

Edithvale Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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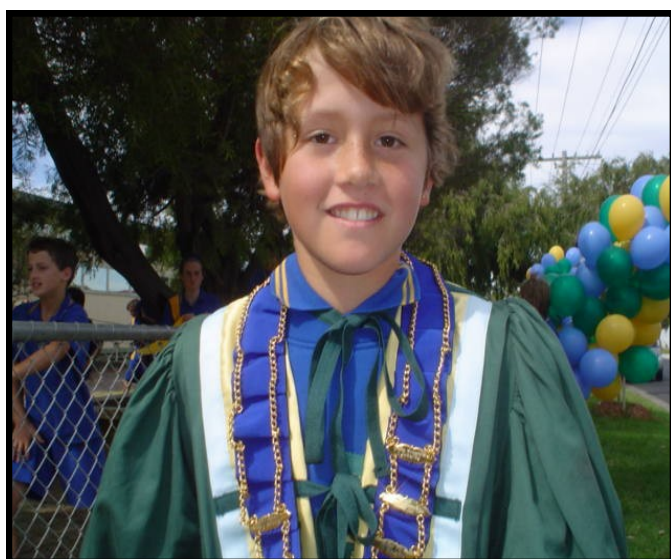
Term 1—Week 9

2 April 2009

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

HOT OFF THE PRESS

Lachlan Bourne: Junior Mayor of Kingston



Congratulations to Lachlan Bourne for his fantastic effort in the City of Kingston Junior Mayor Election held at the Chelsea Town Hall today. It is a great achievement not only to represent our school so well but also to have the ability to speak confidently in front of a large audience. He took with him a small but enthusiastic team of parents, students and teachers and we thank them for their support. We know that Lachlan has great leadership skills and we are so very proud that he will now be able to use these skills to contribute to our local community.

Well done Lachy!

It has been a very busy and productive term for all of us at Edithvale Primary School. The students had a smooth transition into their new, year levels and settled quickly into the routine of their class. The preps now seem as if they have been here for years! As I walk around the school it is wonderful to see our students fully engaged in their learning.

They display their work with pride and are more than happy to share with me the details of their learning and how they can apply it to their lives.

I would like to congratulate all our students and teaching staff on their efforts throughout the term.

Tomorrow we farewell Mrs Alison Lamont who, after more than 16 years at EPS, is retiring from teaching. Mrs Lamont has been an integral part of our school; her quiet and caring nature has earned her the respect and friendship of many from our small community. We wish her much happiness as she embarks on this new stage in her life. I'm also sure that we will see her back here for a visit from time to time.

I hope everyone has a very safe and relaxing holiday.

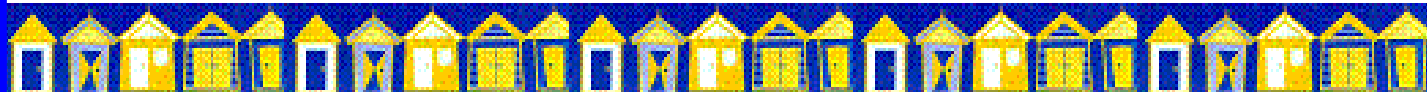
Best wishes for Easter.



Denise Webster

IMPORTANT DATES TERM 1—2009

APRIL Friday 3rd	Easter Bonnet Parade Last Day of Term 1~ 1:30pm dismissal
APRIL Monday 20th	Term 2 Begins
MAY Thursday 14th	Art Show Opening
Monday 18th ~ Friday 22nd	Education Week



3 School Weeks to Go

Astronomical Art Show

14th -22nd of May

Opening Night 14th May
5:00pm ~ 7:00pm



Wow! term 1 is nearly finished and the art show is fast approaching. Teachers are starting to prepare their classrooms with an Astronomy theme. If you get time walk past Ms Short's room and have a look at the great rocket that is being built.

We have had some fantastic pieces of work donated to be auctioned on opening night; but we have room for much more. Even the teachers are busy creating masterpieces.

If you or anyone you know would like to donate, display, or privately sell a piece of work, it can be dropped off at the office. This is a major event for Edithvale Primary School and the local community. We are looking forward to you joining us during this astronomical festive time.



