



EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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May

Tue 11	◆ NAPLAN Online Testing Commences
Wed 12	◆ P&C Meeting 7pm
Fri 14	◆ R4 Assembly ◆ Y1 Aussie of the Month
Fri 21	◆ Rainbow Run 1.50pm
Sat 22	◆ Edgemen Event: Campout at EPS
Mon 24	◆ First Aid Incursion
Tue 25	◆ First Aid Incursion
Wed 26	◆ First Aid Incursion
Thu 27	◆ Pipe Band
Fri 28	◆ Friendly Sports Matches at Greenwood ◆ PP3 Assembly

From the Principal

Another interesting start to a new term. You have probably read that languishing has been dubbed both the buzzword and the 'dominant emotion' of 2021. An action that complements this emotion is rescheduling. Hence, we need to celebrate that we are flourishing (opposite of languishing) at becoming adaptive to the constant change that comes with rescheduling.

Hence, this week has been busy with the Open School Board meeting and Mother's Day events along with the rescheduling of our ANZAC service and Room 15 assembly.

The School Board welcomed new parent representatives Rhys Howard and Claire Greenwood and staff representatives Terry Butt and Maria McGrath.

Thank you to parents, staff and students who updated the Board on curriculum areas and the learning environment where parents, staff and students work in partnerships. This included the:

- Living Edge project where we aim for all new plantings on school grounds to be native flora.
- Reconciliation Action Plan where we aim to create culturally responsive classrooms by embedding the rich history and culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander priorities into all learning areas.
- Sustainability where we aim for all classes to be involved in sustainable projects.
- Fathering Project.

Mindfulness is well underway in PP-6 classes on Monday and Thursdays. The following links are the [Parent Mindful Manual](#) and [Frequently Asked Questions](#) documents parents were given out at the parent session at the start of term.

Year 3 and 5 students will commence the NAPLAN assessments on Tuesday next week and they will be completed over a two-week period. Most of the assessments will be held in the morning to recess block. Please ensure students are at school on time to assist us to keep the environment quiet at this time.

We are so proud of all students as they amaze us with their resilience and "can do" attitude as they continue to learn and thrive at Edgewater Primary School.

Kim Perkins
Principal

Rebecca Wright
School Board Chairperson

School Development Day

Friday 4 June 2021

Students Do Not Attend

Merit Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly today: R1 Dongcheng Y | R2 David H, Lilah F, Poppy C | R3 Aryana T, Elisha B | R4 Caitlin T | R5 Harry B, Tara D | R6 Alex H, Chloe W | R8 Kushee H, Milla P, Tyson C | R12 Lola A, Michael M | R15 Harper L, Dominic S, Noah W | R16 Angelika N, Chase B | R17 Layla D, Tommy C



ANZAC Service

On Wednesday 5 May we held our annual ANZAC Commemorative Service. Students, teachers, parents and special guests all attended what turned out to be a beautiful and touching service despite the threat of rain. Mr Hadzic and Mrs Bock led the school choir who sang with passion renditions of ANZAC, National Anthems and Australian traditional songs. Wreaths were laid to show our appreciation and respect for the fallen and those who served.



The Kelmscott Pinjarra Light Horse Brigade honoured the ANZACS around the flagpole and our flagbearers Lachlan and Hugh.

A big thank you to the helpers and Year 6 Councillors who spoke both beautifully and respectfully to enhance our service.

Thank you also to the families who provided photos and stories for our Honour Board to help students see the connection through the Edgewater Community to those who have given their time, and in some cases their lives, to the defence of our country. The board will remain on display in the library so students can see the pictures and read the stories.



Cyclone Fundraiser

Once again Edgewater students and their parents showed their care and compassion for those who are less fortunate than they are. Coordinated by Room 8 Year 5 students, the coin trail raised \$635 which was donated to the Lord Mayors Appeal.



Mother's Day Stall

A big thank you to our wonderful P&C fundraising committee who prepared and ran their annual Mother's Day stall today. So, if you receive a delightful and thoughtful gift for Mother's Day, thanks are due to the fundraising committee.

Congratulations to the mums of Wesley and Zoe (prize collected by brother Xavier) from Year 1 who won the Mother's Day raffle. The students were presented with the winning prize at the assembly this morning.

We trust that all of our mothers will have a delightful Mother's Day and that their children do as we requested and really look after them on Sunday 9 May.



Australian Early Development Census (AEDC-carried out every three years)

This week and next the Pre-primary staff will conduct the AEDC.

The AEDC provides information to build and strengthen communities for our children.

It is an Australian-wide census that gathers information about young children's progress at national, state/territory and community levels.

The census gathers information on five key areas of children's development:

- physical health and wellbeing
- social competence
- emotional maturity
- language and cognitive skills
- communication skills and general knowledge

These five areas are considered good predictors of adult health, education and social outcomes.

By understanding how young children are progressing, communities can look at ways to positively influence child development.

As a school we highly value the data that the census provides in supporting the school's improvement agenda. Below is the school's data from the 2018 census.

Australian Early Development Census (School Report 2018)

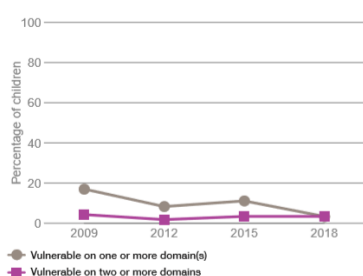
Below is the percentage of Edgewater pre-primary students who are developmentally on track and are considered to be developing well in the five key domains tested.

- 92% physical health and wellbeing
- 95% social competence
- 97% emotional maturity
- 95% language and cognitive skills (school based)
- 93% communication skills and general knowledge

In 2018, two children of the sixty-one tested were considered to be in the vulnerable range in one or more domains and two children vulnerable in two or more domains. This correlated with school based data and provides the opportunity for early years' staff to review and strengthen existing practices.

