

EDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL An Independent Public School

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End of Year Bulletin

Welcome Everyone,

I will start by congratulating all our Year 6 students. Well done to everyone graduating this year and the School Board wish you well in your new schools and for the coming years ahead.

The graduation ceremony has been the one of the highlights for me as Chairperson, being allowed to be involved in your ceremonies over the past three years. I am always incredibly impressed in the confidence of the children and the wonderful things they think of their teachers, parents and career visions.

Over the past quarter we have been reviewing the school strategic plan and starting to prepare for the next phase of development, and planning the new plan. Largely we have achieved most of what was aimed to be achieved and as a first time plan we have done really well. We have learned a lot about the road ahead and how to improve our performance in the coming years. It is also great to see that during the plan's review we get to see the improvements coming from our wonderful children in the Naplan Test results and the team work taking place behind the scenes with the teachers and support staff in our learning community. Well done to everyone involved and now we are setting the bar for our future achievements.

We still have not been advised of our school review but anticipate it will be in the new year, and School Board will be preparing to be ready for that and working within their portfolios with the school. You can now see us on the School Website on the School Board page.

We have also been excited to meet with two great dads, Phil Dawson and Jason Beltran, on development of the <u>Fathering Project</u> for Edgewater Primary School. This looks like a fantastic project and community building program, which the School Board believe will only benefit our community and children. Watch this space for more news on that as it develops. I am sure the Dads and kids are going to love it.

Sadly, we say goodbye to a John Ingham one of our Community Board members who has managed to fit into his busy working schedule time to help put valuable time and energy into the Board. John we all appreciate your hard work and wish you well for the future.

It is also with great sadness that this is my last report as Chairperson. I have also now to move onto other things and a new career has brought about new challenges. But it has been an absolute pleasure to be involved in the school IPS journey, and have the great Board team members who make my job so easy, and the efforts of Mrs Tombs, who helped keep me on track too. Sue McInnes will be taking over my duties into the new year and assisting Mrs Tombs prepare for the new School Board year.

With these vacancies I have to reach out to you and say if you want to have a great learning experience and be involved in something special, where you get to work with some great people and have a team that works hard to get things done, I recommend you put yourself up for Board nomination. Your school needs your input and it's a great community to be involved in.

If you feel as though you're up to helping on the board feel free to complete an <u>expression of interest form</u> and see <u>board information</u> for an insight into the board's operations.

Lastly, with it being that time of year I would like to wish you a warm and wonderful Christmas, I hope Santa brings you everything you wish for and he can carry in his sleigh and until next time.

Kind regards,

Simon Young School Board Chair

Kindergarten Assembly

The last school assembly for 2017 was hosted by jour wonderful Kindergarten students.

We are proud of our little ones, who have grown and matured throughout the year.

The assembly was full of fun as well as a celebration of their achievements this year, especially in the area of oral

language and confidence.

We wish them much happiness as they begin their journey of full time school. Congratulations Kindy. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Ann Rose & Aimee Norris Kindergarten Teachers





Year 6 Graduation

On Wednesday 13 December the Year 6 Graduation Ceremony was held in Building 32 at the ECU campus in Joondalup. This wonderful venue gave the parents, relatives and friends a first class view of the over 60 students as they graduated from primary school into secondary school.

Following the ceremony, guests enjoyed a delicious morning tea in the foyer.

The following Award Recipients were announced:

Dux: **DebopamB**

Citizenship: Hannah G, Heath R **Endeavour:** Gemma B, Max sT Sport: Grace C, Benjamin N

Science: **Debopam B**

Emma S, Natacha S [tie] Art:

Music: **Bailey P**



Merit Certificate **Recipients**

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded merit certificates at the assembly this week:

PP1 Ashley S, Kiera F, Alexis H | R7 Connor B, Jackson B, Xander G, Keenan A | R8 Zarrick G, Alex F, Alexander K, Tara S, Bethany B, Harry S, Blair M, Felix A R11 Charu B

Thank you to Dean at Harvey Norman in Joondalup for the printing of the photographs.

Canteen News

Happy holidays! We have reached the end of a busy, but fun year. Thank you, on behalf of myself, the Canteen Committee - Liane, Lee, Louise and Sammy - and our 'Wednesday lady', Sharon, for all your support this year. A special thank you to the volunteers who lent a hand over the last four terms - the Canteen couldn't operate without you. We wish you a joyous festive season and look forward to seeing you in 2018.

Kerry van Drunick Canteen Manager



PT Kickboxing is holding a Sale of New Outdoor Adventure equipment, everything from Nickboxing waterproof jackets & pants, fleece tops, shirts, skirts, pants, hats, sandals, shoes & boots and backpacks etc.

Venue, Edgewater Primary School undercover area - Sunday 17 December 2017 from 9am to 2pm. Come along and grab a bargain for Christmas. All items at huge discounted prices and the proceeds raised will go to the 2018 Ride to Conquer Cancer.