Education Week at Edithvale

Well, Education at Edithvale certainly is dished up with Engagement, Excitement, Expertise and Excellence thanks to all students, staff and prospective parents who were involved in an action-packed Education Week!

Our open-night was fantastic and it was great to see so many parents and grandparents sharing in our curriculum achievements. We welcomed only one observer to our school council meeting and hope that you may consider becoming a member in the future, Alice. Thanks for coming.

Everyone had a wonderful “Walk a Mile in My Shoes Wednesday” and thanks to Jenny Lang for, once again, sharing her performing arts talents as our inimitable M.C.

Thoughtful Thursday was also a great success with many students remembering to bring “a poem in my pocket” and all grades involved in Thinking Curriculum, poetry and philosophy activities.

Teacher’s Day on Friday was an outstanding success and we sincerely thank the following parents for becoming part of the E.P.S. staff and sharing their knowledge and expertise with our students:

PREPS:
- Nicola Carroll for reading a story and organizing dancing.
- Max Rees for playing his guitar and bongo drums and having a sing-along.
- Mel Mitchell for a cooking craft session making gorgeous little Tea Party “cup” cakes.

YEAR ONE:
- Mrs Melatua worked with students doing chemistry in a science lesson, mixing liquids and becoming scientists of the future.

GRADE 1/2-17 and 4S
- Andrew and Carol Youngson, our resident chefs (!) discussed healthy foods and the lucky children were introduced to yummy duck and asian greens roll-ups, (and thanks for the leftovers that staff thoroughly enjoyed too!).

YEAR 3
- Sharon Proy assisted us with our fitness relays.
- Benita Keatley spoke about sponsoring Guide Dogs and what it felt like to be blind.

- Lyndon David inspired us to become “yachties” or sailors.

GRADES 4s and 6/11
- Michelle Lothian taught us how to sew and thread a needle. Great idea! All students were proud of the little bags they made.

YEAR 4
- Lisa McDonald is also training to become a teacher and helped us to create “initial” mobiles using letters of names

YEAR 6
- Andrea Simm did a relaxing and very interesting meditation session, taking the students on a visual journey in their minds.
Monday 19th May, 2008

My first part of CCC Club is a celebration. My celebration is the rain. On Saturday it NEVER stopped raining! 24 hours it rained, and because of the rain, my sister’s netball was cancelled, Yayay! But the next day it rained, but my soccer was NOT cancelled! Yayay! My concerns are: Stealing in the school corridor, earthquakes, China and Burma... 50,000 dead, dredging updates... the fish are poisoned, violence in Melbourne, punching...kicking...language and bullied people at school.

No cares for the day, bye!

Jamie Dimos 3/6

My concern is the earthquakes and tornados that have killed lots of people. In China there has been an enormous earthquake. It killed nearly 40,000 people. In Burma there has been another enormous disaster. Lots of buildings have fallen down even schools have fallen down on children and teachers. Lots of families have been concerned and worried about missing people in their families. We need to donate or send cover and houses to keep them warm.

Sarah McIntyre 3/6

PLEASE HELP!

At pick up time for the senior disco last Friday night, someone hit the front bumper bar of a blue Falcon sedan in Edithvale Road.

Please own up and give Chris a call on 0425 768 952.

Witnesses also welcome to call.

Many Thanks

MY SAFE PLACE

MY SAFE PLACE IS WARM AND COMFORTABLE
AND IT HAS PEOPLE THAT ARE KIND AND NICE.

THEY ARE FUN AND FUNNY AND APPRECIATE
THE THINGS I DO AND THEY NEVER SAY NO!

THEY PLAY FAIR AND THEY SHARE. THEY
RESPECT AND OWN UP TO THE THINGS THEY
DO BAD!

THEY GIVE LOVE TO EVERYONE AND THEY ARE
ALWAYS WILLING TO GIVE A HELPING HAND
TO THE PEOPLE THAT NEED IT.

MY SAFE PLACE IS FULL OF LAUGHTER AND
PEOPLE NEVER CRY. PEOPLE LIVE FOR EVER
AND NEVER DIE.

BY LUKE ZARADIC
CONGRATULATIONS to all the children who participated in our School House Cross Country last Friday. Flashes of red, blue, green and yellow were seen jogging, walking and running around as children from Years 3 to 6 covered long distances. Fantastic efforts were achieved by all, with many children surprising themselves with their results. After a tally of House points the result was – COOK being the winning House, FLINDERS 2nd, TASMAN 3rd and MURRAY 4th!

Special mention to these children for their fantastic efforts, with the results of each race as follows:

### Year 3 Girls
1st – Samantha Turner (Flinders)
2nd – Madison O’Reilly (Murray)
3rd – Kayla Hall (Cook)

### Boys:
1st – Daniel Vella (Tasman)
2nd – Robert Deacon (Tasman)
3rd – Jackson Connor (Tasman)

### 9/10 Year Girls:
1st – Madison O’Reilly
2nd – Sophie Snijders (Tasman)
3rd – Lucy Houghton (Cook)

### Boys:
1st – Leroy Addison (Murray)
2nd – Stuart Cafarella (Tasman)
3rd – Tom Zaradic (Cook)

### 11 Year Girls:
1st – Ashley Griffiths (Flinders)
2nd – Leila Cook (Murray)
3rd – Nina Kah (Cook)

### Boys:
1st – Harvey Connor (Tasman)
2nd – Gazandeep Gill (Cook)
3rd – Peter Jacobsen (Murray)

### 12/13 Years Girls:
1st – Shannon Casbolt-Thornhill (Cook)
2nd – Brooke Johnson (Cook)
3rd – Rehab Mohamed (Cook)

### Boys:
1st – Jack Simm (Cook)
2nd – Daniel Turner (Flinders)
3rd – Michael Turner (Flinders)

A group of Year 4/5/6 children have been selected for the EPS Cross Country Squad and will be seen training for the District Cross Country event to be held on Friday 30th May at Seaford North PS.

