Suddenly we've arrived at the end of term – time passes so much more quickly when you are really busy and that has certainly been the case since early July. On reflection, this term has been filled with many activities and there were a great number of occasions when parents were able to contribute to both in the classroom and at whole school events. Our partnership with you is an essential part of your child’s education and we look forward to your continued support.

This week the students of year 3 invited their parents to a celebration of their work on ‘The Travel Show’ which is part of their Inquiry based learning for the term. Many thanks to Mrs Laurent, Mrs Glavis and Mrs Isbell for organising this event. The students were very proud of their work and were excellent hosts for the evening.

The prep students have been busily preparing for their concert this afternoon and I’m sure that this will again prove to be a great success. It is wonderful to see our confident young students so eager to display their talents.

Children and parents are reminded that from the first day of term 4 all students must wear a broad brimmed hat when they are in the yard. This will continue until the end of term 1, 2010.

Yesterday I attended a BER briefing for Southern region and a number of issues were addressed. The expected start date for the construction of the new building at Edithvale Primary School has been pushed out a little further. A retendering process has begun and mid November is now looking to be a more likely commencement date. However, work on the refurbishment of the toilets and the hall will begin over this holiday period. The internal work on the toilets will be completed by the end of the first week of term 4. The work on the hall will continue through the holidays and over the next term and hopefully will not impact too much on our use of this area. I would like thank students and staff for their great effort this term. I hope that you have a safe and relaxing holiday.

Denise Webster

Here is a lovely picture of our little Angelo who was pictured in the Herald Sun last week. Angelo was lucky to have a kick with his idol “Richo” of the Richmond FC, at the Punt Road Oval. The Tiger superstar was impressed with Angelos’ football technique. Well done Angelo!
After a fantastic professional development evening with Michael Ymer, teachers at Edithvale have begun introducing the fun and engaging games learned to assist all students in developing mathematical concepts.

Recently the Prep students have been learning about number pairs to 10, simple addition and subtraction problems through entertaining ‘hands on’ activities.

Solve the Puzzles and Win!

Starting next term, each newsletter will contain two numeracy puzzles, one for junior students and one for seniors. 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 certificates will be given to those very clever students at assembly. IT COULD BE YOU!!!

Amanda Scafidi & Deb Ostojic

**LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK**

During our Literacy and Numeracy week the students were put into multi-age groups and went with teachers and worked on either literacy or numeracy activities. These students have thoroughly enjoyed these activities.

A big thanks to those parents who helped in their children’s grades during the week with Maths Trails, reading and other activities. It was much appreciated by both students and teachers.

Karen Laurent
All the Year 4 students scrambled onto the bus eager to get to Camp Manyung. As soon as we got out of the bus, excitement began with my group on the flying fox. We had to wear a harness and helmets for that and it was great fun. My favourite had to be the giant swing because I like heights. We did Archery which I enjoyed, but I completely missed the target. I also enjoyed canoeing and the radios were a lot of fun. It was so exciting at Camp Manyung.

Kelsey Walker Grade 4/5

On Monday 31st August the Year 4 students went on an exciting camp to Camp Manyung. As we all scrambled out of the bus the students were put into five groups. The activities were the Giant Swing which was 15 metres high which is massive, the flying fox which was 5 metres, that was awesome, Archery which was great fun. We went canoeing which was very wet and it was cool playing with radios. Camp was great fun.

Kelsey David 4/5

The Grade 4s went to Camp Manyung on the 31st August till the 2nd of September. We had lot’s of fun. It was my birthday on the 1st September. We had delicious cake. We did 6 activities which were the Flying Fox, Canoeing the Giant Swing, Rock Pooling and Archery. On the last day we went on a 2 hour walk along the beach and we had a nice lunch at the park. The food was beautiful at camp and so were the cabins. Everyone loved camp, it was so much fun.

Jessica Lancaster Grade 4/5

On the 31st August the Grade 4s went to Camp Manyung. At the Camp we were divided into six groups. I was in the Crabs group and I did the Rock Pool Ramble. It was a lot more fun than I had expected. We also had canoeing on that day. On the next day we did Archery and Orienteering, Flying Fox, Initiatives and the Giant Swing. My favourite activities were: the Flying Fox, and the Giant Swing. I had a lot of fun.

Daniel Grade 4/5
**SMALL COIN ROUND-UP**

Next term we will be holding an exciting new fundraiser called the **Small Coin Round-Up** so start saving all those five cent coins, stashed in car ash trays, jars and bowls at home and get ready to send them along to school.

Each grade will have a plastic tube to fill—and the grade who fills the most tubes and raises the most money, will receive a small reward.

The money raised will be used for something specific—for the students to use. This has still to be decided upon, but we will let you know in due course. Each tube holds $10 so 20 tubes equals $200... you’ll be surprised how quickly they fill up.

**RITCHIES COMMUNITY BENEFITS**

When a *Ritchies* Community Benefit Card is scanned at the checkout register, a donation of 1% of the money spent in their supermarkets and liquor stores is allocated to the charity chosen by the customer.

The school receives regular donations from the Program - for example, in July 2009 – we received $457.50.