Check your purple pockets early next term for ticket orders and more information

Kingston Network Young Leaders' Day

On Monday 23rd March, the School Captains and House captains went to Mentone Primary School. The host was Mr Chant, Principal of Mentone Primary School. We talked about leadership qualities, how to talk to people and how to remember peoples' names. After recess, Topsy Petchey, former Mayor of the City of Kingston spoke to us. She gave us lots of tips about talking in front of the public,. We watched a couple of Powerpoint presentations with inspirational poems. What a great day; and we all learnt a lot. I hope that all students at Edithvale Primary School get a chance like this. Nina Kah 6/11



OPEN DAY 2009
Saturday 2nd May 2pm ~ 4pm
OPEN NIGHT 2009
Tuesday 5th May 7pm ~ 9pm



- ◆ Learning Centre Workshops
- ◆ School Production Rehearsals
- ◆ Science Works
- ◆ 'Gallery' Art Expo
- ◆ Year 'Mordialloc Experience'
- ◆ Select Entry Accelerated Learning

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HELPERS NEEDED FOR FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY ~ TERM 2

We are in desperate need of a couple of parent helpers to assist us in distributing fruit to the children on Friday's. It doesn't take long. If you are able to spare an hour on a Friday morning right after the bell at 9:00, please give us a call at the office. Many thanks

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

Education Maintenance Allowance cheques are now available for collection at the school office.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Parents and Guardians are advised they are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, as well as transport costs.

Student accident insurance information is available at the office.

CHOIR

Choir practice is held at 1:30pm every Tuesday, in the old computer room at the end of the corridor in the prep area. If you would like to join the choir, please come along.

Mrs Lawrence



UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform is open every Tuesday from 3:00pm-approx 4:15pm. Order forms are available from the school office to fill out (and leave the correct money). The orders will be filled out on the Tuesday and sent along to your child's classroom.

CANTEEN NEWS

Term 2 Rosters have been sent out and Term 2 Menus will be sent out today.

I apologise to all students for not having the mini callippos, as mentioned last week, but the supplier could not make the demands of all primary schools and have no stock.

I will purchase Quelch sticks for the last two days of term one.

Remember no lunch orders this Friday, only window sales

I hope you all have a great break.



ABSENCES

The process of parents ringing the school office if their child is absent, has been working well. This means a note does not need to be written, as we enter the approved absences from the 'phone - in' sheet.

VALUABLE BELONGINGS AT SCHOOL

It is very distressing for students and families when valuable items such as money, precious toys and jewellery are misplaced or taken from school bags. At school we are unable to guarantee the safety of these items that are lost in the playground, school bags or classrooms. They are best left at home to avoid tears.

It is most important to note that the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold insurance for any personal property brought to school.

SRC

Our SRC students are very busy, helping to organise our The Easter Bonnet Parade to be held this Friday.....

SRC provides great opportunity to be involved in your school and to have a say in fundraising, organising of events and to be the voice of your peers as well. Through SRC, valuable leadership skills are learnt that are not only useful at school but could be used in later life.

HAPPY HOLIDAY



We'd like to thank all the children for their lovely manners and smiling faces when they come up to the office. We would also like to wish everyone a very "Happy Easter and a safe and happy holiday. See you in Term 2.

Mrs Greedy and Mrs Wishart

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

Our School Newsletter is produced weekly and distributed on Thursdays. School Newsletters are also available on our website, www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au and will continue to be online for all families to access.

CORRECT USE OF PUFFERS AND SPACERS



New research from the Woolcock Institute of Medical Research has shown that up to 90 percent of people on asthma medications are using their puffers (Metered Dose Inhalers) incorrectly leading to poor asthma control, increased hospital visits and increased cost of treatment.

Everyone should use a spacer when using a puffer (for both reliever and preventer puffers). Using a spacer is significantly more effective than a puffer on its own. The medication is delivered more efficiently into the small airways in the lungs where it is needed (approximately over 3 times more effective). Less medication is deposited in the mouth, reducing the side effects associated with preventer medications.

How to correctly use your spacer and puffer:

1. Remove the cap from the puffer mouthpiece.
2. Hold the puffer upright and shake.
3. Fit puffer mouthpiece into the spacer (at the opening opposite to the mouthpiece).
4. Breathe out, tilt the chin up.
5. Put the spacer mouthpiece in your mouth and create a seal with your lips.
6. Press the puffer ONCE To release a dose of medicine into the spacer. Do not remove the puffer.
7. Breathe in and out through the spacer slowly for 4 or 5 normal breaths.
8. If more puffs are needed repeat steps 6 and 7.
9. Replace the cap on the puffer.
10. Make sure this has been shown to you and that you understand it.
11. Your spacer should be cleaned once a week.
12. Take the spacer to bits and wash it in warm water containing a little dishwashing detergent.
13. DO NOT RINSE, and allow to drip dry. DO NOT RUB DRY.



If you would like more information please call The Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 645 130 or visit www.asthma.org.au

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY VIC ROADS

Pedestrians account for around 15 per cent of deaths and 11 percent of serious injuries on Victorian roads. They are four times more likely to be killed in a crash than all road users involved in road accidents. As a pedestrian pay special attention to safety because you have no protection if hit by a vehicle.

