Recently a few people have been asking about the progress of the new learning centre as we certainly have moved beyond the expected start dates. The tendering process continues and very shortly we hope to have some definite news for the school community.

Though the building project itself is behind schedule, at EPS we are taking the opportunity to put in place structures and programs so that we will be ready for the new facilities. At both a network and school level we are focusing on an exciting program of teaching for the 21st century. The skills and knowledge that we gain from this professional development will ensure that we utilise the new learning spaces in a way that is of greatest benefit to our students and their academic and social growth.

Our moral purpose as stated in the new strategic plan for 2010 -2013 will support us as we meet this challenge:

‘Our vision is to foster a love of learning in our school community.
We will work together to know our students and understand their learning needs. Our aim is to ensure that learning is fun, active and meaningful in an environment where individuality, creativity and curiosity are valued.
We endeavour to prepare our students for tomorrow’s world, developing their skills and knowledge, enabling them to live and work in a global community as effective, responsible and caring citizens.’

Parent Occupation Data
If you have changed employers, started working or ceased employment, please let Dee or Sandie know ASAP.

It is imperative that this information is up to date on our system, as the school’s funding is based on student numbers as well as our parent occupations/employment status.

It is also very important that you choose the right ‘occupation group’ when completing your enrolment forms and if not currently employed, you must enter an ‘N’.

Thank you.
**YEAR 6 - CHISHOLM TAFE VISIT**

On the sunny Wednesday afternoon of 21st October, Year 11 and 12 students studying at Chisholm Institute of TAFE in Frankston came to Edithvale Primary School to prove that they were worthy of receiving their Certificate Two in Outdoor Recreation. These students worked with our Year 6 students, helping us to develop our teamwork skills and how to work in a group.

We were split into four groups and about five older students led these groups. We participated in some exciting and fantastic games. These games included blind fold maze, dodge ball, human knot and some intriguing obstacle courses. They taught us teamwork, leadership and how to have fun. Thank you to Mr Mullen and the students from Chisholm. We all wish them luck in the future.

Lewis Kennedy, Connor Hartland, Adam Bredin, Roni Arengold, Nicole Ram & Emily Champness

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**THIS WEEK’S PUZZLES**

Solve the puzzles and win!

Complete the puzzle with your family and place your answer (along with your name and grade) into the box located at the office. Each fortnight students with the correct answers will go into a raffle. Two names will be pulled from the box and prizes will be given to those very clever students at assembly. IT COULD BE YOU!!!

**Prep - Grade 2**
Mrs Ostojic’s favourite number is under 50 but over 10. It has a 4 in it. List all the numbers it could possibly be.

**Grade 3 - Grade 6**
Mrs Webster, Mr Wilton and Mrs Howard guessed the number of jelly beans in a jar.

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How many jelly beans are in the jar?
INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW VICTORIAN STUDENT NUMBER

Our school is working with the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development to allocate a Victorian Student Number (VSN) to each student at the school.

The VSN is a student identification number that is being assigned to all students in government and non-government schools, and students in Vocational Education and Training Institutions.

The number, which is unique to each student, will be used as a key identifier on a student’s school records, and will remain with the student throughout his or her education, until reaching the age of 25. The VSN is nine digits long, randomly assigned, and tied to stable information about the student (name, gender, date of birth).

The introduction of the Victorian Student Number will provide the capability to accurately detect patterns of student movement through, and departure from, the Victorian education and training system. It will greatly improve the collection and analysis of timely and accurate data about education in Victoria.

The Department collects information to track improvements made to the education system, identify areas that require further improvement, and to analyse trends and identify future needs.

The VSN will improve the accuracy, reliability and completeness of this information, providing a better basis for assessing needs and developing policies to meet them.

You will see the VSN appear on student report cards, enrolment confirmations, and exit confirmations.

If you want to know more about the VSN please see :


FROM DIANE IN THE CANTEEN

A few very hot days in a row, means a lot of Icy Poles, Frozen Yoghurts and Ice Creams have been sold.

As I only have limited freezer space, only a certain amount of stock is on hand. A delivery of Callippos (.70¢ will be delivered on Thursday (today). Frozen Juice Cups (.60¢) should be available on Friday 13th.

Thanks to my helpers for the last fortnight. Thanks also to the student helpers this week.

