



**EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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# Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

### April

Mon 29 ♦ First Day of Term 2

Tue 30 ♦ R12 Buckingham House Excursion

### May

Wed 1 ♦ Rhymetime/ Storytime 9am

Wed 8 ♦ Rhymetime/ Storytime 9am

Fri 10 ♦ Assembly R16

Mon 13 ♦ School Board Meeting 7.15pm

Tue 14 ♦ NAPLAN Online Commences

Wed 15 ♦ Rhymetime/ Storytime 9am

Mon 20 ♦ P&C Meeting 7pm  
♦ NAPLAN Online Continues

Wed 29 ♦ Rhymetime/ Storytime 9am  
♦ Positive Parenting Seminar 6.30pm

## From the Principal

### ANZAC Service

A proud moment for the school and parents. Under the guidance of Miss Circosta, our Year 6 students had the opportunity to represent the school through their role in the ANZAC service.

### New School Board Members

It was welcoming and encouraging that the number of nominations for the positions available on the School Board were higher than the places available. The Board voted to change the Term of Reference to increase the number of members on the Edgewater Primary School Board from 9 to 12.

We welcome returning members Leah Beltran and Rebecca Wright, and new members Claire Humfrey, Scott Jerome and Jayston Koi.

New members add diversity and value to the Board with their knowledge of the teaching profession and skills in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects.

### Positive Parenting Seminars

Thank you for the wonderful survey responses for the school to run Positive Parenting Seminars in Terms 2 and 3. The dates for the seminars have now been added to the school calendar and you can [book online](#) here . We will send out regular reminders on Connect and School Star.

### Goodbye to our School Chaplain

I informed the school community at last week's assembly that the School Chaplain, Mrs Amanda Wendt, is taking up the opportunity of a four day position at one location. Sadly, this means Amanda is leaving Edgewater PS. I would like to acknowledge the contribution she has made over the last year to the wellbeing of students, parents and staff. We wish Amanda well in her new endeavour.

Amanda will be in the school in the beginning weeks of Term 2 as she hands over to a new Chaplain.

It is no "mean feat" to step into the role of PE teacher after Mr Grey and to take on an interschool athletics carnival in Term 1 of the school year. I would like to thank Mr Baker for taking up the position at such short notice which allowed Mr Smith to take up his preferred role as a classroom teacher. The next interschool competition is the Lightning Carnival in Term 2 when the Year 5 and 6 students participate in soccer, netball and AFL football. Mixed netball and AFL football teams comprised of boys and girls provide an opportunity for participation of all our students.

Thank you to all staff for their amazing dedication and work throughout Term 1. The P&C and Grounds Committee meetings this term have laid some foundations on how we will be working together on a shared vision for improvement in the next few years that is linked to curriculum outcomes for children.

Please take the time in Term 2 to attend a P&C or the Open School Board meeting to learn about and be part of the exciting future before us.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday break.

**Kim Perkins**

# Aussie of the Month

Scarlett is a most worthy winner of this month's Aussie of the Month Award. She is not only hard working, but is always prepared to complete more than what is actually required. Scarlett quietly goes about completing set tasks, never drawing unneeded attention to herself. Popular with both the staff and her peers, Scarlett has in the past, been successful in being elected to the Student Council and this year, to a student leadership position. This is a role currently being carried out with distinction, as Scarlett's leadership attributes come to the fore.

Her fine qualities of endeavour, keenness, reliability, respect, thoughtfulness and responsibility make Scarlett a very worthy recipient of Aussie of the Month.

Congratulations Scarlett.

Thank you to Ms Melesha Sands, Principal of Belridge Secondary College, 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 5 April:

P1 Emma J, Flynn H | R1 Isabelle H, Lily S, Ryan G | R2 Lucas C, Madison G | R3 Hunter P, Kian B | R4 Millie B, William D | R8 Darcy J, Lily C | R11 Amelia W, Milla P | R12 Blake S, Lucia C | R15 Max W, Zoe J | R16 Emmanuel K | R17 Zander E



# Easter in Kindy

The Kindergarten children have had a wonderful term which has concluded with the theme 'Easter'. They have found out that Easter is a time of family, friends, kindness and sharing as well as having fun collecting eggs hidden by the Easter Bunny!

The last two days saw the children eagerly participate in Easter Bonnet Parades, where their parents were amazed by their fabulous designs.

Thanks go to all for a successful term and we look forward to Term 2.

Happy Easter, and safe holidays from the Kindy team.



*From All The Staff At  
Edgewater Primary  
School, we wish you a  
very Happy Easter!*





# Interschool Carnivals

The inter-school jumps & throws and athletics carnival were successfully held last week. The weather forecast on Sunday night looked like it was going to give us trouble on both days, but fortunately for us all, it was almost perfect.

The teams taken to compete on these days are to be commended for their good behaviour, huge efforts and fantastic sportsmanship shown to the other three schools.

Overall Edgewater came third.

A special thanks goes out to the staff and volunteers that went into making these days so fantastic!

