PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Mrs Denise Webster

Next Wednesday, Term 1 Interim Reports will be sent home with students—these are a snapshot of your child’s progress in terms of ‘skills and attitude to work’. They are not a report on achievement level—this will be given in the mid-year reports. If you have any concerns or wish to discuss your child’s progress in more detail please contact the classroom teacher to arrange a time to meet.

Congratulations go to Holly Cox for her participation in the Kingston Junior Mayor speeches at Chelsea Town Hall last Friday. Holly gave a clear and engaging presentation which she prepared with expert assistance from her fellow students—Ethan Carroll, Hayley Prasad and James Vicendese. This was another example of how our students at EPS are able to work together to represent our school with pride and dignity. Well done everyone.

Many thanks to all students, teachers and parents for helping to make this first term for 2014 a very positive and productive time. I hope that the last week is equally as motivating and that students move into holiday mode at the end of next week with the knowledge that they have given their best effort over the course of the term. Students will be dismissed from school at 2.30 pm on Friday 4 April after the final assembly for the term which will start at 2.10 pm.

RIDE 2 SCHOOL DAY
Mr James Whitla

Last week we celebrated National Ride 2 School Day with a fantastic morning at school. It was terrific to see the bike shed at capacity and great to have so many students and parents making the effort to ride, walk or scoot to school. There was a wonderful community spirit in the yard all morning as students, parents and teachers participated in a variety of ball sports as well as having some juice, fruit and toast as part of a light breakfast kindly funded by our Kingston Council. A huge THANK YOU to all who participated in this day and made it a huge success.

BASKETBALL CLINIC

Last week we were again very fortunate to have students from SEDA deliver some fun and engaging activities as part of a basketball clinic run for all students throughout the school. Our students enjoyed learning and refining new basketball skills in a supportive and friendly environment. We are looking forward to having the SEDA group return to us again later in the year! Well done to all students who displayed a great attitude in every clinic—something that was commented on by the visiting staff from SEDA!!

DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

A gentle reminder that for the safety of all of our students, dogs are not allowed on school grounds at any time.

SUSPENSION PROCEDURES

We are fortunate to have amazing students with us at Edithvale Primary school who are respectful, caring, cooperative and have a very positive attitude towards their schooling. Our students are provided with a safe and supportive learning environment yet on very rare occasions when students get things horribly wrong, serious disciplinary measures such as suspensions, may be need to be invoked. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development have recently developed new procedures for dealing with such disciplinary measures. These can be found on the Department website at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/discipline.aspx

However with such terrific students at Edithvale Primary, I am confident that these will rarely, if ever, be needed.

ABSENCE PROCEDURES

If your child has been away from school or is going to be away, please send a written note explaining your child’s absence. A phone call to the office is appreciated if the absence is unexpected with a follow up note when your child returns to school.
STEP BACK IN TIME
WOW! What a way to start the week. Monday morning the 5/6 students took a step back in time and came dressed as significant Australian historical figures. They were able to share their learning with the school community by showcasing their research of these iconic people. This involved choosing a person who made a significant contribution to Australia, researching that person and creating a suitcase full of items and information that represented that particular person. There were many explorers, politicians, inventors and convicts who shared their stories with parents and friends. Overall it was a spectacular experience for all the students.

BASKETBALL CLINIC
Preps
I learned to dribble. *Hamish*
I bounced the ball. *Nellie*
I threw the ball. *Rowan*
I threw the ball in the hoop. *Van*
I played basketball. It was fun. *Frankie*

WRITERS CORNER
Mr Luke McMaster
Come one, come all, to the unveiling of the EPS writer’s corner!
We are opening a Writer’s Corner at the Year 4 end of the Learning Centre, which will showcase all of the fantastic writing which happens daily around our school.
We will be opening the Writer’s Corner on Tuesday 23 April (first Tuesday after the holidays) after school.
All parents attendance would be greatly appreciated!
On Friday last week we held our first working bee for the year. A small but dedicated group of parents and a number of staff and students worked vigorously for close to 2 hours on getting the kitchen garden and learning centre grounds tidy. Concrete was dug up around the seats near the basketball courts and mulch was spread throughout the week. Thanks to all those who enthusiastically contributed to the upkeep of our School environment. Those who signed the register on the day were: Kathy Bourne, Max Telfer, Jane and Olivia Hampson, Beverley and Daniel Burrell, Rachel and Emily Hepworth, Kerrie Evans, Jessica Arnephy, Leanne, Kate and Emma Weatherley, Steve Smith, Jacqui Miller, Kim Rolls, Maddy Kingsley, Catherine Arblaster, Nikki Howard, Denise Webster, Jaime Rohan and James Whitla.

