There continues to be plenty going on at Edithvale Primary as we continue to evoke creativity amongst our students, staff and parent community.

Throughout Education Week we will be holding a number of activities and open mornings for prospective 2017 Foundation Parents. We have already conducted a number of tours and received a few enrolments for 2017. Our open mornings, and our increased promotion of our school at local kindergartens and early learning centres is aimed at getting as many people as possible through the door so that we can sell our great school. Our goal is for 60 students in our foundation classes in 2017.

On 27 May we will be holding a Student Free Day that looks at creating Curious and Creative Learners. This focus has come as a result of our involvement in the “Curiosity and Powerful Learning” project. This is the brain child of Wayne Craig - a former Regional Director and McREL International consultant - and is partly sponsored by the Myer Foundation. Our staff along with those from over 100 other schools across 4 networks throughout Victoria and Queensland is working more closely with universities (Monash and Mitchell) to try to make system wide change to teaching practice.

On Wednesday this week, a group of 7 school leaders attended a professional learning day with Wayne based on the work of Dr John Munroe and a book titled “Curious and Curioser.” This was a great opportunity to find out what characteristic curious and creative people possess and gave us direction for our 27 May work. Having a close professional relationship with Wayne has ensured we get to tap into his expertise when planning Curriculum Days like ours.

Next week our Year 3 and 5 students will sit the NAPLAN tests over 3 consecutive days. Assessments are conducted in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling and punctuation) and Numeracy. Our results over the last few years have steadily been improving in a number of areas and we will see if further improvement has been made when the results are made available in early September.

The annual Student Attitude to Schools (SATS) survey was conducted last week among our Year 5 and 6 students. This data is used to help us get a feel for the environment among our senior students - what is working well, and what we might change to ensure a positive learning experience for all our students. Categories that students give feedback on include Student moral, Teacher effectiveness, School connectedness, Student motivation and Stimulating learning. Results will be out in the middle/end of next term when we will see how we are travelling against other State Schools.

Thank you to the wonderful PFA Mums who coordinated this year’s Mothers’ Day stall—as always the children were very excited as they created that special gift for their special Mum. It was great to see so many Mums enjoying a croissant and coffee and mingling in the yard today and the spirit that we are trying to engender among our great community continues to be very strong - which is something I am very proud of. We wish everyone a very happy Mothers’ Day on Sunday.

On a personal note, I’d like to thank all those who have passed on their best wishes and kind thoughts to my wife and I upon the arrival of Sam Spencer Whitla who was born yesterday. Both Amanda and I feel very fortunate to be involved in a caring, thoughtful and friendly school community and we are touched at the number of well-wishers and their kind messages.
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Mr Andrew Schneider

Wednesday 4 May saw a number of staff members attend another Powerful Learning Workshop with Wayne Craig. We continued to look at ways we can engage students to develop their creativity and higher order thinking skills. One of the ways we can support students to be curious as well as ask questions and find answers to them, is through units of Inquiry. Our Curriculum Day on Friday 27 May will have a curiosity-focus and we look forward to implementing our new ideas with the students ... watch this space!

The junior-school students may have noticed that there are brand new take-home readers for them to enjoy. It was all hands on deck on Tuesday evening, going through hundreds of old take-home readers, some with coffee stains from the 90s! These new readers will help motivate students to continue practising their reading at home and further develop their skills learned at school. Thank you to Jaime, Claire and the English team for organising this massive task, as well as the other teachers who also helped out. The books that were not kept have been donated to the brother of Mark, the ‘music man’, who uses them to help children at his school in Bali, to learn English. What a great initiative!

This morning we kicked off the Mother’s Day weekend (yes my mother gets a whole weekend) with croissants, coffee, nail painting and massages! The PFA have done a mountain of work to organise the morning; as well as the gifts for the students’ to purchase. My mum has kept every single one of the gifts I have bought her over the years, including the clown statue Dad and I got from the Chemist one Mother’s Day morning. I wonder what special gifts the mothers of EPS will receive this year?!

Good luck to the Year three and five students undertaking NAPLAN next week.

I hope all mums and other special people in our lives have a great weekend.

SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Mr Steve Smith

Last Saturday, our school hosted a successful fundraising BBQ at Bunnings in Keysborough. Thank you to all the parent volunteers and everyone that came down and supported us on the day by purchasing a sausage and/or drink. A special thank you to Nicole Butcher for organising this fundraiser, from securing the date, managing the roster and ensuring we did not run out of supplies.

The School Council has formalised several sub-committees and they are starting to meet over the next few weeks. These include the Buildings & Grounds, Fundraising, Education, Canteen, and the Finance sub-committees. These sub-committees will be involved with organising and discussing projects in their respective areas. They will meet prior to the monthly School Council meetings and report to School Council for decision making. If you are interested in being involved in any of the sub-committees, or have any good ideas please come and see me or put in a note at the office.

In April, our School Councillors attended a training session at Dingley Primary School with Councillors from other local schools. This training provided Councillors with the necessary tools and information needed to carry out our roles in the most appropriate and effective manner. The training covered the Department of Education and Training guidelines that we operate under. And it was an opportunity to learn from other local schools as to how their schools operate.

Our next School Council meeting is Tuesday 10 May.

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QKR & TIQBiz
Please remember to update your child’s Year & Class on Qkr & Tiqbiz
**GARDEN CLUB**

An Exciting Opportunity!

Our school needs your help to revitalize our school gardens and provide facilities to teach our students about sustainability.

To aid this we have entered the “Back to Earth Initiative” competition where we are in the running to win up $5000 worth of assistance to transform our school environment. The winner is chosen by vote.

We need the whole school community to go onto the web site, read about what we have proposed and vote for our project.

**VOTE HERE:** [http://tinyurl.com/jfk69k4](http://tinyurl.com/jfk69k4)

You can vote as many as times you like, but only once a day. The closing date is **Sunday 22 May**.

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**CANTEEN**

*Mrs Diane Cameron*

We have had some wonderful weather during the start of this term and we have sold a large quantity of iced treats. Also very popular with lunch orders is the fruit salad. Our fruit salad is made fresh daily by myself or canteen helpers. We have apples, grapes, pineapple, cantaloupe, strawberries, blueberries, kiwi fruit and orange. Some items may not be used due to prices and what’s not in season. Some students and staff have their fruit salad with yoghurt. The yoghurt we use is from The Yoghurt Company in Carrum Downs.

Due to the increasing use of Qkr, our wonderful school Business Manager, Sandie Wishart (Queen of Qkr) has made some changes to ordering wraps, sandwiches and rolls. This may help with those who want certain items deleted from their sandwich, roll or wrap.

There will be a special lunch day at the end of the term. Details will be sent out towards the end of the term.

Thanks to all my parent helpers who have helped out over the last fortnight.

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**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

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**EDI’S MATH’S CORNER**

How did you go solving last week’s Sudoku?

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Here’s the solution!

*What’s been happening in Maths with the Year 2s? Let’s check in…*

Students have been learning about the features of 3D Shapes. They were then asked to use what they have learnt in class to then construct 3D shaped using different materials.

They came up with some fantastic examples!
Thank-you to the following people for donating their time to assist at our Bunnings BBQ held on the weekend:
Paul & Bridget Arden, Kath, Jackson & Sam Barratt, Janine Bell, Kirsty & Jessie Brennan, Kathy Bourne, Chantelle Burgess, Nicole, Kane & Lauren Butcher, Lisa Carter, Sasha Dent, Jack & Taj Dix, Jill Donnelly, Mark Eddey, Martin Ellis, Trish Fay, Nonie & Maddie Hare, Melissa Heath, Alex Heenan, Cherie & Maya Johnston, Bernadette Lydster, Heath McMillen, Gaz Morris, Kim Murphy, Jenny Nickols, Andrew Rolfe, Andrew Schneider, Steve & Liam Smith, Max Telfer, Fiona Vaular, Isabelle Vicendise, Jodi Vuat and James Whitla.

Thanks also to everyone who supported our school by purchasing a sausage &/or drink on the day. The day was an extremely successful one with over 570 sausages sold and almost $1,200 being raised to go towards various gardening projects around our school.
Did you know that the home is the most common location where children are injured?