**Aaron Baker—  
Physical Education  
Specialist**





# Assembly—Year 4 Room 1

At the last assembly Mrs Sugg and Mrs Forsythe's Year 4 students presented an item called One Grain of Rice.

The audience were captivated as they watched the King reward one of his subjects with a single grain of rice—the trick was, he doubled it every day for 30 days. This meant that the loyal subject's reward totalled over one billion grains at the end of the 30 days! To conclude, the class presented some awe inspiring and surprising tricks/illusions involving rice.

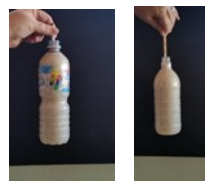


## Featured Class—Year 4 Room 1

Did you like the rice tricks from our assembly? Would you like to try them at home yourself? Below you will find out how to do them but make sure you have asked Mum or Dad first.

### Floating Rice

Get an empty bottle and fill it with rice. Tap the bottle on a hard surface to compact the rice. Top the bottle up with rice again and keep tapping the bottle until you can't get any more rice in. Then poke a pencil or chopstick in as far as you can. Then carefully lift the bottle.



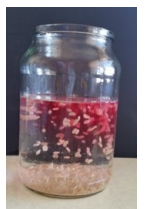
### Floating Ball in Rice

In a bowl filled with rice, hide a ball under the rice. By sliding the bowl backwards and forwards, the ball will float to the top of the bowl. While this works with different balls, we found it was most successful with a table tennis ball.



### Dancing Rice

Half fill a large jar with water. Add 3 tablespoons of baking soda and dissolve it well. Leave the water to settle. Then add 1-2 tablespoons of brown rice. Pour in about half a cup of vinegar. This will cause the contents to bubble up and the rice will start dancing. If it doesn't, try adding some more vinegar until it does dance. Adding food colouring makes the rice easier to see.

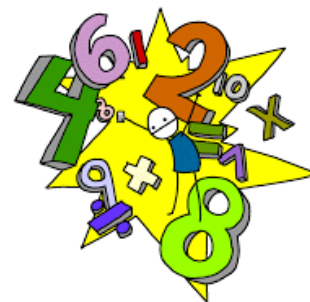




# Maths Champions

Congratulations to the following students who have made personal achievements in mathematics:

PP/1 Kate D, Scarlett G | R1 Alex H, Hugh P, Samar A, Elias A | R2 Jayden C, Cameron D, Chloe D, Jaxon G | R3 Jacob G, Heath H, Kian B, Hunter P | R4 Dongcheng Y, Andre C, Joshua C, Claire W | R5 Felix A, Glenn S, Kohen A, Leo Z | R7 Jacob F, Lewis B, Lincoln D, Elise R | R8 Kate S, Jayden W, Jorja A | R11 Xavier B, Kushee H, Stella A, Milla P | R12 Leah J, Lucia C, Isla S, Lennard S | R15 Marcus H, Zoe J, Corben K, Laila D | R16 Alexis P, Ayla M, Ava G, Lilah F | R17 Roxane A, Ella M, Megan K, Micah V



## Harmony Team – Term 1 Activity

The Year 3s and 4s had fun at lunchtime on Wednesday with a social soccer match played on the oval.

The Year 6 “Harmony Team” organised mixed Year 3 and Year 4 teams to participate in the matches during their lunch break.

The Harmony Team is to be congratulated on a smooth running of the session.

The aim of the activity was to involve those boys and girls of varying abilities who were interested in playing soccer matches at a social level. Sadly, some students missed out, but there will be more activities organised next term for them to participate in.

A big thanks to Mr Smith and Mr Baker for coming down to umpire the two matches.



**Layla, Chloe, Ben and Aidan—Harmony Team**

## Where Are They Now?

Calan Williams who attended Edgewater Primary School from 2004 to 2011, is still hitting the headlines as he is pursuing his racing dream of becoming a Formula 1 driver. Follow Calan by clicking on the link to his website [calanwilliamsracing.com](http://calanwilliamsracing.com)





# ANZAC Commemorative Service

Today we held our annual ANZAC Commemorative Service. Students, teachers, parents, special guests and Adopt-a-Diggers all attended what turned out to be a beautiful and touching service to commemorate the ANZAC spirit. Mr Hadzic led the school choir in an acoustic rendition of ANZAC and Australian traditional songs. Sunflowers 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 as did the Joondalup Army Cadets and our flagbearers Ella and Jaden.

A big thank you to the helpers and Year 6 readers 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 for the first week of next term so students can see the pictures and read the stories.



## Edgemen Campout

On Saturday March 30th, we held our first official Edgemen Campout. We booked Yanchep National Park and being our first time, were hoping for 30 people - when the booking system fell over at 100 people, we knew it was going to be great fun!

Around 85 children and 40 dads came along and soaked up the VERY hot sun while setting up camp on Saturday afternoon before disappearing to take advantage of the park's attractions. I took my crew on a bike ride and into Crystal Cave which was fantastic. Those who went climbing on the high ropes said it was great and even the koalas were being photogenic right alongside the boardwalk. The entire weekend was completely incident free, all the kids seemed to enjoy themselves and mine were snoring in the car on the way home!

