PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Mrs Denise Webster

We are working our way very quickly towards the end of the year and, as always, there are a number of events that are important to our students and teachers, and which celebrate our time together over the past year. Please keep a check on information in the newsletter or in the purple pockets to ensure that you are aware of what your child might be involved in during this busy time. The new monthly calendar on the back of this newsletter is a handy way to keep track.

One of our major events is the Year 6 Graduation ceremony which will be held on December 18. Students, teachers and many parents are in the midst of planning for the evening’s celebration. It is always a wonderful occasion where we acknowledge and applaud the efforts of all of our graduating students.

Preparation for 2013: Our final prep transition session will be held on Tuesday December 11 at 9.30am where students will spend the morning in their new class with their teacher for 2013. Orientation Day for our Year 6 children will also be on Tuesday December 11. Students will be attending their 2013 Secondary school and we wish them well as they spend their first full day at their new school. The whole school transition program begins on Wednesday December 12 and will run on the mornings of the 13th and 14th of December as well.

Our staffing process is just about complete and we are in the final stages of putting classes together for the coming year.

Our final curriculum day for 2012 was held today and teachers focused on evaluating the progress made over the past 12 months and putting together curriculum plans for each level and all areas of learning. These days are always very productive and provide a wonderful opportunity for teachers to develop their skills and share their ideas so that the learning program that we implement meets the needs of all students at Edithvale Primary School.

FIRE DRILL
Mr James Whitla

We will be conducting a couple of fire drills in the next few weeks as we head towards Summer and the increased chance of fire danger.

Teachers will be discussing the importance of these drills and helping students to prepare, so that they do not worry or panic when the drills occur.

We encourage you to reinforce the importance of safety with your children in preparation for the fire drills.
**EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL CENTENARY COOKBOOK**

Now on Sale and on display in the school office. They are selling @ $20 each OR for orders of 3 or more @ $18 each. Please make payment at the School Office. Our Vogue-style Cookbook has arrived and orders already received will be distributed shortly. Place your orders in time for Christmas! There are delicious recipes which have been shared amongst family and friends, and passed on from generation to generation. Thank you to everyone who contributed - we have a fabulous Cookbook as a result!

**THE SMALL COIN ROUNDUP**

Fundraising Committee

Our .5c coins are still valuable. You will find .5c coins lying around your car, house, and in all sorts of ‘hidden places’ such as the bottom of the washing machine and under cushions! So start hunting them down and send them along to school. Each grade will have a plastic tube to fill—each tube holds $10.00. Once the tube is filled, it will be ‘redeemed’ at the office and another tube given to them to fill. The fundraiser will run from now until the end of the Term. Other coins will be accepted too of course! They all add up.

We have already banked over $600.00, and Prep 1 are still in the lead with 1A a close second!

**DOUGH RAISER PROGRAM**

Fresh bread tastes even better when you know it’s helping raise money for your school.

Edithvale Primary School has signed up to the Bakers Delight Dough Raiser Program, when you mention our school they will give a percentage of your purchase to the school.

The more of us that get involved the more money we will raise.

A leaflet is coming home with this newsletter. So pop into the Chelsea Bakers Delight bakery and mention Edithvale Primary School when you make a purchase to being raising much-needed funds for the school, it’s that easy.

**CANTEEN NEWS**

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

With only 2 weeks of Canteen Lunch Orders to go, some items will not be re-ordered until next year.

**Not Available** Pretzels & Dim Sims

**Low Stocks** Pizzas, Pies, Fried Rice

If ordering a ‘Low Stocked’ item over the next 2 weeks, please give an alternative menu item.

Thanks to all my wonderful parent helpers over the last fortnight and a big thanks to Sharyn McIntosh for her help on ‘Sushi Day’

**CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM FOUR**

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**CHELSEA MOBILE UNIT**

Chelsea RSL Function Centre
Cnr of Station St & Chelsea Rd, Chelsea.

**THURSDAY 27th DECEMBER**

1:30pm – 7:30pm

Appointments essential. New donors welcome.

Call 13 14 95 or email dpallen@redcrossblood.org.au

**Save Lives Together**

Join your local community group in making a big difference.
LEADERSHIP SKILLS

The Year 4 students have been involved in a Leadership skills program in Wellbeing sessions. They have written cinquain poems about leadership and leaders which include adjectives, action verbs and a synonym.