Stop, Look, Listen, Think

To be a safe pedestrian, use your eyes, ears, judgement and common sense. Follow the safe road crossing procedure—STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK:

- STOP one step back from the kerb or should of the road if there is no footpath.
- LOOK in all directions for approaching traffic.
- LISTEN in all directions for approaching traffic.
- THINK about whether it is safe to cross the road—when the road is clear or all traffic has stopped.
- When crossing, walk straight across the road. Keep LOOKING and LISTENING for traffic while crossing.

Cross at safe places

Make sure you cross the road at safe places:

- Set a good example and always cross at the pedestrian crossing or school crossing.
- Make sure you have a clear view of approaching traffic, and where drivers can see you.

- If you cannot cross the whole road in one attempt, wait on the pedestrian refuge or median strip.

Even at crossings you still need to remain alert and check whether vehicles are stopping for you:

- Remember a school crossing is legally active only when the flags are displayed. If a crossing attendant is on duty, cross only when he or she indicates that it is safe.

Apart from putting your life and your children's life at risk, it is worthwhile to know that if you cross within 20 metres of a pedestrian crossing and you are stopped by a police officer, you are likely to incur an on-the-spot fine of \$50.

www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/home/roadsafety/safetyforroadusers/pedestrians

TOO SICK TO BE AT SCHOOL?

DON'T FORGET TO LET US KNOW

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OR LEAVE A MESSAGE ON OUR
ANSWERING MACHINE

IT'S COOL TO BE AT SCHOOL



FUNDRAISING NEWS HOT CROSS BUN DRIVE



A big thank you to the families and staff who supported our first fundraiser of the year.

We raised **\$400** through the Hot Cross Bun Drive.

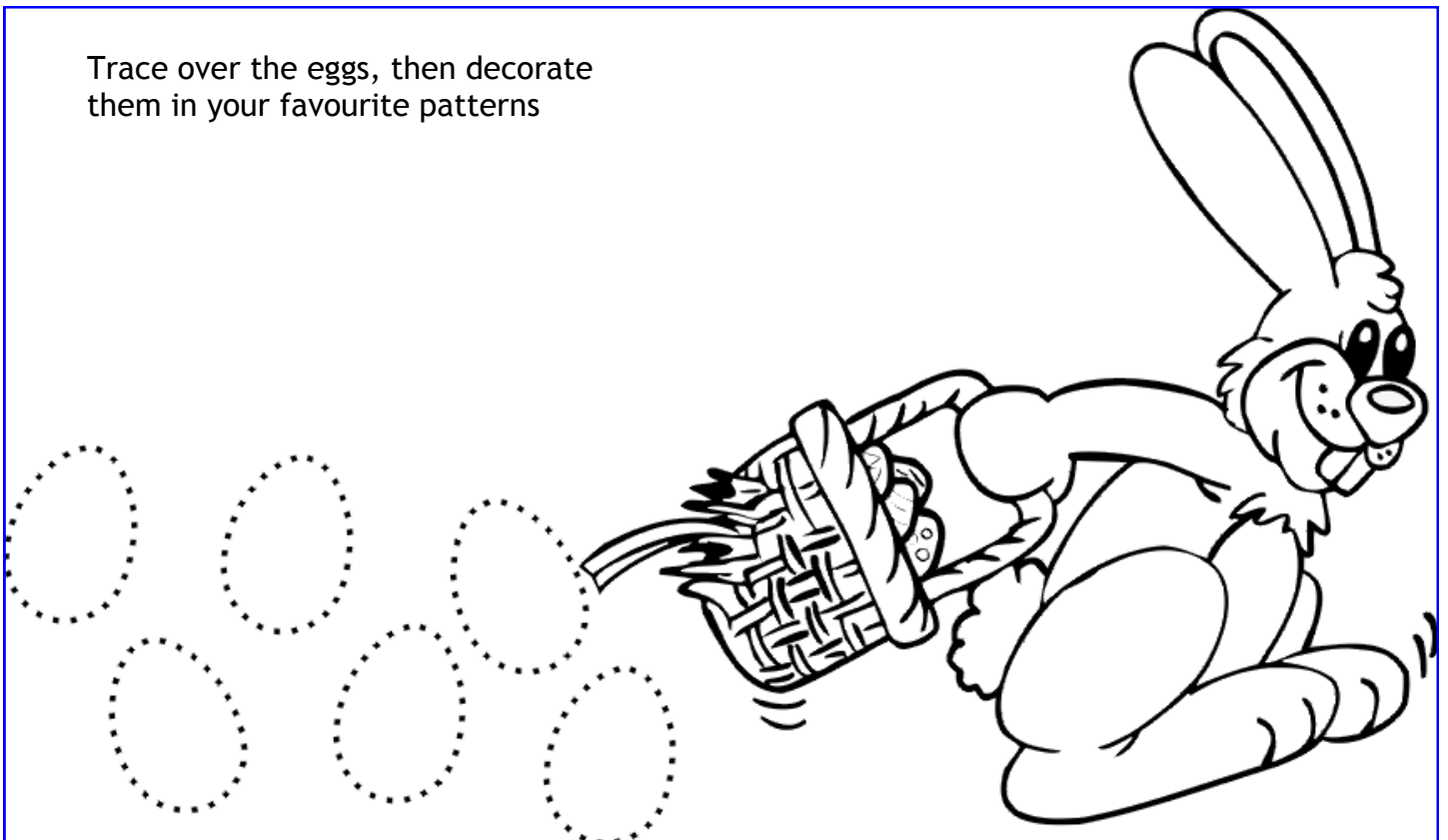
Just a reminder that the Hot Cross Buns will be delivered to your child's class tomorrow, so please check their school bags when they get home.

