. Supported and funded by the WA Police Force and the City of Joondalup, our students learnt about protective behaviours (K-Y1), what to do in an emergency (Y2-Y3) and bullying prevention (Y4-Y6).



Scholastic Book Club

Once a month you receive information about the latest offerings from the Scholastic Book Club. Once you have decided on what to purchase, you log on to their website and complete the order. The orders arrive at school some time later and then they are collated and sent to classroom teachers for distribution to your children.

The school receives bonus points from Scholastic ,which are used to purchase books for the library.

Without the help of a member of the P&C to organise all of the above, the school would be less well off. We would like to thank Claire Greenwood for her great efforts as Bookclub Organiser—and she did it so effortlessly, often with a little one and a pram in tow! We would like to welcome to Samantha Blake who is our new P&C Bookclub organiser.

Canteen

It's Term 3, which means faction carnival time. This year its being held in Week 9 on Friday 14 September. I'm giving you the heads up because we're going to need lots of volunteers to help run the Canteen's refreshment tent on the day. Don't worry, we'll schedule working times around your children's events so you won't miss out seeing them compete. Please diarise the date as I'll be calling on you soon to sign up.



On the subject of volunteering, thank you to everyone who has helped out in the Canteen over the past couple of weeks. However, the sign up board is still looking a bit empty for the rest of the term. Please consider spending a couple of hours in the Canteen. Your assistance is invaluable, as I can't operate the Canteen without your help and your children would love to see you behind the counter. As an added incentive, we have a \$100 AutoBahn gift voucher up for grabs. Every time you volunteer your name will be entered into the draw for the voucher which will be held at the end of August. Just in time for Father's Day!

Kerry van Drunick-Canteen Manager

Waste Not, Want Not

Our wonderful gardener and all round handyperson, Mr Langley, collects all of the organic scraps from the Early Childhood classes and puts them to good use in our compost bins. The rich compost is then returned to the garden when he plants new shrubs, bushes or flowers.



Kindergarten Shade Cover, Monkey Bars & Climbing Equipment

With the realignment and makeover to the entrance of the school, we have provided some shade cover for the Kindergarten climbing equipment and slide. The monkey bars have been relocated and updated and given a coat of paint.

Much needed climbing equipment has also been purchased following financial support from the P&C.





The Dos and Don'ts when Supporting Young Girls Through Friendship Fires

Helping young girls deal with the rollercoaster world of friendship can sometimes be complicated, overwhelming, frustrating, exhausting...or all of the above. As parents and educators, we often wonder if we're giving the right advice. Here are a few basic tips to coach the tween girl in your life through what GirlPower calls, "Friendship Fires."

Do not say "Just ignore her!" As much as you'd like her to ignore the other girl, she can't.

Do ask, "Did you stand up for yourself?" Impress upon her the importance of confronting the Fire and standing up for herself.

Do not say, "She's just jealous!" This statement offers no comfort or tools for putting out the Fire.

Do say, "You can only control one person – and that's YOU! What can you do to make this situation better?" Take the focus off the other girl and put the power back in her hands.

Do not say, "You are not allowed to be her friend anymore!" She will resent this demand.

Do explain to her that sometimes creating some distance and taking time 'off' is all friends need to improve the friendship. If she has not confronted the Fire, role-play with her so she can practice. Encourage her to do things she loves.

Do not say, "This just something all girls must go through!" This statement tells a girl she must suffer through and she is helpless. We cannot normalize the behaviours of "mean girls".

Do say, "You do not or should not be friends with someone who makes you feel bad. Surround yourself with good friends!" Let her know that she is in control of her life and trust and respect are 'must haves' when it comes to friendship!

Do not get emotionally invested. If you're a parent, do not call the other girl's parents or storm into the school expecting someone to consequence the other girl. The reality is they might be back to "Besties by tomorrow! Do, instead, ask her what you can do to help. Just being supportive might be enough.

Empathize. Hug. Listen. Share your experiences. Leave her little notes in her lunchbox. Tell her she can get through this. Let her know she's not alone. Show her LOVE.

Written by Dana Kerford Friendship Expert and Founder of GirlPower & GoodGuys

Gail Baily—Pastoral Care Coordinator







BELRIDGE SECONDARY COLLEGE

You are warmly invited to the

ANNUAL OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 'MEET AND GREET'

Monday 30 July - 7pm

Venue - Library

Refreshments and finger food provided

Parents, staff and community members are invited to attend an open meeting which will consist of a brief presentation by college staff and school board members, followed by an informal 'Q & A' style panel session.

You will also be able to direct questions to the board - this is an opportunity for the school community, staff and parents to work together and achieve the best outcomes for our children.

Everyone welcome

To register for this event go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter

EVENT CODE 9rcuc

Alternatively call 9408 8000

Closing date for registrations Wednesday 25 July

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