



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Term 2—Week 3

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Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Denise Webster

This term much of the learning for students across all levels of the school is structured around the theme of Australia. As part of our Inquiry Based Learning program, students in the Junior School are investigating Australian animals and their habitats. As part of the process of gathering information and developing an understanding of animals and their environment, the Year 1 & 2 students visited Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Conservation Park in Pearcedale last Tuesday. The weather did the right thing and everyone had a chance to really be involved in the day. The Year 3 and 4 students have focused their learning on developing their knowledge and understanding of Melbourne and how it has developed into the community it is today. They have been investigating the settlement of Melbourne and discussing the impact of the historical events that have contributed to the shaping of our capital city. Their visit to Melbourne this week was a great success and they were able to bring back even more information and ideas to extend their understanding.

Students in Years 3 and 5 will once again be participating in Naplan (National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy). This will be held during week 5. The results of the tests provide information for students, parents and teachers which can be used to improve student achievement.

The Attitudes to School Survey was conducted this week and involved students in Years 5 and 6. It is a short questionnaire which enables the students to give their view on school in general, their experience in the classroom, with the teachers and with other students. The information is useful to us so that we can plan activities and programs for students and continue to improve the school.

We have just developed a roster for our Friday assemblies. Students in Years 5 and 6 ran today's assembly and other year levels will also get an opportunity to conduct proceedings in the future. If the weather is not on our side, we will hold Senior Assembly in the Learning Centre and Junior Assembly in the hall.

Mother's Day is fast approaching and some of our wonderful mums at EPS have been working hard to get organised for our annual stall next Thursday. It is always an exciting time for the students and they love to purchase 'something special' for their special mum. We hope that you all have a fantastic time on the following Sunday, where pampering is the order of the day!

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY

Tue 8th	♦ School Council Meeting
Thur 10th	♦ Mother's Day Stall
Tue 15th— Thu 17th	♦ NAPLAN Testing (Years 3 & 5)
Fri 18th	♦ Prep Zoo Visit ♦ Interschool Cross Country
Mon 21st— Fri 25th	♦ Education Week.
Tue 22nd	♦ Prep 2013 School Tour—9.15 am
Wed 23rd	♦ Open Day
Thu 24th	♦ Tabloid Sports
Fri 25th	♦ Prep 2013 School Tour—9.15 am

JUNE

Mon 4th	♦ Year 6 Life Education begins
Tue 5th	♦ School Council Meeting
Mon 11th	♦ Queen's Birthday—No School Today
Sat 30th	♦ Cheerleading Comp Geelong Arena



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DRILL

Mr James Whitla—Assistant Principal

During the next few weeks all staff, students and any parent helpers at school, will be participating in some Emergency Management Drills that help to ensure the safety of our entire school community. We run these practice drills throughout the year to familiarise ourselves with procedures that we can rely upon in the event of an emergency. Staff will speak to students about what they will be expected to do, prior to our first practice drill but a comforting reminder from parents and care givers will also help to alleviate any apprehension our students may have about participating in these drills, which are a requirement of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

MOONLIT SANCTUARY

On Tuesday, the Year 1s and 2s had the amazing opportunity to visit Moonlit Sanctuary. They were able to learn more about the different Australian animals and endangered animals such as the barking owl. They also learned about reptiles and the different lizards living in the Australian outback. They had a walk around the park and even had the chance to feed some wallabies! It was such an incredible experience.



NOW THAT THE WEATHER HAS TURNED RATHER COLD, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A SCHOOL JUMPER WITH YOU AND PLEASE MAKE SURE IT IS LABELLED WITH YOUR NAME.

CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM TWO

Mon 7th	Tue 8th	Thu 10th	Fri 11th
Shauna McMillan	Jill Eadie	Mark O'Hehir	Christine Ozanne
Mon 14th	Tue 15th	Thu 17th	Fri 18th
Anna Ericsson	Jeanette Scott-Harvey	Deb Bond	Antoniette Butta

CANTEEN NEWS

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

The term 2 menu has been sent out to all students (bright orange) and there have been some new items added.

- ♦ Fantastic Noodles (Beef or Chicken) \$2.30
- ♦ Hot Chocolate \$1.00
- ♦ Hot Apple Pie \$1.40

Also, vegetable pasties are now in stock. Paddle Pops and Callippos are still available as window sales.

Thanks to all my helpers over the last fortnight and thanks to Antoniette for helping out last Friday.

