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WHAT A MONTH FOR EDGEMEAD HIGH SCHOOL!

Dear Edgemead High Families

There are far too many areas of our school to celebrate in one newsletter. Across academics, sport, culture, clubs and societies, and community involvement, our learners and staff continue to make us proud. The following are simply a few moments that stood out to me this month.

Importantly, while there has been so much happening beyond the classroom, we have continued to push academics as our core business. Our academic support programmes, interventions, extra lessons and focus on learner performance have continued throughout the month.

Celebrating Culture and Music

On the cultural front, we hosted the most incredible Viva La Musica competition. It still amazes me that more than 500 learners at Edgemead High School play musical instruments. The growth of music at our school has been remarkable and is something we can be incredibly proud of.

The competition has grown to such an extent that we needed to host preliminary rounds on the Friday evening, with successful learners qualifying to perform at the Gala Event at the Hugo Lambrecht Music Centre on Saturday.

The support on the evening was phenomenal, with hardly an empty seat in the venue. Our learners performed exceptionally well and showcased not only their musical talent, but also the confidence and commitment that our cultural programme continues to develop.

Congratulations to all our performers and winners, and a special thank you to our Music Department, staff, parents and supporters who continue to create opportunities for our learners to develop and share their talents.

Seeing the extraordinary growth of music at Edgemead High is another reminder that there are so many different spaces in our school where learners can find their place, develop their talents and experience what it means to belong to the EHS family.

Building School Pride

One of my goals for 2026 was to increase school pride and create opportunities for our learners to cheer, wear their uniform with pride and support their peers.

This month, our Gees Weeks brought that vision to life, culminating in a full-school Gees Assembly in the quad. It created a space where the entire school could come together and build a stronger sense of belonging. A special thank you to Mrs Kroukamp, who took charge of this initiative and helped make it such a success.

That energy carried into our extra-mural programme.

We enjoyed an exceptionally successful Derby Weekend against Fairbairn College. While our sporting teams were competing on the fields and courts, our Robotics Club was representing Edgemead High at the World Robot Olympiad, where our junior teams achieved second and third place, while our senior team finished third. We are incredibly proud that Edgemead teams have now qualified to compete at the National Championships in Johannesburg next month.

Our final derby of the winter season was against Fairmont High School. Before the derby, we brought our first teams together for a sports awards evening, giving us an opportunity to reflect on the season, recognise our learners and prepare for the final challenge.



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The investment in our gym and conditioning programme has had a significant impact on our sporting performance, and this was evident at the derby. There were outstanding performances across our teams, many of which have been celebrated on our social media platforms.

Two results, however, made history.

Our 1st Girls Rugby team played in the first-ever girls' rugby derby against Fairmont and won. Our 1st Boys Rugby team also recorded their first-ever victory away from home against Fairmont.

These achievements should not take anything away from the excellent performances across all our sporting codes. For me, the greatest highlight was watching our staff, learners, parents and past pupils enjoying being part of the EHS family. There was a genuine sense of pride in our learners and in our school, and ending the day together with the singing of the school song was incredibly special.

And while all of this was happening, Edgemean continued to excel elsewhere.

Our debating teams competed at the Provincial Championships, with our junior team winning the tournament after defeating Bishops on their way to the final. Several of our Debaters have qualified to compete in Nationals in Johannesburg next month. Our mountain bikers proudly received their new kit, with ten riders competing and producing outstanding results.

These are only a few examples of what is happening across our school.

Past pupils focus

A second major goal for 2026 has been to strengthen our connection with our past pupils.

This month we hosted the first-ever Edgemean High vs Fairbairn College Old Boys Rugby match at Goodwood Rugby Club. According to the club president, it was the largest crowd he had seen at the fields.

More important than the result was what the evening represented. Past pupils, current parents, learners and staff came together simply to celebrate their connection to Edgemean High School.

We had past pupils from as far back as the Class of 1993 on the sidelines. One particularly special moment was seeing one of our parents, Mr Gareth Scott, Class of 1999, who never had the opportunity to play rugby for Edgemean High while at school, receive his first Edgemean rugby cap.

That moment captured exactly what we are trying to build:

ONE SCHOOL. ONE LEGACY. A LIFETIME OF BELONGING.

