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.
9.30 am. I acknowledge the importance of fathers, grandfathers, and male role models and the significant role they play in supporting our students, and hope they can join us for this community celebration. Thank you to the P&C for their organisation of the Father’s Day stall on Thursday 4 September for students to purchase their gifts.

Mr Mal Pring’s Retirement
After 23 years serving the Edgeworth PS community our well-loved general assistant Mal Pring will be retiring at the end of the term. Mal has done a magnificent job maintaining our large school grounds and ensuring our students have safe well kept playgrounds and classrooms. Mal has earned respect throughout the Edgeworth community through his genuine interest in our students, staff, parents and families. A retirement function will be held for Mal on Thursday 11 September, details will be placed on our EPS Skoolbag and parents are most welcome to attend.

Kindergarten Transition
Last week our 2015 Kindergarten children and their parents attended our first community gathering to outline out transition process and distribute Kindergarten Packs in readiness. If you are aware of any families with a child five years of age or turning five on or before 31 July 2015 who have not yet enrolled please ask them to make contact with the school for one of these packs.

Regional Union Team
Good luck to Heath Goodman, Beau Walker and Durrahn Douglas representing our Region in NSW Union Competition held at Kiama this week. This is a wonderful sporting opportunity for our boys and well supported by Mr Gray who is the coach.

Jennifer Parke
Principal

Deputy Principal’s Report
It’s not ok to stay away!

This week every child K-6 will be receiving an absence note to assist parents explaining absences of their child from school. Place this sheet somewhere prominent at home (on the family noticeboard or fridge) and remember to write on this note to explain any absences. As explained previously you are still encouraged to provide the school with the reason for absence several ways - by phone, in person, electronically or written. This absence note provided to all families is another way we are encouraging full attendance on each child at Edgeworth PS.

Awards
Early Stage 1

Stage 1

Stage 2
David Pelasio, Bella Woodward, Hayden Borrow, Adam Fadjovic, Chelsea Parkinson, Angelo De Grandis, Cobia Randall, Emily Webb, Katie Dingwall, Indira Rippon, Sapphire Tabas, Jacob Hagan, Amelia Clarke, Cameron Hale, Cameron O’Connell, Jack Barlow, Mackenzie Quinlan, Tiare de Boer, Taylah Freund, Jacob Martin, Lachlan Ostrowski, Taylor Nimmo, Kane Lewis, Ashton Markham, Jaxon Wilson, Lachlan Ostrowski, Charlie Barrett, Damon Giugliarrelli, Abbey Morgan, Ella Griffith, Kailan Linstrom, Kiarna Murnane, Shiralee Mitten, Luke Mudd, Isabelle Hillier, Mikka Kaminski, Ellie Mackey, Melissa Davidson, Cooper Field, Zayed Affan, Hayden Bryant, Summer Gains
Year 6 Commonwealth Games
Thank you to the hardworking students of 6G who proudly displayed their work in my office last week. Students in Stage 3 created games based on their unit of work on the Commonwealth Games. The games the students created were original, creative and full of facts.

Stage News

Preschool - As part of our Quality Improvement Plan, the preschool now has its own canteen menu. Lunch orders can be placed at the canteen prior to preschool or online. The project is part of our commitment to Munch and Move program and the National Quality Standard (2.2.1) which states that ‘healthy eating is promoted and food and drinks provided by the service are nutritious and appropriate for each child’. Our thanks go to Mrs Jenny Hampton and Mrs Kylie Nupier for their contribution to this initiative.

Congratulations to our fantastic Early Stage One (ES1) students who have demonstrated their positive attitude towards their learning through their fantastic support of our PBL Yellow Day!

I would like to remind ES1 students that Cupcake Day is this Wednesday. Bring $1, it is a great way to support your SRC!

Peer Support continues to go well. Every Monday afternoon Kindergarten students are enjoying learning with their buddies in small groups. Kindergarten have enjoyed our special visit from Henny Penny Hatchery and will miss our beautiful baby chicks.

Parents, make sure any belongings that come to school with your child are labelled. This is a big help for all children.

Our next assembly will be hosted by KBlue on 29 August at 9:15 am.

Stage 1

Thank you to all parents who are supporting our afternoon dismissal procedures. We appreciate your assistance in supporting students safely on their journey home.

Stage 1 will be involved in the ‘Reaching for the Stars’ project for Literacy and Numeracy week, based on water usage which complements our unit. A special challenge will involve a water audit that can be completed at home.

