How good is this? On Tuesday 11 August, 204 of our wonderful children brought a truly waste free lunch to school. Teachers inspected all lunchboxes and awarded a raffle ticket to those fantastic students whose lunch satisfied the waste free criteria. All of the raffle tickets were then sent to Mrs Grant who drew out a winner for each year level. These wonderful students were presented with their prizes at today’s assembly.

The winners were:

- Kindy: Ella
- Preprimary: Everly
- Year 1: Charlotte
- Year 2: Brendon
- Year 3: Brydee
- Year 4: Reuben
- Year 5: Makenna
- Year 6: Imogen

Each winner took home a special waste free lunch box with lots of surprises inside. A special thanks to all the parents/carers who continue to support this great cause. Together we can help to reduce the waste that goes into our landfill and provide a great example for our students.

Mrs Grant—Coordinator

Merit Award Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded merit certificates at the assembly today:

- Lachlan P1 | Emily P2 | Indie P2 | Jayden R3 | Milly R3 | Charlie R11 | Dana-Marie R11 | Ellis R15 | Kaitlin R15
- Lincoln R15 | Bethany R12 | Claire R16 | Millie R16 | Amalea R9 | Kelleah R9 | Bailey R10 | Daisy R10 | Debopam R10 | India R10 | Loula R10

JOIN US WITH A PICNIC LUNCH AT OUR FACTION SPORTS DAY ON FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4
WHO SHINES AT OUR SCHOOL?

At Edgewater I am very proud of the contribution made by our hardworking staff to the education and wellbeing of all students across the school. Their efforts often go beyond what might be expected and make our students feel safe and secure in a happy school environment. This is evidenced on a daily basis, by the smiling faces of students and the comments I receive from school visitors.

As part of the WA Education Awards 2015, each public school community is encouraged to recognise the work of teachers, support staff and school leaders. I know many of you do this at various times throughout the year, but you now have an opportunity to continue your support of our staff through the West Australian newspaper promotion—Who shines at your school?

All you have to do is to go to the Who shines at your school? competition page on thewest.com.au/competitions or follow the link from our website. All school staff entered will be acknowledged in The West Australian on World Teachers’ Day, Friday 30 October 2015.

WA MASSED CHOIR FESTIVAL 2015

Our senior school choir will be taking part in this prestigious event on August 31 at the University of Western Australia. Choirs from across the Perth metropolitan area will be taking part over the week. The senior choir is now in full rehearsal mode in preparation for the event and I’m sure they will do a splendid job under the guidance of Mr Hadzic, our new music specialist teacher. Parents wishing to attend the event can purchase tickets from the school office. Limited tickets are available.

NAPLAN

Parents with children in Years 3 and 5 who undertook NAPLAN (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy) testing earlier in the year will receive student reports within the next two weeks. We will advise you closer to the date of distribution as the report will be sent home with each student.

TERM EVENTS

We have numerous whole of school events occurring between now and the end of the term. Please check the dates below and also consult the school’s website for an extended calendar of events for the remainder of 2015.

Julie Tombs—Principal

Parking on the School Site

Following a recent serious incident in the Kestrel Mews staff carpark whereby a teacher’s car was badly damaged by persons unknown, it is timely to remind all parents/carers that the car parks are reserved exclusively for staff and other authorised visitors. Student drop-offs and pickups are not permitted in either school carpark. Additionally, students are not permitted to walk through the carparks and must use the paths provided. If everyone follows these simple rules, it will help to ensure the safety of our students.

Upcoming Events

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**From the Chaplain**

**Markers of healthy self-esteem & confidence**
Parents and teachers know that feelings of self-confidence and positive self-esteem are important. But what is self-esteem and how do you know if your child has healthy self-esteem or not?
Self-esteem is a healthy and optimistic view of one’s value. If a child evaluates him or herself positively and realistically, rather than negatively and unrealistically, then it is usually deemed that they have healthy self-esteem. In this term’s newsletter I will be listing 10 markers that children with healthy self-esteem display.