My vision is to develop a thriving global network of past pupils who remain connected to one another and to their school throughout their lives. Whether an Eagle finds themselves in Cape Town, London, Sydney, Amsterdam, Dubai, Singapore or New York, they should always know that they remain part of the Edgemean family.

This month was another step towards making that vision a reality.

KIND REGARDS,

Mr. Joel Erasmus



Derbies

Winter Sports Derby Days

Over the past few weekends, Edgemoor High School enjoyed two fantastic Derby Days against Fairbairn College and Fairmont High School. Our teams across all winter sporting codes represented EHS with great pride and determination, producing some excellent results.

A special congratulations goes to our 1st Team Rugby boys, who secured victories in both derby fixtures — a fantastic way to end their season. We are incredibly grateful for another memorable winter sports season and proud of all our learners, coaches and supporters. We look forward to building on these results and coming back even stronger next year!



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VIVA LA MUSICA

Edgemean High School's annual Viva La Musica was held at the Hugo Lambrechts Music Centre on 1 August 2026, showcasing the incredible musical talent of our learners. The evening was filled with outstanding performances across both the Classical and Contemporary categories, with our musicians once again impressing the audience with their skill, dedication and passion for music.

Congratulations to our 2026 category winners:

- Senior Classical: Thaania Omar
- Senior Contemporary: Seth Touche du Poujol
- Junior Classical: Jean Julius
- Junior Contemporary: Rhys Howe

A special congratulations also goes to Gita Hofmeester and Nicholas Hoarau, who were named our Viva La Musica Captains.

Well done to every learner who took to the stage and contributed to another memorable celebration of music at Edgemean High School. We are incredibly proud of the talent within our school community!



LIFE SCIENCE OUTING

Learning Beyond the Classroom

Our top Grade 11 Life Sciences learners recently visited Nature Connect at the Zeekoevlei Nature Reserve, where they had the opportunity to extend their learning beyond the classroom.

The visit focused on population dynamics and the impact of human activity on the environment, allowing learners to explore these important concepts in a practical, real-world setting. The experience highlighted the importance of conservation and protecting our natural environment. A definite highlight of the day was the opportunity to get up close and personal with some of the resident snakes!

It was a valuable and memorable experience filled with learning, discovery and a greater appreciation for the natural world.



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DEBATING

Our Junior Debating Team delivered an outstanding performance at the League Finals of the Cape Town National Debating League.

Starting the day in 9th position in the Octofinals, the team showed incredible determination and skill as they worked their way through each round, eventually reaching the final and claiming 1st place with a victory over Curro Delft.

This fantastic achievement has secured the team a place at the National Championship in Johannesburg this October, where they will proudly represent Edgemean High School on the national stage.

Congratulations to our Junior Debaters on this remarkable achievement. We are incredibly proud of you and wish you every success at Nationals!

