



Edithvale Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This past fortnight has been action packed for the students at Edithvale Primary School. Students from years 4, 5 and 6 were involved in the House Athletics in preparation for the District Athletic sports. It was a great day where sportsmanship prevailed. Many thanks to Mrs Pardoe for her superb organisation -she even managed to get the sun to shine in a week that had been pretty grim! These types of activities rely on assistance from many people and again, we were fortunate to have the support we needed from some of our fantastic parents.

The Year 5 and 6 classes held a presentation of the work that they had been doing in their inquiry based units. The Year 5s focused on early Australian settlement and the Year 6s had a more international flavour where they investigated the culture of a variety of different countries. The students dressed in the costume of the era or the country they were studying and many gave informative

and interesting speeches. Of course this was followed by a very cosmopolitan morning tea which was enjoyed by all.

From all accounts the Year 4 Camp to Manyung in Mt Eliza was an outstanding success. There were some weary campers who returned to school yesterday afternoon. Well done to all students who participated and thank you to the staff who helped to make this such a memorable occasion for our children.

We are still involved in the celebration of Literacy and Numeracy week. There have been a variety of fun activities for everyone and, once again, we have had the support from a number of our parents. Students have been reading and writing special stories; participating in maths trails and doing the 'Reach for the Stars' national numeracy survey which had graphs and ratios to challenge one

and all.

This week a message was issued from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development regarding protection from the sun. This is a timely reminder that we need to be aware of the potential damage from too much exposure to the sun particularly as we move into Spring and Summer. 'It is important to use a combination of sun-protection measures to minimise the risk of skin and eye damage, and skin cancer. When outdoors, staff and students should wear appropriate clothing that covers as much skin as possible; a wide-brimmed hat to protect the head, face, neck and ears; apply SPF 30+ broad spectrum sunscreen; and use shade whenever possible.'

Finally, a big thank you to all our helpers on the Father's Day stall. And, of course, to all the Dad's—have a great day on Sunday.

Denise Webster

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair last week reflected the high value that our parents and students place on reading books. We showcased some fabulous books and your amazing generosity has allowed us to receive approximately \$1,100.00 of new books for our library.

These books have been catalogued this week and are now ready for covering and should be in the library ready to be borrowed within the next fortnight.

Thank you again for your unwavering support of our Library. It was so good to see so many enthusiastic children excited about books. I hope you get a lot of enjoyment from the books you took home. Happy reading!

Dee Greedy



IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

Friday 4th	• Prep Fathers morning 9:00 ~ 10:00am
Tuesday 8th	• Sushi Day
Tuesday 15th	• District Athletics
Friday 18th	• Last Day of Term. Dismissal 1:30pm

Grade 1 and 2s Excursion to the National Gallery of Victoria

I thought the best part was playing in the sculpture garden because we could climb on the climbing frame.

- Mac 2/14

I thought the best part was looking at the roof because it had lots of different colours

- Alex 2/14

I thought the best part was the water wall because I liked it and I got to touch it.

- Josephine 2/14

I thought the best part was playing in the Dali Kids section because it had lots of fun things to do. - Jackson 2/14

I saw a gold statue with a million arms. It was amazing.

- Harry 1/2 - 3

I liked looking at the water with the coins in it. I made a special wish. - Isla 1/2 - 3

I saw a painting called 'The Weeping Woman' and I learnt interesting things about the history of the painting.

- Katelyn 1/2 - 3



I liked following the water trail through the Gallery.

- Liam 1/2 - 3

The most amazing part of the excursion was the climbing frame and my favourite painting was the one of the beach by John Russell. - Ethan 1/17

I loved the water wall. I got to write my name with my finger.

- Jordan 1/17

My favourite part was the art place. It was cool.

- Nicholas 1/17

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- Mason 2/15

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SPORTS PAGE

INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Heather Pardoe

Well done to all the children who took part in Interschool Sports this term and showed great sportsmanship, even in very windy, wet weather at Bonbeach Primary School! We have played all our Interschool Sport matches now for this year. We will be spending some time over the next few weeks working on our Athletic skills.

Thanks to Mr Griffiths who gave up his time to referee for our soccer team this term.



HOUSE ATHLETICS

Alana Hafoka

On Friday 28th August students from grades 4,5 and 6 participated in the "House Athletics".

It turned out to be a lovely day, the sun was shining which was an added bonus.

There were seven events on the day which included: hurdles, long jump, triple jump, discuss, shot put, 200m Sprint and 100m Sprint.

Thanks to the parents for helping on the day.

Congratulations to all teams and all students who participated. Thanks to the parents who helped on the day.



