



EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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September

Fri 2	◆ R6 Assembly
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From the Principal

This term we have welcomed seven new students to the school: Max, Jacob and Sierra into Year 6, Jessica into Year 3, Kesh into Year 2 and Kaylie and Amada into Pre-primary.

Ms Farinosi and her helpers are flexibly moving preparations for the **athletics carnival** around winter rain. Consistent rain is set for the next two weeks. At this stage, the long range forecast is predicting fine weather for our carnival days. Ms Farinosi also has lunchtime interschool team practise of games happening as we seek to improve our school's competitiveness! Hence Parent TV focus on Physical Activity and Exercise in this newsletter—check it out.

Sustainability featured this week with a visit from Emily Hamilton, MLA and the planting of a tuart/marri tree in acknowledgement of National Tree Day and an incursion from Tucker Bush and the planting of bushtucker plants outside Dwert cluster. Mr Watkins' continued care of the trees and bushes planted in 2021 is resulting in a good success rate of the tube stock.

Our Year 4-6 classes are currently participating in a Joondalup Learning Community **Science Week** challenge set up by Belridge Secondary College (BSC) which includes seven schools. At the end of the challenge, winning year level teams from each school have been invited to BSC for across school year level judging. We are competing for year level trophies.

In the holidays, staff attended the funeral of Ms Fiona Lock. Fiona commenced at Edgewater in 2004. She supported staff and students across the school but predominately in early childhood. As a resident of Edgewater, Fiona formed lasting relationships across the community. We miss her positive energy, extra commitment and joy of being with the children. Our thoughts are with her wonderful family.

Kim Perkins

Merit Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly on **Friday 1 July**: P1 Nyah C | P2 Eddie H, Maddie F | R1 Jacob G, Anaia J, April S | R2 Audrey D, Scarlett B, Stella F | R3 Patrick H, Harry W | R4 Michele M, Summer J | R6 Amelia C, Josiah A | R7 Sabien M | R14 Luke W, Tasmin W | R15 Alicia D, Bella G | R16 Isabel H, Zoe B | R17 Gemma-Hope B, Lacey G



Also, congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly on **Friday 29 July**: P2 Harry G, Rory E | R1 Alexandra L, Scarlett G | R4 Flynn S, Tylah M | R5 Aleisha K, Jaxson G | R6 Lucy K, Zander E | R7 Kael C, Sabien M | R8 Jamie S, Zoe C | R11 Annabel C, Marley H, Daniel D | R15 Ella A, Jasmine G, Saachi T | R16 Charlie C | R17 Spencer V

School Development Day

Friday 12 August

Students Do Not Attend



In this edition of SchoolTV—PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & EXERCISE

In the last decade, children's participation in physical activity and exercise has been in decline. In this digital age, children are using computers and mobile devices, not only for learning, but for relaxation and recreation purposes. This sedentary lifestyle is having a detrimental effect on today's youth. The key is finding the balance.

Research shows, that regular physical activity and exercise leads to changes in the brain. It improves cognitive function, elevates mood, enhances learning and improves academic outcomes. Playing sport helps children develop fundamental movement skills impacting positively on their confidence, self-esteem and ability to develop social skills. Parents play an important role in helping children establish positive habits that will benefit their children in the long-term.

In this edition of SchoolTV, parents will discover practical advice relating to the benefits of regular physical activity and exercise, as well as tips on how to get their children motivated and moving more.

We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this edition of SchoolTV and we always welcome your feedback. If you have any concerns about your child, please contact your school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to the **Physical Activity & Exercise** edition of SchoolTV.

<https://edgewaterps.wa.schooltv.me/newsletter/physical-activity-exercise>

Book Week Parade

Thursday 11 August



Semester 2 Student Councillors

Introducing our Year 5 and Year 4 Student Leaders for Semester 2:

Year 5 Councillors



Ayla M



Max W



Jack W



Zoe C

Year 4 Councillors



Lucas W



Zoe B

The Golden Broom

Every fortnight the Executive Student Councillors go around the school looking for the classroom with the tidiest bag area. We have decided that Year 1, Room 4 was our winner for this fortnight.

Congratulations Room 4!



Soccer Carnival

On Thursday 28 July, the Edgewater Boys 'A' Soccer team travelled to Chichester Park to compete in the Open Primary Football Championships. This was on the back of the boys' side winning the Interschool Carnival.

Edgewater competed against schools from Yanchep Beach, Majella, Marmion, Grandis and Holy Spirit. Edgewater knew that this tournament would be a challenge, versing the best of the best from their respective districts. The day started off strong, with Edgewater getting up to a 2-0 lead against Grandis. Our opponents then staged a second half fight back, scoring two goals of their own to have the final score finish at 2-2. From here, our boys were gallant and competitive against all other teams, showing they could match it with the very best. Had some luck gone our way, our results would have been much more worthy of their efforts.