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR CANTEEN DOES NOT OPEN ON A WEDNESDAY SO PLEASE REMEMBER NOT TO SEND LUNCH ORDERS ON WEDNESDAYS.

EDITHVALE AFTER SCHOOL CARE

The Edithvale ASC Team

Ashleigh and Dylan are the staff running the Edithvale ASC for Term 2.

We welcome back all of our students and parents, and are looking forward to a busy term.

Enrolments have almost doubled since last year, so it's been fantastic meeting all our new families!

Edithvale ASC operates through the City of Kingston, and parents are advised that all bookings, cancellations and absences should go through the administration team at the City of Kingston office on 9581 4867.

Please assist us by notifying us of any changes in bookings.



The Wellbeing Committee

“WRAPPERLESS WEDNESDAYS” are back!!!

Once again Wednesdays will be wrapper-less.

We encourage children to bring all food (that they would normally have wrapped) in reusable packaging, such as, plastic containers or zip lock bags.

This encourages them to be aware of the need to recycle and not to create rubbish for landfills.

Secondly this keeps our school grounds clean and shows that the children take pride in their surroundings. It is great to receive feedback from visitors about how clean the children keep the school. Please name your containers so they find their way home.

Thank you for your support—we need to recycle!

If you have any other exciting ideas about recycling we would love to hear from you.

LUNCH CLUBS AT EPS

HIP HOP

With Mrs Cua on Fridays @ 1.40pm in the Learning Centre. (Year 6 boys or girls)

CHEERLEADING

With Mrs Evans on Thursdays, @ 1.40 in the Learning Centre. (Years 4 and 5 boys and girls)

RUNNING

With Miss Rohan, Wednesday mornings 8.15 -8.45 (Anyone can join in)

CHOIR

With Mrs Webster and Mrs Cua Wednesdays @ 1.40 pm in the learning centre. (Anyone can join in)

DECOUPAGE

With Mrs Ostojic Fridays @ 1.45 in prep room. (Only for grades 1, 2 and 3) Starting Friday May 11th. Mrs Ostojic will put an announcement over to remind interested children.

*** See Mrs Glavis or Mrs Cua for any queries ***

PFA NEWS

Rachel Hepworth



Today was the last day for Mothers Day Orders to be returned to school. Many thanks to all those who handed orders in by today.

We have had a great response from parents to help out with the wrapping and help with the stall. A note will be sent home before Tuesday 8 May to confirm when and where you are required to help.

WRAPPING—Tuesday 8th May

STALL—Thursday 10th May

LITTLE DEVILS CIRCUS PROGRAM & SCHOOL CONCERT

Kerrie Evans

Performing Arts Co-ordinator

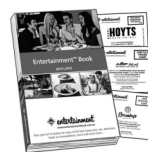
As you are now aware we are having a very special event on Wednesday 12th of September—our **School Concert**. All children will be involved in a 10 week Little Devils Program, which is a program designed to teach children many exciting circus performing tricks culminating in all children starring in a class performance.

The Little Devils/Concert payment includes 10 circus lessons, the use of simple costumes for the concert, the hiring of a bus to transport children to and from the dress rehearsal and hiring towards Kingston Arts Centre.

We anticipate all children participating and look forward to a spectacular concert that will showcase their talents.

Tickets for the concert, will be on sale closer to the concert date.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK FUNDRAISER



Every family has now received a copy of the Entertainment Book. If you wish to purchase the book, please complete the form which was enclosed and send it back to school, along with your payment (Note: payments cannot be made via your school account, and BPay & EMA cannot be used). If you do not wish to purchase the book, please return it to school ASAP.

YEAR 7 ENROLMENT FORMS

A reminder to all Year 6 Students and their parents, that the Application for Enrolment forms for Year 7 placements in 2013, must be returned to school by Friday 18 May.

These forms must be returned for ALL Year 6 students, even if they are heading off to a private school in 2013. Thank you.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

We are excited to be taking part in the 2012 Woolworths Earn & Learn program again in 2012.

Last year, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you.

From 9 May until July 1st 2012, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker card (which will be sent home shortly). Once the card is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school or you can drop them into your local Woolworths collection box.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 7,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at School or visit the Woolworths website:

www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

MOBILE PHONE FUNDRAISER

We have registered with a company who recycle old mobile phones; which saves them from going into landfill—and the school will receive \$3.00 for each phone collected.

Once we receive the plastic envelopes and the deposit box, we will send a plastic envelope home with further instructions, so in the meantime, hunt down all those old mobile phones and get them ready to send along to school.



