

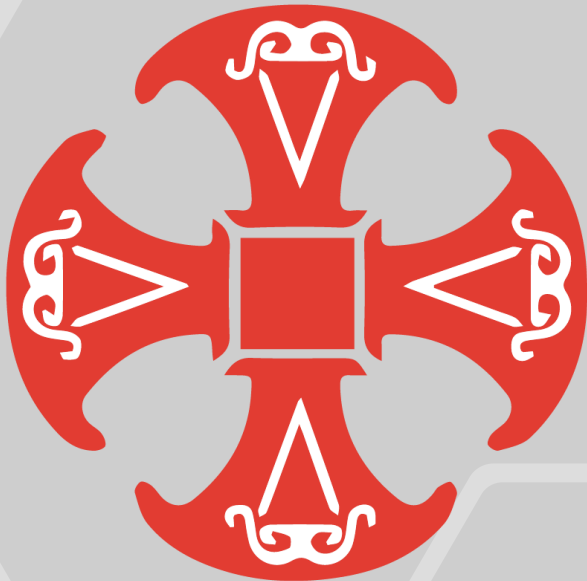
NEWSLETTER

3/2025

31 January 2025



**IT'S OUR TIME
IT'S OUR TURN**



Edgemean High School

Absentee Line Number:

068 114 3448

To have life more abundantly

Message from the Headmaster



Dear Edgemoor High School Families,
Ed-Admin Feedback

We have fully implemented the Ed-Admin School Software management system to ensure live access to learner data. This system allows each teacher to take attendance, access emergency contact details, set targets, and issue merits and demerits. As a parent, you can download the app to monitor all of the above, promoting better accountability for your child.

We are fostering a culture of trust, ensuring that learners know we recognize their positive actions while also holding them accountable for their work ethic, attendance, and behaviour.

Merits:

I am proud that our staff have awarded more merits than demerits. Notifications are sent via the app or email (please check your junk mail). In assembly, we acknowledged the high number of merits given and reinforced this by running a lottery, where a learner who received a merit is rewarded. This initiative encourages a culture of recognizing and celebrating good behaviour.

Demerits:

Please familiarize yourself with the Code of Conduct on Ed-Admin and our website. We have three levels of demerits:

Grade 1 offenses primarily relate to classroom behaviour and appearance and are managed by class teachers and tutors. All Grade 1 offenses must be logged on Ed-Admin. Accumulating five (5) demerits results in a Value Reinforcement Class (VRC- Detention).

Message from the Headmaster continued.



Examples of Grade 1 offenses:

- Homework not completed (copied from a friend, etc.)
- Appearance infractions
- Books/work materials left at home (or forgotten in a locker)
- Late coming
- Not following reasonable instructions
- Unacceptable classroom behaviour (talking out of turn, not working, etc.)
- Foul or inappropriate language/gestures
- Disrespectful behaviour
- Making disrespectful remarks or provoking confrontations
- Vandalism (writing on desks/walls) or misuse of school equipment
- Eating in class
- PT clothes left at home
- Littering

You will receive a notification via email and the app for a **Grade 1 offense**. This allows you to engage with your child and address the concern. Since Grade 1 offenses correlate directly with academic performance, learners are given five chances to rectify their behaviour before being called in by the Grade Head and assigned a **VRC**.

Teachers may escalate incidents deemed more serious to the next level of the **Discipline Tree** if repeated offenses occur despite intervention.

Message from the Headmaster continued.



Grade 2 and 3 offenses are considered serious and will be managed by the Grade Head or Head of Learner Affairs. Parents will be contacted, and appropriate sanctions will be determined based on the severity and circumstances of the incident. These cases require a thorough investigation.

Attendance:

Ed-Admin is an effective tool for tracking school attendance. If a learner is absent without a valid reason, the Grade Head will contact parents. If parents fail to communicate with the school, the absence will be considered bunking, and a VRC will be assigned.

Communication:

All communication will be shared via the **Ed-Admin app**, where notifications will be sent directly to parents. The app also stores communication records for easy access and navigation.

Enjoy navigating this tool.

Mr J Erasmus (Headmaster)

Week Ahead

3 February –
9 February 2025



Monday 3	-	Normal school day
Tuesday 4	-	Grade 10 and 11 Academic Orientation Evening. Further details under Academics in this newsletter. 18:30 – 21:00.
Wednesday 5	-	Reminder to bring sandwiches for Ysterplaat Jnr Primary on Thursday.
Thursday 6	-	West Coast Cricket Tour
Friday 7	-	West Coast Cricket Tour return on 9 th Feb.

IMPORTANT EMAIL DETAILS

Grade 8	Mrs Frazer	-	jfrazer@edgemeanhigh.org.za
Grade 9	Mr Myburgh	-	smyburgh@edgemeanhigh.org.za
Grade 10	Mrs Kroukamp	-	jkroukamp@edgemeanhigh.org.za
Grade 11	Ms Williams	-	rowilliams@edgemeanhigh.org.za
Grade 12	Mrs Jooste	-	jjooste@edgemeanhigh.org.za
Head of Academics		-	smpaulsen@edgemeanhigh.org.za
Head of Sport		-	sport@edgemeanhigh.org.za
General school queries		-	office@edgemeanhigh.org.za
Finance		-	mhill@edgemeanhigh.org.za

Academic Information



Dear Parents

We will have our Grade 10 and 11 Academic Orientation Evening on Tuesday 4

February from 18h00-20h00. The evening will run as follows:

Grade 11: robwilliams@edgemoorhigh.org.za

1. Grade 11 Parents and learners meet in the Hall (18h00-18h25) to meet Mr Erasmus and Ms Williams.
2. After this, parents with their child meet the subject teachers for a few minutes according to the timetable from 18h30-20h00 (See attached)

Grade 10: jkroukamp@edgemoorhigh.org.za

1. Parents and learners will meet subject teachers for a few minutes according to the timetable from 18h00-19h25 (See attached)
2. At 19h30 Grade 10 parents and learners will meet in the Hall to meet Mr Erasmus and Mrs Kroukamp. Until 20h00.

