

EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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Mon 18

- ♦ School board meeting 7.15pm
- ♦ Harmony week

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♦ Rhymetime/ Storytime 9am

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Harmony Day Assembly 2.15pm

Mon 25

♦ P&C Meeting 7pm

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♦ Edgemen Dad's Campout

April

Mon 1

♦ Interschool Jumps & Throws

Wed 3

◆ Rhymetime/ Storytime 9am

Thurs 4

♦ Interschool **Athletics**

- ♦ Assembly R1
- Fri 5
- ♦ Yr 6 Aussie of the Month

From the Principal

While Ms Perkins is having a wonderful time with the Year 6 students at the Nanga Bush Camp, I will be filling in with the newsletter article.

School Board

Expressions of interest are being collected for a parent representative on the School Board, closing today (Friday 15). If you are interested in nominating for this position, please complete this form and submit it to the office.

The National Day Against Bullying & Violence (Friday 15 March)

To mark this event our pastoral care team have organised for Jon Pritikin to talk to our students and reinforce strategies to combat bullying. Bullied as a young student, Jon is a sought after motivational speaker who has inspired over 8 million people worldwide to never give up. Using feats of strength, Jon's Feel the Power school assembly positively motivates children to make the kind of important daily choices that affirm the value they place in themselves and in others.

Brian Baily Associate Principal

Aussie of the Month

Devon is a kind, caring and courteous member of our school and displays many fine qualities that make him a very deserving recipient of Aussie of the Month.

Devon is a mature, considerate and cooperative student. He is perceptive to the feelings of others and his friendly respect for both teachers and students is appreciated by all. He uses his initiative, readily accepts responsibility, willingly assists others and is completely dependable.



Devon is resourceful and self-reliant; approaches all aspects of school with enthusiasm and demonstrates a positive attitude to his learning. He aspires to complete his work in a conscientious manner, is self-motivated and sets a fine example for others to follow.

Congratulations Devon, you are a valued member of Edgewater Primary School and a worthy recipient of this distinguished award.

Thank you to Jason Beltran, President of the Edgewater Primary School P&C, for presenting the Aussie of the Month

Merit Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly on Friday 8 March: R1 Baran K, Roxie L | R2 Amelia H, Cash S | R3 Cody C, Jacob G | R4 Andre C | R7 Brendon M, Elise R | R11 Ethan W, Zavier B | R16 Poppy C, Sabien M | R17 Jayden S, Roxanne A



Year Six Off To Camp

Our Year 6 students and staff left on Tuesday morning for Nanga Bush Camp amid much laughter and enthusiasm. With a jam-packed schedule of activities, our students are fortunate to have the opportunity to experience a classroom in the bush. The planned activities and general comradeship will enhance their learning and set in place some wonderful memories.



Rhymetime / Storytime

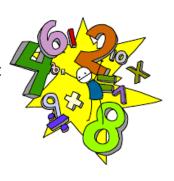
Literacy is an important aspect of the development of children's learning. We have developed a series of informal

sessions where prekindergarten children (from age 0-4) and their parents are engaged in fun and interesting literacy experiences. Called Rhymetime Storytime, these half hour sessions commenced on Wednesday 20 March at 9am in Room 14 located in Cluster 3. Parking is available in Kestrel Mews (at the back of the school). Rhymetime Storytime is held every



Maths Champions

PP/1 Lauren D, Lucas W | R1 Jan M, Alex H | R2 Bobby K, Madison G | R3 Jacob G, Cody C | R4 Dongcheng Y, Zoe B | R5 Felix A, Alexander K | R7 Jacob F, Mark T, Avni H, Lewis B, Amelie T, Sean D | R8 Kate S, Jayden W | R11 Ethan W, Gracie N | R12 Liam A, Lucy K | R15 Cynthia Z, Heidi B | R16 Oliver D, Ayla M | R17 Roxanne A, Leah B



Featured Class—Year 5 Room 8

Our first STEM activity for the year was a huge hit!

The task involved 'maker' tasks to create a simple 'corner bookmark'. Students were required to design, make and appraise a bookmark that was durable enough to protect the pages of a book and at the same time make it easy to find where they were up to.

After some careful research, students set to work using origami folds to construct the base. Then it was time to tap into their creative talents and individualise their masterpieces. Not only were they very different and colourful but also very functional.

Students are now putting their bookmarks to good use.



Entertainment Guide 2019/2020

The P&C fundraising committee are once again promoting the Entertainment Book/APP for 2019/2020. The follow up from many parents has indicated savings over the year of up to \$500!

An information sheet on how to go about supporting this P&C fundraising event and being eligible for some great early bird offers was sent home this week and is available here.



From The Canteen

Thank you everyone for your patience and understanding last week while I was in South Africa with my family. Sharon Varis and Kaye Tait did a wonderful job of running the canteen in my absence and I'm extremely grateful to both of them.

Sharon and I have noticed recently that some of the younger students are bringing up rather large notes (\$10 and \$20) to the canteen in order to purchase counter sale items. When this occurs we always ask whether Mum and Dad are aware that they have such a lot of money to spend at the canteen, to which the answer is usually: "Yes, Mum gave it to me". Be aware that students are probably buying treats for their friends and we try to limit the amount of items they purchase, but we suspect that the change is then handed out to their friends so that they can also buy something. It's very kind of you to give your children a little extra so they can get a treat for their friends, but please bear in mind that other parents might not be giving their children canteen money because they'd prefer them to eat snacks from home or the children may have food allergies, etc. The most expensive recess item is \$1.50, so students don't need more than \$2 to spend at the canteen.

Kerry van Drunick-Canteen Manager

Manager Corporate Services

Student Banking Big hugs to all our wonderful students who take advantage of the school banking we provide. I encourage all parents to use this wonderful opportunity to teach your child about money, work and saving.