Unfortunately, we finished the day drawing one match and losing four. Despite these results, the overall performance, competitiveness and spirit in which we played was fantastic. All boys thoroughly enjoyed their day and rose to the challenge brilliantly. A wonderful effort to make it that far boys and you all should be incredibly proud of what you have achieved.



Assembly—Year 2 Room 15

The amazing Year 2's performed a Dreamtime Story about 'Why Koala has a Stumpy tail'. Back long, long ago, Koala had a very long tail much like a Kangaroo. During a very dry season, Kangaroo dug for water while his best friend slept in a gum tree. All the animals in the outback thought they were 'barmy' and went off to find a billabong. In the end Koala lost his long tail and learned the importance of being a good friend. Everyone enjoyed singing and dancing to 'Jump Like a Kangaroo' and 'Home Among the Gum Trees' an Aussie favourite.



Chaplain's Chat

Hello, my name is Michelle Olivier and I have the privilege of being the new chaplain at Edgewater Primary. I started here at the start of Term 3 and work every Tuesday and Thursday. So far it has been such a fun time getting to know all the students and teachers and being able to join some of the classes and chat to everyone.

I have been passionate about working with children my whole life. I have worked with children from the ages of 6 months all the way to year 12 for over 9 years in many different capacities. Before coming to Edgewater Primary I worked at a childcare centre where I helped to lead the Kindy room. I have also worked in a voluntary capacity with primary and high school aged children where I ran weekly activities and programs with a team of people.

I am so excited to get to know everyone at Edgewater Primary and hopefully start running some lunch time activities so we can all become better friends in the school.

Please feel free to email me at michelle.olivier@youthcare.org.au if you would like to come in for a chat or if you have any questions about my role.



From The Sustainability Team

Week Three has been a big week for Edgewater Primary, our Sustainability Leaders and our school grounds. On Thursday, we had Mark and Shelly from Tucker Bush come out to help us plant our school's very own bush tucker garden. We had the privilege of learning more about the six Indigenous seasons, native plants and their uses in Aboriginal culture and how to care for our land and country. Overall, we planted twenty different species, ranging from native black plum to wild rosemary and midyim berries to native river mint. With the help of our staff, students and community members, we aim to ensure that this garden prospers to become a great natural resource for generations to come. It will allow us opportunities to connect further with nature and learn more deeply about a wide range of themes, including sustainability, Aboriginal culture and history and the appropriate ways to care and look after our land.



Then, on Friday, we had a visit from Ms. Emily Hamilton MLA, who joined us to take part in National Plant A Tree Day. Ms. Hamilton was kind enough to donate to us a Marri tree, which we successfully planted and have ambitions to plant more in the same area. Our Sustainability Leaders had a great time meeting Ms. Hamilton and discussing with her all of the wonderful things they have implemented in our community so far this year.

We would like to thank Mark and Shelly from Tucker Bush and Ms. Emily Hamilton MLA for their time and for allowing us to make our school a more environmentally thriving area.



From The Canteen

The faction sports carnival is just around the corner, Friday 26 August, and the Canteen is calling for LOTS of helping hands please. We will be running our usual sausage sizzle and cake stand adjacent to the sports fields on the day and we need volunteers to assist with set up, barbecuing, serving and clean up. We promise that your shift at the refreshment tent will not interfere with you watching your children's events. We are also appealing for donations of home baked goods (no nuts please) to be dropped off at the canteen the day before or on the morning of faction carnival.

A pre-ordered lunch meal deal is being offered to the students. Order forms will go home shortly. Kindly return the forms with payment to the Canteen. You will also be able to order the meal deal via the online ordering system, [Quickcliq.com](https://signup.com/go/NYaqEQB)

Remember, if everyone offers a bit of help, we'll all be able to enjoy this fun school event. Click on the link below to sign up:

<https://signup.com/go/NYaqEQB>

Thank you

Kerry van Drunick and Vanessa Browne—Canteen Managers



Commonwealth Games

The first edition of the hyperactive game of 3x3 basketball came to an end on Tuesday evening as England defeated Australia (17-16) in the most dramatic of circumstances. Australia came agonisingly short in Birmingham and won the silver medal after a one-point loss in overtime.

We are super proud of our dads!



VacSwim Swimming Lessons

Fun swimming lessons for children aged five to 17 years of age in both the October and January holidays.

VacSwim has helped children across Western Australia to stay safe and confident in the water for over 100 years.

Programs operate in line with current health advice.

Enrolments open from 20 July 2022.

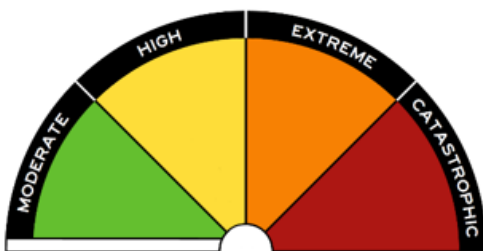
For more information click [here](#).



