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From the Principal's OFFICE



Mr. Joel Erasmus

A MONTH OF INSPIRATION, LEADERSHIP AND OPPORTUNITY

This month has flown past and we have celebrated many achievements at school. Our commitment remains clear: to create meaningful, real-world experiences that prepare our learners not only for exams but for life after school. The past few weeks have been a powerful reflection of that vision in action.

Inspiring Guest Speakers: Real Stories

We had the privilege of hosting two outstanding guest speakers who motivated and inspired our senior learners.

Chris Dry, former Blitzbok and Commonwealth Games gold medallist, shared his journey from growing up in Edgemean, moving to Grey College for High School all the way to the international rugby stage. His story of perseverance, resilience, and balancing professional sport with completing a degree in Quantity Surveying left a lasting impression on our learners.

We were also honoured to welcome Juandré Kruger, former Springbok rugby player and current CEO of Cape Town Eye Laser Clinic. Juandré's remarkable journey, combining 10 years of study with elite-level rugby, completing a BCom, postgraduate studies, and an MBA demonstrated the power of discipline and long-term vision.

Both speakers emphasised the importance of resilience, education, and preparation for life after sport. Importantly, each complimented our learners on their behaviour and engagement, something we are incredibly proud of.

Learner Leadership in Action

A highlight of the term has been our Learner Leadership Assemblies.

Our prefect body addressed the school, speaking about their role and what it means to be effective, responsible leaders. Their message focused on ownership, service, and leading by example.

We also proudly introduced our new Head of the Learner Leadership portfolio, who presented our new house captains. The captains led an energetic cheering assembly aimed at strengthening school pride and unity. The atmosphere was vibrant, positive, and filled with enthusiasm, exactly the spirit we aim to cultivate.

The response from our learners has been exceptional:

- 50 Grade 11 learners signed up to serve as mentors to our junior learners. These mentors visit register classes regularly to guide, encourage, and engage with younger learners, ensuring that our school culture remains strong, supportive, and values driven.
- A further 50 learners signed up for our newly established Service Portfolio, demonstrating a growing desire among our student body to lead through service and make a meaningful difference in our school community.

This level of voluntary involvement speaks volumes about the leadership culture we are building at Edgemean High.

A Cultural Highlight: Maynardville Theatre

A special highlight this term was our visit to Maynardville Theatre, where 120 learners attended a live Shakespeare performance.

In preparation for the evening, our teachers presented a brief Shakespeare "teaser" during assembly, bringing humour, and dramatic flair to the stage. It was a wonderful way to spark interest and bring literature to life.

The outing itself was a truly lovely evening. Experiencing Shakespeare under the evening stars provided our learners with a rich cultural experience beyond the classroom, reinforcing our commitment to real-world learning and exposure to the arts.



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A Focus on Extra-Mural Involvement

Our focus this term has strongly reinforced the importance of extra-mural participation. As shared with both juniors and seniors, extra-murals are not "extras" they are essential to academic success, confidence, leadership development, and future readiness.

Research and experience consistently show that learners who are involved feel more connected to school and perform better academically. We see this firsthand that our most successful learners are fully engaged in sport, culture, clubs, and societies.

Our goal is simple: Sign up. Show up. Give your best.

Investing in Our Staff: Emotional Durability & Innovation

Excellence in education requires continuous growth, not only for learners, but for staff as well.

Our staff recently attended a workshop on Emotional Durability for Teachers, equipping them with tools to remain resilient, reflective, and strong in a demanding profession.

In addition, we have launched internal staff development sessions a "Think Tank" initiative where we are upskilling staff on the latest trends and innovations in education. We are committed to remaining at the forefront of educational practice, ensuring our learners receive a dynamic, future-focused learning experience.

New Gym Conditioning Programme Launched

We are excited to have begun conditioning sessions in our new school gym.

This programme is specifically designed to support our senior sports teams, particularly those involved in high-contact sports, where proper conditioning plays a crucial role in injury prevention.

Our conditioning coach has already begun putting learners through their paces, focusing on strength, mobility, and injury prevention techniques. The feedback from learners has been overwhelmingly positive, they are embracing the challenge and thoroughly enjoying this new space.

Building Character Through Culture

We continue to emphasise the importance of respect, manners, and greeting, values that build character and set our learners apart. As shared in our junior assembly, social skills, courtesy, and confidence remain powerful qualities that no technology can replace.

We are proud that our guest speakers specifically commended our learners on their behaviour and manners, a testament to the culture we are building together.

Thank you to our staff, learners, and families for your continued partnership and commitment.

KIND REGARDS,

Mr. Joel Erasmus



Valentine's day

Valentine's Day at EHS

Valentine's Day at EHS was a vibrant and joyful celebration, with learners dressed in beautiful shades of red and white that filled the school with festive spirit. The day was made even sweeter with popular bake sales, fun photobooths capturing special memories, and plenty of laughter shared among friends. It was a wonderful reminder of the strong sense of community at EHS, creating moments of connection, happiness, and unforgettable good times.



