Term 4 Week 4 2016

Principal Report
I am so excited to be back after my wonderful family holiday to the USA. I had such a wonderful time making beautiful memories with my 3 gorgeous boys. Our highlight was meeting Mickey Mouse and as Star Wars fans, Chewbacca at Disneyland.

I was very excited to see all students and staff yesterday and share some of my adventures with them.

I was very proud to hear of all the wonderful things that the students have been achieving and the activities they have been participating in over the last 3 weeks. I love my opportunities as relieving principal of such a fantastic school.

Over the weekend our gorgeous Miss Kellert got married and I have seen some pictures and heard she had an amazing wedding day. We would like to congratulate her and wish her all the best.

I am looking forward to our busy term. After our P&C meeting and School Council meeting last night I can see it is going to be a fun term full of events.

Staffing News
For the remainder of Term 4, we have Steve Watts as a counsellor on Tuesday and Wednesdays. We also have a music therapist, Claire Hinchey, on Fridays. Next year our permanent school counsellor, Amanda Rodd, will begin her appointment.
Mrs Parkes’ contract as a Principal School Leader has been extended until the end of 2017. The relieving Principal position has been advertised and after a selection process run by Louise Gallagher. The successful candidate will begin their relieving position in 2017.

Edgeworth Public School will be holding a memorial service for Ann Bogusz in the coming weeks. More details to follow.

Staff and students are working extremely hard with assessment tasks ready for reports. Reports will go home at the end of term.

**Leadership Opportunities**
We are looking forward to hearing the calibre of speeches from our future school leaders. Speeches will occur in Week 6 and all students Years 2-5 will be given the opportunity to vote.

**Breakfast Club**
Huge congratulations to Jodie Quinn and Scott Luschwitz who are running the highly successful Breakfast Club. It’s the best fun you can have for 50 cents - a choice of juice, cereal, toast and toppings. It’s a great opportunity to have a chat with different people.

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**Stage News**

**Early Stage 1**
This term Kindergarten have been learning all things ‘Under the Sea’. This Thursday 3 November, we are going on an excursion to the Sydney Aquarium. Please ensure your child is at school at **6:45am** so we can be on the bus and **leaving school by 7:00 am**.

Please do not pack your child’s ‘school bag or lunch box’ they are too heavy and bulky. Fill a labelled plastic bag with your child’s food (no containers) just so students can dispose of rubbish throughout the day. Their bags will get lighter and lighter.

**Food:** fruit break, morning tea, lunch and lots of **extra snacks** for the bus!

**Drink:** a disposable water bottle.

NO hats will be needed as we are inside the whole day

Once we arrive, we are going under the waters’ surface to see all the different sea creatures in their environment and participating in a ‘Sea Discover’ class. We are so excited!

**Stage 1**
Just a reminder that Year 2 swim school starts next week.

This week Stage 1 students will be participating in an excursion to The Wetlands. Photos and highlights from our excursion will be published in the next newsletter.
**Stage 2**

**Stage 2 End of Year Events**

Some dates for you to mark down in your calendar-

- November 25 – Year 6 Fun Day
- December 7 – Stage 2 Recognition Assembly
- December 8 – Carols
- December 12 – Presentation Day
- December 15 – Stage 2 Party Day (notes and information on this will be distributed shortly)
- December 16 – Last day of Term 4

**Cockatoo Island and Taronga Zoo**

Congratulations to the students who attended the Cockatoo Island and Taronga Zoo excursions last week. The students were a pleasure to take away and were fantastic representatives of our school. Both the students and teachers had a wonderful time. We will be presenting short presentations on each at the whole school assembly in Week 5.

**Stage 3**

**GTHS Sports Gala Day**

Notes are due for Year 6 students to attend the Glendale Technology High School Sports Gala Day. This is a wonderful opportunity to visit the school and meet staff and students in preparation for starting High School next year. Our Year 6 teachers will be attending on the day to consult with staff about classes for 2017.

**Stage 3 Surf Safe Fun Day**

Surf Safe Fun Day for Stage 3 students that were lucky enough to be one of the first 80 students to get their money in will occur Monday 7 November. Children are required to bring swimmers, towel, sunscreen, hat, water, lunch and recess. The bus will depart for Nobby’s Beach at 9:15 and return to school by 3pm. Mrs Rowe, Miss Kellert and Mr Edwards will be supporting the students on this excursion.

**Year 6 Farewell**

All Year 6 students received an invitation to the Year 6 Farewell. The Year 6 Farewell is on Tuesday 13 December at Club Macquarie. RSVP and full payment is due to the office by Friday 18 November.

**Calendar Dates**

Put these dates in your diary for of end of year celebrations.

