

Edgeworth Public School Newsletter

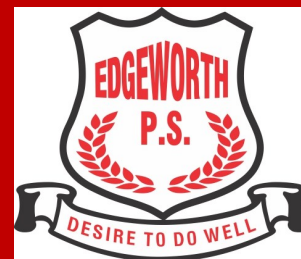
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Respect

Responsibility

Learning

Dear parents and caregivers,

Enrolments 2015

Resourcing of classes for 2015 is currently being undertaken to ensure staff and program requirements are effectively in place for the coming year. If your child is currently in Kindergarten to Year 5 and for some reason is not returning to Edgeworth PS in 2015 could you please notify the school.

Transition to Kindergarten

Pre-school students have been experiencing a new school setting this term with classroom visits being conducted to support their orientation to Edgeworth PS and to ensure the school is best prepared to meet their needs at the commencement of 2015. All parents of children starting Kindergarten have been offered an individual 'meet and greet' with the principal or deputy principal during the transition phase. These meetings have been scheduled via an online appointment system. Please advise the school if you are aware of anyone who has overlooked enrolling their child for next year to ensure their inclusion in the transition program.

Bus Bay

After years of discussion and investigation, approval has finally been granted for the installation of a bus bay at the western boundary of the school playground near the Life Education Centre. Construction is due to commence in December 2014 and anticipated to be completed for the start of the new school year. The relocation of the bus bay will alleviate the traffic congestion and improve pedestrian safety in Minmi Rd as students enter and leave in the morning and afternoon.

School Assemblies

Each Monday a brief whole school assembly is held in the school hall to welcome students, set the tone for the new week, address information pertinent to the week, reinforce our school values, and commend excellent student achievement. These assemblies are coordinated by our student leaders and include the singing of the school song and national anthem.

In addition to our Monday assembly, stage assemblies are held at various times of the week and/or fortnight to address stage interests and showcase stage items, and whole school assemblies are held at mid and end of each term to celebrate achievements and showcase a stage item.

Parents are more than welcome to attend our assemblies, particularly our whole school assemblies on Friday 11.35am in weeks 5 and 10 each term. Our next whole school assembly is Friday 7 November in the school hall.

Upcoming Events

WEDNESDAY 29 OCTOBER
2015 Kindergarten Orientation
9:30 am - 11:00 am
Cup Cake Day
Dance 2B Fit

FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER
Zone Summer Sports Gala Day
Bandanna Day
Preschool 2015 Orientation
9 am - 10 am

MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER
Stage 3 auditions for Edgie Idol

TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER
Coles excursion 3E, 3M & 4M

WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER
Coles excursion 4P, 4S & 3/4O
Kindergarten 2015 Orientation—
Teddy Bears' Picnic 9:30 - 11:30
am
Premier's Spelling Bee State Final

THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER
P & C Disco in School Hall

FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER
Whole School Assembly 11:40 am
Grandparents Day 11:40 am

MONDAY 10 NOVEMBER
Year 2 Intensive Swimming
Program commences

MONDAY 17 NOVEMBER
Rehearsal for Edgie Idol contestants
P & C Meeting 6:30 pm

MONDAY 24 NOVEMBER
Edgie Idol Performance

THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER
Carols by Candlelight

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.**

Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day will be celebrated with a whole school assembly and picnic lunch on Friday 7 November commencing at 11.35am in the school hall. Last year we saw a record crowd in attendance and hope to match it again this year!
Jennifer Parke

Deputy Principal Report

Attendance Tip # 5 Develop incentive programs to encourage and reward the behaviour you want to see. Everyone likes to be rewarded for trying hard and doing their best. Kids respond to small rewards, praise and small treats. Nothing big or expensive, maybe just time with you kicking a ball in the park, a bike ride or fish and chips! You could also use a chart and put a sticker on each time your child gets ready for school on time. At the end of the week you could agree on a reward for their efforts. Being positive makes everyone happy!

Kindergarten 2015 Meet and Greet

A reminder all families of Kindergarten 2015 students have received a note outlining an informal meeting with either myself or Mrs Parke. Parents are able to make the bookings by visiting www.schoolinterviews.com.au and entering the code **D6BVC** to choose the most suitable 15 minute session. This is an ideal opportunity to begin the shared educational journey of your child.

Sun safety

This spring has seen temperatures soar. A new information pack with the latest advice on sun safety is available for schools and parents.

Find out more: <http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/studenthealth/sun-safety/index.php>

Digital citizenship

We're the first generation of parents responsible for equipping our children with digital citizenship skills – how to use technology safely and responsibly, and how to evaluate, manage and use the information and tools they find online.

