

Edgeworth Public School Newsletter

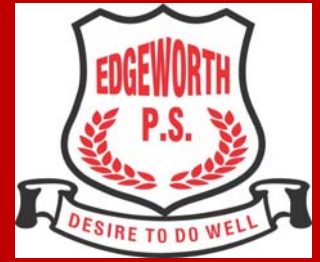
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Respect

Responsibility

Learning

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

School Uniform Forum

A representative from the School Council, P&C and school staff are in the process of reviewing the current Edgeworth PS uniform and procedures. The main purpose being to consider better choices for both boys and girls, offer a tartan skirt for the girls, include the coloured crest on the polo shirt, and offer a sport uniform which would include track pants and jacket for the colder weather.

At this stage some of the ground work has been done and a variety of companies have been contacted to price options in preparation to present to the community for consideration. School Council, P&C and staff have been informed and updated at each stage of the planning and consultation process. Additionally, students have been consulted through the Student Council.

A community forum is planned for 6pm Tuesday 2 December in the school library to share all information to date, provide examples and discuss options. Parents unable to attend are invited to respond to the **survey linked on the school website** or call into the school office to collect a paper copy of the survey. All responses will be collated on Wednesday 3 December and information reported in the Week 10 Newsletter. Please note, if new items of clothing are introduced as part of the school uniform it would not occur until the middle of 2015 and would be transitioned in over a two year period.

Enrichment Classes

Next year we will be offering three enrichment classes in each stage. Enrichment classes are established to promote cooperative group learning, maximise student learning with attention to high order thinking skills and provide opportunities for like-minded students to work together. Students' suitability for enrichment class placement is assessed against school data including academic assessment, ability to learn in groups and demonstrated maturity and resilience. Placements are limited based on the formation of class numbers and offers are for one year. Offers of placement for 2015 will be distributed to parents this week and acceptance is required by Tuesday 2 December.

Student Leaders 2015

Congratulations to the 12 boys and 17 girls who participated in the leadership selection process for a position in 2015. All candidates completed an application, produced a promotional poster, participated in a Q&A session and presented a speech written at school. The calibre of all students and the quality of leadership they each demonstrated was extremely high and made the task of voting for our student leadership team very difficult. Successful candidates will be announced at Presentation Day 15 December.

Upcoming Events

WEDNESDAY 26 NOVEMBER

Year 4 Swim Program
Surf Fun Safe Program Stage 2

THURSDAY 27 NOVEMBER

Year 4 Swim Program
Surf Fun Safe Program Stage 3

FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER

Year 4 Swim Program

SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER

School Spectacular 7 pm on NBN

MONDAY 1 DECEMBER

Stage 1 Whipplescrumptious Day

WEDNESDAY 3 DECEMBER

Little Trains Excursion K-2
Year 6 GTHS Orientation Day

THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER

Year 6 Fun Day
Christmas Carols 5:30 pm

FRIDAY 5 DECEMBER

Whole School Assembly

MONDAY 8 DECEMBER

Stage 3 Robogals Workshop

TUESDAY 9 DECEMBER

Year 6 Farewell
Christmas Scripture Assembly

WEDNESDAY 10 DECEMBER

Appreciation Morning Tea for
volunteers

MONDAY 12 DECEMBER

Stage 1 Recognition Assembly

MONDAY 15 DECEMBER

Presentation Day 9:30 am

TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER

Party Day

WEDNESDAY 17 DECEMBER

Year 6 Clap Out 2:30 pm

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.**

Art Gallery

Our student art gallery in the school foyer has been changed over with another eight outstanding pieces of art selected from each Grade P-6.



Congratulations to: Arwen Blackert, Annelise Harrison-Virag, Tayla Spicer, Nate Cox, Brielle Bailey, Holly Dunn, Maddie Rose and Brooklyn Wilson whose work has been selected for exhibition. I encourage parents of these students to call in to the office to view our gallery.

Dance 2015

Procedures for dance groups will be changed in 2015. Dance groups will be offered for both seniors and juniors in tap and jazz and coordinated by teaching staff. Details of the changes and applications for placement will be sent out with the newsletter. A **Cash only** deposit of \$20 will secure your child's place. Thank you to Miss Welsh, Miss Tongue and Miss Darcy for coordinating these opportunities for our students.

Book Packs

The school is currently finalising book packs for 2015, please keep an eye out for these notes that will be coming home soon. Payments can be made after Tuesday, 2nd December.

Thank You Edgeworth P&C

I would like to extend my deep 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. Our last P&C meeting for 2014 was held last week and already they began planning fundraising activities for 2015.

During 2014 the P&C provided funds for 120 iPads, netball uniforms, classroom resources, Presentation Day awards, and leaders blazers for 2015. These donations represent an amazing effort from fundraising and canteen operations. I sincerely thank each and every P&C member, parents and community who support our fundraising and our many canteen helpers who volunteer their time to support our school.