Genuine massive thanks to everyone who came along and we hope to see you at the next Edgemen event. Check [www.edgemen.com.au](http://www.edgemen.com.au) for new events coming soon!





# From The Canteen

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Canteen's sausage sizzle meal deal on Thursday, and to those who helped out on the day. It was a huge success! Over 200 sausages were barbecued. We look forward to providing more meal deals over the next three terms.

Sharon, the Canteen Committee and I, wish you a relaxing two week Easter break. If you're driving to holiday destinations, please have a safe journey. See you in Term 2.

Kerry van Drunick—Canteen Manager

## P&C Support for Year 1 & 2 Outside Play

Our Year 1 and 2 students were very excited recently when they were presented with many new sand toys that they could use in their large sandpit. This was made possible by using funds raised by our P&C. Pictured are our Year 1 students Scarlett B, William D, Dongcheng Y, and Lola A, proudly showing off this wonderful addition to their outside play.



## We're Going on a Bear Hunt.....

Monday 1 April dawned bright and early—perfect weather for drop bears! Students of all ages spent until 12 noon searching (and discovering) drop bears in the tall trees around the school. Some Year 1 students were lucky enough to spot a drop bear nest and others saw their claws! Older students were fascinated to read the Australian Museum's webpage on [drop bears](#). This included information on their habitat, distribution, feeding and diet and breeding behaviours. They discovered how dangerous they were to humans, particularly tourists. Many older students overlooked the repellents to drop bears—wearing forks in the hair or Vegemite or toothpaste spread behind the ears. By 12 noon, all drop bears had mysteriously disappeared!!



## Hocking Netball Club

Hocking Netball Club is looking for two Year 3 players to join their team. Training is on Tuesdays from 3-4pm at Hocking Primary School. Games are at Kingsway on Fridays at 5.30pm starting from Term 2. For more information please contact Corinne at [hockingnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:hockingnetballclub@gmail.com)



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## **Triple P - Positive Parenting Seminar** (for parents of children 0-12 years)

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1. Ensuring a safe, interesting environment
2. Creating a positive learning environment
3. Using assertive discipline
4. Having realistic expectations
5. Taking care of yourself as a parent

**DATE: Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

**TIME: 6:30 – 8pm**

**VENUE: Edgewater PS (Cluster 2)**

A supervised crèche will also be available in Cluster 2

**Bookings are essential. To register please visit** <https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/au-uk/en/find-help/find-a-session/2019-05-29/seminar/power-of-positive-parenting/105466/> **OR visit** [www.triplep-parenting.net.au/wa](http://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/wa) **and click on 'Find a Session' to search for this program.**

**For enquiries, please contact Mrs Stables in the front office.**

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# OPEN DAY

## WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2019

GUIDED PARENTS TOUR AT 9.00AM

AND

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## ***HOLIDAY CLINICS***

### ***PRENDIVILLE CATHOLIC COLLEGE***

Constellation Drive, Ocean Reef

**FULL DAYS 8am to 3pm \$40**  
**HALF DAYS**  
**morning or afternoon \$20**

**Monday 15th April - Friday 26th April**



**Please remember to bring water and packed lunch!**  
**Hats and Sunblock must be worn at all times**  
**Book online or contact Nick on the details below**

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# OVERCOMING LONELINESS AND FRIENDSHIP DIFFICULTIES

in children and adolescents (10-16 year olds)  
with ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder,  
Specific Learning Disorder or other  
neurodevelopmental disorders



LONELINESS AND FRIENDSHIP DIFFICULTIES PLACE CHILDREN  
AND ADOLESCENTS WITH NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS  
AT GREATER RISK OF ADVERSE MENTAL HEALTH AND  
NEGATIVE SOCIAL AND ACADEMIC LIFE OUTCOMES.

## What is the purpose of this study?

We are running a study to look at how friendships and positive mental wellbeing can change over time. This is being studied in order to develop a program to help young people with neurodevelopmental disorders to improve the quality of their life outcomes.

## Who can participate?

This is a study seeking participants who are 10-16 years of age and who have a diagnosis of:

- ADHD
- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Specific Learning Disorder
- Tourette's syndrome,
- Developmental Coordination Disorder
- Specific language impairments
- Specific reading, writing and mathematics disorders

## What is involved?

Participation involves the completion of a short survey, four times over 2 years. The survey can be completed either online or by hard copy and returned by pre paid post.

## How can I get involved?

To register your interest, please go to [www.education.uwa.edu.au/surveys](http://www.education.uwa.edu.au/surveys) or contact:

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#### Benefits

- Fun environment for developing skills
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- Attention and listening
- Social skills
- Letter formations & handwriting (years 1 & 2)

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### SERVICES

- OT assessments
- Individual intervention
- Group therapy sessions
- Parent education
- Professional development sessions for teachers

## West Coast Occupational Therapy Services

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