- Stage 3 Recognition Assembly – Wednesday 7 December
- Presentation Day – Monday 12 December
- Year 6 Farewell – Tuesday 13 December
- Stage 3 Party Day – Thursday 15 December

**Edgeworth Public School Breakfast Club**

**Breakfast Club details:**

- Where: Edgeworth Public School, Residence
- When: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
- Time: 8:30 am - 9:00 am
- Breakfast provided: Nut free cereals, fruit, toast with nut free spreads, water and fruit juice
- Breakfast Cost: 50 cents
**SRC - Fundraising/Charities Committee**

**National Bandanna Day**
Thank you to everyone who purchased a bandanna for National Bandanna Day. Edgeworth Public School raised $960.00 for CanTeen to support young people living with cancer. Well done!

**Ring Pull Collection**
Just a reminder that we are continuing to ask all school community members to collect ring pulls and send them into school to raise money for charity. The ring pulls will be cashed in to raise money for the Newcastle Ronald McDonald House.
Please start sending in your ring pulls as soon as possible. Each classroom has a bag/container to collect their ring pulls in. **Our next ring pull collection will take place at the end of Term 4.** We will weigh the amount of ring pulls each class has collected to determine which class has collected the most. Students in the winning class will get a reward. Start collecting today!

**West Wallsend High School Primary Science Competition**
Last term, Stage 3 students participated in the Primary Science Competition run by West Wallsend High School and received some fantastic results. Congratulations to Drew Martin (5/6K) who received a Distinction and came first out of 357 students. Congratulations also to Amelia Clarke (5/6K) and Kailan Linstrom (5/6K) who received Distinctions and came equal second. Edgeworth P.S students were awarded a large number of Merit, Credit and Distinction certificates. Well done to all students who participated in the competition and tried their best.

**Sport News**

**NSW PSSA Athletics**

**Athletics success!**

Congratulations to Edgeworth PS student Lainee Harrison, who has gained selection in the NSW PSSA Athletics team for the School Sport Australia Athletics Carnival at the end of November. Lainee placed second in the Senior Girls Para-Athlete 800m, booking her place on the team. Lainee also took part in the Para-Athlete 100m (6th) and Para-Athlete Long Jump (7th). Fellow Edgeworth PS students Sukontha Vaenkwaen and Drew Martin also competed at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival. Sukontha took part in the 11 years Girls Long Jump (26th) and High Jump (equal 29th), whilst Drew placed 19th in the 12 years Girls Shot Put.

Lainee will be selling raffle tickets to help cover the costs of competing at a National Carnival. These can be bought before school in front of the library and school office. We wish her luck at the carnival.
The PBL Corner

Congratulations EPS on a great start back to term 4. Students are working hard to earn Ronowldos for Ronowldo Day! Ronowldo Day will be held on Thursday December 1st. We will find out which whole-school reward was most popular during week 8.

Over the past few weeks, students have been learning about the Student of the Week award and working on improving their transitions from playground to classroom. Our PBL team have planned a range of lessons for term 4 after analysing our school behaviour data from term 3. This means that our lessons are targeted at certain problem areas or behaviours that need revisiting.

Canteen Roster

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Random Act of Kindness

Congratulations to Logan Roxby, the recipient of the ‘Random Act of Kindness Award’ sponsored by First National Real Estate Edgeworth.

Logan Roxby: Logan bought one of the last bandanas available for sale. Kyarah Douglas (a Year 1 student in 1D) told her older brother Lauchlyn that she missed out as they had all sold out. Overhearing this, Logan gave his bandana to Kyarah so she had one to wear on bandana day.

ICAS – Mathematics

Congratulations to Will Bailey who received a Distinction in the 2016 University of New South Wales Mathematics ICAS Competition. Well done to all students who participated. Miss Kellert
**Library News**

**Scholastic Book Fair is Coming!**

We are having a Scholastic Book Fair in Week 6. There will be a fantastic range of books, posters and stationery to choose from. All purchases will benefit our school! Credit card facilities will be available.

A preview day will be held on Monday 14th November for all students to make a wish list before sales begin. This may help you in knowing how much money to send to school with your child for their purchases.

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**Is your child at school or starting next year? Would you like $500 to help pay for uniforms, books, excursions or a laptop?**

To be eligible you need to:
- have a Health Care Card or a Pensioner Concession Card
- have a child at school now or starting next year
- have some form of household income, for example, your partner or yourself may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal employment.

**Saver Plus** can match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to $500!

The Smith family is now offering the Saver Plus program in your family. It is easy to join and enrol by completing the enrolment form and returning it to your child’s school, or by completing the enrolment form online at: www.example.org.au.