Kidsafe Victoria are running a free child injury prevention information session with the Aspendale Gardens Community Service.

The presentation will provide advice and practical solutions that you can use in your own home to help reduce the risk of injury for your children.

Tuesday 17 May 2016
7.30 – 8.30pm

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The year continues and along with it our exceptional extra-curricular activities program here at EPS. Thank you to all the staff, parents and friends of our school community who have volunteered to run an activity. The students have absolutely enjoyed trying out new things, developing skills and having fun during the extra-curricular activities program last term. Here is a short description of each activity with a timetable below.

**All About Race Cars**
She's back! Imagine what it would be like around fast cars, loud engines and screeching tyres. Learn all about what it takes to be a race car driver up close and personal.

**Cheerleading**
The ever-so-talented EPS Cheer Team will be practicing and training hard this term for our first competition in September with the AASCF (Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation). With us lucky!

**Design with Beads**
Create cool, crazy and colourful designs using only beads and some beads! You don't want to miss out on this fun activity!

**Drama Club**
Flash lighting? Screams of adoring fans? Mastery of your acting skills awaits you yet again! Back by popular demand, come and be a part of what's sure to be an exciting, energetic and expressive group.

**Environment**
Stop and smell the roses! It's time to be a true environmentalist. Learn all about all green and growing things while keeping our school beautiful and clean!

**Everything Sweet (decorating)**
The sweet delicious goodness continues on this term! Learn all about the art of tastefully decorating yummy cupcakes and biscuits. It's first in best dressed so make sure to line up for this tasty activity!

**French Poetry Competition**
Last year EPS students who participated in the French Poetry Competition dazzled the school with their talent and eloquent speaking. Once again, Miss Snow will be working with passionate students to recite beautiful poems in French. We wish everyone the best of luck!

**Gymnastics Club**
Want to learn new tricks? Or maybe you would like to challenge yourself and your flexibility. Come and try out the exciting activities in store for you here at Gymnastics Club!

**Hip Hop**
The Hip Hop team will be training hard this term for our first competition with AASCF (Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation). We are so excited to showcase the different techniques and grooves!

**Indoor Soccer**
Test your dribbling skills with a fun indoor soccer game amongst your year level. Master new skills and technique while learning to be a great team player!

**Lego Club**
Unleash the power of your building skills and come create with us at Lego Club! Whether you are interested in building houses, castles, towers or rockets there will be just the thing for you.

**Master Art Class**
Are you a master artist and are looking to practice or improve a skill or technique? If you are, then this is the activity for you! Our visiting art master is only here twice this term so make sure to come along!

**Origami**
Explore the many ways you can create intricate and interesting things with just one simple material... paper! Good at following instructions? Or maybe you are just ace at folding and cutting, origami awaits!

**Relaxation Club**
Take a deep breath in, now take a deep breath out... It's time to learn about all things relaxation. Come and find your inner peace...

**SRK**
The Student Representative Council meets once every fortnight to discuss events and activities for the whole school. We are currently preparing fun activities and fundraisers for this term.

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### Term 2 EPS Extra-curricular activities timetable

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**Community Collection**

For 'Mummies Supporting Families in Need'
15-21 May 2016

During National Families Week,
the Aspendale Gardens Community Service
will be collecting children's clothing (size 3+), non-perishable
food items, pyjamas, nappies and toiletries for local charity
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| **Term 2 Starts** | | **Junior Mayor** | | **Anzac Day** | No Students | **School Council** | | **Education Week** | | **Professor Maths** | | **Naplan** | | **School Council** | | **Naplan** | | **Year 4 Camp** | | **Year 4 Camp** |
| **Queen’s Birthday** | No Students | School Council | | **Year 2 Wetlands Excursion** | | **Year 4 Camp** | | **Coach Approach** | | **Year 4 Camp** | | **Year 4 Camp** | | **Year 4 Camp** | | **Year 4 Camp** | | **Year 4 Camp** | | **Year 4 Camp** |
| **Last day of Term 2** | Assembly 2pm | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **Early finish 2.30pm** |

**MONDAY**
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