Here are some tips to get you started:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/raising-good-digital-citizens>

Peter Graham
Deputy Principal

Awards

Early Stage 1

Hunter Sutton, Ella Rose, Will O'Driscoll, Zayd Thoroughgood, Thomas Iliopoulos, Jake Roscoe, Harper Selmes, Angus Caunt, Henry Smith Djarrah Douglas, Riley Slee, Lacy McFayden, Jessica Xu, Sophie Dorsett, Bohdi White, Andrew Lewis, Jack Gill

Stage 1

Chelsea Elvidge, Xander Towers, Rebecca Field, Paige Harrison, Sachin Rippon, Thomas Brenner, Jayden Kite, Indiana Bridge, Jasmine Walker, Brock Ramplin, Hope Denniss, Sienna Kirkland, Taj Barton, Kiara Doig, Kya Faith, Tyeisha Shaw, Braden Stoimenoff, Jai Bramley, Brodie Phillips, Emma Millington, Taylor Knowles, Clayton Styles, Luke Smith, Jacinta Gill, Laura Squires, Amelia Ivin

Stage 2

Georgia Chapple, Noah Watkins-Putney, Taylah Freund, Cooper O'Connor, Mitchell Hulme, Blake Ramplin, Zahid Shafie, Alana Rimmington, Drew Martin, Gianna McEwan, Brittley James, Chelsea Parkinson, Aiden Cook, Abbey Morgan, Caitlan Graham, Zac Ehrenreiter

Stage 3

Blake, Spruce-Conn, Josh McMurtrie, Tahni Kilroy, Taylah Austin, Kirilli Saunders, Lilly Caunt, Jack Hillier, Kobi Handford, Emily Griffith, Daniel Mackinnon, Jesse Trimble, Alex Cox, Blake Bridge, Abbey Bramley, Joshua Nupier, Olivia Childs, Mady Marshall, Michael Knowles

Stage News

Early Stage 1

We have had an excellent start to Term 4. Students that have purchased a bandana in support of the SRC fundraising for the children's cancer charity Canteen, may wear these bandanas at school and everyone is encouraged to wear them on Friday. This Friday at 9:15 am it is K Yellow and the kindergarten students from K/1P's turn to host our assembly. Parents are welcome to attend. Next Wednesday, 5 November, is the Teddy Bear's Picnic, please bring your favourite teddy! On Thursday 6 November, is the school disco and our excursion to the Little Trains at Edgeworth is coming up on 3 December.

Stage 1

Stage 1 are enjoying studying Transport this term, culminating in our annual visit to the Little Trains at Edgeworth. Students are also studying Push and Pull in science. Assessment tasks are continuing and teachers are working extremely hard on reports which will be handed out at the end of the year. We are holding Stage 1 reward day on Thursday 6 November for all students who consistently demonstrate our school values of respect, responsibility and learning. A special afternoon of play outside will be enjoyed by all Stage 1 students who have not been to planning room or their timeout room this term. Any students not involved in the afternoon will be working on a social skills program.

Year 2 swimming school will begin on 10 November and finish on 21 November. If the 60 places are not filled by Year 2 students, the program will be offered to Year 1 students. Please send in notes and money as soon as possible. Have a busy but fun fortnight!

Stage 2

Stage 2 is well into a busy term, with lots of great learning and assessments being done in the classroom. There are also lots of activities coming up so be sure to put the following items on your calendar.

Friday 31 October, Bandanna Day - The SRC have been selling Bandanna and Students can wear them to school to support the Cancer Council

Tuesday 4 November - 3M, 3E and 4M Local Excursion to Coles

Wednesday 5 November - 4P, 4S and 3/4O Local Excursion to Coles

Thursday 6 November - School Disco in the Hall

Also, Surf Fun day notes for year 3 went home yesterday so be sure to get your payments in, as this excursion is limited to 58 places. Year 4 will soon get details of the swimming program that will be run for them in Week 8.

Stage 3

Information about applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2016

If you are considering applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2016, applications must be completed online. The application website (www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement) closes on Monday 17th November 2014.

ABSENCE NOTE

Student: _____

of Class: _____

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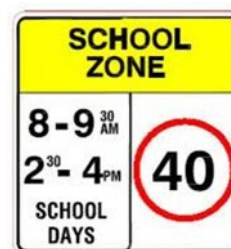


Date/s absent: _____

Reason: _____

Parent/Caregiver's Signature: _____

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LOST SOMETHING?

There is a lost property box located near the school office.

Please remember to label all items that are brought to school so that they can be returned to your child if they go missing.

Glendale Technology High School 2014 GATS Transition Program

Four year 6 students, Ava Elliott, Maddison Whyte, Braydan Linstrom and Cooper Polley, are currently participating in the Glendale Technology High School 2014 GATS Transition Program. This program involves the students completing a study of an eminent and notable person; researching what drove the individual on to achieve their personal best. On the 18th November, these students will present their project to an audience at Glendale Technology High School.

