



EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL

An Independent Public School

Aspire Confidence Respect

Newsletter

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Tue 12 ♦ Y6 Graduation Rehearsal

Wed 13 ♦ Y6 Graduation 8.45am @ ECU
♦ Y6 Dinner Dance 6.15pm

Thu 14 ♦ Last Day of Term 4
♦ Y6 Fun Day
♦ Keyed Up Music Concert 3.15pm

January

Wed 24 ♦ School Office Re-opens

Wed 31 ♦ First Day of Term 1

February

Thu 1 ♦ EDU Dance Lessons Commence

**School
Office
Re-opens
Wed 24 Jan
2024**



From the Principal

At the end of year **School Board and Parent and Citizens Association members** reviewed and celebrated a successful year of supporting the school to deliver a quality education to the children in our care. It was another busy year of “sausage sizzles,” fun fundraisers and events facilitated by the P&C. Thank you to all parents for their endless contribution, especially to Kelly Dear (Fundraising Committee) for her 10 years of service to the school community.

Some of the **highlights** this year have included:

- Department of Education’s Public School Review team validated the school’s performance for a three year period
- Edu-Dance Concerts
- Year 6 Beach in-term swimming classes
- Participating in Interschool Sporting Competitions
- One Big Voice Massed Schools Choir
- Past and current students and staff presenting Aussie of the Month awards
- 40th Anniversary Celebrations and Twilight Concert on 3 November
- Pre-primary nature play additions
- P&C funded Kindergarten play equipment
- Joint school and P&C funded playground marking games
- School Board support and guidance in the upgrade of the basketball courts
- Room 5 classroom furniture refurbishment

Mrs Pannell and Mrs Varsani have welcomed the **2024 Kindergarten children** on their orientation days. Parents and children start their primary school journey at Edgewater Primary School as we work together to raise aspirational, respectful and confident children.

We say goodbye to 31 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.

Kim Perkins

**From All The Staff At
Edgewater Primary
School**

**We wish you a Merry
Christmas**

**And a Safe and
Happy Holiday
Season!**



In This Edition of SchoolTV— SCHOOL TRANSITIONS

Whether it is starting school for the first time, moving up to a higher grade or embarking on a journey through secondary school, there is no doubt that any school transition is a very exciting time for children and parents. It means your children are growing up!

However, transitioning is an ongoing process. It can continue long after students have entered their new environment and may encounter difficulties at a number of different stages. These stressors may appear as anxiety and frustration and result in negative or disruptive behaviours. Such behaviours can become problematic making the transitioning process even more difficult for children and parents.

In this edition of SchoolTV, parents will learn practical strategies to assist your child during the transition process and reduce stress and anxiety levels.

Here is the link to the [School Transitions](https://edgewaterps.wa.schooltv.me/newsletter/school-transitions) edition of [SchoolTV](https://edgewaterps.wa.schooltv.me/newsletter/school-transitions)

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What's the best way to support your child during transitions at school?



Aussie of the Month

Zoe has been chosen as the Kindy Aussie of the Month for 2023 as she represents our School's core values of aspiration, confidence and respect.

Zoe loves learning and always puts her best efforts into completing tasks. She shows persistence and resilience when faced with challenges and is always prepared to have a go at something new.

Zoe displays maturity, thoughtfulness and compassion in the ways in which she interacts with others. She is usually the first to offer a helping hand to an adult or a fellow student in need and her sweet nature ensures that she is popular amongst her peers.

Zoe is a delight to have in our classroom and sets a wonderful example of the values of citizenship. She is a very deserving recipient of the Aussie of the Month Award!



Thank you to Emma Cole, Ex Edgewater Primary School Student, for presenting the Aussie of the Month Award

Merit Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly on **Friday 1 December**: P1 Evelyn M, Sonny A, Verek R | P3 Saif M | R1 Chase B, Harper A | R3 Hannah P, Isla M, Kaylie R | R5 Corben K, James W, Sharlett B, Taj A | R6 Jack W, Levi B, Nyah P, Riley W, Xavier B | R7 Aislin M, Joshua C, Maddi C, Skye M, Ayva S, Kate D, Layla D, Siahna K, Ryan G | R8 Claire W, Emma-Lia W, Kendry G, Misha B, Zoe B, Sienna K, Anaia J, Charles C | R15 Alexander H | R16 Lily H | R17 Asher H, Lachlan P, Finley M



End of Year Disco

Our students always look forward to the school disco and the one held on Friday 24 November was no exception.

Organised by our wonderful P&C, the flashing lights and thumping music delighted all.

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



Welcome To Our 2024 Kindergarten Families

On Wednesdays 22 and 29 November, we welcomed the children and parents of our 2024 Kindergarten classes. The children had a wonderful time meeting staff, new friends and the exciting Kindergarten environments they will be involved in next year.

On Wednesday 6 December our parent information session was held to inform our families of what to expect at Kindergarten next year, and answer any questions they might have. We are looking forward to 2024!



