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From the Principal

What a wonderful start to Term 2! Our Year 6 Executive Student Leaders, Zoe, James, Leah and Lexie led the ANZAC service. Thank you to Mrs Cleaver for her organisation of this event.

PP3 delighted the school with their season-based item last Friday. The Aussie of the Month presenter, Mr David Sweet, staff member from 1984, delighted the audience with past memories of the school.

Mrs Dean, our **Manager of Corporate Services**, is now working Monday-Wednesday. We welcome and congratulate Mrs Kristy Graindorge to the permanent position, Thursday-Friday. Kristy brings a range of experiences, having worked at the Telethon Speech and Hearing Centre and at a K-12 school campus.

The **Rainbow Run** is the next whole school event. In 2022 we missed this event so the “kitty” is exhausted. The Government funds 1.5 days of the Chaplaincy program and the school Rainbow Run funds the extra 0.5 day. A note will have arrived home, so it is time to search for those colour t-shirts and be ready to join in the fun as the students lap the oval in their efforts to raise funds to ensure we have Michelle Kipps (nee Olivier) to support students, staff and families.

Best wishes to all our mums and carers on Sunday for a **Happy Mother’s Day**.

Kim Perkins



Recycling For A Better World

A reminder from our student sustainability team that as we have joined the plastic bread bag recycling programme please send in your plastic bread bags to the school office and drop them into the box provided.

Also, don’t forget we also recycle used batteries which can also be dropped off in the school office.



School Development Day

Friday 2 June

Students Do Not Attend School

In This Edition of SchoolTV— MANAGING SCREEN TIME

Parents play a crucial role in modelling a positive and healthy approach to using screens and assisting children to navigate the content they watch. It is better to model and mentor screen use, rather than monitor it. Children tend to do more of what they see us do, and less of what we tell them to do. However, it is still important to outline the risks and highlight the benefits of screen use to ensure you keep a balanced attitude. Encourage discussions around the issues that people experience in monitoring their screen time and be honest about your own difficulties.

Parents need to remain firm in their approach to managing screen time. Excessive screen time can be detrimental to a child's overall wellbeing. Ensuring the correct privacy settings are in place is vital to prevent children from being inadvertently exposed to inappropriate content or online predators. Parents need to also be mindful of the potential impact screen time can have on a child's social, emotional, educational, behavioural, and even physical domains.

In this edition of [SchoolTV](#), carers will be provided with a range of guidelines and strategies to help manage screen time at home.

Here is the link to the [Managing Screen Time](#) edition of [SchoolTV](#).

<https://edgewaterps.wa.schooltv.me/newsletter/managing-screen-time>



Should all screen time be considered as equal?



Aussie of the Month

Scarlett has been chosen as the Year 5 Aussie of the Month as she exemplifies Edgewater Primary School's core values of aspiration, confidence and respect. She consistently demonstrates qualities which make her not only a wonderful student, but a wonderful person.

Scarlett constantly strives to do her best, both in and out of the classroom, and can be relied upon to set a positive example for all those she encounters. She is kind, caring, empathetic and patient with others, always ready to lend a hand when it may be needed.

When faced with a challenge, Scarlett is quick to tackle it head on, making sure her peers feel supported and providing a positive and safe atmosphere for them to work in. She takes great pride in all she does, consistently producing work of a high standard.

Scarlett is very well liked by both her peers and adults, showing tremendous respect to everyone she meets and showing off the amazing spark within her.

She is a credit to herself and her family, and a very deserving recipient of the Aussie of the Month award. Congratulations Scarlett.



Merit Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly on **Friday 5 May**: P2 Isabella J, Sean C | P3 Frank C, Samaya J | R1 Ruby H | R3 Allyssa O, Charlie F | R4 Millie B, Ruby A | R5 Blake S, Savannah D | R6 Dejontae N | R7 Alexandra L, Tillie C | R8 Alexis B, Natalie R | R11 Emmersyn D, Riley F | R14 Jashwin J, Matthew S | R15 Lucas R, Marley H | R16 Kade U, Mila G | R17 Ava B, Toby J



ANZAC Service

Once again our annual ANZAC Service on Friday 28 May was a touching and inspiring event.

Students, staff, parents and special guests attended the service, and, as in previous years, this year's service featured two horses from Kelmscott Pinjarra 10th Light Horse Memorial Troop, which are an indication, that not only men and women were involved many years ago in the war, but animals played an integral part as well. Wreaths were laid to show our appreciation and respect for the fallen and those who served.

A big thank you to Mrs Cleaver and all who helped in the organisation of the service.





Edgewater Primary School

Celebrating 40 Years

Friday 3rd November 2023



Then & Now
1983 - 2023

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Former Family Of Edgewater Primary School

Jackie HODGKINSON

I'm a former parent who thanks the school for educating my three children.
My family were involved from Pre-primary 1981.

Jacey KRAUT (nee HODGKINSON) Graduated 1987

1983-1987

Favourite Teachers

- Mrs Baily (Yr 3)
- Mr Pearsall (Yr 6)
- Art Teacher Mrs Bowdler
- Studied Physiotherapy at Curtin University and Masters in Neuro Rehabilitation and I am a Neuro Physiotherapist
Worked in rural Australia and UK and now Perth.
- Married with 2 children

Allan HODGKINSON graduated 1988

Was in a demountable on the site of the future school in 1981!



Debby CARLEY (nee HODGKINSON) Graduated 1992.

I went to primary school at Edgewater Primary School from Pre-primary to Year 7 during 1985 -1992. I loved everything about going to school! Highlights for me were the sports carnivals.

Gail Baily & Anniversary Committee



Assembly Pre-primary—PP3

Our assembly last Friday was hosted by the students from Pre-primary 3.

