Happy Holidays

Save The Last Dance For The Parents!

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded merit certificates at the assembly last week: P1 Aria, Micah, Tamzin | P2 Blaize, Dylan, Fynn, Kayla | R2 Bobby, Dakota, Taj | R3 Everly, Madison | R4 Zavier | R5 Brooke, Jayden, Jye, Lachlan, Lauren | R6 Ben, Felix, Sam | R7 Andre, Debopam, Loula | R9 Christopher, Jesse-James | R11 Clayton, Dominic, Holly | R12 Sean, Zarrik | R15 Jack, Kalais

Thank you to Dean at Harvey Norman in Joondalup for the printing of the photographs.
From the Principal
This is our last newsletter for 2016. It has been an action-packed year with this term being exceptionally busy.

School Board
The last School Board meeting for the year was held on Monday 24 November. The School Board have been very active this year in reviewing our progress against the Business Plan. I would like to thank all board members for their commitment throughout 2016, and in particular Simon Young, our School Board Chair.

P&C
The P&C have also held their last meeting for the year followed by the Annual General Meeting. Lee Tanner was elected as interim P&C President. I would like to thank Lee for stepping up to take on the position ensuring the continuation of our fabulous canteen service which the P&C run for the benefit of parents and students. All other executive positions were filled with numerous committee members. I would like to thank all P&C members for their ongoing hard work and support. Special thanks need to be extended to Derry Brome who retired from the position of P&C President for the second time around.

All the P&C committee groups work hard throughout the year to make our school a great place to be in. The Canteen Committee are always on the go, the Graduation Committee is now in full swing preparing for the Year 6 Graduation Dinner Dance, and the Fundraising Committee are already planning for 2017. Another group who work hard for the benefit of the students are the Book Club organisers lead by Claire Greenwood. Students really look forward to their book club order coming in and would be most unhappy if the service was not available.

Farewells
At this time of the year we have to say some staff farewells. I am sorry to report that Laura Woolley, one of our Pre-primary teachers, is taking time out next year to broaden her horizons with some travel plans in mind. Mrs Gwyn Bishop, who replaced Ms Hill half way through this year, is also leaving us. We may see both them back with us from time to time next year as relief teachers. Mrs Christine Perrett, who has been helping out in the library over this final semester, will be taking up a position at Somerly Primary School next year. We wish all three ladies the very best of luck into the future.

Staffing 2017
Staffing processes for 2017 are still continuing and class structures are being finalised. The planning taking place is around students needs and the expertise of staff within the constraints of allocated funds. This work will continue up to the end of the school year and possibly over the holidays. On teachers’ return, a final review will be conducted. Class lists for 2017 will be published on Monday, 30 January on the windows of the Administration Block facing Treetop Avenue at approximately 3pm.

And finally...
As this is the last formal newsletter of the year, I would like to wish all families a safe and happy holiday season. To all those families that are leaving us, my very best wishes for the future.

Julie Tombs

Dates For Your Diary

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School Development Days 2017*

| Term 1       | Friday 3 March |
| Term 2       | Friday 19 May  |
| Term 4       | Monday 30 October |

* Students do not attend school
Hour of Code

This week we participated in the Hour of Code again. The Hour of Code is the largest learning event in history, with over 100 million students participating across the world. Students from Pre-Primary to Year 2 completed activities from Kodable, and Year 3 to Year 6 students chose from either a Star Wars or Frozen themed coding experience. All of the students developed their problem solving skills whilst completing the challenging activities. We hope all of the parents who were able to join us gained an insight into our coding program and enjoyed the hour.

Canteen News

SAUSAGE SIZZLE - LAST DAY OF TERM

The canteen will be open for business in the final week of the term, however, on Thursday 15 December (the last day of term), we will be completing a stocktake and clean up in the canteen. The ONLY MEAL available to order for lunch will be a SAUSAGE SIZZLE for $3 (plain or with tomato or BBQ sauce). NO OTHER MEALS will be provided. The online ordering system will be updated shortly to reflect this. The canteen will be open at recess and lunch for normal counter sales.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and the Canteen Committee, to wish all the students, parents and staff of Edgewater Primary a very merry Christmas. Thank you to the lovely mums who have helped me out and supported me in the canteen this year; I can't run the canteen without you and I am extremely grateful to you for giving up your time to give me a hand. I look forward to seeing all of you, and hopefully some new faces too, in the new year. The canteen will be open on the first day of school in 2017—Wednesday 1 February.

Kerry van Drunick—Canteen Manager
From the Manager of Corporate Services

It’s the last newsletter for the year and I am wondering where has the time gone? Mrs Kelly and Mrs Stables assisted me in our final raffle draw for the year with thanks again to OfficeMax for providing this latest prize. Congratulations to the following families who have all won a $50 Bunnings voucher: Capelli, Cartwright, Young and Greenwood. I hope you enjoy spending it.

As seems to be the way nowadays less and less people are carrying cash with them, so the school is investigating acquiring an EFTPOS machine for the convenience of all. Currently parents/carers can pay online—details are on our website. If you do make use of this facility, please email me to say you have made the payment that way. I also encourage all Year 6 parents for 2017 to start putting money into their child’s account ready for the school camp in March 2017. Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

See you in 2017.

Kathy Dean

Chaplain’s Message

Wow, here it is, I can hardly believe that it is end of term already! At times it felt like it was going slowly but it now feels like time has flown.

I would like to congratulate all of our graduating students for completing a successful Year 6 at Edgewater Primary School. I also want to thank and acknowledge the amazing talents of the staff who tirelessly guide our students in their classes and keep our school running smoothly. We have amazing people here at Edgewater Primary School.

Have a safe and happy holiday and I wish everyone the very best for the Christmas period which hopefully will be filled with family joy and long lazy summer days!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Lisa Ingham

The Hour of Code Gallery
Dancesport Gallery