



## Principal's Comment

Each year our Year 10 students take part in the ASH (Action on Smoking Health) National Youth Smoking Survey.

Nationally, smoking amongst young people has been falling and I am pleased to be able to report that our rates of smoking are well below the national rate.

Over 70% of Edgewater students have never smoked, compared with 64% nationally. In two important indicators "students who smoke daily" and "students who smoke monthly or more often", our rates are less than half of the national rate.

That's good news for two reasons. The first is obviously that smoking is very dangerous to your health. The second is less obvious. Students who smoke regularly are part of a group that perform less well at school and is much more likely to be in trouble at school.

We will continue to take a firm line on students caught smoking at school or on the way to and from school.

A J Vester  
Principal

## VOCATIONAL AWARD

### Mike Williams

Mike Williams, Senior Counsellor at Edgewater College recently received a Vocational Award from the Rotary Club of Pakuranga.

Mike has introduced and developed an "Undercover Team Approach" to the issue of bullying. This aims to change students' attitudes and behaviours using a peer involvement system and "Narrative Mediation" using trained students to work alongside their classmates.

Mike has co-authored a book called "Safe and Peaceful Schools" which is due out in November.

*Congratulations on your award, Mike.*

## ! THANK YOU !

The school hall was made available to the "Shades of Grey" band for their gig on Saturday 7 May in support of the Red Cross's Christchurch Appeal. The gig raised the wonderful sum of \$3220 and all proceeds went directly to the Appeal.

The school was happy to provide assistance and the facilities for this event to help support the people of Christchurch.

*Thank you for your donation!*



## REMINDER TO PARENTS.

In the interests of safety, we would appreciate **ALL** visitors to the school to report in the first instance to the Front Reception desk.

## JUNE 2011

Please note the following dates in your calendar:

### TERM 2:

#### Monday 13 June to Friday 17 June

The mobile Dental Service will be on site for free dental checks for Years 10 and 11. Parents should notify the school Nurse if they do not wish their child to be seen.

#### 20 to 24 June - Edgewater Idol

Flava FM will be at school to judge the Edgewater Idol finals on Friday 24 June.

#### 27 June – Campus Tour for prospective Year 9 students – details to follow.

#### 29 June – Parent Information Evening for Enrolment 2012 – details to follow.

#### Tuesday 5 July to Friday 8 July

School Production "DISCO INFERNO"

#### Friday 15 July - School Ball

Be in quick for your tickets; just \$25 deposit to Student Reception will ensure you don't miss out on a fabulous evening.

#### Friday 15 July

Last day of Term 2

### TERM 3:

#### Monday 1 August Term 3 begins

#### BOARD of TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees will meet on **Wednesday 15 June 2011** at 6:30pm in the Boardroom.

## CONGRATULATIONS STUDENTS

### Aimee-Rose Donnell

"Aimee-Rose Donnell (Year 13) submitted work and was selected for publication in issue 20 of The College Herald. "Aimee-Rose, your submission was of a high calibre and is a credit to you and your school".

### Daena Stephenson.

Daena competed very successfully at the Arafura Games in Darwin "Daena showed that New Zealand women can deliver as good as the men by winning her first international gold medal in the Welterweight class. Daena fought hard and earned an 8-4 points victory that is likely the first of

## THE EDGEWATER EXCELLENCE in EDUCATION AWARDS BREAKFAST

The **Triple E Society** at the College is a way of acknowledging the efforts and excellent performance of Edgewater College students twice a year. Students who demonstrate outstanding achievement in the areas of *Academic Excellence*, *Excellence in Sport*, *Excellence in Cultural Activities* and *Excellent Service to the College* are inducted into this exclusive society. The efforts of the students and their families are celebrated at a breakfast where awards are presented.

This initiative would not have been possible without the support of our generous business partners. **Sanitarium Health Food Company**, **Pak 'n Save Sylvia Park** and **James Hardie Industries** have been involved since the beginning of the breakfasts. **Rebel Sport** sponsored the first breakfast in 2011 and Stephen Collins, Manager of Panmure Rebel Sport, spoke about his secrets of success. These companies have supported us and we would ask the college community to support them in return so we can continue to work together. The nominees in each category were:

**Academic:** Jhanvi Dholakia, Jonathan Prins, Jessica Tai, Jessica Ly, Amy Khun, Wilson Wong and Ritha Ou.

**Service:** Jamie Latimer, Jonathan Muava'a, Kim Ke, Liam Heaven and Nicolette Upoko.

**Cultural:** Merania Waipouri, Te Haumia Warren & Marique Mafeking Brown, Nicolette Upoko & Peyrce Tanaki, Kirandeep Kaur and The Zkabby Jams.