**Leaders**
- Helpful, persistent
- Caring, helping, including
- Listen to everyone’s ideas
- Role-model

**Leader**
- Responsible, respectful
- Leading, believing, responding
- Have feelings for others

**Helper**
- Encouraging, helping, caring
- They never give up

**Captain**
- Happy, responsible

By Ethan Carroll

**Leader**
- Resilient, respectful
- Leading, believing, responding
- Have feelings for others

By Asha Jamieson

**Leader**
- Happy, responsible
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- They never give up

By Max Lamaro and Will Forster

ASPENDALE GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

Ph 9587 5955  Fax 9587 5280

Aspendale Gardens Community Centre has a variety of activities for the young and the young at heart. From sport and fitness classes (for kids and adults), dance, kids music classes, playgroups, occasional care and more. For a copy of our activity brochure, or any enquiries, phone 9587 5955 or check out our website www.agcsinc.org.au

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STUDENT BANKING

Mrs Michelle Ford

A reminder that you can keep sending your older children’s bank books in with their younger siblings next year, once they have gone on to secondary school.

STUDENT BANKING DAY IS TUESDAY

THE CBA SCHOOL BANKING CRICKET COMPETITION HAS NOW CLOSED

The prize is awarded to the student who has made the highest number of deposits between 20 August & 9 November 2012. (In the event of a draw, the winner will be drawn from a hat).

The winner will be announced at assembly on Friday 7 December, so if you’ve been banking, good luck, you might be a lucky winner. (There will also be a few ‘runners-up’ prizes).

BANK SOME MONEY AND YOU COULD BANK YOURSELF AN iPAD MINI

Simply making a deposit through School Banking before Friday 14 December will put you in the draw to win one of twelve (12) iPad Mini’s valued at $369 each for Christmas.

For more information talk to your School Banking Coordinator.

Terms and conditions: The competition will run from 8am 19th November, 2012 – 11.59pm 14th December 2012. Competition is Australia wide. The prize draw will take place at Level 13 Darling Park Tower 1, 201 Sussex Street, Sydney, NSW at 3pm 19th December 2012. The winner will be notified by telephone and by mail. The winners will be published in the Australian Newspaper on 27th December 2012. The Promoter is the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Darling Park Tower 1, 201 Sussex Street, Sydney, NSW. Terms and Conditions are available at www.commbank.com.au/personal/youth-students/schoolbanking. *A total of twelve (12) Apple iPAD Mini’s (16GB with wifi) to be won. Two (2) each to be won in New South Wales (including ACT), Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia, Tasmania and South Australia (including Northern Territory). Permit Number NSW LTPS/12/10140 and ACT TP 12/04570.

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Yoga Bugs open day. Tuesday 11th December 4-5pm. Free trial session for 4-12 year olds. A fun and interactive program to help kids learn techniques in relaxation and coping with stress. Classes in 2013 will run according to age groups of children and are based around age appropriate themes. Further enquiries ph. 0419 556 669. Book now for 2013
Dragons and Mermaids suitable for school age children. 23rd January 2013 10-11.30am cost $20 need 6 students to run. Clay provided by teacher, parents welcome to stay.

Kids class on the Pottery wheel suitable for age 8 and above, younger need to be accompanied by an adult. 24th January 2013, 10-11.30am cost $20 need 6 students to run. Clay provided by teacher, parents welcome to stay.

Decorating on Clay-Adults. We will make tiles and plates, learn, stencilling, slip trailing and using carved lino on clay. 9.30-3.30pm Wednesday 16th January cost $60 (minimum needed 6 students to run). Clay provided by teacher, lino and carving tools need to be provided by students.

Adult Wheel Class/Handbuilding. Watch a demonstration of pot made on the wheel then have a go on the wheel yourself. What fun! 9.30-3.30pm Thursday 17 January 2013 cost $60 (minimum needed 6 student to run) clay provided by teacher.

Please Sign Up and Pay Beaumaris Art Group before the office closes on or before November 23rd 2012 as the office is open again in February 2013, enrolment form available on website.
Chelsea Yacht Club - Discover Sailing

Chelsea Yacht Club offers sailing courses for all ages.

**Tackers Level 1**
A fun introduction to sailing, children learn the essentials through games and supervised sailing.

- Ages 7-12
- Holiday program 14th-18th January 2013
- Either morning sessions (8.30-12.30) or afternoon (1pm-5pm)
- Saturday morning course available
- $250, Tackers membership included

**Discover Sailing Level 1&2**
Suitable for adults and teenagers, this course teaches fundamental boat handling skills and safety, preparing participants to sail by themselves or in club situations.