Jennifer Parke
Principal



Awards

Early Stage 1

Will O'Driscoll, Zayd Thoroughgood, Takelli Smith, Ella Rose, Myra Feltus, Isabella Brodie, Emilio Bye

Stage 1

Hannah Mackey, Maddison Forrest, Dale Gargett, Will Pennington, Skye Bozic, Indiana Bridge, Riley Laws, Brock Simpson, Linken Austin, Myles Lees, Alyssa Palozzi, William Hallett, Izzy Donald, Ethan Roxby, Damien Cox, Kai Goodwin, Tiarna Saiivanea, Max Blackert, Andrew Smith, Shaun Grant, Mian Dzananovic, Cyle Hodson, Jacinta Gill, Johnathan James, Khalid Shafie, Riley Ackland Jenay Reedman, Kayne Murray, Aiman Zuhaina Will Bailey

Stage 2

Cobia Randall, Dina Iliopoulos, Jacob Hagan, Summer Gairns, Kiera Bailey, Tiarnah Bartley, Ashleigh Barber, Maddi Woodward, Issy Hillier, Jack Denniss, Loghan Douglas, Bailey Haliday, Seth Howson, Mitchell Jeffery, Aidan Kembrey, Lara Cockburn, Bella Woodward, Jacob Martin, Shiralee Mitten, Patrick Morris, David Pelasio, Jorja Russon-Hill, Zhakri Shafie, Mitchell Woodbridge, Aliah Kelly, Brittley James, Calum Kaufman, James Armstrong, Alex Morrison, Gianna McEwan, Ellie Mackey, Mason Walsh, Angelo DeGrandis, Brielle Bailey, Jacob Martin, Georgia Chapple, Jack Barlow, Lauchlyn Spicer-Douglas, Laine Harrison, Abbey Morgan, Ella Harrison, Ariana White, James Nicholls, Angel-Star Gian, Ben Allsop, Hayley West, Mia Marks, Hannah Thoroughgood, Lillie Edwards, Coby Forrest, Taylor Nimmo, Zac Ehrenreiter, Darcy Livingston, Ashanti Doig, Mikaihla Elvidge, Katian Smith, Calum Kaufman, Keely Parkinson, Reagan Simpson, Makenzie Helmers, Cameron Jeanes, Noah Hodges, Sophie Whitelaw-Stephens, Kiarna Murnane, Alana Rimmington, Brenton Bye, Summer Gairns, Abbey Goodwin

Deputy Principal's Report Planning Room

There are a range of strategies schools employ to ensure a climate of effective engagement and discipline. At times playground interactions need to be referred to the planning room whereby students have the allocated time to discuss their opinions and explain their social interactions. Students who attend planning room may write down a statement, clarify details and also jointly create a plan with the executive teachers to ensure future success. At no time is planning room seen as a punishment but an opportunity to ensure all students have the opportunity to express their point of view and an agreeable resolution is achieved.

PBL Design Competition

The Positive Behaviour for Learning framework sets high expectations for our students in terms of social interaction and learning attitudes. As part of the annual review process of PBL students are being asked to design a mascot to represent the core values of Respect, Responsibility and Learning. Student designs will be used as the beginning stimulus for a mascot to be used in all publications and school signage promoting PBL. Students can draw, paint or use a computer to design a mascot and they also need to explain why they chose this mascot and how it represents our local area and our school values. All designs will go to the PBL team where the most appropriate design will be chosen. Students must hand their designs into the front office by Friday 5 December.

Kids, homework and lies

Do you think your child is lying about their homework? Listen to psychologist Anne Hollonds chat with James O'Loghlin on what to do when the dog eats the homework.

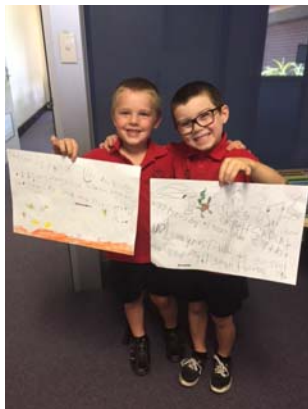
Homework tips: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/kids-homework-and-lies>

Maths at home

Kids' early experiences with measurement are often based on watching their parents. Seeing mum or dad measure and pour ingredients for a recipe or weigh items at the fruit shop will often become part of their play.