Comparison of historical data from 2009 shows the percentage of Edgewater Primary School children considered vulnerable has declined.

Developmentally vulnerable children



An Australian Government Initiative

Assembly—Year 1/2 Room 15

It was pirates and trolls as Room 15 presented an updated version of the old fairy tale *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*.

Whilst the pirates searched for the right island to find the treasure, the troll hid under the bridge waiting for a goat to pass over the bridge.

The class sang, acted and danced their way through a wonderful half hour to finish their item on a happy note for the pirates and the troll.



Interschool Sport

Last Friday, students in Years 5 and 6 and selected Year 4s played against Woodvale Primary School in friendly matches of AFL, Netball, Soccer and Modcrosse.

All teams played exceptionally well and it was fantastic to hear reports of great sportsmanship and even friendships being formed between students on the playing fields and courts.

Thank you to the students and teachers involved, and a special thank you to Kristan Smith and Michelle Sharp for their specialist coaching of our netball Teams 1 and 3.

A Big Thank you!

To our wonderful P&C for funding the purchase of our new Edgewater Netball singlets and position patches. Don't they look fantastic!?



Rainbow Lapathon

Friday 21 May

2pm on the school oval

United Nations Youth Voice Competition

Ex-Edgewater Primary School student, Aiva, became the 2021 national junior division champion of the United Nations Youth Voice Competition for her speech, prepared in three hours.

As Australia's largest speaking competition, the UN Youth Voice drew thousands of students nationally to compete in a series of rounds by researching, writing and presenting a speech that proposed a solution to a global issue.

Competitors were narrowed down through the rounds to the top five speakers in each state, who competed in the nationals before the final five competed in the grand final on Saturday 17 April.

Competitors were given their topic with three hours to prepare a speech before presenting it to the panel, then answered two questions relating to their speech.

UN Youth WA operations vice-president Edward Elias said Aiva "was a delight" to have in the delegation, and other delegates consistently looked to and leant on her.

Aiva is considering her future career aspirations, including the possibility of going into politics.

Well done, Aiva!



From Manager of Corporate Services

School Contributions and P&C Levy Thank you to the P&C for donating \$40.00 towards our end of Term 1 raffle draw and to the School Board for approving the prize of \$60.00. This was drawn this morning with the assistance of a student, Robert. The lucky families have been notified. They were the McKenzie family, \$60.00, and the O'Regan family, \$40.00. A big thank you goes out to all families who paid their child's voluntary contribution. I am hoping to do another draw at Christmas time for two \$50 vouchers for either Coles or Bunnings, so you are still in it.

Credit I encourage all families to do this. We still have one major cost to come for this year—In-term swimming. To relieve the stress of finding the money in one go, if you were to put \$10.00 per week or fortnight into your child's account, this will build up. Also, Year 5 parents, I encourage you to start putting money aside for the Year 6 camp next year.

If you transfer money into the school bank account, please remember to email me. I cannot stress this enough as I have over \$200.00 sitting in unclaimed monies. So, if you have paid for something and I'm still chasing you for payment, it could be you!

Kathy Dean—Manager Corporate Services

From The Canteen

The cooler weather is creeping in and your children may fancy something a little more heartier than sandwiches for school lunches. The Canteen can help you out in that regard. We've just had a big 'cook up' and our freezer is stocked with delicious meals perfect for lunch on a cold winter's day. You'll find homemade lasagne (gluten free option available), spaghetti bolognese, macaroni and cheese, sausages and mash, vegetable risotto, butter chicken and pumpkin soup on our menu. The meals are available to order daily and are packed full of nutritious 'hidden' vegetables.

A friendly reminder that all Canteen lunches must be PRE-ORDERED, please. You can order online at [Quickcliq.com](https://www.quickcliq.com), before 9am, or in person at the canteen, before 9.30am.

Kerry van Drunick—Canteen Manager



Harmony Team

Our Harmony Team, made up of eight Year 5 and 6 students, enjoyed helping our Year 4 students make Mother's Day cards this week to give to their mums on Mother's Day, Sunday 9 May.



Safety House Program

Get involved with Safety House WA

Edgewater Primary School is in a Safety House zone, and we are currently looking for more families to become involved in the Safety House Program by making their house a Safety House. It is easy to become involved and your participation will help to make the trip to and from school safer for the many students at Edgewater who walk or ride their bikes.

Attached is some information from Safety House WA outlining who can become a Safety House.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss making your home a Safety House, please contact the P&C Safety House Coordinator Justine Whittle at safetyhouse@edgewaterpandc.com. Further information about Safety House is also available on the Safety House WA website www.safetyhousewa.org.au.





Modcrosse

Penistone Reserve, Greenwood
Ages 5-13 —fast fun sport for girls and boys
(non contact)

Free Gala Day 24th April 2021 9.00am—10.30am. Come and Try games, all equipment provided plus bouncy castle and other fun games along with free sausage sizzle and drink.

**Season starts Saturday 1st May 2021 8.30am—9.30am
Get registered by contacting us and come and enjoy the fun**



**All games at Penistone Reserve, Greenwood
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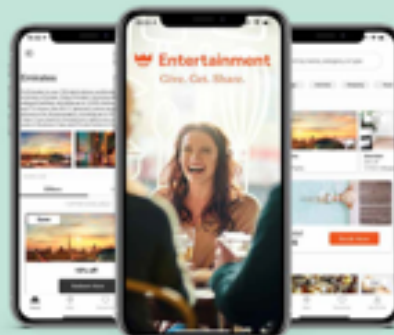
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