**BUNNINGS BBQ**

Thank you to all those families who gave up some time to help with our Bunnings BBQ. It was great to see some of our former students helping too. We raised a fantastic $995 on the day.

**HOT CROSS BUNS**

An order form for yummy Hot Cross Buns went home with students last Tuesday. If you would like to order some buns, and help the school’s fundraising efforts, just send your completed form back to school by **Monday 31 March**.

As an added incentive, the students in the class with the most purchases will win a free morning tea and a certificate of achievement, provided by Bakers Delight Chelsea.

**FAMILY STATEMENTS**

**SCHOOL FEES & CHARGES**

Thank you to those who have paid all of their charges. These payments assist us in providing your children with a wider range of Curricular and Extra-Curricular programs. If you still have outstanding charges, would you please make payment as soon as possible? There are several payment options available to you:

1. **BPay**
   This is the safest, most convenient method of payment. You will find the BPay details are on your statement). BPay payments should be for $20 or more, due to the bank charges incurred.

2. **Instalments**
   Just pop into the office and fill out an instalment form including your credit card details, and we will deduct the instalments on your behalf.

3. **Scheduled Payments**
   Set up a scheduled payment using your banking software, and pay whatever you can afford each week or fortnight.

4. **Pay by Cash or Credit Card**
   Send cash or a credit card payment to school, using the reply/payment slips provided to you.

**PAYMENT ENVELOPES**

If anyone would like some School Payment Envelopes, they are available from the office. Just drop by and collect a few next time you are up at the School.

**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.*
Help the Aspendale Gardens Community Centre win a $10,000 grant!

Parents and friends, we need your help to win a $10,000 grant for the upgrade of our kitchen and community hall to setup a community kitchen program.

To like our project and submit your support, please visit the Carlisle Home’s Community Grants Facebook page, hit ‘like’ and then share with all your friends. You can only vote once and your vote can only be submitted via Facebook from a PC, not a mobile device. The link is also available from the Aspendale Gardens Community Services Facebook page.

This money will enable us to upgrade the kitchen and develop a community kitchen program. This will provide space for the local community, cultural and religious groups to come together regularly to cook healthy and nutritious meals, and hold gatherings or functions. Importantly, it will allow us to become more financially independent with more revenue available to develop a great range of community programs. We ask that you take the time to submit your vote, and we thank you for your ongoing support of our Community Centre.

GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL
Mrs Verona Keogh

Thanks to everyone who sent money to school for this worthy cause. There is still time to make a donation. You can send your envelope back by Wednesday 2 April and we will forward all donations to the Good Friday Appeal. Our tally so far is a massive $920.00.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

The next meeting to discuss the Mothers’ Day Stall will be on Monday 31 March at 2.30 pm in the Staff Room. Gifts have been ordered, and we now need to organise the next stage of the stall. So come along and enjoy a cuppa together!
WE HAVE MISSED YOU!

If you haven’t banked for a while, please come back! It’s good for you and it’s good for the school. There are lots of new rewards and competitions to keep you interested this year.

You can also bank through the school, for your older bothers and sisters who have moved on to high school.

Tuesday is School Banking Day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Edithvale Primary School.

RENEW YOUR WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK ONLINE

From early April 2014, cardholders who are required to renew their WWC Check will no longer need to go to Australia Post to lodge a paper form and present their current card.

From this time, cardholders will go to the WWC Check website to complete their renewal application online and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the fee using a credit card.

Cardholders will be notified by SMS, letter or email 28 days before their WWC Check is due to expire. It is important for cardholders to keep their contact details up to date so that they receive this important reminder.

After receiving a notification, individuals continuing to do child-related work should go to MyCheck on the WWC Check website and apply to renew their Check. Cardholders will be asked to register with MyCheck if they have not already done so. Once logged in to MyCheck, cardholders will be prompted to confirm or update their personal contact and work details, complete the online form and, if applying for an Employee Check, pay the non-refundable $102.70 fee.
Chelsea Heights TENNIS ACADEMY

Hot shots 4-12 yrs. Free racket 4-7 yrs
Junior group lessons up to 18 yrs $108 per term. Cardio tennis, adult classes $12 per session rackets provided. Night tennis Saturday juniors and memberships
Contact Leigh @ 0439616748 or leigh_holland@hotmail.com
Venue Chelsea Heights Cc, Thames promenade. * Mention this ad to receive a 10% discount on term fees (new enrolments only)

Chelsea Basketball School Holiday Camp
8th, 9th & 10th April
15th, 16th & 17th April
10am-3.00pm Bonbeach stadium
$80 per week, $150 for both weeks or $30 per day
Contact stadium on 9776 1895
Entries close April 3rd 2014

Tennis Lessons @ School!
Fit For Kids Co provide tennis lessons using the MLC Tennis Holidays Program, the official junior program endorsed by Tennis Australia.
Each registered participant will get a FREE Hot Shot T-Shirt & Prize & giveaways, throughout the year. Lessons are conducted on miniature nets with softer ball! This is the only way for children aged 4 - 10 yrs to learn the game of tennis
Why do lessons at school?
Convenience - On campus before school. Simply drop & go.
National Standard - Participate in the program endorsed by the Australian Sports Commission.
Value - Prizes, giveaways & promotions thanks to MLC, Tennis Australia & Nickalboland
Fun & VALUE - Lessons are run for free which is why they attract both boys and girls.
Zero Start-up Cost - We provide all equipment each week, including NICKALBOLDS for students!

