Thank you to all parents who took the opportunity to attend Parent-Teacher interviews this week. We appreciate the support we have from you and acknowledge once again, the vital role you have in the education of your child. The development of our students is greatly enhanced by positive and informed communication between school and home.

Our building program has finally commenced. The builders’ sheds have arrived and the fencing will begin in the next few days. Over the holiday period the portables will be relocated to the back section of the oval and should be ready to move into in the first few days of term 3. As soon as the classes have shifted, the demolition of the 5/6 building will begin. As with any building program, there will be a few changes which occur that, while not ideal, are necessary for the short term. Access to the office area may be redefined – we will try to keep the French Avenue access for as long as possible, however, eventually we will have to have access via Edithvale Road. Parking is already difficult at certain times and is likely to become more so – we ask for your support in this area as the movement of trucks in and out of the school is not within our control. The end of the school day is the most congested and will now require a little more patience as we negotiate the restricted space. We will do our very best to keep you informed of any new arrangements prior to their introduction. It is a very exciting time for us – our wonderful new learning centre is about to become a reality, not just a dream!

Once again the students from EPS have given us cause to be very proud. Thirty-two Year 5 students participated in the Hoop Time Basketball Competition at Chelsea Basketball Stadium yesterday. We entered five teams and three rounds were played by each team. Fine sportsmanship, excellent behaviour and fantastic pride in their school were the qualities that were demonstrated by our students. All were worthy participants and their efforts were rewarded when one of our teams won the competition. Many thanks go to Ms Short, Ms Baker, Mrs Waller and a number of our parents who assisted on the day. There is a more detailed report later in the newsletter.

Finally, I would like to thank Mr Chris Chant for the wonderful contribution he made to Edithvale Primary School during the time I was on leave. The unexpected dilemma that we faced, when it became clear that neither Jan nor I were able to be here, was solved when Chris kindly offered to help out. I know that he enjoyed his time with us and was similarly able to gain from the new experience.

Have a wonderful, safe holiday everyone.

Denise Webster
On Wednesday this week, 32 Year five representatives went to Chelsea basketball stadium to play in a basketball competition against other schools.

We entered two Future Star teams and three Rookie teams. Each of our five teams won at least one game. All teams tried their best and showed great sportsmanship towards the other schools. One of our Future Star teams won the grand final for our school.

The teachers and parent helpers were really proud of us and our behaviour on the day.

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to Marg Gough, Dee Smith, Debbie Hookway and Jen Kingsbury for helping us with scoring, coaching and training leading up to our big day. We also appreciated the support from the parents who came to cheer for us.

We are all so proud to be a part of Edithvale Primary School. GO EPS!!!!

PLAYERS

Tessa Cox  Victor Ding  Tyler Joy
Courtney Smith  Gemma Proy  Jemima Gordon
Molly Gough  Scott Kingsbury  Charlie Riddell
Elise Jacob  Nick Hookway  Wayne Robertson
Maitreya Fowler  Laird Ahyee McInney  Brooke Millen
Sarah McCormack  Samantha Webb  Jessica Lancaster
Piper Bye  Marcus Thong  Samantha Jacobs
Leila Conlan  Shikar Dwahan  Chelsea Blainey
Nikkita Veitch  Daniel Vella  Chloe Canavan
Jessica Butta  Taylor McIntyre  Dean Coutts
As part of the celebrations for our French Day, we will be having a special ‘French Assembly’. Madame Snow would like to invite students to this wonderful whole school event.

Students are invited to create a painting or drawing related to France. It can be based on a French monument, a famous French painting, a scene in France, French cuisine or famous French people... You could, if you wish, dress up as a French Painter! Use your imagination, the sky is your limit!

A parade will take place at 9:00 am on Wednesday 4th August. We can’t wait to see your fabulous masterpieces and costumes.

One free crepe per grade will be given as a prizes.

During the morning our favourite chef ‘Robert’ will be cooking us delicious French Crepes.

Crepe Order forms will be sent out early in Term 3. When your notice arrives home, please fill it out with your children’s names, grades and how many crepes they would like, then return the forms to school with the correct money, in the envelopes provided.

Merci! Thank you for supporting the French Program

Madame Snow
French Teacher

Last Friday night the students of EPS discoed the night away!

Lots of fun was had at both the Prep – 3 and Grade 4 – 6 discos. Students were seen singing and dancing to the YMCA and other sensational musical treats. The canteen was a popular spot and the glow bracelets added a luminescence to the night!

Thanks to all the students who attended for your great behaviour and a special thanks to Di Cameron, the PFA and all the helpers on the night, without whom such a night is not possible.
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Lena Gvirtsman

CANTEEN NEWS

The Term 3 Roster has been sent out this week. Any changes please let me know. Next term’s menu will be sent out next term.

Thanks to all my parent helpers who volunteered during the term, your help each week is greatly appreciated. Also thanks to the Year 6 students, Renee, Maddy, Nikita, Ashley, Lyric and Tegan who helped me during recesses.

Hope you all have a wonderful break and will see you all next term.

Diane

PFA

A ‘GIANT’ thank you to all parents and teachers who helped out at the school disco. The night went well and the students enjoyed the dancing.

Another thanks to parents who helped with the Hot Dog Day. Thanks to Sarah, Rachel and Melinda who helped collate the orders and money.

Next PFA meeting is on Thursday 22nd July, 2:30pm in the staff room. Discussions will be Father’s Day Stall, Term 3 Disco and another special lunch day. Hope to see new parents there.

Diane

SPORTS DESK

Basketball Hoop Time

Well done to all the students in Year 5 who attended the Hooptime Basketball competition Thank you to Deb Short, Brittany Baker, Dee Smith and Margaret Gough for all their great organisation and support.

Students in Prep to Year 4 enjoyed their basketball skill, fun and play clinics on Wednesday 23rd June at school organised by Basketball Victoria.

Jump Rope for Heart

Watch out for more details next term as we will be taking part in Jump Rope for Heart to encourage students to keep fit through fun skipping sessions. Come along to our assembly in week 2 to hear the details and see a skipping demonstration.

Athletics

In term 3, students in Years 3 – 6 will be working on improving their personal best in a range of Athletics skills.

We will have a School Athletics Carnival on Friday 20th August 2010 at Edithvale Athletics track for all students in Years 4-6 so please put this date in your diary and come along to support the students. We have a back up date of Friday 27th August in case of bad weather! The District Athletics Carnival will take place for students in Years 4-6 on Wednesday 8th September 2010.