A poster for the RSPCA Million Paws Walk 2012. It features a blue background with a large white circle in the center containing the text 'RSPCA MILLION PAWS WALK 2012'. Surrounding the circle are four dogs: a red and white dog at the top, a grey dog at the bottom, a brown dog on the right, and a white dog on the left. Below the circle, the text 'SUNDAY 20 MAY' is written in white, followed by 'MORNINGTON PENINSULA' and 'HASTINGS FORESHORE'. A yellow banner across the middle contains the text 'REGISTER BY 10 MAY TO SAVE AT' and 'millionpawswalk.com.au'. Below the banner, the text 'ENTERTAINMENT • PET ADVICE • FUN FOR EVERYONE!' is written in white, followed by 'REGISTER AND FUNDRAISE ONLINE FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A NEW CAR!' and 'Register on the day from 9.00am for a 10.00am start. Option of 1.1km or 1.5km minimum distance.' At the bottom, there are logos for 'SOURCE ONE', 'KARLSON'S', 'FuzzYard', 'BOMBA', 'Leader', and 'RSPCA'.

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A poster for Skicity Open Day. It features a blue background with a large white circle in the center containing the text 'OPEN DAY - 5 May 10.30am'. Below the circle, the text 'FREE Skiing, Boarding, & Yoga' is written in white. To the right of the circle, the text 'Heaps of prize give a ways including free ski and snowboard lessons, yoga sessions, a snowboard, Mt Buller lift passes, Warren Miller DVD's and apparel' is written in white. At the bottom, the text 'from Snow Monkey.' is written in white, followed by the 'Skicity' logo and 'Australia's Only Urban Ski Training Centre'. On the right side, the text '4/148 Chesterville Rd', 'Cheltenham 3192', '1300 SKICITY', and 'skicity.com.au' is written in white.

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WORLD VISION SPEAKER

Do you sponsor a World Vision Child? Would you like to hear first hand about the work that is being done by World Vision?

**Then you should come along on:
Sunday 6 May 2012**

St Chad's Church Hall at 6.00pm

**Come and hear Ashley Goode from World Vision speak of his work with this organisation in many different countries around the world .
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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

De-clutter your way to a new life!

Tuesday May 15th from 7-9pm. Fancy living in a peaceful and stress-free home and having more time to enjoy yourself? This practical workshop will give you the strategies to organise your storage spaces and be confident in deciding what to keep and where to put it. Included will be fun tips, clever hints and lots of ideas that can be implemented immediately. Cost \$15. Bookings phone 9587 5955

NEW! Slime Lab: Science workshops for kids aged 4plus. Wednesdays 4-5pm (starting May 2nd). Kids can enjoy science in a safe, fun and educational way creating their own colourful slime. Only non-toxic and environmentally safe products used in activities. Phone Linda on 0413 338 658 or email slime.lab@hotmail.com.

Sustainable Homes Program: 5 week program Wednesdays 1pm-3pm (starting 23rd May to 20th June). This course will focus on different aspects of sustainability in the home. Join the many households who have begun the journey to transform their homes to save energy, water, waste, food and their hip pocket. Cost \$50. Bookings Phone 9587 5955.

Heart Link Network: Meets first Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm. The Heart Link Network is an amazing opportunity for professional business women to connect, build relationships and grow their businesses in an inviting atmosphere. Spaces are limited. For further enquiries contact Lee Cummins on 0400 862 793 or email lee.cummins@bigpond.com

Zumba: Tuesdays 7.30pm-8.30pm. Get fit and toned while having fun with the fitness craze that has taken the world by storm. \$12 per session. Contact Mel on 0414 353 827.

Zumbatomic: for kids 4-12yrs. Big starz (8-12yrs) Wednesdays 3.45-4.30pm and Thursdays 4.15-5pm. Lil' Starz (4-7yrs) Thursdays 1-1.30pm and 3.45-4.15pm. Enquiries ph. Dani on 0411 139 795.

Thumpboxing: Thursdays 2pm-3pm with B Tru 2 U Fitness. Outdoor 30 minute express classes and personal training sessions also available. Enquiries ph. Connie on 0414 671 066.

THE A–Z OF IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICE

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

A yellow envelope was sent home to all families early in the year, with several forms which need completing and returning to school. These forms were to be returned to school by **29 February** and there are still a number outstanding. 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 haven't returned your forms, would you please send them back as soon possible and if you change any of your details throughout the year, please let us know ASAP. If 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.

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 3:30 pm. Cash only please.