Ice Cream Day

Thank you to the students of Edgeworth PS who bought ice creams last week to support Year 6 in their fundraising efforts for a gift for the school. Congratulations to all the Stage 3 students who brought in items to assist with the sales.

Upcoming Events

A number of events are coming up for Stage 3 students that will require payments. These include:

Dance 2B Fit (Year 6). This will continue until week 8. Payments are due by this Friday, October 31
Summer Sports Gala Day- Friday October 31. Payments due ASAP

Stage 3 Sun Surf Day- Thursday November 27

Year 6 Farewell- Tuesday December 9

Stage 3 Party Day- Tuesday December 16

Notes regarding these events have been distributed.

Year 6 Photos

Photos from Year 6 students for their Farewell movie are due to Mr Gray by this Friday.

2015 Prefect Applications

Thank you to all the Year 5 students who have submitted an application to be a prefect in 2015. Students will be advised of the next step in the process shortly.

Year 6 Farewell

All year six students received an invitation to the Year 6 Farewell last week. The Year 6 Farewell is on Tuesday 9 December at Club Macquarie. RSVP and full payment is due to the office by 21 November.

Speeches

A reminder that Stage 3 speeches are due week 5.

Edgie Idol Auditions

Stage 3 auditions for Edgie Idol will be held next Monday, November 3.

Disco

The school disco will be held next Thursday, November 6, from 7-8:30pm. It would be great to see all Stage 3 students attend.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Beginning Monday Tuesday 3 November

MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER
K McCafferty, K Coulin

TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER
B Handford, B Jarvis

WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER
Anita Bergquist, L Mistelbauer

THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER
K Nupier

FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER
M Chapman, S Gian

Beginning Monday 10 November

MONDAY 10 NOVEMBER
Aleisha West, J Hepworth

TUESDAY 11 NOVEMBER
O Standen, J Young

WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER
L Towers, B Towers

THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER
S Millington, L Mistelbauer

FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER
M Thoroughgood, A White, K Talevski

PIZZA DAY WEDNESDAY 19 NOVEMBER

All orders and money to be in at the canteen by

FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER.

Order forms available at the canteen.

**NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE
ACCEPTED**

YAKKA DAY

On 17 October, Stage 3 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and their friends were invited to attend Yakka Day, a careers day that gave them the opportunity to learn more about various occupations by attempting some of the skills used in particular jobs. The students had a fantastic day taking part in all of the activities.



PERMISSION NOTES & PAYMENTS DUE

Early Stage 1

Preschool Fees

Stage 1

Year 2 Intensive Swimming

Stage 2

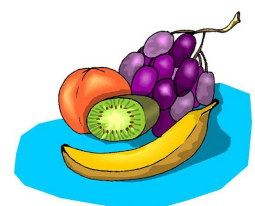
Stage 3

Dance to b fit - Year 6
Stage 3 Party Day
Year Six Farewell



The next P&C meeting will be
held tonight Monday
17 NOVEMBER
6:30 pm

Don't forget Fruit Break



SCHOOL DISCO - THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER

Theme: Rainbow colours - come as bright as you can wearing fun, loud clothes and glow items

Prizes for best dressed, best dance and teacher's favourite pick.

Cost: \$4.00 each



Session Times: Kindergarten - Year 2 - 5:30 pm - 6:45 pm
Year 3 to Year 6 - 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm

ALL children **MUST** be dropped off and picked up by an adult. Parents are welcome to stay and enjoy the disco with your child.

Glow items for sale. Drinks, chips and lollies will be available for sale on the night.

Volunteers needed - please text Megan 0402515070 if you can offer assistance for 1 or both sessions.

Student Safety Around Staff Carpark & Roads

The 3:10 pm pick-up time is a 'heavy traffic' period of the day when we need to take extra care for the safety of students leaving the school grounds. The school carpark is an **OUT OF BOUNDS** area for students and parents between the hours of 8.00am and 3.30pm. The carpark is used for **STAFF PARKING ONLY**.

The new disabled parking area is for the safe drop-off and pick-up of students and parents with special needs only.

Please keep in mind these very important safety procedures:

- Use the pathways and gates when entering and leaving - don't walk your children through the carpark or use the drive-ways as an entry or exit.
- Use the pedestrian crossing - don't walk your children across the street, and **never** call them from across the street.

Park on the street - do not enter the carpark unless you or your child have special needs.



Information about applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2016

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2016?

You must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement



Key dates

Tuesday 14 October 2014

Application website opens

Monday 17 November 2014

Application website closes

Thursday 26 February 2015

Test centre advice

Thursday 12 March 2015

Selective High School Placement Test

Early July 2015

Outcome advice

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

There is more information at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

The selective high school placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Unit.