STAFF/STUDENTS NETBALL MATCH

The Grade 6 girls' netball team have had a very successful season. On Monday 31st August the girls and mixed netball team had a play-off to see who was going to play against the teachers. The girls won so they had one night to prepare themselves to face the mighty teachers. On Tuesday 1st September the girls played against the teachers but unfortunately the girls lost. The score was 25 to 16 but we all played well and had fun. The game was a hard game and the best players were our shooters Miss Scafidi, Mrs Mitvalsky, Mr Wilton and Miss Baker. The star players for the girls were Emily Cox, Nicole, Jaimie, Emily Champness, Lucy, Bronte, Georgia and Tayah.

Thank you to the umpires, the girls, the teachers and most of all, the audience.

Written by Jaimie Hamilton & Emily Champness (6/10)



Preps and Their Kites



FROM THE OFFICE ...

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Thank you to those parents who were randomly selected to participate in our Parent Opinion Survey for 2009.

The surveys are completely confidential and will not be opened at school; they are sent away to an independent company for compilation. We will receive a report once the process is finalised.

The information returned in these surveys is most beneficial to our future planning and we thank you for returning your surveys so promptly.

If you have not yet returned yours, please do so urgently—they were due back on Friday 28 August.

PARENT PAYMENTS

Can I take this opportunity to thank all families who have paid all of their outstanding charges this year and to remind you of how important voluntary contributions are to our school.

Without voluntary contributions, we would not be able to offer the variety of programs and equipment required to run a successful program for your children.

We request that all 'compulsory' payments be made promptly, as in most cases, we have already paid for these excursions/camps etc; for your children, in advance.

If you have an EMA credit on your account, I would appreciate it if you would give me a call to let me know what you would like it allocated to, as we are unable to allocate EMA without your permission. The EMA payments should be used for compulsory items only.

Thank you again; and as we are now in the second half of the year, it would be appreciated if all outstanding charges could be paid as soon as possible

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Thank you to the families and staff who supported the "Supa Slice Drive", and a very special mention to the Baker family of Grade 1/7 who did an outstanding job of supporting our fundraiser. We raised over \$900.00 that will help to improve our facilities at our school.



RITCHIES COMMUNITY BENEFITS

When a Ritchies' Community Benefit Card is scanned at the checkout register, a donation of 1% of the money spent in their supermarkets and liquor stores is allocated to the charity chosen by the customer.

The school receives regular donations from the Program - for example, in July 2009 - we received \$457.50.

If you have an existing card with a previous club, school or charity as your preferred recipient; and you would like to change it to Edithvale Primary School, please drop in and see me (Sandie) and I will give you a new card. If you don't have a Community Benefits Card, and you shop at Ritchies, please come and collect a card and get things rolling, it's an easy way to support your school.

You can find more information on their website:

<http://www.ritchies.com.au/benefits.html>

Thank you.

CANTEEN NEWS

Sushi Day is on Tuesday 8th September.

Sushi orders and money are due to the Canteen by Friday 3rd September at the latest. No orders will be accepted after this date.

Thank you to all my helpers last week. Your help is always appreciated

Diane



NEXT WEEK'S CANTEEN ROSTER SEPTEMBER

Monday 7th Ange Clark	Thursday 17th Deb Bond
Tuesday 15th Sharyn McIntosh Catherine Ashton	Friday 18th Kellie Kingsley Jackie Houghton

Kingston/Bayside LETS

Kingston/Bayside LETS is just beginning and we are looking for new members! LETS stands for Local Energy Trading System and is a worldwide community based organisation. Instead of parting with your hard earned CASH, you exchange your skills...it's that simple. In return, you offer your services to a LETS member at another time.

For more information contact Kristen Hobby: hobby@bigpond.net.au or phone 9558 7462, mobile 0419 147 435.

Fee: the cost to join is \$10.00 ~ annual membership is \$10.00

KUMON

EDITHVALE EDUCATION CENTRE

5 Blantyre Avenue, Chelsea

Does your child have problems with Maths and / or English at school?

Do you and your child want to excel and be the best student in the class at school?

Do you and your child want to study beyond school grade level?

If you answer "yes" to one of these questions, then consider KUMON for your child.

Call 0402 065 154 for an appointment to discuss the options and possibilities as well as to assess your child's level of knowledge in Mathematics and

English.

Elena Gvirtsman, Supervisor



We would like to invite

You, your family & friends to attend a
Pink ribbon Breakfast to raise money for
Breast cancer research.

Our Champagne Breakfast will be held at:
8 Somme Parade, Edithvale. 3196
on
Sunday 25th October, 2009
from
9:00 ~ 11:00am

Cost is \$20 per person or \$30 for a family
(children are free and very welcome to come)

Fabulous show bags, supervised beach activities
And silent auction.

RSVP before 19th October 2009
To Maria on 0408 970 512
(so we know how many people to cater for)

Dress: A touch of pink and 'beach friendly'
Footwear may be advisable

We look forward to seeing you

AFTER SCHOOL CARE AVAILABLE

3:30pm ~ 6:15pm

Monday to Friday

For more information come in
to see me in the hall after
3:15pm Monday ~ Friday

or Phone:

Paromita

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