Maths at home: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/mathematics-tips/helping-your-child-measure-mass-and-volume>

Quality Work



Toby Fennell and Thomas Bailey

Peter Graham
Deputy Principal



Awards

Stage 3

Blake Lloyd, Patti Monley, Chloe Hillier, Logan Nicholls, Tegan Robertson, Summah Wilson, Shakira Bye, Jacob White, Aimee Maughan, Georgia Richards, Chloe Morante, Natalya Brisbane, Blake Llod, Kobi Handford, Hayley Van Leeuwarden, Hayley Potts, Harry Smith, Zac Hopton, Annelise Fincher



Late Arrival & Early Pick Up of Students

Parents/carers are advised that children who arrive late to school need to come to the office to get a "Late Arrival" note, regardless of whether they are accompanied by an adult.

If you are picking up your child early from school, parents/carers or a designated person MUST come to the office to get an "Early Leaver" note before collecting their child. Teachers will not allow your child to accompany you unless you provide them with the Early Leaver note.

Stage News

Early Stage 1

It has been a very busy time for students in kindergarten with much still to look forward to before the year concludes. Students had the opportunity to watch the final of Edgie Idol 2014. Congratulations to our ES1 performers—Jack Gill and Tyla Lindeboom.

This Friday at 9:15 Kindergarten Pink and Blue will unite to co-host our final ES1 assembly of 2014. Parents and families are invited to attend.

Next week we have our visit to the little trains.

Children will need: a water bottle, recess in a plastic bag for easy transport, a hat and comfortable covered shoes for safety. It is recommended that students also come wearing sunscreen and insect repellent. (They may bring these with them if they wish.) We will be walking to and from the site so children need to wear shoes that will not rub and they don't want to carry a heavy bag overfilled with heavy food.

On the 4th of December ES1 students are asked to come with a bag of change to spend at the Year 6 Funday. Money raised goes towards the Year 6 gift to the school. The day is a fun and fabulous event involving games, activities and experiences run by Year 6.

Carols will also be held in the evening. ES1 will be performing on stage. They have also decorated Christmas baubles to sell.

Recognition Assembly is at 9:30 on December 12th. This also includes our pre-school students and families. Presentation Day is on December the 15th at 9:30.

Stage 1

Edgie Idol

Wow! The Stage 1 performers in the Edgie Idol concert yesterday was amazing. The effort in choreography, rehearsals, costuming and stage presence were enormous and the audience loved it all. A special mention to our judges Lady Thor (Miss Goldberg), Jaimaican Me Crazy (Miss Martin) and Marcia Hines (Miss Pusz) who provided great feedback, inspiring many of the performers to keep going on their journey.

Whipplescrumptious Day

A note will go out today regarding our movie day excursion on Tuesday, 16th December. Next Monday (1st December), Stage 1 will be having a Whipplescrumptious Day to celebrate our learning about Roald Dahl. Students are encouraged to dress up as characters from Roald Dahl's stories and will join in fun activities across the stage, including cooking, creating an OompahLoompah dance and art activities.

Stage 2

Surf Fun Day

Tomorrow Year 3 children will be attending the Surf Fun Safety program at Nobbys Beach. Children are reminded to get to school on time as the bus will be leaving at 9:10. It is also essential that children bring swimmers, towel, sunscreen and plenty of food and water to get them through the day.

Recognition Assembly

Stage 2 Recognition Assembly will be on Thursday 11 December at 11:40. Parents, family and friends are invited to attend.

Party Day

Children are reminded that party day is coming up on Tuesday 16 December, where a visit to Lambton pool and a pizza lunch has been organised. Notes and payments need to be made to the office as soon as possible.

Student Safety Around Staff Carpark & Roads

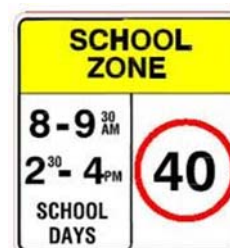
The 3:10 pm pick-up time is a 'heavy traffic' period of the day when we need to take extra care for the safety of students leaving the school grounds. The school carpark is an **OUT OF BOUNDS** area for students and parents between the hours of 8.00am and 3.30pm. The carpark is used for **STAFF PARKING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



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.

Stage 3

2015 Prefect Applicants

Congratulations to all Year 5 prefect applicants who presented their speeches to the school last week. All participating students presented their speeches with confidence and pride and should all be very proud of themselves. Successful applicants will be announced at Presentation Day on Monday 15th December.

Robogals Workshop

All girls in Stage 3 will participate in a free Robogals workshop on Monday 8th December at Edgeworth Public School. These workshops entail basic robotics programming and testing in order to meet challenges and solve problems. All girls in Stage 3 have received a Robogals Media Release Form which needs to be completed and returned to their classroom teacher by Friday 28th November. Please refer to the school website if you require another copy of the note.

Glendale Technology High School 2014 GATS Transition Program

Four Year 6 students, Ava Elliott, Maddison Whyte, Braydan Linstrom and Cooper Polley, presented an engaging speech at Glendale Technology High School on 18th November as part of the 2014 GATS Transition Program. The program involved students completing a study of an eminent and notable person; researching what drove the individual on to achieve their personal best. The students researched and gave engaging presentations on Fred Hollows, Jessica Watson, Bill Gates and Steve Jobs. Well done!

