



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs Denise Webster

Welcome back to all students and their families after a terrific Easter break - the extra few days that we had this time gave us even more opportunities to relax and recharge the batteries for the coming term.

Next week students in Years 3 and 5 will be participating in NAPLAN testing (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy). The results of these tests provide diagnostic information for parents and for teachers about the child's performance in literacy and numeracy. We are able to use the results from the NAPLAN testing in addition to data we collect from other assessment activities in order to continue to develop and provide learning opportunities which are tailored to the needs of each student. This enhances and broadens the view that we have of the learning progress of our students.

Many thanks to our school leaders, **Laura Tomlinson** and **Scott Kingsbury** for representing Edithvale Primary School at the ANZAC ceremony conducted by the Aspendale-Edithvale RSL on Monday April 25th. (See photos on page 4 of this newsletter). They also assisted in our special assembly held last Friday where Mr Gavin Jones, acting President of the Aspendale Edithvale RSL, joined us and gave a short talk about the significance of ANZAC Day and why we commemorate it.

At assembly this week all school leaders and members of the SRC will be presented with a special certificate that has been sent to us by **Mr Mark Dreyfus**, Federal Member for Issacs. All parents are welcome to join us at our weekly assemblies.

Education week runs from May 16 to May 20. As in previous years, we will be conducting tours for 2012 prep students and their parents on Tuesday May 17 and Thursday May 19 - tours begin at 9.15 and conclude with morning tea in the staff room. Please join us - we have a wonderful school community and you will get the chance to see the children at work and as well as see the types of learning programs that we offer. (Individual tours can also be arranged by appointment by phoning 9772 1393). For the families of students already at EPS there are also opportunities to come and visit your child's classroom. A note will be sent home shortly with the details of what is happening at each level.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, to all the mums in our school community - have a wonderful, wonderful day on Sunday. Enjoy!



FROM THE SPORTS DESK

Mr James Whitla

On Friday May 6th we will be holding our Cross Country selection trials around Edithvale Oval (near Kinross Ave) for all students in Years 3-6. Our Year 3 students will be running 1km as a means of preparing them for official selection in 2012. Students who have turned, or are turning 10 years old this year will be running 2km and our 11 years and older students will be completing a 3km course. From these trials we will be selecting a team to represent Edithvale Primary School at the District Cross Country races on Friday May 13th. We wish all competitors the best of luck with our trials tomorrow.

We are also proud to have some of our students progress through to the Kingston District Trials in their nominated winter sports sides. At the time of writing **Daniel Vella** (Soccer), **Gemma Proy & Brooke Millen** (Netball) and **Courtney Smith & Molly Gough** (Basketball) have been selected to represent the Kingston District of schools in further trials. These trials are all part of School Sports Victoria's selection process to determine State representatives in these sports. Again, we wish these students all the very best.

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY

| | |
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| Fri 6 | ◆ Cross Country Trials |
| Tue 10—Thu 12 | ◆ Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN Testing |
| Thu 12 | ◆ PFA Meeting—2.30 pm—Staffroom |
| Fri 13 | ◆ District Cross Country ◆ Prep Zoo Excursion |
| Sun 15—Sat 21 | ◆ Education Week |
| Mon 16 | ◆ Year 3 & 4 Tutenkhamun Excursion |
| Tue 17 | ◆ School Tour 9:15am—Please book ◆ Year 5 & 6 CSIRO In-sit ◆ School Council Meeting |
| Thu 19 | ◆ School Tour 9:15am—Please book |

JUNE

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| Mon 13 | ◆ Queen's Birthday Holiday |
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PFA NEWS

Diane Cameron

A big thank you to parent helpers at the Mother's Day Stall and Wrapping morning. Both days ran very smoothly under the guidance of **Rachel** and **Karen**.

Thanks also to **Monica** for processing orders and doing the helpers roster, and to **Sharon** for organising the plants.

This term the PFA will run a disco and a hot dog day. Dates will be discussed at our next meeting on Thursday 12 May, at 2.30 pm, in the staffroom. Hope you can all come.

To all Mothers, have a wonderful day this Sunday.

CANTEEN NEWS

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

This term the canteen will be trialling new lunch menu items. The term 2 pricelist should be completed and sent out next week.