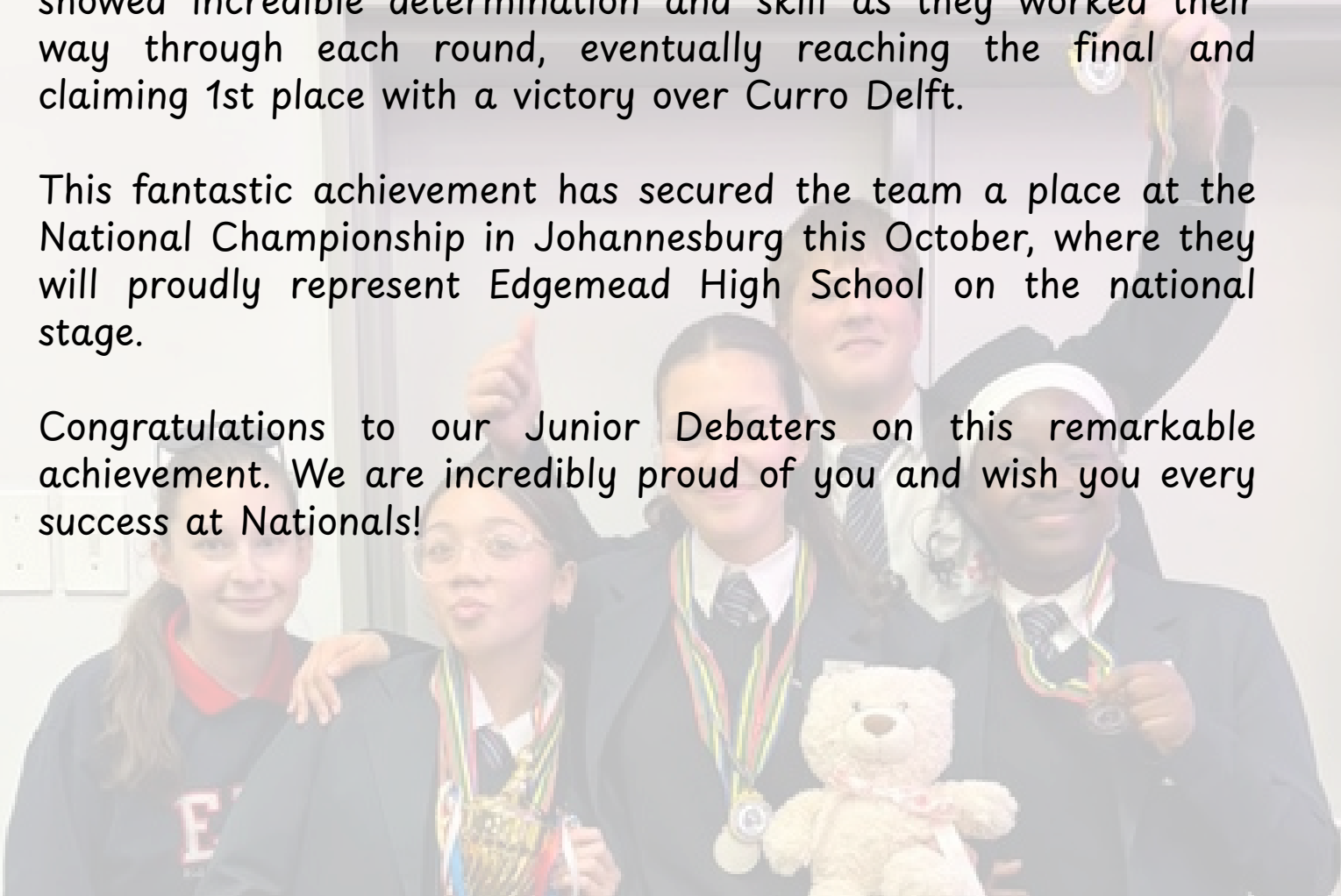


TABLE TENNIS

Edgemean High School's Table Tennis teams enjoyed an excellent Winter 2026 season. Of the six teams entered at the start of the season, four progressed through to the semi-finals and ultimately competed in the knock-outs on 29 August at Arena X in Milnerton.

The Boys' 2nd Team finished 4th in the league, while the Boys' 3rd Team were crowned League Winners and went on to secure bronze in the knock-outs. Our Mixed Team also had a strong season, finishing 3rd in the league and earning bronze in the knock-outs.

The standout performance came from our Girls' 1st Team, who were crowned League Winners and went on to claim gold in the knock-outs after defeating Fairmont Girls in an incredibly close and hard-fought match.

Congratulations to all our players and coaches on a fantastic season and for representing EHS with such pride!



SURVEY

Edgemead High School has been selected to take part in a Cape Town community research project, and we'd love to hear from YOU.

The survey is super quick – just 2-3 minutes and mostly simple tick-box questions. You could win one of two vouchers valued at R500

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Learner

Achievements



Learner Achievements: Micah Willenburgh Excels at Western Cape Gymnastics Championships

Congratulations to Grade 9 learner Micah Willenburgh, who delivered an outstanding performance at the Western Cape Gymnastics Championships in Saldanha, representing ACS Gymnastics in the Junior U16 - 2nd Division.

Micah demonstrated exceptional skill and consistency across all six apparatus, earning Gold medals in Pommel Horse, Rings and Parallel Bars, as well as Silver medals in Floor and High Bar. His excellent performances saw him finish 1st Overall, earning the Gold medal.

Adding to this achievement, Micah and his teammates, Joshua Smeda and Wyatt Moore, have officially qualified for Western Province colours. They will represent Western Province at the SA National Championships in Johannesburg this October.

We congratulate Micah on this fantastic achievement and wish him and his teammates every success at the National Championships!



Evan Butler Selected for Western Province Cross Country

Congratulations to Evan Butler, who has been selected for the Western Province Cross Country Team!