- Ages 13 and up
- Saturday mornings 8.30-12.30, beginning 19th of January, (approx. 7 weeks, weather dependent)
- $100 plus membership (includes reference book)

If your child enjoyed the Grade 5/6 excursion to the yacht club on the 23rd of November and is interested in learning to sail, please contact us.

James Robinson
Phone: (03) 9802 5191 or 0419 609 323
E-mail: training@chelseayachtclub.com.au

All enquiries welcome
I have recently started my own garden maintenance service ‘Clean Cut Gardening’ & I am looking for clients/properties in the local area—Household or Businesses.

If you mention this flyer (ie: -You’re a parent/family member of EPS student) I will donate $50 back to the school for every new client that books a regular service, prior to Term 4 2012.

**Services Offered**
- Mowing
- Edging
- Tree Trimming
- Hedging
- Weed Control
- Green Waste Removal
- Window Cleaning
- Pre-Sale Facelift

* FREE Quotes Available *

Regular maintenance or a once off ‘CLEAN CUT’, It’s up to you!

Regards

Nick Macmillan

Mobile: 0419 140476

Email: nickmac9@bigpond.com
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AFTER SCHOOL CARE

The After School Program is conducted by Kingston Council in our school hall from 3.30 pm to 6.15 pm on school days. After School Care was established to provide quality care for primary school children in a supervised, relaxed, safe & fun environment. The program caters for parents who work, study or due to other commitments require After School Care and to allow children to play together, participating in the varied recreation activities provided. Parents wishing to enrol their children are asked to contact Kingston City Council on 9581 4867 for further information.

BPAY OPTION

You can pay your excursions and other charges, via internet banking. Your BPAY reference will be printed on your statement. **Please only use BPAY for payments of $20 or over.** You can of course, combine several outstanding charges to make the $20 minimum.

For ALL BPAY payments, we need to be notified of what your payment is for. The easiest way is to email us on edithvale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with BPAY in the subject line. Or of course, tick the BPAY option on your payment envelope or excursion notice.

If you have any queries, please phone Sandie Wishart on 9772 1393.

CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT INFORMATION

It is important for us to hold current student information at school, which includes medical information and emergency contacts, in case of an unforeseen accident or illness.

If you change any of your details throughout the year, or you need a new form, please let us know.

ELECTRONIC STATEMENTS AND NEWSLETTERS

We are now sending quarterly family statements out via email, which has been a big success. We are also sending electronic copies of newsletters. At present, we will still be sending a hard copy, but at some stage this will stop, unless you specifically request a hard copy.

In time, we will commence sending newsletters via email every fortnight and eliminate the number we need to print.

This should make things easier for everyone and will make us a much ‘greener’ school! If you don’t have an email address, then of course, you will still receive a hard copy.

LATE PASSES

If you are late to school, you must come to the office for a late pass. It is then taken to class and given to your teacher, where it is collected and recorded on our CASES21 attendance system. This is a legal requirement—not just a requirement of the school.

LOST PROPERTY

Lost property will now be located outside Madame Snow’s room (room 6) in the Year 2 & 3 building. Any valuable items will be kept in the office.

MONEY ISSUES

Please note that we do not have money readily available at the office to give change. The day’s takings are banked every day and we do not hold a ‘float’ for the next morning. Please endeavour to bring the correct money when making payments or use BPAY where possible, which will save you a trip to the office—and save us a trip to the bank!

PARKING ISSUES

Please observe all parking signs around the school, particularly in Haig Avenue. Reports have come in from parents, that people are being booked by by-laws officers in that area on a regular basis. **Please note also, that for safety reasons, parents are not permitted to park in the staff car park.**

SCHOOL CROSSINGS

Our school crossings are an important part of our school. They enable both children and adults to cross the roads that bound our school in safety. Please use the crossings correctly to ensure everyone’s safety and to set a good example for our students.

STUDENT BANKING DAY

Bank books are brought to school on **TUESDAY** for processing on Wednesday. Forms for new accounts are available from the school office. With as little as 50 cents and a Youth Saver Account, you can become a super saver! Don’t forget your school banking. Keep on saving for your rewards—and help raise funds for your school at the same time as we receive a commission on all deposits made via the school.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is located in the Prep corridor between Prep 1 and Prep 2 and is open every Tuesday afternoon from 3:00 pm—4:15 pm. Payments can be made by EFTPOS or cash.

UNIFORM SHOP—SECOND HAND

The Second Hand Uniform Shop is located in the School Hall and is open every Tuesday afternoon from approximately 3:00 pm to 3:20 pm. Cash only please.