GREEN GROWS THE OVAL—OH!

Yes! It’s sprouting. See! Well done students and teachers. It’s been tough staying away from the patchy paddock but it is paying off. Thanks Ms Sharp, for all your extra time and effort in helping with this ‘growing concern’.

Thanks also to all our staff and student helpers for spreading new playground mulch this week—and there’s still more to come—but we might save that for the next working bee on Saturday, 17th May. PLEASE come and shovel!

GOBSTOPPERS! It has come to our attention that these particular lollies are ‘flavour of the month’. Please encourage our students not to bring them to school. Apart from being sticky and sugary, they don’t quite match our healthy food programs and excellent canteen options.

NAPLAN. Some of you may be aware that all year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will this year be involved in the first national assessment program in literacy and numeracy. All Victorian students in these year levels will join students from other states to participate in 40-50 minute tests of: language conventions, writing, reading and numeracy on Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th May, next week. Please ensure that your children are at school, and on time, on those days. Later in the year parents will receive a personal report demonstrating each student’s performance against national benchmark standards. Further information is available through www.vcaa.vic.edu.au or by contacting the school.

EXCITING EXCURSIONS. This week, our year 3’s have enjoyed a great day out in our scintillating city; cruising down the Yarra, picnicking in the park and visiting the M.C.G. Year 6’s had a ‘super’ time at Scienecworks and Year 4’s were enthralled by a visit form ‘Minerals Australia’—All enhancing the wonderful teaching and learning programs in the classrooms.

MOTHERS’ DAY Thank you to all our illustrious Workers and P.F.A. for organising such a terrific stall this year. The kids, (and Dads), really appreciate it. Also, big Congratulations to all of you beautiful mums for doing such fantastic work in the most difficult job in the world.

Have a loving and restful Mothers’ Day on Sunday and Have a Great Week everyone!

Janice Lawrence

Super Mum

Mum, you're a wonderful mother,
So gentle, yet so strong.
The many ways you show you care
Always make me feel I belong.
You love me more than I can express;
You have my total respect.
If I had my choice of mothers,
You’d be the one I’d select!

By Joanna Fruche

GREEN GROWS THE OVAL—OH!

MOTHERS’ DAY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2008

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To parents of children at Edithvale Primary, we are holding a Whole School………

Working Bee

on Saturday 17th May, 2008
9:00am till 12:00pm

JOBS TO BE DONE:

• General maintenance of garden areas
• Raking mulch, general garden tidy up
  • Spreading playground mulch
  • Weeding

TOOLS/ EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:

*Secateurs/pruning tools  * Shovels / Spades  * Rakes / brooms
*Wheelbarrows  * Electric/Petrol Blowers/Whipper Snippers

To assist us with catering etc on the day, please fill in the reply slip below and return to the school office by Thursday 15th May.

Many hands make the tasks easy and keep our school safe and attractive
Please remember to sign in at the General Office Area on the day

YUMMY MORNING TEA PROVIDED!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!!!

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

WORKING BEE RESPONSE SLIP

[ ] YES!! I / We will be attending the Working Bee on Saturday 17th May, 2008

Number of Adults attending: ............

Number of children attending: ............

NAME: ..............................................................................................................

Child’s Grade: ..................  Contact Phone No: .....................
Help us celebrate excellence in education at Edithvale Primary School by joining us in some of our planned activities.

**Movin’It Monday:** Assembly. Instrumental performance. Whole School Aerobics session. Watch your child’s first ‘Footsteps’ session.

**Track-Suit Tuesday:** Fitness focus

**Tuesday and Thursday:** School Tour 9:30am followed by Morning Tea. Please join us and answer any questions that new, prospective parents may have.

**Tuesday: 5:30—7:00pm.** Open Night. Let your child show off his/her classroom, schoolwork and achievements this year.

**Tuesday: 7:00pm—School Council meeting:** Let us know if you’d like to come along as an observer.

**“Walk a Mile In My Shoes” Wednesday:** 2:30—3:30pm. Multi-age “Warm’n’Fuzzy” activities reinforcing, caring, compassion and empathy for others and appreciating “differences” throughout the world. Students may wear house colours, colourful shoes and socks on that day, (not high heels or open-toes though please) and you must too, if you’d like to join us.

**Thoughtful Thursday:** ‘Thinking Curriculum’. Inquiry-based learning. Children are encouraged to carry a fun, positive, poem or saying in their pocket and share it with others throughout the day. Picnic lunch, weather permitting.

**Friday 23rd: “Teachers Day”**. Let us know if you’d like to be teachers for a day, (or an hour, or a minute!). You may like to offer some of your expertise, read a story, assist with sport/art show your collection or share your hobby.

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Don’t Forget
The Disco is on Friday 23rd May. Come along and have some fun.
THINGS TO REMEMBER

- School Banking is collected on a Tuesday and processed on the Wednesday.
- Canteen closed on Wednesday
- Uniform Shop open on Tuesdays
- Late children need to get a let pass from the office prior to 9:30am.
- Parent Helpers need to sign in at the office.
- Early departure need to sign out at the office.
- Notes are required for all absences.
- EMA cheques are now ready for collection.
- SRC, School Captains and house Captain photos can be ordered from the office.

CANTEEN NEWS

Still unable to get small apple pies, so until further notice, please do not order them.

For those keen students, we still have icy poles for sale at 50c.

Another Term 2 roster will be sent out shortly with the final week of term included

Thanks helpers for the week, a fine effort.

Diane

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P.F.A. EVENING MEETING

Time : 6:30pm
When: Tuesday 13th May
Where: Edithvale R.S.L., Kinross Street, Edithvale

Now that P.F.A. is working in conjunction with the Fundraising Committee, new faces, new ideas and new concepts are needed.

Any enquiries to edipfa@live.com.au

P.F.A. EVENING MEETING

TRIVIA NIGHT
Saturday 18th October
7:00pm

Date to Remember:

The P.F.A. & Fundraising Committee invite parents, carers, teachers and friends to an Edithvale Primary School
TRIVIA NIGHT.
Tickets on sale Term 3.
Further details to be advised

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Hours: Tues & Wed 9am to 5pm - Thur & Fri 9am to 6pm