Week 7 Roster
MONDAY 16th TUESDAY 17th
Angie Clark Jill Eadie
THURSDAY 19th FRIDAY 20th
Deb Wall Sharon Graham

Week 8 Roster
MONDAY 23rd TUESDAY 24th
THURSDAY 26th FRIDAY 27th
Michelle Custy Kellie Kingsley

SMALL COIN ROUNDUP PROGRESS REPORT

The Small Coin Round-up is gong extremely well. As at 12 November, we had received $1,110.00—an effort all round.

At the moment, Prep 1 are in the lead on $160 followed by 1/17 on $130 and 2/14 on $12.

The competition between the grades ends in 3 weeks, but you can still keep sending your 5 cent pieces in for as long as you like.

EMA CHEQUES

Please don’t forget to collect your EMA cheques from the school office as soon as you can.

If you have an EMA credit on your account, please let us know what you would like it allocated to—we cannot do this without your advice.
Dear Members of the Edithvale School Community,

The Building & Grounds Committee will be holding one or two more working bees for the year, and we really need your help.

The first working bee will be on Friday 20th November at 3.00 pm
Throughout the day the playgrounds will be turned over.

Our job for this late afternoon working bee is to mulch the playgrounds so they are ready for the students on the following Monday.

WHAT TO BRING
BYO Rakes

Would you please fill in the form below to let us know if you can help us on this afternoon.

A second working bee may be called to prepare for the Grade 5/6 building move.

Please keep this in mind and watch the newsletter

Thank you in anticipation for your assistance.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee

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WORKING BEE
Friday, 20th November

I/we will be attending the Buildings and Grounds working bee on Friday 20th November, 2009.

Adult Names: ........................................................................................................

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CHELSEA DISTRICT LIONS CLUB
CHRISTMAS CAKE DRIVE

The Chelsea District Lions Club are again having their annual Christmas Cake Drive. We all know that these Christmas Cakes are the best cakes you can buy, so why not help them to raise much needed funds to help us serve our local communities.

This year the Lions Club of Chelsea District would like to provide us with a special opportunity to make funds for our school. For each of the large cakes sold, $1.00 will be donated back to our school. For each of the small cakes sold 50¢ will be donated back.

Below is an order form for you to fill out with your child’s name and grade, and the number of cakes you require. Why not ask your friends, neighbours and family if they too would like a delicious Lions Club Cake for Christmas. The form must be returned to the school office, with the correct money by Friday 27th November.

Order Form

Child’s Name: _______________________________________________________
Grade: ______________________
School: Edithvale Primary School
Edithvale Road
EDITHVALE  VIC  3196

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Please make cheques payable to Chelsea District Lions Club Inc.

Please return this form to school by Friday 27th November.

Cakes will be distributed to school, via your child, by 11th December.

NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED
Eps community news

BE SUNSMART

SunSmart is our nationally and internationally renowned skin cancer prevention program. Most cancers diagnosed in Australia each year, are skin cancers. Every year, more than 1600 Australians die from skin cancer. Yet it’s almost preventable. Skin can burn in as little as 15 minutes in the midday summer sun. The longer your unprotected skin is in the sun, the greater your risk of getting skin cancer.

Young skin is delicate and very easily damaged by the sun. All children, no matter whether they tan easily or not, should be protected from the sun's harmful rays.

PROTECTING YOUR SKIN

Whenever UV radiation levels reach 3 (moderate) and above, sun protection is required. At that level, UV radiation is intense enough to damage the skin and contribute to the risk of skin cancer. In Victoria from September to April, UV radiation levels are 3 and above for most of the day. Particular care should be taken between 11 am and 3 pm, when UV radiation levels reach their peak.

Take the following steps when the Sun Smart UV Alert indicates the UV Index is at 3 or above:

1. **Slip on some sun protective clothing.**
2. **Slop on SPF30+ sunscreen 20 minutes before you go outdoors and every 2 hours afterwards.**
3. **Slap on a sun hat that protects your face, head, neck and ears.**
4. **Seek shade.**
5. **Slide on some sunglasses; make sure they meet Australian Standards like the My Chemist Designer Brand (DB).**

AFTER SCHOOL CARE 2010

DON’T MISS OUT ON A PLACE

Enrolments for ASC 2010 are now being taken.

To ensure a place for 2010, come and pick up an enrolment form from the School Office or from Paramita in the school hall after 3:15 pm, Monday to Friday. Fill the for out and then return it to Paramita ASAP.