Welcome back. I hope that everyone had a wonderful break and that there is much enthusiasm for the term ahead. There are many things planned for this term and the children have already settled back into the pattern of work.

Over the next few weeks our year 6s will be making their applications for enrolment into secondary school. This is a significant decision for these students and their families and it is important that if there are any concerns about the process or questions about your options, that you contact us. There are also a number of open days and nights being held in the near future and I would strongly recommend that senior students and their families go and have a look at as many local schools as possible – this will assist you in making an informed decision about the next step in the education journey.

The dates are as follows:

**SECONDARY COLLEGE OPEN NIGHT DATES**

Mordialloc College ~
- Wednesday 30th April, 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Parkdale Secondary College ~
- Wednesday 23rd April

Patterson River Secondary College ~
- Tuesday 6th May ~ 7:00pm—8:00pm ~ College Hall
- Afternoon with the Principal
  Wednesday 14th May ~ 4:00pm ~ 6:00pm
  Year 7 Centre

The formation of sub-committees for School Council took place at the March meeting. There are a few positions available for any parents who wish to join a committee. Please contact me a.s.a.p. if you are interested.

Denise Webster

Finally, a letter to you from the SRC which outlines their proposal for making our oval more usable. Next week is Garden Week, where each grade will be planting seeds on the oval and maintaining some of the school garden beds.

### S.R.C. Oval Plan

Today we had a very important meeting with SRC reps from every class in the school to discuss what we can do about our oval. We agreed to:

- Water it (with our new tank water and sprinkler system)
- Feed and seed it (now is the best time while we still have warmth from the sun)
- Give it a rest from children traffic (a 4 week break)

We also talked about the SRC organising activities and competitions for the children instead of playing on the oval. These will be run by the SRC members with teacher guidance. We think that it will be a great opportunity for the reps of the school to show their leadership skills. All the students have taken part in making this decision and we are looking forward to seeing healthy green grass.

Written by: Brooke Johnson, Ellie Lockard, Blair Johnston, Dale Benis and Brannon Henricks from the

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2008

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

After a refreshing break, the canteen is in full swing for Term 2. This term’s menu will incorporate hot items for the coming chilly days. New menu will be out this week.

Icy poles will be sold for the next couple of weeks till sold out, then will be re-ordered again in Term 4. The canteen will continue to stock frozen yoghurt at $1.20.

The canteen is planning to have another 1 or 2 Sushi Days this term and along with the PFA will also have a Hot Dog Day in the last week of term.

Thanks to my helpers for this week. Hopefully you all have your rosters for this term. If no, please contact me at the school.

*Diane*

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**EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE**

The Education Maintenance Allowance cheques are now available for collection at the School Office.

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**P.F.A. MEETING**

WHEN: 15th April  
TIME: 2:30pm  
WHERE: Staffroom

Our next meeting is coming up soon. If you are unable to attend you are still able to submit your suggestions to this email address:-  
edipfa@live.com.au.

Please come along if you can and enjoy a good cup of coffee and meet some new friends, we’d love to see you.

P.F.A.

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**HATS**

Due to the continued warm weather we are extending our school Hat Policy until the beginning of May, remember…..

*First of May, hats off day.*

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**THANK YOU**

We would like to say a BIG thank you to the families who gave up their time and volunteered to water our school gardens during the recent school holidays.

Your efforts are always greatly appreciated

Many Thanks

Building and Grounds
We are saddened to inform you that our dear friend and colleague, Rosemary, passed away during the school holidays.

Rosemary was a very active member of our school community for 12 years and, during that time, was a highly respected, outstanding teacher and a great support to students, staff and parents.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Rosemary’s family.

She was such a caring, gentle lady who made a difference to the lives of so many.

Rosemary will live on in our hearts and memories and we give thanks for her life.

Rest in Peace

In fifty years it will not matter how much money I make, the size of the house I live in or all the material things I may have, but if I have made a difference in the life of a child.

Motor Neurone Research Foundation
PO Box 23
Canterbury Victoria 3126
School Banking for 2008

School Banking this year will be collected on a Tuesday and processed on the Wednesday Banking this year will begin on Tuesday 26th February for processing on Wednesday 27th February.

Please forward any application forms for new accounts to the school office as soon as possible.

Kind Regards
The Banking Team

Open Day & Information Session

On Wednesday April 30th Melbourne Girls College will be holding an Information Session for families of Year 6 students whose daughters are interested in attending the College in 2009.

Program for Information Session

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PlaySports Commences Wednesday 16th April

Prep to Year 4’s get ready for ‘Maximum Sports’ because PlaySports returns to Edithvale Primary this Term for eight weeks of Cricket & Soccer commencing Wednesday 16th Apr. from 3:30 to 4:40 PM. Each session includes warm up games, skill activities and modified matches, that are fun, engaging and age appropriate. The cost is $66.00. Enrolled children are to assemble each Wednesday on the asphalt basketball court for roll call and a 3:40 PM start. Spare enrolment forms are at the school office or phone PlaySports on 9532 5584 to enrol.

Aspendale Gardens Community Centre

103-105 Kearney Drive
Aspendale Gardens Vic 3195
Ph 9587 5955
Fax 9587 5280
Email: agcsinc@bigpond.net.au

We have various activities available from sports and dance to art and drama. Including the following:....

Drama classes for kids 6-12yrs. Wednesdays 4.30-5.30pm (6-8yrs) and 5.30-6.30pm (9-12yrs) A great way to boost your child's confidence in a way that’s fun and stimulating. Teacher has 20 yrs experience and classes are based on the AMEB syllabus. 8 weeks only $70.00. Book now for term 2! Enquiries Phone 9587 5955.

Cooking classes for teenagers. 3 week interactive/demonstrative course beginning Mon 21st April (term 2) 5.30-7.30pm. cost $50. A chance to learn or enhance skills in the kitchen. Great for those not studying food tech at school. Interested? Call Gina on 9587 5955

Karate- Kenpo4kids!! Help your child gain skills in concentration, confidence and self control with this program specifically designed from the ground up for children and teenagers. Wednesdays 6.30-7.30pm. Contact Sensai Peter Tas on 0438 946 781

Art classes for kids 7-12. 2nd class now available Thursdays 5.45pm-7.15pm. 8 weeks only $80.00 (plus materials) Hurry book now for term 2. Spaces limited and bookings essential. Phone 9587 5955

Preschool Readiness Information Seminar for parents/carers: Tuesday 16th April 2008 7 – 9 pm at the Community Centre. Enquiries phone 9587 5955.

Missing

Last seen on Saturday 5th April at approximately 5:30pm

Male Grey / White cat

His name is Trix—and is 15 months old

If you have seen or found him, please contact The Babbage Family On 9772 0328 0422 019 830

Thank You