THANKS to all those who assisted with the event – all staff, parents (some who ran with their children) and children! Also congratulations to the School Captains and House Captains for their organisation of, and encouragement to, their House members, and another special mention to the Captains for producing fantastic House banners.

Well Done Everyone!

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**ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS**

CONGRATULATIONS to the Years 4/5/6 children who participated in the Chelsea District Athletics Sports at Ballam Park on April 23rd. Running, jumping and throwing fantastically, overcoming nerves and having a go, great sportsmanship, a friendly attitude and a high standard of behaviour. Throughout the term children have enjoyed learning about and training for these events during PE and Sport sessions. In brilliant sunshine children competed in sprints, hurdles, relays, 1500 (the following day), 800 and 200 metre runs, high jump, long jump, triple jump, shot put and discus. **All can be extremely proud of their efforts!**

Special mention to a group of children for these fine achievements: (Overall Results)

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Adam Bredin, Harvey Connor, Lachlan Rae, James Prebble, Peter Jacobsen

A few children did so well they will progress to represent the district at the Zone Athletics Championships on October 10th at Ballam Park Athletic Complex - These children will be notified later in the year. We’ll keep you updated!

Thank you to all those who helped with the training and organisation of the sports and for your assistance on the day.

**WELL DONE TO EVERYONE ~ Lyn Barge**
**Step up to the line – it’s not too late to register for the MS Readathon!**

The MS Readathon will run from June 1 – June 30 and so far 3 children have registered to take part in this Reading Relay across Australia.

Students from more than 1500 Victorian schools have raced to the start line by registering for the 2008 MS Readathon. Don’t miss out on your opportunity to be rewarded for your reading this June - register today!

Edithvale Primary School students are encouraged to race to register either via the MS Readathon website or a registration form available from school.

Together we can read to change the lives of people living with multiple sclerosis (MS). For more information or to download your reading record and sponsor list, visit [www.msreadathon.org.au](http://www.msreadathon.org.au) or registered to take part in this Reading Relay across Australia.

**Canteen News**

Next Tuesday 3rd June is Sushi Day. There will be no lunch orders on this day only window sales. Orders are now closed. Many thanks to my helpers again this week, your help is always appreciated.

Diane

**Canteen Roster ~ June**

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**To all you Movers & Groovers**

who participated in making the disco a success you couldn’t have been nicer, the children couldn’t be happier and words can’t thank you enough!

Also thank you to Mrs Webster and the teachers who attended the disco and for putting on coffee and cake in the staff room, it was very much appreciated.

**Things to Remember**

- Late children need to get a let pass from the office prior to 9:30am.
- School Banking is collected on a Tuesday and processed on the Wednesday.
- Canteen closed on Wednesday.
- Uniform Shop open on Tuesdays.
- Parent Helpers need to sign in at the office.
- Early departure need to sign out at the office.
- Notes are required for all absences.
- EMA cheques are now ready for collection.
- SRC, School Captains and house Captain photos can be ordered from the office.

**Tennis**

**Aspendale Tennis Club**

Corner of Third and Sixth Avenue, Aspendale

Tennis is the safest game for children to improve coordination and mental focus.

*Give young stars the best possible start in tennis!*

Contact Aspendale T.C Club coach, Dianne Balestrat, a qualified and certified club coach with international experience and unrivalled professional playing credentials. (ATC tennis director)

Call: 0417 609 331, or visit: [www.tennisxcel.com](http://www.tennisxcel.com)

Email: dibol@westnet.com.au

Beginners - Intermediates - Comp Classes - Junior Squads
Thursday June 5th

To help celebrate World Environment Day
We are going to have a

Rubbish Free Day

The aim of the day is to have no rubbish at school at all for that day.

That means all play lunches and lunches are to come in containers that can be taken home and any rubbish that is created on that day will be taken home or recycled in the recycle bins. Liz will have no bins to empty that night and she is excited already.

Take the challenge and let’s see if we can make Edithvale Primary School the cleanest in the State.

3/16 and Parkmore
Save the Environment

As many of you are aware the year 3’s been studying Melbourne. Part of our topic has been for the children to make a model of a Melbourne Icon. The students have done a brilliant job. Room 16 has continued to use their models by learning about ways we could make some of our icons environmentally friendly. The children have come up with some great ideas from putting wind turbines on the Royal Children’s Hospital to using mirrors to supply light to Captain Cooks Cottage and the Old Melbourne Goal. All our buildings now have a water saving devise, recycling facilities and most are solar powered. The scientific ideas and designs have been a credit to the students.

As a result of our great work, two of the icons, a tram built by Laird and the Rialto built by Tiara are going to represent Edithvale Primary School at Parkmore Shopping Centre in their Save the Environment Expo. Unfortunately we could not include all our buildings. The children have all written about their experience and we have made a book that I am hoping will be displayed as well.

If you are going to Parkmore please take five minutes and have a look at our fantastic work.

Year 3/16