Summer is coming and so is **Bushfire** Season

Protect your family and stay in the know:

From **1 September**, Australians will have a simplified, action-oriented Fire Danger Rating System. This will help you to understand the threat posed by bushfire on any given day and wherever you are in Australia. You will be able to make appropriate decisions based on one of four risk levels:



MODERATE

Plan and prepare

HIGH

Be ready to act

EXTREME

Take action now to protect life and property

CATASTROPHIC

For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas



Mater Dei Performance

We had a visit on Thursday 4 August from the Mater Dei Concert and Rock Bands, along with their dance troupe and a chicken called Henry or Harry or Harvey.

Our students from Pre-primary to Year 6 sat spellbound as the wonderful music filled the assembly area.

Their football mascot whose real name was Harvey gave away some showbag prizes to several students who knew the answers to some interesting questions.

This was a great treat to end a wet and windy Thursday.



From The School Board Chair

At the last two School Board meetings, we have had informative and interesting reports from Arts, Physical Education and ICT. These reports show the overview, strategies and direction that the teachers are working towards, as well as supporting evidence for why things are being done a certain way.

We briefly discussed the National School Opinion Parent Survey, which will be conducted in 2023.

As you may be aware, Miss Yang (the Languages teacher) has left. This vacancy provides an opportunity for the school to reassess what language our children will learn. Chinese will continue until the end of the year. The School Board has considered the languages that are taught in the surrounding high schools, and while, at this moment, a new language has not been finalised, these languages are being considered. The Board and School feel a quality, engaging teacher is very important, which will help and encourage the children to learn a new language and culture.

If you are interested in what the Board discusses, please feel free to come along and observe one of the meetings. I can be contacted through the school office, and will be able to let you know what we will be discussing at each meeting.

Rebecca Wright



**Parent Helper's Needed
Faction Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 24 August &
Friday 26 August
Please contact Ms Farinosi
cindy.farinosi@education.wa.edu.au**

Keyed Up Music Lessons

Keyed Up Music will be teaching keyboard and guitar group lessons in Term 3 after school. Lessons start at \$19.80 for a small group per lesson. If you are interested in your son/daughter learning either guitar or keyboard, please call Savanna on 6107 8841 or 0479 171 424 or enrol at www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form





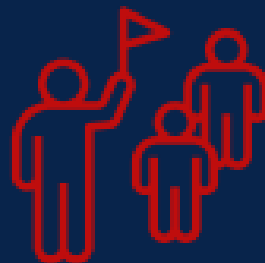
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ENROLMENTS 2023

PARENT TOURS

WEDNESDAY 24 AUGUST 2022 - 8:45am - 9:30am

Parents you are warmly invited to come and view our college in action for a 45 minute guided tour and find out more about our comprehensive Year 7 to 12 programs, academic enrichment program (STEM and Humanities), Specialist cricket and fashion design and school based programs. We have something which tailors for EVERY student to draw and build on their personal strengths and aspirations.



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Event code: fymrf

Alternatively call us on 9408 8000 or register via our website:

www.belridgecollege.wa.edu.au > NEWS & EVENTS

DON'T MISS OUT!

LIMITED PLACES FOR YEAR 7, 2023
AVAILABLE IN:

SPECIALIST PROGRAMS

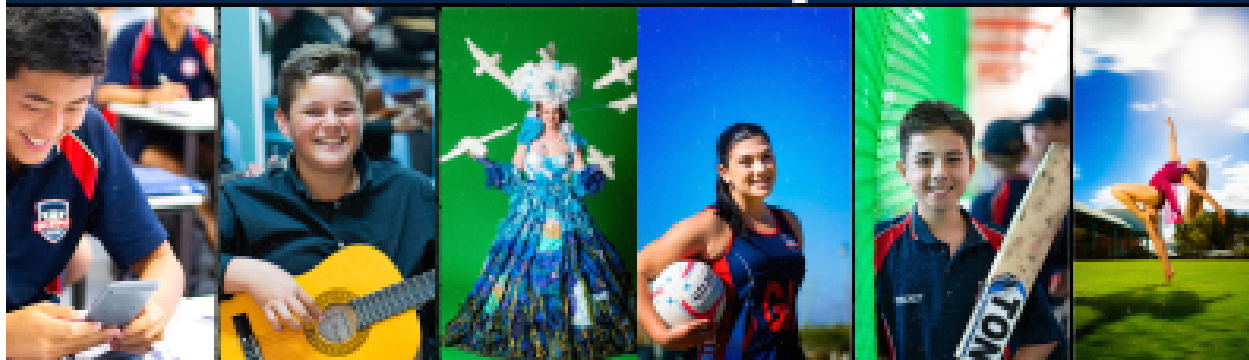
- Specialist Cricket
- Specialist Fashion Design

SCHOOL BASED PROGRAMS

- Academic Enrichment Programs in STEM and/or Humanities
- Elite Netball
Trials Thursday 18 August
- Elite Music
- Elite Dance

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