Contact details

High Performing Students Unit

NSW Department of Education and Communities

Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au Telephone: 1300 880 367 Fax: 02 9266 8435

Postal address: Locked Bag 53, DARLINGHURST NSW 1300



SPORT

Over the last fortnight a number of students have achieved some wonderful success in the sporting world.

NSW PSSA Athletics

Edgeworth Public School students Megan Clark and Jack Hillier recently competed at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival in Sydney.

Megan competed in the 13 years girls 100m. After her heats on Wednesday, Megan qualified 4th fastest for the semi-finals. She then placed second in her semi-final, and qualified 3rd fastest overall for the final. In the final, Megan ran the race of her life, claiming a bronze medal in a time of 14.67 seconds!! In doing so, Megan became the first Edgeworth PS student to claim a medal at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival in the past 20 years (possibly ever).

Jack competed in the Junior boys Shot Put. In a highly competitive field of the top 40 junior boys shot putters from across the state, Jack threw to the best of his potential, recording a best distance of 8.83m. This saw Jack place 24th in NSW for his age group. Being in Year 5, Jack will have the opportunity to attempt to qualify again next year and look to go even better.

Congratulations to Megan and Jack on your efforts.



Lake Macquarie Rugby 7s

On Friday October 17, Edgeworth PS's Senior 7s rugby team competed in the inaugural Lake Macquarie Rugby 7s at Hunter Sports High School. Unfortunately 2 schools pulled out in the days leading up to the tournament, leaving Edgeworth to play 2 matches each against Wirripang PS and Valentine PS. In Edgeworth's first match against Wirripang, the team ran hot, running in 8 tries (Megan 2, Andrew 2, Durrahn, Beau, Daniel and Blake tries), with excellent matches from Durrahn, Megan and Blake in a 40-0 win. The team began slowly against Valentine PS, trailing 10-0 early, before Andrew inspired the team with one of the tries of the season. From here Edgeworth took control, winning 20-10, with tries to Andrew, Daniel, Blake and Lachlan. A 15-0 win, with tries to Blake, Heath and Durrahn, in the return match against Wirripang followed, including strong games from Lauchlyn, Heath and Lachlan. Edgeworth's final match doubled up as the final against Valentine PS. Edgeworth played one of their best matches of the year, dominating the match to win 20-0, including doubles to Beau and Daniel. This saw Edgeworth crowned as the first ever winners of the Lake Macquarie 7s, while Andrew was chosen by the tournament organisers as the player of the day. It was a fitting way to finish the year for the team, capping off an extremely successful year, which included winning the Newcastle Rugby 7s, Hunter Rugby 7s and representing at the NSW Primary Schools Rugby 7s for the third time, runners-up at the Paul Harragon Cup and Digby Rayward Shield, and quarter-finalists in the state wide Bryan Palmer Shield NSW PSSA Rugby Knockout, in a snapshot of their achievements.

The 2014 awards were given to-

Players Player (selected by the team)- Blake Spruce-Conn

Most Improved (selected by the team)- Megan Clark

Coaches Award- Andrew Jarvis

The following students gained representative selection throughout the year- Beau Walker (Hunter PSSA Rugby Union), Heath Goodman (Hunter PSSA Rugby Union and Crossroads Zone PSSA Rugby League), Durrahn Douglas (Hunter PSSA Rugby Union, Crossroads Zone PSSA Rugby League and Crossroads Zone PSSA Touch Football), Tuveia Leon (Crossroads Zone PSSA Rugby Union and Rugby League), Andrew Jarvis (Crossroads Zone PSSA Rugby Union, Rugby League and Touch Football), Lauchlyn Spicer-Douglas (Crossroads Zone PSSA Rugby Union and Rugby League), Megan Clark (Crossroads Zone PSSA Rugby Union), Lachlan Crofts (Crossroads Zone PSSA Rugby Union) and Mason Snowden (Crossroads Zone PSSA Rugby League).

The boys and girls played in great spirits throughout the year, and were incredible ambassadors for Edgeworth Public School. I would also like to thank all of the fantastic parents who have supported the team throughout the year, including travelling to Sydney, Scone and the Central Coast, as well as all over Newcastle and the Hunter. Without you, none of this would happen. Finally, I would like to personally thank Brett and Sarah Goodman. A number of parents helped out throughout the year, however Brett and Sarah went above and beyond. Brett helped run water and warm the team up at almost every match and carnival, while Sarah would always be happy to take photos. Thank you again.



Summer Sports Gala Day

The Crossroads Summer Sports Gala Day will be held at Federal Park this Friday October 31. Teams have been selected, and notes and \$6 for bus fare and competition levy are due ASAP. Teams will be competing in T-Ball (Stage 2 girls), soft-ball (Stage 3 girls), Milo cricket (Stage 2 boys) and cricket (Stage 3 boys and girls). Please remember to wear your school hat, and to take lots of water along with recess and lunch.

Mr Gray and Miss McGrath