Our excursion to the Wetlands was extremely successful.
Stories from 1O:
Our Visit to the Wetlands
On the 6th of August Year 1 went to the Hunter Wetlands for an excursion. First we went to an introduction in a theatre and we learnt that Awabakal people lived there thousands of years ago. Then the Wetlands became a rubbish dump and a football field and then it changed back in to the Wetlands. Next we played lots of games. Also we went for a walk. We saw eels, ducks, and ibis. Then we went dip netting. I didn’t catch anything. Lastly we went inside to look at animals. My favourite animal was the bloodworm.
By Emma Linhart

Our Visit to the Wetlands
On the 6th of August, Year 1 went to the Hunter Wetlands for an excursion. First we went to the theatre. Next we played. Also we went to the micro-organism room and we got to look through microscopes. We saw some really interesting micro-organisms such as the bloodworm, caddisflies and the water boatman. Then we went to the tank room. We saw frogs and snakes. After that we went to the free time room and I played with the puppets. Next we had lunch and then went on a discovery walk and we saw water and lots of types of birds such as ibis. Lastly we did dip netting.
By Kyah Hodges

Stage 2

Congratulations to our Year 4 students who completed their Bike Education practical lessons last week. It looked like a lot of fun but students were learning some very valuable lessons that will help to keep them safe on the roads. They are now in the process of completing the theory exam in order to obtain their bike licence. Good luck to all!
Some students have also been successful in gaining a pen licence this term that is given to students who show consistent effort and neatness in all areas, producing quality work every time. These students have worked extremely hard to be given this privilege and they must now continue to demonstrate those skills throughout all written tasks.
Many students are also working hard on their National Parks project and from what has been brought in so far, they look amazing and students have worked hard on their independent research to extend their knowledge and explore what our great country has to offer them. We look forward to seeing these throughout the next four weeks.

Awards

Stage 2 (continued)
Damon Merrick, Blake Millington, Cobia Randall, Alana rimmingtron, Noah Standen

Stage 3
Elise Mitchell, Lauren Bryant, Koo-per Robson, Zac Hopton, Larry Quinn, Aja Rippon, Alex Cox, Luke Hepworth, Tyler Neilsen, Ava Elliott, Jack Hillier

PIZZA DAY - Wednesday 27 August
All orders and money to be in by Friday 22 August. Please note NO LATE ORDERS will be accepted.

FATHERS DAY STALL
The P & C will hold a Fathers Day Stall on 4 September. All presents will be $6 each
Library News
Congratulations to these 38 students who made the finish line of the Premier’s Reading Challenge at the last minute! Thank you to all the wonderful parents who supported them in this effort. In total, 126 students completed the Challenge. Well done to you all.
All these students should have received a Spotlight Award from me at the Stage Assemblies. At the end of the year all students will receive a special award from the Premier of NSW at each Stage’s Recognition Assemblies. If parents have any questions regarding the Premier’s Reading Challenge, could you see me before August 29 this year please? Continue enjoying reading.
Mrs Mitchell

Musical
Time is flying and students are having a great deal of fun but our musical is approaching very quickly!
Tickets have been on sale for a number of weeks now and both night performances are sold out. There are still some tickets available for the matinee but you will need to get in quick to secure these seats. All purchased tickets will be sent home during Week 8.
T-shirt orders closed last week and these have been sent for printing. T-shirts will be sent home when they arrive and students may wear these during Week 10 in place of their school shirt. I’m sure the students will look amazing in them and will be a great reminder of this wonderful time.
The program competition closed last week and congratulations to the following students whose entries will be used to make the cover and insert of our program and DVD this year: Tayla Collins (Stage 3), Ella Griffith (Stage 2), Alea de Grandis (Stage 1) and Billy Barber (ES1).
There will be a FACTS sheet come home to all parents in Week 8 outlining all the important information you need for the week of the musical. Please be sure to read this as it will explain arrival times and locations of students for drop offs and pick ups as well as lots of other important information for that week.
Students have been working extremely hard on their performances and it is shaping up to be the best show the school has produced. If you have any questions regarding your child’s involvement or requirements for the musical please see your class teacher.

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 have special needs.
Northlakes Redbacks

Home of Glendale Edgeworth Junior Cricket Club

Covering the areas of Argenton, Barnsley, Cameron Park, Edgeworth, Glendale, Holmesville, Killingworth, Seahampton and West Wallsend

Registration - Edgeworth McDonalds

Saturday 16th Aug – 11:00- 1:00pm
Monday 18th Aug - 5:30- 7:00pm
Thursday 21st Aug – 5:30- 7:00pm

Milo In2cricket – 5 to 8 years (Monday)
Registration - $70 (no weekly fees)
*Registration includes backpack, bat, ball, shirt and hat*

T20 Blast- 8 to 12 years - Coming Soon

U9/U10 (Modified) – 7-9 years (Saturday)
Registration - $155 (no weekly fees)
*New Registrations receive a free shirt and hat*

AN INVITATION TO CARERS

Do you provide care and support to another person? You are invited to Carer Connections Take the Opportunity to Connect with other Carers and listen to our Guest Speaker!

Carers are usually family members or friends who provide support to children or adults who have a disability, mental illness, chronic condition or who are frail aged.