Thank you again for supporting our school.

Fundraising Committee



Trace over the eggs, then decorate them in your favourite patterns



HOLIDAY FUN

SUDOKU FOR KIDS Level 1

	2	3	4
3	4	1	
2	1	4	
	3	2	1

Hint: Each of the four smaller squares must have one of each of the numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4.

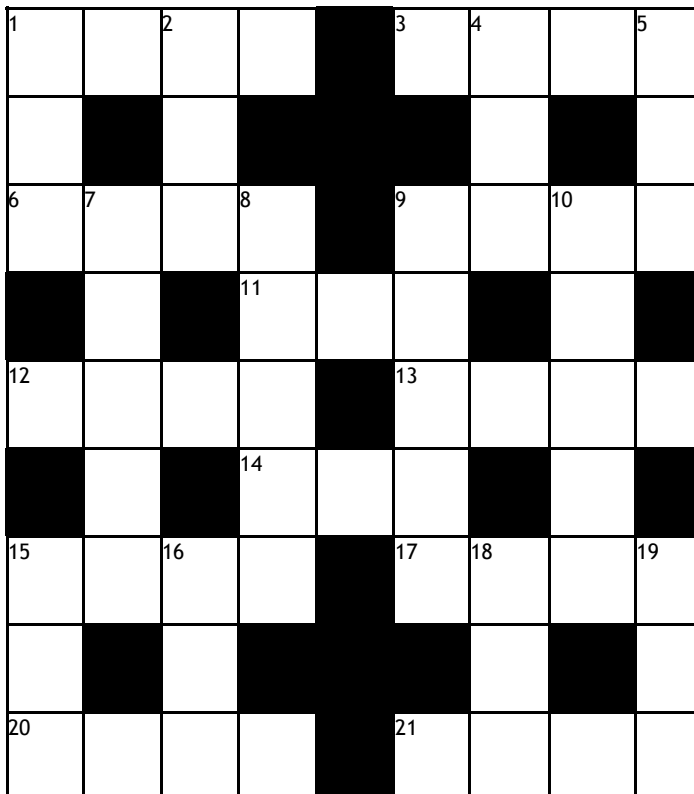


LEVEL 2

4			2
	3	1	
	4	2	
3			1

Hint: The two missing numbers in the upper left 2x2 square must be 1 and 2. Now check the rows and columns to see which square can be a 1 or a 2. For example, there is already a 2 in the top row, so the missing number at the top of the square can't be a 2. After the first of the 4 2x2 square is filled in continue on with the other 2x2 squares.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1. Not win
3. A continent
6. Unwanted email
9. Male deer
11. Belonging to us
12. German lady
13. Feel jealous
14. A hot drink
15. Netting fabric
17. Flies on a string
20. Gives money to Merchant
21. Short satirical play

Down

1. _____ Angeles
2. Large body of water
4. Short for Stuart
5. Large boat, like Noah's
7. Handbag
8. Eating cavity
9. Shatter
10. Desire greatly
15. Floor cleaner
16. Like a fox
18. Writing liquid
19. Consume Food

Answers to Crossword
 Across: 2. bus, 5. maze, 6. avid, 7. SUV, 8. Pest, 10. ends, 13. weep, 16. soup, 18. art, 19. shin, 20. AWOL, 21. ear.
 Down: 1. pave, 2. best, 3. save, 4. died, 8. paw, 9. sue, 11. Neo, 12. sap, 14. echo, 15. pane, 16. star, 17. upon