

# Edgeworth Public School Newsletter

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**Responsibility**

**Learning**

## Term 4 Week 7 Principal's Report...

### School Evaluation

The school evaluation process is near its final stages and information gathered through forums, focus groups, data analysis, document analysis and surveys is being reviewed and synthesized into reports by the evaluation committee members. This information will be included in to the 2013 Annual School Report (ASR) and the 2014 school plan will be developed following this evaluation process. Thank you to the many parents, staff and students who have provided feedback and information in this process and to the parents and staff on the evaluation committee.

### New-look newsletter

As part of the school evaluation process, a focus group evaluated all forms of communication across the community including the newsletter, website and school facebook. Details of this evaluation will be shared in the ASR but some changes will be implemented immediately. As result today we have a fresh new-look newsletter developed by committee members to better promote the school and make news items more easily accessed by the community. The newsletter will now be distributed fortnightly.

To additionally improve communication the school will be establishing an Edgeworth Public School App to provide instant information easily accessed by all phone uses.

### Thank you P&C

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the P&C for their continued support throughout the year. This is a small team of highly dedicated parents and members of the community who have the interests of our school and more importantly our children at the heart of everything they do. Last night our P&C generously offered \$15,000 to purchase technology devices to support our major technology plans for 2014. The infrastructure will include a whole school wifi system to enable mobile learning pods and interactive technology.

During 2013 the P&C have provided funds for an interactive white board (\$7,500), Kindergarten books (\$5,000) and presentation day awards (\$3,000). These donations represent an amazing effort from fundraising and canteen operations. Thank you to all parents and community who support our P&C and to our many canteen helpers who volunteer their time to support our school. Our next P&C meeting will be 3 February 2014.

### School choir

Our school choir performed magnificently at a community Christmas event last week singing a variety of well-known carols to parents and shoppers at the

## Upcoming Events

**TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER**  
School Swim Scheme

**WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER**  
School Swim Scheme

**THURSDAY 21 NOVEMBER**  
School Swim Scheme

**FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER**  
Dance 2BFit  
School Swim Scheme

**MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER**  
Stage 2 Learn to Swim Program  
Edgie Idol rehearsals

**TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER**  
Stage 2 Learn to Swim Program  
Stage 2 Surf Fun Day

**WEDNESDAY 27 NOVEMBER**  
Stage 3 Surf Fun Day  
Stage 2 Learn to Swim Program

**THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER**  
Dance 2BFit  
Stage 2 Learn to Swim Program

**FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER**  
Stage 2 Learn to Swim Program

**MONDAY 2 DECEMBER**  
Edgie Idol full dress rehearsal

**TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER**  
Year 6 Fun Day

**WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER**  
Year 6 Orientation GTHS  
Little Trains Excursion K-2



Due to enrolled children's' **life threatening Anaphylactic allergic reaction** 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.

Edgeworth shopping centre. The students have demonstrated a keen commitment to the choir, attending regular rehearsals and proudly representing our school through our values respect, responsibility and learning. Well done and thank you to Miss Martin for encouraging music in our school.

### Thank you Students

Congratulations to Tahlia Potts, Isabella Dingwall and Katie Dingwall for showing initiative and organising a colouring competition to support our school library. The funds raised by the girls were used to purchase additional books. Thank you also to Blake and Emma Millington for their generous donation of quality used books for our library.



### School Uniforms

A selection of used school uniforms will be available from the school hall on Wednesday 27 November. These items of clothing are free and all excess will be given to the Salvation Army after this date.

### Book packs

In 2014 all students will be required to purchase a book pack containing all items applicable to their grade. Packs will vary from \$35 to \$50 and include stationery, books, folders, mental text and magazines (Y5-6). In addition each student will receive and 12 month subscription to online resources Mathletics & ABC Reading for school and home use. This is a huge saving on the normal cost for a 12 month student subscription (\$99 Mathletics & \$79.95 ABC Reading Eggs). Further information on the book pack your child will require will be sent home later this week.

**To make book packs affordable they will be subsidised by the school and NO school contributions will be requested.**

It has been brought to my attention that a member of the community had their vehicle tampered with while parked outside the school in Oakdale Rd on Monday 4 November. Could anyone with information on this incident please notify the school office.

