

# Newsletter

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*“Quality learning in an innovative, caring environment”*

Term 4 Week 6

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**Our Values: RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, LEARNING**

**Our Beliefs:**

- ❖ Excellence in quality teaching and learning
- ❖ Technology and innovation
- ❖ Caring secure environment
- ❖ Equity
- ❖ Community connectedness
- ❖ Respect and responsibility
- ❖ Creativity and diverse opportunity

We have a number of students who have life threatening anaphylactic allergic reactions to all nuts and peanut products. We would like to encourage families not to send these products to school with their children. These include peanut butter, nutella, sesame seeds, loose nuts, muesli, nut or chocolate bars or any products containing any type of nuts. We also encourage children NOT to share food at school.

**This week...**

**TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER**

School Swim Scheme

**WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER**

Hunter Life visits

School Swim Scheme

Australian Youth choir auditions

**THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER**

Choir performance

School Swim Scheme

Cup Cake Day (KGreen & Prefects and Captains)

**CALENDAR PAYMENTS DUE**

**No late payments can be accepted**

**FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER**

Dance 2BFit

School Swim Scheme

Edgie Idol Grand Finalists announced

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Monday 18 November**

School Swim School continues

Edgie Idol rehearsal for finalists

**Friday 21 November**

RSVP for Year 6 Farewell

**Monday 25 November**

Year 4 Swimming Program commences

**Thursday 5 December**

Christmas Carols

**Principal's Report Term 4 Week 5**

**Selective High Schools Application**

Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2015 is now open. Parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their children to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2015 are requested to apply online. Online applications will be available from 15 October to 18 November 2013. Application information is available on the Department's internet at: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement) Parents without internet access can collect a paper application from the school office. Paper applications must be submitted by 18 November 2013.

All students seeking Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2015 will be required to take the Selective

High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 13 March 2014.

### Stranger Awareness

This week students have been reminded of the importance of addressing safe practices in walking to and from school including: being alert to look and listen, never accepting a lift from a stranger, telling a parent or teacher if feeling unsafe, walking with a buddy and knowing the safe routes to and from school.

A useful website to reinforce these messages with your child can be found at [www.safety4kids.com.au](http://www.safety4kids.com.au). Student safety is a priority; please notify the school of observed unsafe practices.

### Partial absences

It is important that children arrive at school in time to commence the day's activities to ensure they do not miss valuable learning time and class information shared at the commencement of the day. Persistent lateness additionally causes disruption to the class.

**Classes at Edgeworth PS start at 9.10 am** so all children are encouraged to be at school prior to this time. Parents bringing children after the commencement of the teaching program are asked to gain a leave pass which is handed to the classroom teacher. This will ensure that your child is not marked absent.

Similarly, if an occasion occurs that your child needs to leave early, it is required that you notify your child's teacher and receive a late notice from the school office.

#### Some interesting facts to consider:

- If your child is regularly late they miss huge amounts of learning time, regular lateness has the same impact as absenteeism.
- Missing one day a week from school from Kindergarten to Year 10 means missing two years and one term of schooling.
- There is a direct correlation between attendance and achievement
- Being 15 minutes late for school twice a week equals missing 5 hours a term and 20 hours a year of missed schooling.
- Poor attendance makes it difficult for students to form positive relationships with their peers.

### School Entry Gates

Morning and afternoon traffic around the school causes a number of safety concerns particularly around the staff car parks. These areas have a high traffic activity and ability to see small children when reversing cars is particularly difficult. The staff car parks are reserved for staff use only. **All students, parents and members of the community are requested to enter and exit from the pedestrian gates ensuring not to walk through the staff car parks on Minmi or Oakville Roads.** If you need to use the car park because your child has an injury, please notify the school office and an approval for use will be given. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

### Parking at Neighbourhood Centre

Staff at the adjacent Edgeworth Neighbourhood Centre have requested that parents do not use the car parking facilities for the purpose of dropping off and collecting children from school. Parking is limited and reserved for those people using the centre for personal business.

