**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**  
Denise Webster

Many thanks to Tania and Martin Taylor and their band of willing helpers for their fantastic work at the election barbecue and cake stall. We also greatly appreciate the efforts of everyone who donated items for the cake stall. The day was very successful; raising over $1,800.

Next Monday your child will bring home their mid semester report. This report provides a snapshot of how he or she is progressing but it does not give achievement levels. Teachers will indicate on the report if they consider it necessary to discuss the report in more detail. Similarly, if you would like more information, please contact the office to arrange a time to meet with the classroom teacher.

As we approach the last part of the year, we are beginning the process of planning for 2014. If you know that your child will not be attending EPS next year, would you please let us know in the office.

A few of you may have already heard that Mrs Karen Laurent will be retiring at the end of this term. She has been a member of staff at Edithvale for over 20 years and has contributed profoundly to the learning progress of many, many students. Over the course of this time, she has made long and lasting friendships with students, parents and of course, colleagues. We will be sorry to see her go but wish her much happiness and fulfillment in the next stage of her life. Someone once said that ‘Life begins at Retirement’—let’s hope that Karen’s retirement is spectacular!

This is our final newsletter for the term—students finish at 2.30 pm next Friday. I hope that you all have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

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**HOOPTIME BASKETBALL**  
James Whitla

Last week 30 of our students travelled to Frankston to compete in McDonald’s Hoop Time Basketball tournaments against other schools from our District. We fielded an ‘ALL STARS’ team, 2 ‘FUTURE STARS’ teams and a ‘ROOKIE’ team and it was great to see all participants displaying excellent sportsmanship, skill and a competitive nature throughout the day. Our boys ALL STAR team has qualified for the Regional Finals early next term and one of our FUTURE STARS teams finished runner up in their division, while the other finished 3rd. Our ROOKIE team—a side made up predominantly of Year 4 students played against mostly Year 6 students and it was fantastic to see their improvement over the course of the day—particularly as none had played competitive basketball previously. It was a highly successful and enjoyable day.

Special thanks go to Mr Christian Melios (a 2nd year undergraduate), Jono Periera (from Sports Education Development Australia), Mr Gavin Smith and Mrs Jane Hayes for their tireless efforts in coaching various teams on the day and instilling in their players the importance of always doing your best in a positive team environment. Well done to ALL of our coaches and players.

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**CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM 3 & 4**

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For your convenience, BPay is available to all families. The BPay codes are shown on your Family Statement—which is sent to you each term, or just phone the office for details. Please only use BPay for amounts of $20 or over; (you can bundle several payments together) and please email or send a note to school, so we know what to allocate your payment to.
Canteen
Mrs Diane Cameron

Firstly, many thanks to all my wonderful parent helpers during term 3. No matter whether you help out once, twice or more each term, it all helps me immensely.

Next term’s roster will be sent out next week. If there are any changes—please contact me at the Canteen. The term 4 menu will be sent out the first week of term 4.

All stocks will be available until the end of term except for yoghurt, which I will order for next term. Lunch orders will be available on Friday, the last day of term.

Hope you all have a wonderful break. Remember there will be some small changes to term 4 menu.

Fun Run Follow Up
Congratulations Edithvale Primary School!

Your outstanding efforts with the 2013 FUN RUN has seen a whopping profit of $5,315 added to our fundraising tally for the year. This is an awesome effort!

The money raised will help to subsidise a much anticipated upgrade of our school oval. Major works on the oval will commence over the September school holidays and we are eagerly anticipating having a lush green surface in readiness for the start of the 2014 school year. In order to achieve this, there will be NO traffic allowed on the oval throughout term 4 and whilst this may be a slight disruption for some students, we are confident that the end result—a vastly improved playing area—will be worth the wait.

District Athletics

Last Friday, we took a dedicated team of 48 students to compete in the 2013 Interschool Athletics Championships at Ballam Park. All of our students competed in great spirit and we were very proud of their efforts. Many students achieved ‘personal best’ results in various events and it was terrific to see many students proudly wearing hard-won ribbons. We wish Laura Melatua, Paige Petropoulos, Lily Cooper, Tom Wilcock, Samson Melatua, Mac Cleaver, Tane MacKintosh, Isla Brown, Ben Hepworth, Jack Mogensen, Paige Hyrons, Britney Smith, Camille Nightingale, Hannah Smith and Sharni Teesdale all the very best in the Divisional Athletics Championships on Wednesday 9 October.

Art Room News

Jenny Lang

This term Prep students have explored a variety of elements and principles of art through both 2D and 3D activities which have included developing their skills and correctly using equipment. Students have been encouraged to be creative, using a variety of media. They had a lot of fun making their puppets throughout the term. Spring is in the air and over the next couple of weeks they will be making some lovely flowers.

This term Year 1 and 2 students have developed an awareness of texture, colour, shape and balance. They have experimented with paints to create different textures for their Inquiry Learning topic and have used a variety of materials to achieve these textures. The Year 2s loved making their 3D house and decorating the inside with miniature furniture. They were amazing. The Year 1s enjoyed making their vegie patches and making their fruit and vegies from plasticine.