Chaplain's Chat

Hello everyone! This year has been such an amazing and big year for everyone with so many celebrations at Edgewater primary School. I want to congratulate all the Year 6 students for making it to the end of primary school. I hope you have an amazing holiday and good luck for High School next year. I also want to congratulate all the students who made it to the end of the school year and the family who supported them through it. With such a big year that we had, we may all feel super exhausted and overwhelmed with how fast the end of year is approaching, so I want to remind you to take this time during the holidays to refresh and relax. The Holidays and Christmas are such an exciting time that you can spend with family and friends. Remember to slow down and embrace these exciting times of festivities and enjoy making new memories.

I want to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy new year. I can't wait to see you all next year!

Michelle Kipps—Chaplain



Kindy Assembly

On Friday 1 December, Kindy Red and Kindy Blue presented their assembly number to staff, students and loved ones. They sang their Christmas songs with enthusiasm and joy and spoke into the microphone confidently. Well done, all of you!



Children's University Graduation

Edith Cowan University Joondalup was the venue for the Children's University graduation. Eighteen students donned caps and gowns when they were awarded their graduation certificates on Tuesday 28 November.

The students who graduated had completed between 30 hours and 130 hours and all were very proud of their achievements. Congratulations to all who participated.

We look forward to more students from Year 3 to 6 participating in the program in 2024.



From The Canteen

As the 2023 school year draws to a close, we in the Canteen are feeling an abundance of appreciation. We have survived another tough year and managed to keep the roller shutter doors open and the Canteen operational. However, we didn't do it alone. Firstly, we have you to thank, the parents, students and staff for all your support and assistance throughout the year that saw us through the hard times. Thank you, we look forward to your ongoing support in the new year.

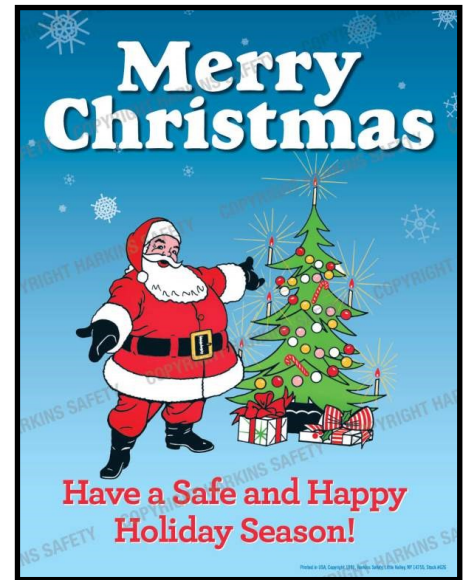
We also say a massive thank you to our Canteen Committee, Tegan Hunt, Alexandra Zivanovic and Rebecca Ridd, for their help, guidance and willingness to pitch in at a moment's notice.

Finally, our Super Star Grandmothers, Kaye Tait, Kerry Miles and Heather Ballarine, who popped in once or twice weekly and spent the day with us cooking, baking, preparing lunches, serving and washing dishes. We owe these lovely ladies a huge debt of gratitude. Without their help we couldn't keep the Canteen going.

We look forward to another successful year in 2024. In the meantime, we wish you all a happy and safe holidays.

Canteen Managers—Kerry van Drunick and Vanessa Browne

Please note we are closed the last week of school, 11-14 December due to maintenance and preparations to meet Food Safety Standards compliance.



From The School Board

Over our last two meetings of the year, we approved the 2024 Contributions and Charges, received a Student Achievement Report, and had our end of year dinner. Thank you to the Board members for their hard work and dedication this year.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and I hope you have a safe and relaxing break.

Rebecca Wright—School Board Chair



My Bushfire Plan

My Bushfire Plan is a bushfire preparedness tool, providing you with one place to prepare, store, print, share and update your bushfire plan any time, from any device.

Prepare for a bushfire now and keep yourself and your household safe.

Go to:

<https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/hazard-information/bushfire/prepare>



Junior Indoor Netball Nationals

Siahna K from Year 5 recently competed in the Junior Indoor Netball Nationals and had a great tournament. The WA rubies finished 4th after being beaten by Qld in the semi finals.

Siahna was nominated by 3 states to be considered for the All Australian Under 12's team. She didn't make team selection but landed in the top 30 which is amazing!

Congratulations and well done Siahna!



Learn music at Edgewater Primary School!

- Keyboard/guitar starting from \$20.35 for a group lesson.
- Held after school.

Enrol now for lessons!

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TENNIS LESSONS

TERM 1 2024 Edgewater Primary School

A group photo of approximately 15 children in school uniforms, smiling and posing for the camera.

THURSDAY 7:40-8:25AM
SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS
CHILDREN YEARS 1-6

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GIVE VOLLEYBALL A GO



Kids Volley clinics are great for fun and fitness. Targeting kids aged 5-12, our clinics are the ideal introduction to volleyball. Designed to improve movement, coordination and basic volleyball skills in preparation for the Greenwood College Specialist Program.



WHERE: Greenwood College

WHEN: Thursdays 1st Feb - 28th March 2024

TIME: 3:45pm-4:45pm (Beginner Participants)

4:45pm-5:45pm (Experienced Participants)

COST: \$140 per term

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/3tZ2C9e>

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