

Principal's Update-September 2023

As we celebrate the end of Term 3, I would like to acknowledge all our staff for their outstanding effort over the term. We have had many celebrations and special events, including Science Week, Book Week, Book Fair, our Art Show and Faction Carnivals. Many staff have gone above and beyond to assist in organising these events.

Staffing Updates

Mrs Jessica Corker our school chaplain will be leaving us at the end of this term. Jess has worked at Edney PS since 2019 and has had a significant and positive impact on student and staff wellbeing. We wish her all the very best in her travels and future endeavours.

Faction Names

This term our student voice has focused on renaming our factions. Faction leaders presented the information to students about three different Noongar name options, animals, birds all plants. Students then voted on the one they preferred, with birds winning. The names for our factions moving forward will be:

- Koolbardi – Blue
- Doornart - Green
- Karak - Red
- Djidi-djidi - Yellow

Arriving at School

Students are welcome at school from 8:20am when the gates open. We have an increasing number of students arriving before this time and ask that parents ensure children are adequately supervised prior to the gates opening. Before school care is available at several centres around High Wycombe.

Class Placement 2024

The process of creating class lists for the 2024 school year will commence next term. Parents who feel they have relevant information pertaining to the placement of their child in 2024 should advise me in writing. All correspondence should be addressed to the Principal (Rebecca.Coslani@education.wa.edu.au) and be received no later than 4:00 pm, Friday, 3 November 2023. Parents are advised that requests for specific teachers and or requests for non-placement in composite classes or tandem arrangements are not considered. The school does not view these arrangements as detrimental to students' academic or social development. Parents should also be aware that correspondence provided to the Principal will be considered by staff, but does not guarantee a particular outcome being sought by parents. Requests from previous years do not follow over to the next year and therefore, must be made again.

2024 School Destinations or Not Returning to Edney in 2024

Planning for Edney's 2024 school year has commenced. Accuracy in projected enrolments is vital as it is the number of students that we are primarily funded on. I would ask that parents please advise the school if their child/ren will not be returning to Edney next year. Please email Edney.PS@education.wa.edu.au if and when you decide your child will not be returning. Please also indicate the school that your child/ren will be attending in 2024.

Voluntary Contributions

A huge thank you to the families that have paid their voluntary contributions this year. We encourage all our families to make this payment as all the monies go directly to supporting your child's education. **Progress payments** are welcome and can be paid at the School Administration or by direct deposit into the school bank account.

How to Make Payments

Payment of **Contributions** can also be made at the school office by cash, cheque, or EFTPOS or by direct deposit into the school bank account

Edney PS BSB 066-112 Acct No. 00904132

Please note child's name in details

We have enjoyed a very productive term with all children displaying the school's values of respect, and excellence. It has been wonderful to see all students engaged in their learning and building positive relationships with others. Our school website is constantly being updated; our focus has been to show our students engage in their learning.

Term Four commences on Monday 9 October 2023.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and happy holiday break and look forward to working in collaboration with you in Term 4.

Kind regards

Rebecca Coslani