Their item featured the seasons of the year and songs and dance that featured them. These were interspersed with delightful information about what they could do in these seasons.



Happy Mother's Day!

The P&C Fundraising committee held their annual Mother's Day stall this week.

With an amazing array of wonderful gifts for mum on display at bargain basement prices, many a student had a tough time choosing the perfect gift.

From all of us at EPS, we wish all of our mums and grandmother's a happy and restful day this Sunday.



Walk Safely To School Day

On **Friday 19 May**, Edgewater Primary School will be participating in Walk Safely to School Day. Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. Although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school.
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop.
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic. On top of this, by walking to school, we are doing our bit in lessening our impact on the environment by reducing omissions from our cars.

If you wish to join us in Walk Safely to School Day, **meet us at Emerald Park at 7.50am on Friday 19 May** and we will walk to school together. **We will depart Emerald Park at 8.00am**. Parents are encouraged to walk with us too. We look forward to seeing everyone there.



From The School Board

On Monday, the School Board held the annual Open Meeting. We had reports and updates from Kim Perkins and myself, and an informative and engaging report from Mr Smith and the Year 6 Sustainability Team. We also welcomed a new parent representative, passed a motion to increase the number of Board members, and Endorsed the 2023 Financial Agreement. We finished the evening with wine and nibbles.

Thank you to everyone who came along.



Maths Champions

Congratulations to the following students who have made personal achievements in Mathematics: R1 Dominic S, Hunter N, Emma J, Teagan S | R3 Hayden T, Harry G, Harper G, Eddie H, Riley O | R4 Kensington W, Louie L, Max R, Mahan K | R5 Alexis P, Harrison R | R6 Cynthia Z, Marcus H, Dejontae N, Jack W | R7 Dongcheng Y, Lauren D, Lucas W, Kian B | R14 Daisy B, Kesh S, Khan L, Bastian F, Mya A | R15 Lucas D, Oliver Q, Quinn K, Marley H | R16 Luke H, Oliver P | R17 Asher H, Bocheng Y, Tobias G, Francesca L



Year 2s at Cockman House

On Tuesday 9 May, the Year 2 students from Room 15, Room 16 and Room 17, along with their teachers and wonderful parent helpers, went on an excursion to Cockman House.

We were all very excited to have a glimpse into life in the past and make comparisons with the present day.

Luckily, the weather was perfect, and we were able to sit in the gardens of the old settler's cottage and learn about the history of the house and the family who built it in the 1860s.

Students formed a human timeline, explored the house, had a go at some observational drawings and played traditional games on the lawn. Everyone agreed that it was an incredible day.



Year 3s at Buckingham House

This week the Year 3 students, along with parent helpers, enjoyed a fantastic morning at Buckingham House learning about the early settlers in this area. Buckingham House was built in the 1880s and was a family home until the early 1970s when the Shire of Wanneroo took ownership and turned it into a museum.

The students were taken back to a much simpler time and they participated in a variety of activities including making butter and damper, sewing, hand-washing clothes, milking a model cow and taking a lesson in the old classroom.

The volunteers at Buckingham House shared a lot of historical information which was relevant to our Humanities and Social Science studies, and they made the learning fun and interesting. It was also pleasing to receive such positive comments about the lovely behaviour of our students as they moved through the house.

We are very lucky to have such an interesting piece of history right on our doorstep.



From Manager of Corporate Services

Wow! What a response to online payments! Can I please ask that you also email me, Kathy.Dean@education.wa.edu.au so I can match up the money with the correct child. I just love the fact you can do this at anytime, as it is so much easier for us in our busy lives. Don't worry if you forget to pay, as I will always give you a courtesy call.

Year 5 parents, start putting money into your child's account for camp next year. Anticipated cost is approx. \$500. This will make it easier when Week 6, Term 1 comes around.

Kindy parents and new families, did you know you can pay online for incursion, excursions, and school contributions. You can even put extra money into your child's account so they have credit saving you finding that \$5 as you are rushing out of the door. Please call into the office and we will be happy to explain further.

Some of you may have heard through the grapevine that I am leaving at the end of the year. Yes, retirement is looking very good from where I am sitting. I would like to introduce my replacement, Mrs Kristy Graindorge, who will be working on Thursday's and Friday's until I retire in Term 4. So, when you email me to say you have paid for your child to attend swimming etc, can I ask that you also email Kristy.Graindorge@education.wa.edu.au. One of us will email you back.

The raffle for school contributions refund was drawn by Kristy Graindorge and winners contacted. The first prize winner now has a credit of \$60 in their child's account and the second prize winner has \$50 credit. Thank you to the P&C for donating this.

Don't worry if you missed out this time as in Term 4 there will be another draw and you could win one of 5 \$50 vouchers to be used at our book supplier, Campion.

Kathy Dean & Kristy Graindorge—Managers of Corporate Services



From The Canteen

Waking the children up, getting them dressed, feeding them breakfast, making sure everyone has brushed their teeth and combed their hair, filling lunchboxes with snacks for recess and sandwiches for lunch, ensuring everyone has their hat before hustling little ones out the door to deliver them safely to school on time.

Attending to all of this before 8.30am, in addition to getting yourselves ready, hanging up a line of laundry, washing up the breakfast dishes, cleaning the kitchen, feeding the pets and deciding what to cook for dinner. Mothers, you are amazing! You deserve more than just one day of recognition a year ...and you also deserve a break once in a while. Why not let the Canteen take care of your children's lunches? We provide healthy meals made on-site with fresh and healthy ingredients. Check out our [menu](#) on the school website or our online ordering system, Quickcliq.com.au.

Happy Mother's Day to all Mums and thank you for all you do for our EPS students.

Kerry van Drunick and Vanessa Browne—Canteen Managers





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