Jennifer Parke

### Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition

Last term Year 5 and 6 students sat the Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition. Our students have achieved outstanding results and we are incredibly proud of them all. Congratulations to the following students:

**High Distinction** – Emily Griffith and Tiarna Van Leeuwarden. *These two girls have also been invited to the Primary Mathematics Camp at Myuna Bay in March next year. Congratulations, an outstanding achievement!*

**Distinction** – Ava Elliott, Maddison Whyte, Hayley Van Leeuwarden, Heath Goodman, Kobi Handford, Mia Pearson, Callum Quinn, Cheymeka Randell, Azmina Shafie, Shaelee Trimble and Jorja Lynham.

**Merit** – Elise Mitchell, Tameia Herma, Liam Adamson, Harrison Minter, Cooper Polley, Riley Thoroughgood, Braydan Linstrom, Jayden Rae, Joshua McMurtrie, Jayden Connolly, Alexander Campbell, Chloe Hillier, Mitchell Jackson, Kai West, Emily Coverdale, Byron Bruce, Brittney Shearer, Bayley Marks, Joel Goddard, Nehemiah Botor, Nathan Hillier, Tamika Nicholson, Nathan Freund, Rhys Hanley, Hayley Kaiser, Jacob Morgan and Joshua Campbell.

### Super Sporting Achievement

Congratulations to Mason Rae who has been selected from a pool of 300 players to be part of the 2014 U9 Emerging Jets team. A wonderful achievement and we look forward to him playing in the Jets colours!

## Awards

### Early Stage 1

Paige Herrmann, Kane Dean, Tiarna Elvidge, Koby Goodwin, Lara Edwards, Kyson Wynter, Jael Botor

### Stage 1

Dillon Hickey, Patrick Collins, Johnathan James, Emily McMurtrie, Whill Pheto, Alexandra Knox, Mason Walsh

### Stage 2

Alana Rimmington, Coby Forrest

### Stage 3

Hayden Black, Joshua Whitehead

## PERMISSION NOTES & PAYMENTS DUE

### Early Stage 1

Hunter Life for Preschool \$7 each

Model Trains payment due 2 December \$5 per student

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### Stage 2

Party Day payment due 9 December \$28 per student

### Stage 3

Party Day payment due 10 December \$33 per student  
Year 6 Farewell payment due 22 December \$32 each

## Stage News

### Early Stage 1

Kindergarten students will be going on an excursion to Edgeworth Model Steam Trains on Wednesday 4 December. A note will come home this week. On Friday 22 November Kinder Green will be hosting our assembly at 11:40 am.

### Stage 1

As the end of year is approaching rapidly it is becoming an extremely busy time. There are a number of items involving us that are coming up in the next few weeks including the finishing touches on reports, a close to our successful School Swimming Scheme this Friday, our Stage 1 Edgie Idol grand finalists will be performing for us on Thursday 5 December, practise for our upcoming Carols By Candlelight on 5 December and our Recognition Assembly on 11 December and of course our end of year party day on 17 December. Information regarding details of these events will be sent home very soon and I encourage all parents to come along to as many of these as possible and be involved. Please put these events into your calendar.

### Stage 2

Just a reminder that payment for our party day to Strike Bowling is due. We are looking forward to a great day. The Surf Fun awareness day excursion is full with a waiting list. Congratulations and good luck to our Stage 2 Edgie Idol grand finalists - should be a wonderful event!

### Stage 3

Stage 3 children will be attending a Surf Fun Day next Wednesday (full). Party day money is due by Friday 10 December. Don't forget that the Year 6 Farewell money is due this Friday, 22 November.

## DANCE GROUPS FOR SEMESTER 1 2014

Next year we will be running our day groups again. There will be three groups: Junior - Years 1 and 2, Middle - Year 3 and 4 and Senior - Years 5 and 6. A note for the dance group will be sent home in week 9. If your child would like to participate in the dance groups please complete the note and return to school with payment of \$90.