**Sport:** Luke Istead, The Boy's Novice Four (Rowing), Brodie and Kady Clark and Joel Coffey.

The **award winners** were: Jessica Ly and Amy Khun, Jonathan Muava'a and Nicolette Upoko, Brodie and Kady Clark and The Zkabby Jams.

While not everyone can win an award, it is a significant achievement to be nominated and I wish to reiterate my congratulations to all those students who were part of the first award breakfast this year.

Richard Lamb  
Deputy Principal



### Cultural Award Winners

Nicolette Upoko  
and  
Jonathan Muava'a  
with his parents



### Sport Award Winners

Brodie and Kady Clark  
with their parents.

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The Sports Department is selling this year's Entertainment books for \$65. This is a fundraiser for the department, and the school will receive a percentage of the sales.

Entertainment Books are filled with hundreds of valuable offers from the best restaurants, attractions, cinemas, sports, hotel accommodation and much more....receive 50% off, 25% off and 2-for-1 offers!

**Purchase the new Book for just \$65 and you'll receive over \$15,000 in valuable offers you can use from now until 1st June, 2012. If you would like to know more about what is in the new book you can visit:**

<http://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/about/tell-me-more/auckland>

**For enquiries call Miss J Benjamin 576 9039.**

## NZQA

### Fee Payment & Financial Assistance

The closing date for payment of NZQA fees (\$76.70 domestic students only) and applications for financial assistance is **Wednesday 7 September 2011.**

We suggest you apply as soon as possible as there is limited funding available.

After this date we will not accept any fees for NZQA and you will instead be given a form to post with your payment direct to NZQA.

Late payments will incur a penalty of \$50 (even if you have applied for financial assistance). More information will be provided with your invoice.



## BRING IT ON DANCE GROUP

On Saturday 28 May, the Edgewater Bring It On Dance Group competed at the Auckland Bring It On Championships.

This competition showcases the best secondary schools hip hop crews in Auckland and is an exciting high profile competition for young people.

The Edgewater group performed an entertaining and well-choreographed routine. Their theme was Beauty and the Geek and they certainly looked the part! They represented our school with pride and their behaviour was exemplary. They are a credit to our school and they should all be very proud of themselves.

Congratulations to all the performers and special congratulations to Jaime Latimer, Jonathon Muava'a and Stephen Nathan who choreographed, organised, motivated and worked tirelessly behind the scenes.

Also a special mention must be given to Ms Priscilla Brown who was a valuable Mentor to the group and whose support, encouragement and "homemade hamburgers" kept the group going strong.

*Luisa Lui-Webster*



## TECHNOLOGY

Students working on their individual projects, and undertaking a practical exam in the Materials Technology workshop.

## EDGEWATER PASIFIKA BUSINESS CHALLENGE

The following students from Edgewater College will be competing in a 12 week Pasifika Business Challenge.

*Emily Poloalii, Kruz Tupou, Ngaire Taulagi, PJ Pomare, Sapani Pomare*

The students will be competing and judged against other schools in Auckland by their ability to create a model of Pacific Business Innovation and Excellence. The programme involves a "Dragons Den" type presentation of a business case. If they win they will have the opportunity to incubate it at the AUT Business Innovation Centre whilst completing tertiary study.

## Scholarship Applications

### START NOW!!

It's time check the school Web site and spend some time on the University sites.  
You will find explanations on:

- how college scholarships work
- the types of college scholarships available
- how to find them

AND

- how to apply for them.

The career advisors are always available to assist and help you with any part of the application process.

## Keep our school safe

We remind Parents to **park on the road when dropping off or picking up students before and after school.** Vehicles are not permitted to be driven through the car park at the beginning and end of the school day. This is a safety issue and there is a sign at the front entrance advising this so that pedestrians walking through the car park are not put at risk. It is only a short walk for students to meet parents at the end of the yellow, broken-line no-stopping zone.