Guest Speaker:
Kim Boettcher, The Aged care Rights Service

Topic: Planning Ahead:
Wills, Power of Attorney, Guardianship, Advance Health Care Directive

Where: East Maitland Bowling Club, Bank St, East Maitland

TIME: 10.00am – 12.00pm

COST: Free - includes Morning Tea

WHEN: Wednesday 29 October 2014

RSVP: Friday 24 October 2014

For more information or to Register Contact
HNE Carer Education & Support Program – Hunter on: 4921 4895 or 1330 887 776 or Email: Educare-Admin@hnewhne.health.nsw.gov.au (We ask that you RSVP for catering purposes)
SPORT
Our netball and soccer teams are getting towards the end of the preliminary rounds of the Friday PSSA competition, our Rugby team has also been in action, while a number of talented students will be representing the school at Regional and State Carnivals in the coming weeks.

PSSA Netball
On Friday August 8, both netball teams came home from Elemore Vale with a win each. The juniors were able to stop the other team from scoring and won 9-0. Jorjah Salzmann, Abbey Morgan and Lillie Edwards had a great game. Well done girls. The senior team also came away with a win. The score ended up 18-13 with Emily Jones, Aimee Maughan and Shae Farrell having a fabulous game. Edgeworth’s junior netball team continued their winning streak over Cardiff South on Friday August 15. The girls won 16-1 with Denequah Douglas and Makenzie Helmers showing their skills in the mid court. The senior team unfortunately lost with a score of 32-16. The girls put in 100% and played very good netball.

I am so pleased with both teams progressing well this year. The junior team have only lost one game and the senior team have lost two. Next week is our last PSSA game which is against Wallsend South at home. Good luck to the girls for the final round!

PSSA Soccer
On Friday, August 1 Edgeworth’s junior and senior soccer teams continued their winning ways with solid victories over Glendore. The Junior team scored a 3-1 victory, with Mason scoring twice as well as a goal to Logan. Others to play well included Sam, Lachlan and Mason.

The senior team took out their match with a 2-0 win courtesy of goals to Tyler and Jye. They were unlucky to not win by more, with the Glendore keeper making a number of great saves. Jackson, Jeremy and Bailey also played strongly.

Two weeks ago, Edgeworth played Elemore Vale at Upper Reserve. The juniors played hard but were outplayed by a team able to maintain possession. Although the boys gave it their all, they went down 5-1.

The seniors banded together in what they knew would be a tough match. Neither team showed dominance, with both teams having several chances. In the end, late goals, including an unconventional strike by Tyler, enabled Edgeworth to come away with the points 3-1.

Last Friday, Edgeworth played Cardiff South in a strong round of football. After a tough tussle, neither team could break the deadlock, finishing the game 0-0. Lachlan and Max were tireless in their pursuit of the ball, gaining possession for Edgeworth on numerous occasions.

The seniors started slowly, needing to play defence to an outfit that was dominating possession. The pressure became too much, with Cardiff South being the first to slide one past the keeper. From there, Edgeworth rallied and clicked into gear as a unit. Excellent passing and teamwork swung momentum in Edgeworth’s favour. Speed and positional play up front and commitment to the ball in the mids and backs resulted in Edgeworth finishing the game victorious 3-1.

LOST SOMETHING?
There is a lost property box located in the print room of 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.
State KO Rugby Union
On Thursday August 7 the Edgeworth PS Rugby Union team travelled to Scone to play Ben Venue PS, Armidale, in the Quarter-Final of the State KO Rugby Union competition. The team started very well, dominating the game, however were denied numerous scoring opportunities by some desperate Ben Venue defence, and went into halftime at 0-0. Unfortunately Ben Venue scored 2 soft tries early in the second half before Edgeworth began clawing their way back into the game. With Durrhaan, Tuveia, Andrew, Beau, Mason and Heath consistently denting the Ben Venue defence, Lachlan C was able to score to bring the score back to 10-5. Blake crossed late in the match to make it 10-10, however with Edgeworth surging home, time ran out, and with no extra time, the match finished in a draw. Heart-breakingly, for the second time in three years, Edgeworth do not progress to the finals due to the first try scorer rule. Despite their disappointment, the team handled themselves with dignity, and their sportsmanship drew the highest praise from the NSW PSSA coach who was in attendance. To make the top 8 schools in all of NSW is a fantastic achievement, and all the members of the team are to be extremely proud of their accomplishments. A massive thank you to the wonderful parents who drove the boys and girl to Scone, and continue to show unwavering support.

Hunter PSSA Rugby Union
Good luck to Durrhaan Douglas (6G), Heath Goodman (5/6K) and Beau Walker (5B) who will represent Hunter PSSA at the NSW PSSA Rugby Union Carnival in Kiama this week. Mr Gray is a coach of the team.

HEAD LICE NOTIFICATION
There have been several outbreaks of head lice within the school over the last few weeks. Could all families please check their childrens hair on a regular basis and treat as necessary.