Welcome back to term 2 – I hope that everyone had a wonderful break, enjoying what appears to be the last of the really great weather. This term is a particularly full one with many activities and events already on the drawing board. The first of these occurs on Friday April 23rd when we are having a special Anzac Day Assembly at 3.00pm for all members of the school community – please join us.

BER: (Building Education Revolution): It was very heartening to arrive back on Monday to hear good news about our proposed building program. The tendering process has concluded and a contract has now been awarded. Shortly I will meet with the project manager and hopefully the wheels will start to move a bit faster. I will keep you informed of our progress.

Emergency Management: The safety of our students, staff and any visitors to our school is paramount in the planning of our day to day activities at EPS. We are required to maintain a current emergency management plan and ensure that our response to a critical event will be effective and that everyone has a clear understanding of the processes that need to be put in place in the event that an emergency occurs. You will know from speaking with your children that we have already had practice fire drills; students discuss the procedures with their teachers and then we have a whole school drill to reinforce their understanding. In the near future we are going to practice for a school lockdown which involves elements that differ from the fire drill – we will provide the students with a scenario as to why the school might have to lockdown (eg it could be in response to fumes from a local fire). Again, teachers will discuss this with their students prior to the practice and explain the reasons as to why this might occur. Any parents who are in the school at this time will also need to be involved and indeed may be required to have a particular role at this time. If you have any questions about this please don’t hesitate to contact me or your classroom teacher.

Working Bee: I’m looking forward to seeing many of you at the working bee this Saturday morning. Most of the work will revolve around establishing the vegie garden, so come along and join the fun.

Denise Webster

Library

Our Library will be open at 8:45 (before school) for children wishing to change their books.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR APRIL/ MAY

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Please take a moment to have a look at our new Sports Media Channel for primary schools in the Chelsea District. The idea behind this new initiative started by teacher, Marcus Mulcahy at Carrum Primary School, is to allow our students the opportunity to become reporters to share their news amongst children and parents at other schools in the District.

We would like our students at Edithvale to be able to contribute to the Media Channel as well so we will soon be sending out forms asking for permission for your child to be involved. The Media Channel is a public access internet website although as you can see from the video clips, names of the children are not disclosed. We have included footage from our visit by the AFL players and from our Yardball clinic with Jade Hough. However, we have ensured that none of the children’s faces were featured until we had your agreement.

Go to:  
http://iinterschoolmediachannel.edublogs.org

There are 3 episodes to look at so far.

Heather Pardoe

A.F.L.

Justin Koschitzke and Paul Cahill at Edithvale Primary for a Football Clinic on the 16th March with the Year 6s.

YARDBALL

Some of our Year 4 children happily playing with our new yardball activity on the Oval.
CANTEEN NEWS

The Term 2 menu has been sent out this week with a couple of additions.

- **Fantastic Noodles** (chicken or beef) $2.20
- **Hot Chocolate** .80¢
- **and on Monday’s Only**
  - **Steamed Dim Sims** .60¢

Please note that **Cup-a-Soup** (chicken or tomato) is also available for $1.00

Frozen items available for window sales are
- Zooper Dooper’s (.50¢)
- Go-Gurts (.80¢)
- **Moo Ice-Creams** ($1.20)
- **Frozen Yoghurt** $1.30

Thanks helpers for the first week back

**Diane**

FROM THE OFFICE ...

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Don’t forget the Second Hand Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday from 3:00pm to approximately 3:30 ~ 3:45pm. If you have any uniforms that you no longer need, please bring them to the Second Hand Uniform Shop or leave them at the school office.

STUDENT CONFIDENTIAL FORMS

Thank you to the families who have already sent back their children’s confidential forms.

There are still a few families who have not returned their forms. It is important for us to hold at the school, current student information which includes, medical information and emergency contacts in case of an unforeseen accident or illness. Would you please send your forms back to the school office as soon as possible. Many thanks.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

We now have some of our EMA cheques at the school office ready for collection. If you are waiting on a cheque, please come in to pick it up.

BOOK CLUB REMINDER

Book Club forms and money are due back on Tuesday 27th, April. **Late Orders cannot be accepted**

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SOLVE THESE 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

⇒ My answer is 25. Write a number story to give this answer.

Grade 3 – Grade 6

⇒ Miss Baker has a piece of string that is 50cm long.
⇒ She cuts the string into two pieces so that one piece is four times the length of the other piece.
⇒ How long is the shorter piece of string?

SCHOOL BANKING

A REMINDER FOR PARENTS

If you are doing School Banking—

✦ Bank Books come to school on Tuesday.
✦ School Banking is processed on Wednesday.
✦ You can bank for other children not attending EPS as well through the school.
✦ Students earn great prizes for banking.

APRIL ROSTER

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**HELP WANTED**

Where are you David Beckham?!!

The Senior School are wondering is there any family member or friend who could coach and umpire the interschool soccer Team on a Thursday afternoon and Friday morning?

If you are interested, please contact:
Deb Johnson—Grade 6 Teacher (6B)

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**Kumon Edithvale Education Centre**

**Kumon Method**

- Teaches to concentrate
- Develops ability to learn anything new independently
- Improves mental calculation in Math’s
- Encourages studying beyond grade level up to higher levels of Math’s
- Introduces basic grammar in English
- Improves reading comprehension
- Teaches how to organise and analyse information in the texts and
- How to express one’s thoughts and opinions in writing

**BY:**

- Introducing compulsory daily homework
- Leaning by small steps
- Making study plan individually for each student
- Providing all learning materials at no additional cost

Call me on **0402065154** or email to **kumanedithvale@yahoo.com.au** and book a free no obligation appointment for assessing your child’s level of knowledge in Maths and English.

I will show you how your child can benefit and then you will decide if it suits your child or not

**Lena Gvirtsman**

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For more information contact the college on the above phone number.

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**OPEN NIGHT**

Prospective Students and Families

**Thursday 29th April 2010**

**7:00pm – 9:00pm**