Personal Items List I trust you all found our personal items supplier convenient this year. Thank you to all the families who have paid the CARS levy however we are still waiting for some students to pay, if this is you please send the money as soon as possible.

Voluntary Contributions Thank you to all parents who have paid the voluntary contributions. I will be running the raffle again this year at the beginning of Term 2 for everyone who has paid by the end of Term 1. There will be two prizes; 1×60 credit to your child's account and 1×40 credit to your child's account (kindly donated by the P&C). Good luck everyone.

Credit To save yourself stress, I encourage all parents to put extra money into your child's account to build up their credit. If you don't have the correct money simply tell the teacher to add your change into credit for your child, it is amazing how quickly it builds up.

I will be sending out statement early next week.

Kathy Dean—Manager Corporate Services

Parent/Teacher Interviews

These 15 minutes sessions will be held on **Wednesday 27 March.** The school will be closed from **12 noon** to facilitate these interviews where you will be provided with valuable information on how your child/children is/are progressing at school.

If you haven't already made an online booking <u>(see website)</u> please do so as soon as possible. Contact the office (9405 4007) if you require any assistance with this.



NAPLAN Online for Year 3 & Year 5 Students

Tuesday 14 May to Friday 24 May

IT'S NOT ALWAYS BULLYING

What is bullying?

Bullying is not just physically harming someone. Bullying can be verbal, which includes comments being said or written. It can also be social, which is when behaviours are mean to damage someone's relationship or reputation.

Mean vs unkind vs bullying

It is important for adults to teach students the difference between **mean**, **unkind** and **bullying** behaviours. In classroom lessons, our teachers spend a lot of time and effort explaining the difference between the three behaviours. Many students use the word bullying, when what happened was either mean or unkind. Our pastoral care team has placed posters explaining the difference in each cluster.



Unkind is unintentionally saying or doing something hurtful to someone else. **Mean** is intentionally saying or doing something hurtful to someone once, or maybe twice. Bullying is saying or doing something intentionally hurtful, and it is **repeated over time**, and involves an imbalance of power.

We encourage people to stop using the term bullying and start specifically naming the behaviours that are taking place – he called me a name, he hit me, she is not letting me play with them. Once we know the behaviour we can create a plan to help stop those behaviours.

Watch for signs

We encourage parents and carers to reach out to the school if they are noticing the signs of their child experiencing bullying-like behaviours at school.

What should you look for? Some signs include a student not wanting to go to school, participate in school activities or being withdrawn.

Walk then talk

When unkind or mean behaviours take place at school, encourage your child to tell that person that he/she doesn't like the behaviour. If the behaviour stops, great!

If it doesn't, students should walk away. If there's still an issue, the student should find the nearest adult to talk to about the situation – be that a teacher on duty, the classroom teacher, or Amanda, our chaplain.

Gail Baily—Pastoral Care Coordinator

Kiss And Drive

An initiative of the P&C, the Kiss and Drive area on Treetop Avenue is designed to alleviate parent traffic at peak time, as well as providing a safe place for students to be dropped off in the morning or picked up in the afternoon.

How to use the Kiss and Drive

- It works the same as a taxi rank.
- Drive in from the bottom and then drive forward ensuring your vehicle is in the most forward bay.
- DO NOT leave your vehicle and DO NOT turn off the engine.
- Close gaps by driving forward when possible.
- Children should quickly get into the car.
- Bags should not be put into the boot to save time.



EDGEMEN 2019 CAMPOUT



Calling all EPS Fathers and Father Figures - the 2019 fathers and kids campout is here!

DATE & TIME

Saturday the 30 March 2019. Arrive after 12pm Saturday and leave before 12pm Sunday.

** BOOKINGS CLOSE MIDNIGHT MONDAY 25 MARCH **

LOCATION

Yanchep National Park, 30kms north of Edgewater.

SO WHATS THE GO?

The event is designed to offer a unique camping opportunity so participants are encouraged to bring along their favourite activities and games to play, as you would on any traditional camping adventure. It will be a great opportunity for Edgewater fathers and kids to meet, socialise and enjoy the park's facilities. Be as interactive as you would like or just do your own thing. A few fun, light activities may be conducted however the focus of the event remains directly on fathers and their kids.

COST

\$11 per adult and \$3 per child. (Book via www.edgemen.com.au)

\$13 Park entry per car payable on arrival (or \$23 for an annual pass)

CAMPSITE INFORMATION **ALL SITES ARE UNPOWERED**

Tents, swags and rooftop/awning tents are preferred however campervans, small caravans & camper trailers are also permitted. The campground has flushing toilets, showers, picnic tables and gas barbecues.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITES

Yanchep National Park boasts a free koala boardwalk, an abundance of kangaroos, 9 bushwalking trails, bike trails and free BBQs everywhere. Crystal Cave and a brand new 'Trees Adventure' rope and zipline experience has also just opened for those who dare.

Further information and booking links are available on the Edgemen website:



<u>www.edgemen.com.au</u>







EDGEWATER WOODVALE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLU

SOAR WITH US

WE ARE A FAMILY CLUB FOR AUSSIE RULES, GRASS ROOTS COMMUNITY FOOTBALL

FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME

Edgewater Woodvale JFC is open for Footy SOAR WITH US IN 2019

Established in 1989 the Edgewater Woodvale Junior Football Club, based at Emerald Reserve is a family orientated junior community club with a proud and strong history. We focus on creating a love of football and instilling community values into our members.

Edgewater Woodvale JFC is recruiting junior players - both male and female - aged Pre-Primary to Year 7. For more information contact our Club Registrar Tamara

Ph: 0423 809 727

E: Registrar.ewjfc@gmail.com

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