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.
Kindergarten Enrolments 2015
If you have a child who is eligible to commence Kindergarten in 2015, or know of families with children who turn 5yrs before 1st August, 2015 could you please contact the school for an enrolment application. A package detailing the transition to Kindergarten program will be distributed later this term. If you are aware of any families transferring to our area please pass on our contact details so we can make the necessary arrangements for their transition.

National Volunteers Week
Next week is National Volunteers Week 2014, a time when we say thank you to every volunteer across the country for being there for us when we need them most.
At Edgeworth Public School we are privileged to have a large number of volunteers who attend our school on a regular basis, assisting in the classrooms with reading and maths groups, helping in the library, working in the canteen, training sport teams, transporting students, delivering learning opportunities, helping with maintenance, representing panels, coordinating P&C, operating a School Council and lots more! On behalf our entire school community I acknowledge and appreciate the many, many, wonderful things each and every volunteer does. A huge THANK YOU.

Congratulations
Congratulations to Nate Cox and Shaun Grant who competed at the National BMX Championships in Shepparton Victoria and Harrison Minter who competed in the Regional Tennis Championships in Newcastle District during the holidays. Your sportsmanship and demonstrated commitment to your chosen sport is commendable.

School Debating Teams
Good luck to our two debating teams who will be competing in their first tournament of the Premiers Debating Competition over the next few weeks and thank you to Miss Kellert and Miss Quinn who have been training the teams before school to ensure they are well prepared. I look forward to providing updates.

Mother’s Day
Best wishes to all our mothers celebrating Mother’s Day this Sunday, I hope you are pampered by those who love you and the day is one of enjoyment. Thank you to our P&C for coordinating the Mother’s Day stall to be held this week; your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Jennifer Parke
Principal

Mother’s Day Stall
Mother’s Day stall will be held on Thursday, 8th May. All presents are $6.00 and there are no limits to buy.

P&C Meetings
P&C meetings will now be held at 6.30pm on the third Monday of the month, as agreed at the P&C AGM held in March. Our next P&C meeting is on Monday 19 May at 6.30pm in the school library. All are welcome to attend.
Stage assemblies
This term Kindergarten class will take turns in hosting out stage assemblies. Our first assembly this week will be on Friday 9th May at 9:10am. Kinder Yellow will be hosting the assembly. All parents are welcome to attend.

IPADS
Kindergarten students have had the opportunity to use iPads in the classroom during literacy groups. The students have thoroughly enjoyed this new technology and have explored a variety of apps that develop their skills in literacy and numeracy.

DEAR with me
Our favourite time of day is DEAR with me. Kindergarten students are excited to invite their relatives into their classroom to share their love of literature. The students are proud of their achievements and delight in showing parents the skills they have learnt in class. Thank you to all of our parents for your support with this program.

Welcome back to an extremely busy Term 2! We hope you have had a wonderful holiday. Congratulations to Shaun Grant who competed in the National BMX Championships last week. This term we have started Gymnastics and all classes are really enjoying the great equipment and expert tuition. Stage 1 classes are currently studying Families Past and Present, so parents and grandparents might be asked about what their life was like “in the olden days”. Notes will come home this week regarding our Public Speaking.

CUP CAKE DAY WEDNESDAY 7 MAY
It will be 4M and 1OT’s turn to host cupcake day on Wednesday 7 May. Money raised will go towards our Student Representative Council and their fundraising efforts.

Students are asked to bring any flavoured cupcakes. Please remember NUT ARE NOT ALLOWED for the safety of our students with allergies.

Cakes will be on sale during recess on Wednesday. Cakes selling for 50 cents and $1.
Welcome back and congratulations to Stage 3 on a great start to term 2. All teachers are reporting that classes have settled back well into some great learning and are looking forward to a busy term. Some of the exciting things we will be involved in this term include;

**Stage Assemblies** - these will be held on Fridays, Odd Weeks this term at 11:30am in our school hall. Parents are welcome to attend at any assembly. During our assemblies, students are awarded Spotlights, informed about thing happening, acknowledgment of students and teams doing well and sharing of class work and occasionally special items. If your child or class are presenting something special, you will be notified prior.