## EDGIE IDOL

Congratulations to all of this years' Edgie Idol Grand Finalists. There were hundred of great auditions this year which made it hard for the audience to choose which acts moved on to the final. Our annual "Edgie Idol" Grand Final will be held on Thursday 5 December. The concert is traditionally run in a similar fashion to the TV show with judges, audience involvement and of course, overall winners. It will be held in the hall with two identical performances being at 11:45 am and again at 1:50 pm. All parents, grandparents, relatives and friends are welcome to attend. Our finalists are: Elise Mitchell, Ava Elliott, Hayley and Tiarna Van Leeuwarden, Maddison White, Emily Griffiths, Cheymeka Randell, Summah Wilson, Mady Marshall, Kiarnah Gesell, Lily Caunt, Megan Clarke, Taylah Austin, Chloe Hillier, Sarah Mansfield, Amber Hillier, Tahni Kilroy, Kyanne Richards, Abby Stokes, Jayden Rae, Tim Lanfranchi, Cameron Dawber, Kendall Walsh, Kendal Walsh, Shakira Bye, Jackson Porcu, Lucy Rutherford, Tahlia Potts, Katie Dingwall, Abbey Emerson, Hayden Bryant, Wade Neilson, Indira Rippon, Mia Elliott, Ellie Mackay, Regan Simpson, Cooper Lewis, Cayden Berbatovci, Nathan Hillier, Jack Hillier, Isabella Hillier, Lauren Bryant and Mia Pearson.

## CANTEEN ROSTER

### Beginning Monday 25 November

Monday 25 November  
S Millington, L Robinson

Tuesday 26 November  
S Whitehall, B Handford

Wednesday 27 November  
R Cashmore, Theresia

Thursday 28 November  
L Freund, K Martin, Megan White

Friday 29 November  
B Kite, A Blundell

### Beginning Monday 2 December

Monday 2 December  
K McCafferty, K Coulin

Tuesday 3 December  
J Egge, D Parker

Wednesday 4 December  
A Bergquist, L Mistelbauer

Thursday 5 December  
K Campbell, M Burns, K Nupier

Friday 6 December  
M Chapman, S Gian

## CANTEEN NEWS

Volunteers for 2104 urgently required. If you can help please call the school or see Jen in the canteen - every little bit helps!!!



There will not be a P & C Meeting on 16 December. Our next meeting will be Monday 3 February 2104.

**Christmas Raffle** - ticket and money are due back by 4 December. The raffle will be drawn at the Carols by Candlelight on 5 December. We are hoping to better our total from last year....\$2000.00!! Help support your school!!!

## ZONE SUMMER SPORTS GALA DAY 2013

On Friday November 1, the Edgeworth PS Junior and Senior Cricket, Kanga, Soft-ball and T-Ball teams travelled to Federal Park to play in the annual Zone Summer Sports Gala Day. The teams played matches against Glendale East PS, Edgeworth Heights PS and Elmore Vale PS. All teams were successful in their matches, with lots of fun had by all the boys and girls, to go with all the 6s and home runs that were hit, and catches, run outs and wickets taken too. A big thank you to all of the parents who came and supported the students, particularly Mrs Hillier for assisting with the Kanga cricket team.



Edgeworth Public Schools presents.....

## Carols by Candlelight

Thursday 5th December 2013

Start at 5.30pm

- BBQ food & drinks on sale
- Coffee van
- Snow cone van
- Raffles
- Glow products on sale

**Don't forget to  
purchase your  
children's  
Christmas  
artistic tile for  
\$5**



Bring the family,  
a blanket or chairs  
and kick off the  
festive season.

**Special Performances by:**

**Shelby Lincoln, Northlakes Salvos Band,  
E.P.S Choir, Performances from stage  
groups and many more ....**

**Special Guest MC :**



## CHEMICAL CLEAN OUT SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER 9 AM - 3:30 PM

Items accepted include:

**From your home:** solvents & household cleaners, floor care products, ammonia based cleaners, fluorescent globes and tubes.

**From your garage:** paint and paint related products, pesticides and herbicides poisons, gas bottles, fire extinguishers, pool chemicals, hobby chemicals, acids and alkalis.

**From your car:** car batteries, motor oils, fuels and fluids

Only household quantities accepted 20 kg or 20L max. container size.

**Location:** TAFE student carpark, Maitland Rd (opposite Henry St) Tighes Hill.

This event is open to Lake Macquarie residents. For more information, call the Environment line: 131 555 or go to [www.cleanout.com.au](http://www.cleanout.com.au)