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Gr.8 **FUN** Day

Grade 8 Fun Day Full of Energy and Excitement

Our Grade 8 learners recently took part in a lively and memorable Fun Day. Tutor classes dressed up according to their chosen themes and competed alongside their tutor teachers in a variety of fun and engaging games.

The day was filled with laughter, enthusiasm and incredible class spirit, as learners worked together and supported one another. It was a fantastic opportunity to strengthen friendships, build teamwork, and further develop the strong sense of belonging within our Grade 8 group.



Gr. 9 **FUN** Day

Grade 9 Fun Day Brings the Spirit! 🎉

Our Grade 9 learners recently enjoyed an exciting and energetic Fun Day filled with creativity, teamwork and plenty of laughter. Each tutor class dressed up according to a chosen theme and competed against one another in a variety of fun games alongside their tutor teachers.

The day was a wonderful display of class spirit, collaboration and friendly competition, with learners and teachers fully embracing the themes and challenges. Events like these continue to strengthen relationships, build unity and create lasting memories within our Grade 9 group.



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Open day 2026

Edgemoor High School Open Day a Great Success

Our recent Open Day was a tremendous success, with an incredible 420 families checking in to experience what Edgemoor High School has to offer. The day was filled with guided tours, informative presentations, and opportunities for families to engage with our staff and learners.

Feedback from 174 parents who completed our survey was overwhelmingly positive, with 99.4% rating their experience 4 out of 5 or higher, and an impressive 91.4% indicating that Edgemoor High School is now their first-choice school after attending the Open Day.

We would like to thank all the families who joined us. It was a pleasure showcasing our school, and we look forward to welcoming our future Grade 8 learners into the Edgemoor family.



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Maynardville

A Memorable Evening at Maynardville Theatre

A memorable cultural highlight this term was our visit to the Maynardville Theatre, where 120 of our learners attended a live Shakespeare performance. In the lead-up to the event, our teachers presented an engaging Shakespeare “teaser” during assembly, using humour and dramatic performance to spark curiosity and bring the text to life. The evening itself was a wonderful experience, as learners enjoyed the unique atmosphere of live theatre under the stars. Opportunities like this enrich classroom learning and reflect our ongoing commitment to providing meaningful cultural experiences and broadening our learners’ exposure to the arts.



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Achievements



Celebrating International Ice Hockey Achievement

We are incredibly proud to share that Andor Simon and Latita Ngqola were selected to represent South Africa as part of the South African U18 Junior Men's Ice Hockey Team for the 2025/2026 season. They competed in the prestigious International Ice Hockey Federation Division III Group B World Championship, held from 13 to 19 February 2026 in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

This remarkable achievement reflects their dedication, talent, and hard work, and we congratulate them on proudly representing their country on the international stage. We look forward to following their continued success in the future.



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International Choir Tour - Tygerberg Children's Choir



We are proud to share that Refoe Moletsane (Grade 10), a dedicated member of the Tygerberg Children's Choir since Grade 8, has been invited to perform on an international tour to Germany and Netherlands. This special production aims to raise awareness about less fortunate children in other parts of Africa.

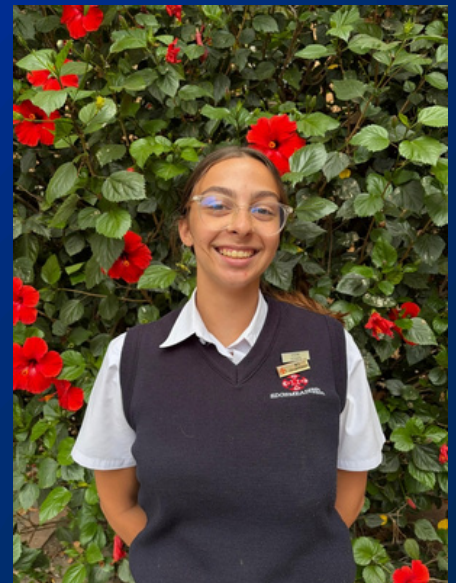
The tour will take place from 25 March to 7 April 2026. While most of the tour falls within the school holidays, Refoe will miss approximately three days of school prior to the closing of the term.

Refoe has represented the school with distinction through her commitment to the choir and has also achieved academic honours in Grade 9. She has further been invited to participate in the English Olympiad, reflecting her dedication to both her cultural and academic pursuits.

We congratulate Refoe on this wonderful opportunity and wish her every success as she represents her choir and school on the international stage.

SA Schools' Aquatics Championship 2026

We are proud to inform you that Sydni Adams has put her name forward to compete in the WCA - SA Schools' Aquatics Championship 2026, taking place from 23-27 April 2026.



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