PLEASE NOTE:

1. Learners need to wear summer uniform with blazer.
2. One parent per learner.
3. Register will be taken in subject teacher classes.

Mrs S Paulsen

Head of Academics

Please see the attached spreadsheet with the schedule for the evening.

TEXTBOOK INFORMATION

Please take note of the following important information regarding textbooks for the 2025 academic year:

Grade 8

All Grade 8 learners should have collected their textbooks for the year. If any textbooks are missing from a learner's pack, they must report to the Bookroom (C8A) as soon as possible. Parents are requested to ensure that all textbooks are covered and that the learner's name is written in the designated stamped area.

Grade 9

Grade 9 learners are required to return their signed textbook register form to their class tutor if they have not already done so. Learners missing any textbooks should report to the Bookroom (C8A) to collect them.

Mathematics textbooks will be distributed during mathematics classes on Monday, 3 February. We appreciate your patience in this regard.

Grades 10 – 12

Learners in Grades 10 to 12 must return their signed textbook register form to their class tutor immediately if they have not yet done so. Any learner who has not received a textbook should report to the Bookroom (C8A).

Please note that textbooks may have been withheld due to outstanding returns from the previous year. If a learner has already returned or paid for a lost textbook but their new textbook is still being withheld, they should see Mrs. Rohland in the Bookroom to resolve the matter.

General Guidelines for All Learners (Grades 8 – 12)

- All learners must write their name, the year, and the textbook's condition in the stamped area on the first page.
- Learners are required to record all textbook barcodes in their school-issued diaries.
- Textbooks remain the property of Edgemoor High School and must be properly covered in plastic (if not already covered) and maintained throughout the year.
- All textbooks must be returned at the end of the academic year.
- Lost or damaged textbooks must be replaced or paid for at a cost of R300 per book. If a lost textbook is found after payment has been made, a refund may be requested from the finance office within 14 days of payment.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring that all learners receive and maintain their textbooks.



Learner Achievements

Emelio Da Costa has qualified to participate in Provincials on 22 February for the South African Arm Wrestling Federation. Congratulations Emelio.

Teagan Botha will be taking part in the Inter Provincial Figure Skating competition in Gauteng 8 – 11 February. We wish her well.

An invitation has been extended to Kiara Fernandes has achieved very well with the Hennie Bosman School of Karate, to attend a camp in Japan In June. This is a remarkable honour and we wish her well in her journey.



Kayla Dupont (Grade 12 Wi) and Zaheer Khan (Grade 12 Ab) entered the Stars of the Universe International competition for vocals at the beginning of January this year. They entered virtually. They received their results today and were awarded GOLD. Well done to you both.



Latita Ngqola has been selected for the 2024/2025 South Africa U18 Junior Men's Hockey Squad. The SA Ice Hockey Team will be participating in the annual International Ice Hockey Federation on 28 February – 6 March.



**SOUTH AFRICAN
ICE HOCKEY
FEDERATION**

Latita Ngqola
#24 Defence

W: 68kg
Club



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OPEN DAY 2025

Dear Future Eagles,
Join us at Edgemean High's Open Day to explore all the exciting opportunities, meet our passionate teachers, and discover what makes our school a great place to grow and succeed.

15 February 2025

*Booking is essential



OPEN DAY FOR GRADE 8 – 2026

Attention, Grade 7s of 2025! ✨ We look forward to meeting you at the 2025 Edgemean High School Open Day! The session will include a briefing in the hall, followed by a tour of our facilities.

To accommodate everyone, we kindly ask that only 2 parents and the enrolled child attend — no siblings, extra family members, or friends, please. Learners are to wear their primary school uniform.

Booking is essential! Reserve your spot by following this link:

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/EdgemeanHighSchoolOpenDay@edgemeanhigh.org.za/bookings/> 🎓 ✨ #EdgemeanHighOpenDay
#FutureLearners #Grade7toHighSchool

Online Study Skills Sessions



Help your teenager to study better...
27 to 31 January or 3 to 7 February 2025

Closing date to book: Fri. 23 January 2025

Let me assist your child to be more academically organised, focused, motivated, calm and successful.

I am an experienced educator and career advisor, who is passionate about empowering young people to perform at their optimal academic level.

The maximum class size will be 8 students.
Cost: R1195 for the complete course of 5 sessions or R295 per separate session.

Study Skills Topics:

Monday: (Session 1) 📅

Daily routine, goals, study environment

Tuesday (Session 2) 🕒

Time management and concentration

Wednesday (Session 3) 🔍

Summarising skills

Thursday (Session 4) 📝

Setting up test and exam study timetables

Friday (Session 5) 🧠

Memorisation techniques and exam anxiety.

Two time slots are available every day:

Juniors (Grades 7 to 9) 17h15 to 18h15

Seniors (Grades 10 to 12) 18h30 to 19h30

Contact Melanie Williams:

mel@optimize.co.za

or 0725084002 for further information on how to book an online session for your child.



**“Don’t look back
with regret,
Look forward
with hope.”**

Edgemean High School

Home to our Eagles