Edithvale Primary School
Term 2, 2014
Dates
Thursday 8th of May - Thursday 28th June 2014 (8 Weeks)
Times
Thursday Morning 8.00am - 9.00am (Basketball court away)
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10am - 11am 6 - 9 yo
11am - 12pm 10 - 12 yo
SUNDAYS
Goalkeeper Training
9am - 10am 5 - 7 yo
10am - 11am 6 - 9 yo
11am - 12pm 10 - 12 yo
LOCATION: FSA Centre of Excellence, 1 Lennox St, Moorabbin

ELITE SQUAD TRAINING
Mondays/ Wednesdays
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SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP
Monday - Friday
9am - 3pm 5 - 7 yo
9am - 3pm 8 - 12 yo

TO SIGN UP PLEASE VISIT: footballstaracademy.com.au

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Edithvale Seaford Wetland Education Centre

**Water Cycle/Integrated Water Management Schools Event Program**

Celebrate the end of Term 1 with a fun school visit to the Edithvale Seaford Wetland Education Centre. This unique program of activities is an affordable, accessible way to spend time at our award-winning, sustainable education site, and may whet your appetite for a future visit to experience our regular education offerings.

**What’s included:**
- Macropodidahama (Water Bug) identification activity
- Test drive our NEW Water Cycle/InMo activities (depending on age of group)
- View our centre and find about other activities for future visits

**Session Dates:**
- Monday, 31 March
- Wednesday, 2 April
- Friday, 4 April

**Session Times**
- 9.30 – 11.50
- 11.00 – 12.50
- 13.10 – 14.40

**Session Duration:**
- 90 minutes

Book now to secure your place by contacting Melbourne Water on 13 17 22 or education@melbournewater.com.au.

Numbers are limited.

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Edithvale Seaford Wetland Education Centre

**Autumn School Holiday Program - 2014**

Come and visit our sustainable, award-winning building, to see permanent and migratory birds in their natural environment and learn about our local wetlands.

**Thursday, 10 April: 11am-3pm**
- Changing face of the Wetland
  - See the wetland transformed to open grassland (and maybe view a kangaroo)
  - Learn about where the migratory birds have gone, and when they will be back
  - Make your own migratory bird to take home

**Wednesday, 16 April: 11am-3pm**
- In My Backyard
  - See how wetlands improve your neighbourhood
  - Contribute to community wetland poster
  - Walk to our centre along the extensive network of shared pathway

Drop in at any time within the opening hours

For more information contact Melbourne Water on 13 17 22

Groups of 10 or more please notify our staff on above number.
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| 3    | Junior School Information Night | School Council Meeting | Preps Not Required at School | Camp Woorabinda | Camp Woorabinda | Camp Woorabinda |
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| 5    | Camp Woorabinda | Camp Woorabinda | Camp Woorabinda | Camp Woorabinda | Ride to School Day | Camp Woorabinda |
| 6    | Labour Day Holiday  
No School Today | School Council AGM  
Years Prep-6 Basketball clinic | 1st Aid for Students  
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**WEEKEND**

Saturday 15 March
BBQ–Bunnings
Keysborough

**EVENTS**

- **Monday, 27 January**
  - Australia Day Holiday
  - No School Today

- **Tuesday, 28 January**
  - Staff Return
  - No Students Required

- **Wednesday, 29 January**
  - Preps Not Required at School

- **Thursday, 30 January**
  - Term 1 Begins
  - All Students Return

- **Friday, 31 January**
  - Life Education All Year Levels

- **Weekend, 15–16 March**
  - BBQ–Bunnings
  - Keysborough

**NOTES**

- **Labour Day Holiday**
  - No School Today

- **School Council AGM**
  - Years Prep-6 Basketball clinic

- **1st Aid for Students**
  - All Year Levels

- **EPS X-Country Trials**
  - Edithvale Commons
  - Years 3-6

- **Australian History Day**
  - Years 5-6
  - 9.10am

- **Prep Grandparent Afternoon**
  - 2.30-3.30pm

- **Last Day of Term 1**
  - School finishes 2.30pm
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