NEW ITEMS:

- Fried rice (200 gm) \$3.00
- Junior Hot Apple Pie (60 gm) \$1.40
- Fantastic Noodles 9Beef/chicken) \$2.20
- Hot Chocolate \$1.00

At present we are looking at getting in a Soup Oven for soup to be sold for lunches as well. When this is up and running I will let you all know.

Thank you to my parent helpers over the last few days and a special thanks to **Kellie** for helping out on Monday.

TERM TWO ROSTER

| Mon 9th | Tue 10th | Thu 12th | Fri 13th |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Anna Ericson | Sharyn McIntosh | Deb Bond Sharon Vanderwyk | Fiona Brown |
| Mon 16th | Tue 17th | Thu 19th | Fri 20th |
| Shauna McMillan | Claire Stewart | Kerrie Short | Kellie Kingsley |

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.

We have been alerted recently, that the school crossings are not being used properly. This is of great concern to us all at EPS. We cannot state strongly enough, how important it is to use these crossings when coming to and from school. Please do not be tempted to get out of your car and run across the road; you are not only teaching your children bad habits but breaking the law.

Chelsea Police will be patrolling the crossings intermittently and you will be booked if you do not use the crossing correctly.

ANZAC DAY CEREMONY



Congratulations to **Laura Tomlinson** and **Scott Kingsbury** (pictured above) who represented Edithvale Primary School at the local RSL ANZAC Day Ceremony this year. Also pictured are **Lucy Tomlinson & Asher Jamieson** (left) and **Ethan Jamieson & Aleisha Mills** (below) who were representing their scout group on the day.





ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ARRIVE AT EPS TOMORROW FRIDAY 6 MAY 2011

As part of Edithvale Primary School's fundraising efforts, families will have the opportunity to purchase this book with over \$15,000 in valuable offers you can use from now until 1st June 2012. This includes offers for fine & contemporary dining, casual restaurant & family dining, informal dining & takeaway, arts, sport & attractions, retail, travel, leisure and accommodation vouchers.

Tomorrow, the books will be delivered to each classroom (youngest child in family will bring book home) for you to view over the following week. If you wish to purchase - fill in payment details form. If you do not wish to purchase return book to school by **Friday 13th May**. Further details will be forwarded with book.

Why not order one for yourself, give as a gift or ask family, friends & work colleagues. The more we order the more fundraising dollars for the school.

If you wish to view the book online now go to www.entertainmentbook.com.au & then click on the blue tab at the top called 'Search the book' then view 'Greater Melbourne'.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Thanks to the kind offers of some of our parents the children involved in the Premier's Reading Challenge will be able to change their books numerous times during the week. Please see below for the times available. It is not too late to join the Challenge - see your class teacher.

Thanks again to the parents below for their help and support.

AFFORDABLE ACCIDENT PROTECTION FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Student Cover is student accident insurance that provides protection for your children, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, anywhere in the world*. The cover applies whether they are at school or not, and includes almost every sport*. (*some conditions apply*). The annual cost of a StudentCover policy is just \$29.00.

StudentCover is available online—making it quick and easy to protect your child or children. Payment can be made by credit card at the time of application, or by BPay once you receive your invoice.

To apply online go to www.studentcover.com.au and click APPLY NOW. More information is available from the school office.



AFTER SCHOOL CARE City of Kingston



The After School Program is conducted by Kingston Council in our hall. It was established to provide quality care for primary school aged children in a supervised, relaxed, safe and fun environment.

The programs cater for parents who work, study or due to other commitments require After School Care for their children and so that your for children can play with other children & participate in the varied recreation activities provided.

The program is open to primary aged children and hours of operation are 3:30 pm to 6:15 pm on school days with allowances for Curriculum Days as well.

Parents wishing to enrol their children are asked to contact Charmaine at Kingston City Council on 9581 4867 or Paromita on 0439 08 059 for further information.

| | 8.30 - 8.50 AM | 9.00 - 9.15 AM | 3.30 - 3.45 PM |
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| MONDAY | Jenny Nickhols | Helen Yu | Georgina Deveraux |
| TUESDAY | Jeanette Scott-Harvey | | |
| WEDNESDAY | Jane Sutton Michelle Hawker (occasionally) | | |
| THURSDAY | Teachers | | |
| FRIDAY | | Helen O'Keeffe Siobhan Chambers | |

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS—FROM THE OFFICE

WE'RE GOING ELECTRONIC!