**Gymnastics** - this commenced in week one and students enjoyed balancing, handstands, stretching on double beams etc. The students are being provided with the opportunity to use some great equipment and receive coaching by trained staff. Students can pay up until this week for the program.

**Raw Art** - this will take place in weeks 5 and 6. Notes will go home shortly about this program. Plans are in place to hold a display of artworks created during these lessons.

**Musical** - Our school will be holding a Musical in term 3 again this year. Classes have been assigned a music genre and rehearsals will commence soon.

**Great Aussie Bush Camps** - plans are being finalised for the year 5 camp that will take place on Monday 8 and Tuesday 9 September. Information will come home shortly.

**Reports** - Semester one reports will go home in week 9.

**Uniform** - with the colder weather upon us, students are reminded that if they are wearing a jumper, it is to be completely black or red, or a school jacket. Multi-coloured jumpers are not acceptable.

Whilst Mrs Haley is in the relieving Deputy Principal position, Stage 3 will be supervised by Mrs Baird and Mr Gray. Please contact the school if you have anything you wish to discuss with them.

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**P & C TRIVIA NIGHT**

A Quick reminder to everyone that the P&C are hosting a Trivia Night on the 24th May at the Edgeworth Bowling Club. Full details and ticketing information can be found on the School website under the P&C tab or following the link attached to this message.

LIBRARY NEWS

Congratulations to these students who completed their Premier’s Reading Challenge in April: Cameron Jeanes, Hayley Jeanes, Kye Hurry, Ayden Fajkovic, Adam Fajkovic, Jai Bramley and Jasmine Borrow. There’s still plenty of time to get your reading log in to Mrs Mitchell – still 15 weeks to go.

The library poet-tree is really growing now with not only Stage 3 Patterned Parts of Speech poems but also some wonderful haiku poetry from both Stage 3 and Stage 2. Here is just a tiny sample of the work of our Edgeworth poets.

These poems were inspired by the illustrations in Graeme Base’s alphabet book ANIMALIA

**Dragon**
Big, fiery,
Running, sleeping, flying,
Delicately eating grapes,
Dragon
Braidon C. 5W

**Wasps**
Scary, yellow,
Fighting, flying, buzzing,
 Battling each other with shields,
Wasps
Myar J. 5 W

**Snakes**
Silent, slithering,
Sliding, hissing, searching,
Heading southwards to the sea,
Serpents
Tuveia L. 6G

**Cats**
Pink, stripy,
Picnicking, splashing, watching,
Catching crusty crayfish,
Felines
Kiarnah G. 6G

**Japanese Haiku poems are usually about nature:**
I love sea creatures
They are colourful and bright
Don’t run into sharks!
Kynyn H. & Kane L. 4M

The beach is awesome
At the beach I ride cool waves
When the sun goes down
Ella G. & Reece B. 4M

The cute butterfly
Is flying through the blue sky
Close to his flower
Maddi W. & Isabelle H. 3M

Thank you to all those students who bought books at our 20c book sale. I have been able to purchase 4 new books for the library. Coming up in Week 5 beginning May 26 the library will be hosting another Scholastic Book Fair for families to buy new books. More details closer in the next newsletter.

Finally I would like all those students who still have library books at home that should have been returned last term, some even last year, to have a good look at home, at grandma’s, in the boot of the car and under their beds for these overdue books and return them to the library ASAP, please. Let’s give someone else a chance to read them too.

ICAS – Computer Skills

The ICAS Computer Skills assessment will take place on Tuesday 20th May for those students who have entered in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Dawn Service attended by Mr Gray, Elise Mitchell, Hayley and Tiarna Van Leeuwarden

Edgeworth PS’s ANZAC Day

Ceremony was held on Friday May 2. It was a very special occasion, with a number of guest speakers, floral tributes, students involved in the making of an ANZAC video, and over 60 parents and family members in attendance. A big thank you to Mrs Bogusz who made 2 lovely wreaths, Mr Ken Smith for donating 2 flags, all the parents who made floral tributes for their children, and to guests Mr Ian Downie, Mr Steve Harris, Mr Syd Lynch, Mr Bob Low, Mr Peter Taylor and Steven Kentish who played the bugle.