### Congratulations Students

Congratulations to Hayley Kaiser, Sapphire Tabas and Dina Iliopoulos who have achieved 12 Spotlight Awards and will be enjoying a celebration morning tea on Friday 15 November.

Jennifer Parke

### RECYCLING BINS

Thank you to these children for being generous in giving up their time to monitor the recycling bins so that we all learn to recycle right:

Kate, Alex, Aarez, Aiden, Cyle, Kai, Natasha, Tiarne, Jed, Tyson, Taylor, Shinnikah, Jaimee, Will and Kaidn from 1OW.

James A, Joshua, Rebecca and James from 2E.

Hayden and Colin 2C.

Shaun, Sophie and Abbie from 1O.

Ayden and Jerome from 3P.

Joshua, Aiden and Jarrod from 4M.

Keely and Holly from 3M.

Rebecca and Callum from Kinder Orange.

Emily and Indira from 2M.

Shaun and Kia from Kinder Green.

Imogen and Callum from 2M.

**EARLY STAGE 1**

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November preschool, kindergarten and year 5 students attended the 'Teddy Bears Picnic'. The teachers even dressed up in costume.



The Kindergarten students wrote stories about the day.

Today we had the Teddy Bears Picnic. Some people went under the parachute. I had lots of fun and so did the others. We did relay racing.  
(K.Blue)

Today we went to the teddy bears picnic and we had to line up because we will get mixed up and I was with Mrs Pusz. We had fun activities.  
Nathaniel (K. Orange)

Today it was the Teddy Bears Picnic and there were lots of activities with teddy bears in it. After the games we had a picnic.  
Harrison (K. Green)

This morning we went to the teddy bears picnic. We all went to do activities and we all had to bring a teddy. My favourite activity was balancing.  
Kiani (K. Orange)

I played teddy says with my teddy. I went round the parachute. I went in my classroom. My teddy and I had a race.  
Koen (K. Blue)

Today it was the teddy bears picnic. We had to take our favourite teddy to school. I took my favourite cat and dog. After the activities we got to have a picnic.  
Jenay (Green)

I liked when we danced. We raced. We put the teddy bears in the parachute.

Mia S (K. Yellow)

This morning I carried a teddy on a spoon. Then we went dancing. We had to freeze when the music stopped.

Ben (K. Yellow)

On Wednesday we had a teddy Bears Picnic at school. There was a teddy and spoon race where you had to put the teddy on the spoon and run without dropping it. The next activity was dancing one of the dances we did was the hokey pokey and we did musical statues. You dance but when the music stops you freeze. After dancing we watched a story. Finally we had recess and I felt happy.

Alea (Kinder Pink)

Today I brought my pink teddy to school. My teddy has clothes and a necklace. I can draw on my teddy bear. My teddy has a skirt. My teddy has white too. I drew a lollipop on her hand. She has a pink ribbon on her head too. She is quiet sometimes. I keep her on my bed. I drew blue lipstick. My teddy has a heart nose. My teddy is a little bit big. She has shoes they are pink like her body. I drew orange legs. My teddy is pretty. I always play with my pink teddy in my bedroom.

Sienna T (K. Pink)

Thank you to everyone who attended the picnic we all had a wonderful day.

Miss Phillips

**STAGE 3**

Just a quick reminder that the RSVP for the Year 6 Farewell has to be in by 21 November.