In the not too distant future, we will commence sending newsletters and statements out via email. This should make things easier for everyone and will make us a much 'greener' school! A letter will be coming out to you soon with all the details—and there will be an option to 'opt-out' if you still need to receive your newsletter in paper form.

1 ream of paper = 6% of a tree and 5.4kg of CO2 in the atmosphere.

3 sheets of A4 paper = 1 litre of water.

BPAY—PAYMENT OPTION

BPay is up and running so you can now pay for your excursions and other charges, via internet banking. Your BPay reference will be printed on your statements. *Please only use BPay for payments of \$20 or over. You can of course, combine several outstanding charges to make the \$20 minimum.*

The payment options will be set out on all curriculum based excursion/activities notices sent home that require permission to attend and a payment. **BPay will only be available when indicated on notices.**

For ALL BPay payments, we will need to be notified of what your payment is for. You can do this in several different ways. One is via the reply slip on your excursion form, you can use one of the reply slips which will be provided of the back of the letter, or you can email us on edithvale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with **BPay** in the subject line.

It is imperative that you use your correct BPay reference number and return the notices so that payments can be correctly matched to your family.

We hope this will make it a lot easier for you to pay for excursions and activities and it will be far safer than sending cash along to school with your children.

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

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.

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.

SCHOOL 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. If you have a camp or an excursion, drop your banking off at the office before you go. 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.

PLEASE BRING CORRECT MONEY

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!

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

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.

We are in need of coat hangers for displaying articles or clothing. If you have some spare, we would be very appreciative. Please leave them at the school office.

STUDENT CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Thank you to those families who have already filled in and returned the forms we sent out last term. 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. Would you please send your forms back to the school office urgently so we can have this up to date information at hand.

EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

Most of the payments have now arrived in our bank account (and yours) and those who chose the cheque option, can collect their cheques from the school office at their earliest convenience.

GOOD MANNERS

Mrs Wishart and Mrs Greedy would like to compliment all of the children who come up to the office and use their beautiful manners. We love to see you, and when you're polite and use your manners, it makes us very happy!

Fundraising movie packs

Family order Form

Help raise funds for your School!

| Pack | Contents (Vouchers) | Recommended Family Purchase Price From School | GREAT IDEA FOR BIRTHDAY PARTIES |
|-----------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|
| Gold Class Pack | 2 Gold Class Vouchers | \$74.00 [†] | |
| Family Pack | 2 Adult Movie Vouchers 2 Child Movie Vouchers | \$49.80 [†] | |
| Adult Movie Pack | 5 Adult Movie Vouchers | \$60.00 [†] | |
| Children's Movie Pack | 5 Child Movie Vouchers | \$47.50 [†] | |

See over for full terms and conditions. Prices are indicative only and are based on recommended selling prices listed for Family Purchase Price From School. [†] All prices are indicative of GST. Prices are current as at 1st of July 2009.

Please return to School by: _____ **(date)**

Please send me:

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Gold Class Pack(s)

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Family Pack(s)

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Adult Movie Pack(s)

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Children's Movie Pack(s)

Enclosed is \$ _____ **to cover the cost of my purchase**

Family Name: _____ **Class (eldest child)**

Contact Details: _____

Cheques Payable to (School Name): _____

Credit Card Payment: ☐ **AMEX** ☐ **Mastercard** ☐ **Visa**

Credit Card Number: _____ **Exp:** _____

Signature: _____ **Amount \$** _____

Tickets will be available throughout the year and will be ordered at the end of each month. As soon as we receive a few orders, we will place our first order - So HURRY AND ORDER to be included in this round.

For more information visit villagecinemas.com/schools

Your personal information is being collected by your School or Organisation in order to fulfill this fundraising initiative. Your name and number of tickets purchased (but not credit card details) may be disclosed to Village Cinemas Australia Pty Ltd for these purposes. If you choose not to provide us with certain information, we may not be able to co-ordinate your movie voucher purchase. You can contact our Privacy Officer if you would like details of the personal information we hold about you.



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Call **Lena** on **0402 065 154** for an appointment and receive 50% discount on enrollment (usually \$70) and tuition fees (usually \$110 per subject) in February.

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