1. **Take reasonable risks.** They will try new tasks even if success is not assured.
2. **Display favourable attitudes to others.** Children with healthy self-esteem don’t need to put others down to feel competent.

These pointers are from one of my favourite websites, [www.parentingideas.com.au](http://www.parentingideas.com.au). It is well worth a look.

Lisa Ingham—School Chaplain

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**2016 Booklists**

We are reviewing our personal items (booklist) supplier for 2016. If you have any feedback, positive or negative, on your experiences with our current supplier, Office Max, please email me at Kathy.Dean@education.wa.edu.au. The information that you provide will help us to improve the booklist service that we provide.

Kathy Dean—Registrar

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**2016 Enrolments**

Parents/carers are asked to notify the school if their child/children [Kindy to Year 6] will not or may not be attending Edgewater PS school in 2016. This is to try to eliminate the need for class restructuring at the commencement of 2016 and to ensure adequate staffing.

No children will be taken off the roll without formal notification.

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**Fathers’ Day Stall**

The P&C are once again organising a Fathers’ Day stall for students to purchase a low-priced gift for the male figure in their lives. It will be held on Thursday September 3 in the assembly area.

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**In Term Swimming Classes PP-Y5**

As an integral part of our Phys Ed programme, these classes will commence next Monday August 17 for ten days at the Joondalup Arena, with all students expected to attend. This Department of Education initiative provides the lessons free of charge. The only costs are the bus and pool entry. Please ensure that all items of clothing are named and that your child comes to school each day with a named plastic bag for their uniform.

Year 6 students will attend their lessons at Mullaloo Beach towards the end of Term 4.

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**Dates for Your Diary**

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**Woolworths Earn & Learn Promotion**

We are excited to once again be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn programme. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers when you shop at Woolworths up until **Tuesday 8 September 2015**. We will redeem these for much-needed educational resources for our school. Simply stick them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet, and once it's completed just bring it back to school or drop it into the Collection Box at your local Woolies. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn programme and we’d like to get lots of new gear! Products in the range include resources for Mathematics, English, Science, Art & Crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more. We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful programme.

*Mrs Baily—Coordinator*

**Canteen News**

The faction sports carnival is just around the corner (4 September, Week 7). The canteen is preparing a sausage sizzle meal deal for lunch for the children on that day. Order forms have been sent home. If you didn't receive one or its been misplaced, they are available from the canteen or you can place your order online. Please ensure that all orders are placed by Wednesday 26 August.

We desperately need helpers in the canteen and on the on sports day. If you can lend a hand, please let me know. We are happy to work around your children’s events. Any dads or grandpas who available to cook the snags will be really welcome. Please let me know if you can help out in any way. The school canteen is open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

*Kerry van Drunick—Canteen Manager—9405 3528*

**From the Registrar**

Last Wednesday I spent the day calling parents regarding swimming money still outstanding. Please, please, please if you are having difficulties regarding payment of anything come in and see me so we can work it out. Nothing is that bad that can’t be sorted out. If you need assistance setting up a budget then I can help there too. When paying online, remember to email me as well so I can lookout for it and put the money against the correct student. Some banks don't give enough space in the comment section and you may think you have given me all the information but when it comes to the school, the comment is shortened.

*Kathy Dean—Registrar*

**Going on Holiday During Term Time?**

The Department of Education requires all parents/carers who are taking their children out of school during the term to contact the Principal in writing indicating this. Whilst the Principal cannot approve the absences, they can ask that the students complete an appropriate task whilst they are away. In the case of this school, we ask that a journal or diary is kept of the holiday and then shown to the class teacher on the students return. These conditions will be sent in writing once the written notification has been received.

**Playing on Playground Equipment before and after school**

Students have been told that they are not permitted to play on the playground before or after school, even if their parents/carers are present. The reason for this is to ensure the safety of all our students. If students see others playing on the equipment, they often feel it is OK to do so, even though their parents/carers aren’t present.