Orientation Glendale Technology High School

Glendale Technology High School would like to welcome our Year 7 2015 students along with their parents and carers. The information night will be held on Tuesday 25 November in the high school multi-purpose centre starting at 5 pm with a tour of the school grounds. Year 7, 2015 will have an orientation day on Wednesday 3 December. Edgeworth students will arrive at Edgeworth PS at 9 am to get their names marked off the roll. Year 6 teachers will escort the students to the buses where the high school staff will take over supervision for the day. Edgeworth students will be returned to the primary school by 2:45 pm. Full school uniform must be worn. There is no cost to our students for the buses. Please make sure that parents/carers sign the permission note and return it to the class teacher.

Year 6 Graduation Book

The Year 6 Graduation Book will be on sale shortly at \$3 per copy. This price is being subsidised by PACER refunds. Students will be able to purchase one copy only from Mrs Haley.

2015 Canberra Excursion

The 2015 Canberra excursion will take place from Tuesday, 17th March to Thursday, 19th March. The cost of the trip will be \$340.

To help parents with the cost of the trip, a \$50 deposit can be paid now. Numbers are strictly limited to 60 students. For this deposit, there is to be **NO ONLINE PAYMENTS**. Only a cash deposit will be accepted.

Year 6 Fun Day

The Year 6 Fun Day will be held next Thursday, 4th December. Year 6 students have their stalls and areas selected. They are responsible for bringing in all of their materials, equipment and prizes.

Students from other grades are reminded to bring their money for the stalls in coins.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Beginning Monday 1 December

MONDAY 1 DECEMBER
K McCafferty, K Coulin

TUESDAY 2 DECEMBER
B Handford, B Jarvis

WEDNESDAY 3 DECEMBER
A Bergquist, L Mistelbauer

THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER
K Nupier

FRIDAY 5 DECEMBER
M Chapman, S Gian

Beginning Monday 8 December

MONDAY 8 DECEMBER
A West, J Hepworth

TUESDAY 9 DECEMBER
O Standen, J Young

WEDNESDAY 10 DECEMBER
L Towers, B Towers

THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER
S Millington, L Mistelbauer

FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER
M Thoroughgood, A White,
K Talevski



HELP WANTED!!!

Volunteers are needed in the canteen for **2015**. If you and/or your friends, relatives are able to help in the canteen one day every week, please call the school or pop into the canteen and Jenny. Thank you for your support.

Library News

Thank you to all the happy customers who purchased 430 books from our 20c book sale. We raised \$86.00 to buy some brand new books for the library. Already two books, *Guinness World Records 2015* and *The Impossible Quest: Escape from Wolfhaven Castle*, have been put aside ready for borrowing next year and there'll be more to come.

Please look at home for any Edgeworth Public School library books (our school name is on the barcode) and return to the library by next Friday, 28 November. There will be no more borrowing this year to allow me to chase up any overdue books before school finishes. I would particularly ask Year 6 students to have a good hunt in their classrooms and homes.

All the Premier's Reading Challenge awards are now organised for our recognition and presentation assemblies. Most awards will be acknowledged at stage recognition assemblies. Gold and platinum awards will be presented at the presentation assembly on December 15. Congratulations again to the 134 students who completed the challenge and to the parents who supported them.

Mrs Mitchell

Thank You

The Environmental Committee would like to thank Whalen's Nursery for their very kind and generous donation of the brightly coloured petunia flowers. The SRC environmental students have planted and are maintaining the flowers in the two garden beds between the canteen and the library. Thank you to Jessica Armstrong, Lauren Bryant, Jessica Duncan-Lindley, Ava Elliott, Maddi Rose and Hayley Van Leeuwarden for your fabulous commitment and support.

END OF YEAR ASSEMBLIES

EARLY STAGE 1	Recognition Assembly Friday 12 December at 9.30 am
STAGE 1	Recognition Assembly Friday 12 December at 11:40 am
STAGE 2	Recognition Assembly Thursday 11 December at 11:40 am
STAGE 3	Recognition Assembly Thursday 11 December at 9.30 am
School Presentation Day will be held on MONDAY 15 DECEMBER at 9:30 am	

PERMISSION NOTES & PAYMENTS DUE

Early Stage 1
Preschool Fees Hunter Life Education
Stage 1
Stage 1 Movie Excursion
Stage 2
Stage 2 Party Day
Stage 3
Stage 3 Party Day

Don't forget FruitBreak



ABSENCE NOTE

Edgeworth Public School



Student: _____ of Class: _____

Date/s absent: _____

Reason: _____

Parent/Caregiver's Signature: _____