**CUP CAKE DAY THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER**  
**Host classes Kinder Green and Captains and Prefects**

Students from these classes will be bringing in a range of tasty, nut-free cakes, slices and biscuits. These will be available to purchase at recess under the primary cola (6H) and the infants cola (2E). Prices 50c - \$1.00



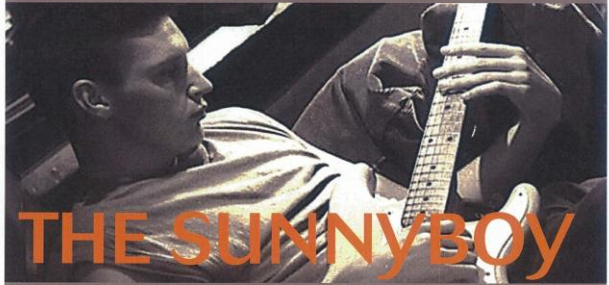
**Glendale Junior Rugby League Football Club**

(Glendale Gorillas) will be holding a 2014 Pre-Season Registration Day on Sunday 17 November 2012 from 10.00 am - 1.00 pm at Edgeworth Sports and Recreation Club, 1A Park Street, Edgeworth. This is for all age groups - Under 6's to Under 16's. If you are a new player to the Club you will need to bring your birth certificate/passport with you. Everyone must bring a parent to sign forms and pay a \$50 deposit Enquiries can be made by emailing [gorillas-registrar@hotmail.com](mailto:gorillas-registrar@hotmail.com) or phoning Neil Davies (President) on 0403 280258, Lynette Adamson (Registrar) on 04086 42601, or Debbie Campbell (Secretary) on 0411677727. You can also get more details from the Club Website [http://www.sportingpulse.com/club\\_info.cgi?clubID=102874&c=7-2358-0-0-0](http://www.sportingpulse.com/club_info.cgi?clubID=102874&c=7-2358-0-0-0)

**LOST** 18 carrot gold wedding band (male) at the Aussie-A-Thon at the hill in Area 4, just outside the assembly hall. The band has a sequence of 3 grooves all around the ring. This is very sentimental as it is the original wedding band and we have our 10 year anniversary in December. Please pass on any information to the office.  
Thankyou  
Garry and Karen Hagan

**CARERS NSW INVITE YOU TO AN EVENING OF EDUCATION FILM AND MUSIC**

WHEN: 28 November 6.00 pm - 9.00 pm  
WHERE: Tower Cinemas, King St, NEWCASTLE  
COST: \$10 Tickets available from [www.stickytickets.com.au](http://www.stickytickets.com.au)  
CARERS receive FREE entry: contact 9289 4280 to secure tickets



**THE SUNNYBOY**

DIRECTOR KAYE HARRISON (Crossing the Line (2005) and The Long Goodbye (2010), will share her experiences about making the Sunnyboy documentary

CATHERINE CROLL (Director of Cultural Partnerships Australia) will have on display her studio and session photographs of the Sunnyboys taken in the eighties and nineties

Speakers also include: former professional surfer and 3P™ founder Paul Parkes, Camel Loughland; a leading schizophrenia researcher from the University of Newcastle and the band DOG ACT will perform a live version of the Sunnyboys hit single 'Alone with you'

## CANTEEN NEWS

**ONLINE ORDERING** is here at Edgeworth Public School.

Just go to the website: [www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au](http://www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au) and follow the easy steps of registering. More information at the Canteen - pick up a flyer.

**SWIMMERS** can still order their lunch. It will be kept in the canteen for them to pick up on their return. Please ensure their lunch bag is marked clearly with 'SWIMMING'

**Helpers needed for 2014.** If we get enough volunteers it works out to be once every 4 weeks. If you are able to help in any way please call in and see Jenny or call the school with preferred day/s.

### Roster for week beginning 18 November

Monday 18 November	Tuesday 19 November	Wednesday 20 November	Thursday 21 November	Friday 22 November
S Millington B Jarvis	G Hillier	M Randall J Allsop T Mackey	K Bramley A Nichols	A Helyer A Hodges D Ross

### Roster for week beginning 25 November

Monday 25 November	Tuesday 26 November	Wednesday 27 November	Thursday 28 November	Friday 29 November
S Millington L Robinson	S Whitehall	R Cashmore Theresia	L Freund K Martin M Whyte	B Kite A Blundell S Roxby