If you have an existing card with a previous club, school or charity as your preferred recipient; and you would like to change it to *Edithvale Primary School*, please drop in and see Sandie to get a new card. If you don’t have a Community Benefits Card, and you shop at *Ritchies*, please come and collect a card and get things rolling, it’s an easy way to support your school.


**BUILDING WORKS**

Some of our building works are starting during this holiday period. The toilet block renovations will get underway and the new vinyl flooring in the hall toilets and canteen will be installed.

During the holiday period, access to the school grounds will be restricted for safety purposes, so please do not enter the grounds unless absolutely necessary.

Portable toilets will be in place for the first week of term four; hopefully the toilets in the hall will also be available, depending on whether the hall floor resurfacing gets underway or not.

Senior girls will also be allowed to use the staff toilet in the grade 5/6 building during this time.

**SUN PROTECTION ALERT**

SunSmart has issued a message that with higher UV levels from September onwards it is important to use a combination of sun-protection measures to minimise the risk of skin and eye damage, and skin cancer.

When outdoors, staff and students should wear appropriate clothing that covers as much skin as possible; a wide-brimmed hat to protect the head, face, neck and ears; apply SPF 30+ broad spectrum sunscreen; and use shade whenever possible.

If practical, wrap-around sunglasses (marked AS1067) should also be worn.

**LOST PROPERTY**

We have collected a lot of Lost Property for this term. Please come and check our lost property bin at the office before Friday.

**EMA CHEQUES**

EMA cheques are now ready for collection at the school office. Please come in to collect them as soon as you can.
EPS NEWS

SPORTS REPORT

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the CDPSSA District Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 15th September. They were all excellent ambassadors for the school and showed great sportsmanship towards their team mates and also towards children competing from other schools. The weather was kind to us and everyone showed determination in their event. The Zone Athletics day will be on Friday 9th October at Ballam Park and we will be notified of any children who have qualified this event before the end of term 4. Well done, Edithvale.

Heather Pardoe

FROM DIANE IN THE CANTEEN

What a fantastic term it’s been. I wish to thank all my parent helpers for their assistance throughout this term. Also a special mention to the year 6 students who gave up their playtime to help out. Rosters for next term have been sent out this week.

The Term 4 Menu will be sent out next term, when finalised. Prices will remain the same, but some items will be removed.

Have a great break one and all and see you in Term 4.

WEEK ONE—TERM FOUR CANTEEN ROSTER

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Little Athletics Program for Schools (LAPS)

On 4th August, Andrew Neilson and Debbie Jones and a representative from the Chelsea Little Athletics Centre came to our school to conduct LAPS (Little Athletics Program for Schools). It was a fantastic day where Grades 3 and 4 took part in introductory athletics sessions with modified equipment.

New skills and techniques were learnt and it gave all the students involved an opportunity to take part in Little Athletics based activities.

Anyone interested in joining Little Athletics, please contact the Chelsea Little Athletics Centre on the following:

CONTACT: Glen Ward
PHONE NUMBER: 0403 207217
E-MAIL: chelsea@vlaa.asn.au
WEBSITE: www.chelsea.coolrunning.com.au
VENUE: Edithvale Recreation Reserve
HD Thomas Pavilion
Edithvale Rd, Edithvale

COMPETITION TIME: Saturdays 8.30-12.00 (refer to website)
REGISTRATION DAYS: 19th and 27th of September at 10 am

Victorian Little Athletics

Little Athletics Program for Schools (LAPS)
ASPENDALE CRICKET CLUB

MILO CRICKET/IN2CRICKET PROGRAM
Is about to commence

Are you interested in Playing Cricket?
Come and join us at Aspendale CC

IN2CRICKET Registration days are as follows:

SATURDAY, 19th SEPTEMBER
SATURDAY, 10TH OCTOBER
9.30-10.30AM

OR REGISTER ONLINE: Go to MyCricket at http://www.cricket.com.au

WHERE: REGENTS PARK, FOURTH AVENUE, ASPENDALE

IN2CRICKET COMMENCEMENT DATE:
SATURDAY 17th, OCTOBER
TIME: 9.00 - 10.30AM

PLAYSPORTS~TERM 4

Come and enjoy the warmer weather after-school in Term 4 with PlaySports at Edithvale Primary with Prep to Year 4 children enjoying the sports of Basketball & Hockey. Commencing Wednesday 14 Oct. and running for eight weeks, each session includes warm up games, skill activities and modified competitions, that are fun, engaging and age appropriate. The cost is $69.00. Enrolment forms accompany this newsletter and spares are at the school office or phone PlaySports on 9532 5584. Enroll early to ensure a place.

www.playsports.com.au

MORDIALLOC SAILING CLUB SAIL TRAINING AND BOAT BUILDING

Children aged 6 - 14 years are invited to join sail training at Mordialloc Sailing Club starting on Saturday 3rd October. There is a registration and information day at the club on Sunday 20th September from 9:00am - 10:00am.

For more details please contact: dale.collings@optusnet.com.au or visit http://www.mordiallocsc.com.au

Alternatively, if you would like to building your own Firebug Sailing Dinghy over nine weeks beginning on 1th October, please contact:
richrd.lozell@getintosailing.com/boat-building-program/