This is a fantastic achievement and a testament to Evan's hard work, dedication and commitment throughout the season.

We are incredibly proud to see him earn his Western Province colours and represent the province at the next level. Well done, Evan!



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Taylia Butcher Earns South African National Dance Selection

Congratulations to Taylia Butcher on an exceptional achievement in dance. Taylia recently competed in the Conquer – The Ultimate Dance Challenge National Qualifiers, where her outstanding performances earned her a prestigious Top 4 National Placement.

As a result of this achievement, Taylia has officially earned South African National Selection and will represent the Conquer South African Dance Team internationally. She has been selected to compete at the Conquer World Championship Finals in Ireland and perform at the Disney World Performing Arts Showcase in Orlando, Florida, USA.

This remarkable accomplishment is a testament to Taylia's dedication, discipline, artistic talent and countless hours of training. We are incredibly proud to see an Edgemoor High School learner representing South Africa on the international stage and wish Taylia every success on this exciting journey!



Wyatt Moore Shines at District Trials

Congratulations to Wyatt Moore on an excellent performance at the Cape Town District Gymnastics Trials on 2 August.

Despite still recovering from an injury sustained last term, Wyatt competed in four of the six events and delivered an impressive performance. He earned Bronze medals in Vault, Floor, Horizontal Bar and Parallel Bars, as well as 3rd place overall in the 2nd Division Junior 17-18 years category.

His results earned him qualification for the Western Cape Gymnastics Championships in Saldanha, where he competed on 22 August.

We are incredibly proud of Wyatt for his determination, resilience and fantastic achievements. Congratulations, Wyatt!

Xoey Williams has enjoyed an outstanding run of success in table tennis this year. During the June holidays, she represented the Western Cape at the 2026 South African Table Tennis Championships in Polokwane, where she earned a Bronze medal in the U19 Girls Team Event, advanced to the Round of 16 in the Senior Women's Singles, and reached the quarter-finals of the U19 Girls Doubles alongside fellow Edgemoor learner Shiloh Smith. Adding to these impressive achievements, Xoey recently competed in the 2026 Stellenbosch University (Maties) Women's Table Tennis Championship, where her skill, determination and consistency saw her crowned the 2026 Maties Women's Champion. We are incredibly proud of Xoey's continued dedication and the outstanding way she represents Edgemoor High School.



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Charne Jupp & Hlumanani Mtwana Headed to the Tag Rugby World Cup

We are incredibly proud of Charne Jupp and Hlumanani Mtwana, who have been selected to represent South Africa in the Women's Open division at the 2026 Tag Rugby World Cup in Coffs Harbour, New South Wales, Australia, from 15-19 October.

This remarkable achievement follows more than a year of dedicated training, preparation and commitment as they worked towards earning the opportunity to wear the green and gold on the international stage. Charne and Hlumanani will compete alongside some of the world's best athletes at a tournament bringing together approximately 4,500 athletes from 30 nations.

We congratulate Charne and Hlumanani on this exceptional achievement and wish them every success as they represent South Africa in Australia. Edgemoor High School is incredibly proud of you both!



2027 Diary Cover Competition Winner

Congratulations to Grade 12 learner Angelina Groenewald, the winner of our 2027 Diary Cover Competition!

Angelina's creativity and talent shone through in her winning design, which will proudly be featured on the cover of the 2027 Edgemoor High School diary.

We are incredibly proud of Angelina and look forward to seeing her design come to life. Well done, Angelina!



Alumni Achievements



Jordan Kennedy Represents South Africa

We are incredibly proud of Class of 2023 alumnus Jordan Kennedy, who recently had the honour of representing South Africa in the Tri-Nations Indoor Netball Series at the Hillfox Arena in Roodepoort. At just 20 years old, Jordan competed in the Men's Division against international opponents Australia and New Zealand – an outstanding achievement on the international stage.

Jordan's journey has also seen him represent his province at the Indoor Netball IPTs, competing in the U23 Mixed Team in both 2024 and 2026. After sustaining a major foot injury at the IPTs in March this year, he showed tremendous determination and resilience in his recovery, working hard to ensure he was ready for this international opportunity.

Congratulations, Jordan! It is wonderful to see an Edgemoor alumnus continuing to achieve at such a high level and proudly representing his country. The Edgemoor High School community is extremely proud of you!



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