Year 3 & 4 students participated in a range of 2D and 3D activities, using a range of media and processes to achieve particular effects. They have explored and created different types of transport. They had fun designing their hot air balloons, tricycles and weird cars/buses. Students have used skills and techniques to effectively apply a variety of mediums, materials, equipment and technologies to their artwork. They have self-evaluated and reflected on their own work.

This term the Year 5 & 6 students designed, planned and used appropriate skills, techniques and processes to complete their art work. They further developed their understanding of textiles by making their puppet or teddy. They were fantastic. The puppets are on display in the Learning Centre and a few are at the office area. The teddies are nearly finished and will be on display soon.

Thank you to the many parents who leave “stuff” outside the art room. We always need yoghurt, margarine and ice-cream containers, meat trays and take-away containers.

We are starting to beautify areas of our school and the Year 3s are presently making outdoor sculptures from clay. Stay tuned! We desperately need acrylic paint pot samples of any colour to paint the sculptures.

They can be left at the office or outside the art room.
On Tuesday 27 August the Year 1s & 2s visited the Lego Education Centre at the Docklands. Here are some recounts about the excursion from the Year 2s.

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On Tuesday 27 August we went with 2B and teachers to Legoland. We went on a bus to Legoland. Then we had our lunch. Next we went into the Lego Centre. My partner was Jordan and we made an alien Lego. Next we made a movie about a farm. Then we got to the bus and went back to school. **By Damon 2A**

On Tuesday 27 August we went to the Lego Education Centre. 2B went with us. Firstly we got there on a bus, then we ate our lunch. My lunch was delicious. After that we had a run around on the grass and played around the statues. When we went over to the Lego Centre, Kerry and Danielle introduced themselves. Then we walked into the back room. There was lots of Lego in the room. The class chose partners. My partner was Charlotte. With our partners we made aliens. Next we made a bridge with a house for a troll under it. In my group there was Jess, Charlotte and Matilda. It was quite hard to build the bridge. After that the class split into 5 groups with 4 people in each group to choose a set for a Lego movie. They were all really fun! Everyone’s movie was brilliant. In my group there was Jordan, Jess and Charlotte. Our set was in the jungle with spiders, bugs, cavemen and ladybirds. The spiders destroyed everything. That was my very, very, very, very favourite excursion this year. **By Sophie 2A**
SCHOOL BANKING UPDATE
Claim your Money Boxes This Year

In 2014 the School Banking program will be launching some exciting reward items for which students can redeem their tokens. Each reward item will continue to be valued at 10 tokens (ie: 10 deposits) & there will be two new reward items for students to choose from each term.

With exciting new items on offer in 2014, please be aware that the Dollarmites moneyboxes will no longer be available in 2014. To avoid any child missing out on claiming their moneybox, please let your children know of this change and encourage them to claim their moneybox this school year.

In an effort to ensure your child doesn’t miss out, the rule of one money box per year has been removed. If your child is trying to collect the series of Dollarmite moneyboxes, they are encouraged to do so before the end of the school year. Please understand that they still need to redeem the required 10 tokens for each money box.

HOMEWORK & FORMS ON WEBSITE
www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au
A reminder to parents and students, that homework is being put up on the EPS Website each week, for all year levels. Please keep an eye on this, under the STUDENTS Tab. Also, some commonly used forms are also now available on the website, under the PARENTS Tab.

LOST PROPERTY
Lost property is stored outside the LOTE room. (Room 6). Named items will be returned to students ASAP. If your child is missing any clothing, please check the lost property bins. At the end of term anything not claimed will be washed and given to the 2nd hand uniform shop.

GROUNDS & SURROUNDINGS
We would like to remind everyone that the school grounds are a dog free zone. It is not very nice when students walk into the buildings with a mess on their shoes; so if you are bringing your dog on a lead, please make sure you also have a plastic bag to pick up after them. Please remind your friends and neighbours to do the same.

CHESS SETS WANTED

Mr Jones is still looking for donations of chess sets for his Chess Club, which has seen quite a bit of interest from students. If you have one you don’t need (or maybe you would like to purchase one to donate to the school?) we would be very happy to receive it from you. Just drop them off at the office.

PREP ENROLLMENTS 2014
We are currently taking prep enrolments for 2014. If you have a child starting Prep next year, please call in to the office and collect an enrolment form at your earliest convenience.

STAFF CARPARK
A number of people have been entering the school grounds via the staff carpark. For the safety of students and parents, we ask that parents park in the street and use other entrances. The carpark is for staff use only. Thank you.

JACK IN THE BOX
INSTRUMENTAL NEWS
Mark McGurgan

The end of year Jack In The Box Music concert will be held on Sunday 20 October at Aspendale Primary School Hall, Laura Street Aspendale, starting at 10.30 am. I would like to extend a warm invitation to any students, parents, relatives, friends or staff members wishing to attend. This is a totally free event and notices will be going home within the next couple of weeks.

If you would like more information regarding the end of year performance please call, or text me on 0412 591 941 or email at info@jackintheboxmusic.com.au

Finally on behalf of myself and the team at Jack In The Box Music I would like to thank Edithvale Primary School for their support of the program.

We are really looking forward to a great end of year concert.
WHEN DID YOU LAST CHANGE YOUR TOOTHBRUSH?
Most people won’t know the answer to the above question.

Studies reveal that significant build-up of plaque on teeth is found in individuals who replace their toothbrush less frequently. In fact, most dentists recommend that you replace your toothbrush every 2 months - more often if you have been sick. This is because toothbrushes are the perfect place for bacteria to grow and accumulate.

So then how do you know when you should replace your family’s toothbrushes and how do you keep track of this. www.ToothbrushDirect.com.au is an Australian based company offering an online toothbrush subscription service to households around Australia. Toothbrush Direct essentially offers you the convenience of never having to remember when to replace your toothbrushes, because new ones arrive at your door at a frequency that you choose. The brushes’ quality are similar to those of high quality international brands that you find at the supermarket. The cost of the service is very affordable and will even save you money if you subscribe to greater amounts.

Not a bad service to sign up to especially when poor oral health and hygiene have been linked to illnesses such as diabetes, respiratory problems, and other serious chronic illnesses.
CHELSEA BASKETBALL
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Run by Kevin “Butter” Johnson
Sep 24th, 25th & 26th + Oct 1st, 2nd & 3rd
10.00am-3.00pm
Bonbeach Stadium
$30 per day, $80 week or $150 for both weeks
Entry forms available at stadium or call 9776-1895 for registration form to be sent out

Develop the confidence of a winning smile
Take advantage of our free initial visit and get some professional advice from a specialist orthodontist today. No referral is necessary.

Chelsea Mobile Unit
Chelsea RSL Function Centre
Cnr of Station St & Chelsea Rd, Chelsea.

Thursday 10th October
1:30pm – 7:30pm
Appointments essential. New donors welcome.
Call 13 14 95
Melbourne Playgrounds is a free online guide to thousands of Melbourne activities for the entire family! Activities cover playgrounds (more than 3800 reviewed with photos), Play Centres, Aquatic Centres, Skate Parks, BMX tracks, miniature train rides, sport and recreation, nature activities, museum & science, educational pursuits, indoor activities, hobbies and cultural activities such as music and dance.

Melbourne Playgrounds is unique in that it provides reviews, ratings and photos of activities.

There is also an extensive list of family activities outside Melbourne covering all of Victoria which is useful when planning a day trip or longer holidays within the State.

The website is:

Monday 30 September 2013, 2:30-4pm
Afternoon movie session. Rated G. Can Alvin, Simon and Theodore beat The Chipettes in a battle of the bands to save the school music program? Come and enjoy music at the movies with these cute and cuddly characters. Includes snacks. Children under 8 must be supervised. Cheltenham Library, 12 Stanley Ave Cheltenham All ages. Bookings Essential.

Wednesday 2 October 2013, 2.30-3.30pm
Hula Hoop Craft. Personalise your Hoop and then move those hips!! Parkdale Library, 96 Parkers Rd Parkdale Ages 5 & up. Bookings Essential.

Wednesday 3 October 2013, 2-3pm

Thursday 3 October 2013, 3-4pm

Wii Games
Available to play at Clarinda and Cheltenham Library throughout the holidays.

Board Games
Available to play at all Kingston library branches throughout the holidays.

Story Time and Tiny Tots run as normal throughout the school holidays.
STEAM TRAINS FOR KIDS
Family Railway Fun
MALDON STATION
Sat / Sun : October 5 / 6
Train Rides - Steam & Diesel
Animal Farm. Model Railway
Clown on board. Novelty Rides. Fun Games
Sausage Sizzle.
Horse Cart Rides
JOIN THE FUN
From 10.00am
Great Family Day
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HOOPSMART
September Holidays 2013
BASKETBALL CAMP

Damien Ryan
Former NBL, European and Australian Boomer player will be conducting an innovative and fun HOOPSMART basketball camp.

EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOP
* Team building
* Leadership
* Life Skills
* Goal Setting

PLAYERS : All levels - Boys/Girls 6-14 years
COST : $135 *Early Bird Special* Registered & Paid before 13th SEPT ONLY
****FREE NBA ball & Prizes****
Registration closes Sun 29th Sept 2013

Try Baseball at the Dolphins

Chelsea Baseball Club invites all boys and girls ages 5+ to TRY BASEBALL

Like few other sports, baseball is a non-contact sport that teaches failure does not necessarily mean defeat. After a strikeout, there is always another at-bat, whether it is later in the game, in the next game, or in the next season. It teaches that EVERYONE gets another chance to prove themselves.

Contact:
Trevor Johansen 0417 552 045
Adam Sellars 0416 166 156
Email: chelsea_baseball_club@gmail.com

Register at: hoopsmart.com.au
Enquiries : 0406 488 313  admin@hoopsmart.com.au
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