



# EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Term 4—Week 9

6 December 2013

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Mrs Denise Webster

Once again we had a fantastic response to our Parent Helpers morning tea which was held yesterday in the staff room. This annual event gives teachers the opportunity to express how appreciative we are of the efforts and contribution made by so many parents and friends of Edithvale Primary School. We love having your help in the classroom, on special days, at working bees, at excursions and camps as well as in the canteen. This year, being our Centenary Celebration Year, a much wider group of people supported us in the preparation for these festivities. It was great to see a few new faces. Our focus is, as always, to provide the best that we can for your children and the support that we receive from you on a daily basis makes that possible. Thank you.

Our whole school transition program begins next Wednesday and will run in the morning session over 3 days. All students will participate in a program that is designed to provide them with a knowledge of what to expect in 2014 - who their teachers are and who their classmates will be. It will also provide an opportunity for the teachers to get to know their students and have that in mind when they begin planning for the coming year.

Many thanks go to our wonderful group of landscapers (ably led by School Council President, Martin Taylor) who worked tirelessly last weekend to prepare the area and then lay the pavers. It won't be long now until you are able to go and have a look to see where your 'Centenary' paver sits.

Don't forget the Prep to 3 Concert! Thursday December 12 starting at 2.30pm.

## NATIONALS CHEERLEADING 2013 Kerrie Evans & Sharlotte Cua

On Friday 22 and Saturday 23 November the cheerleaders and hip hop dancers from Edithvale Primary School competed in the Nationals

Cheerleading Competition at the Melbourne Convention Centre. It was a very exciting competition with competitors from all over Australia. There were quite a few nerves but all children performed brilliantly and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

To top off the day the end results were magnificent. The cheerleaders received 1<sup>st</sup> in the Primary School section against 2 interstate Primary Schools. The Hip Hop dancers came 2<sup>nd</sup>, only ½ point behind 1<sup>st</sup>.

The jazz group and the duo came 2<sup>nd</sup> and the lyrical came 6<sup>th</sup> in a very tough section. All competitors are to be congratulated on their behaviour and all the work they have put in over the year. It has been a big commitment but everyone has happily given up their lunchtimes to practise hard and the results over the year have definitely been worthwhile.

Thank you to all the parents and supporters over the year. We are both looking forward to next year.






**SCHOOL CHARGES:** You are welcome to start paying your 2014 School Charges before the end of this year (booklists however, must be paid online, to OfficeMax). BPay is our preferred option and we would love to see more people using this method next year. When you make a payment, please email or send a note, so we know what your payment is for.



# James Whitla

As we navigate our way through the first year of the implementation of the Australian Curriculum, student report cards will reflect a student's achievement at the **end of semester one** and then again **at the end of semester two**, in the four subjects of **English, Mathematics, Science and History** thereby demonstrating progression over a period of 6 months. **English and Mathematics** are reported on from **Prep - Year 6** and **Science and History** from **Years 3-6 only**. In these subjects your child's achievement level at the end of **semester 1** is indicated by a partially filled dot and their achievement level for **this semester's** report marked by a solid dot. An example of a student who has achieved a normal 6 months growth in Semester 2 is included below:

Mathematics	Number and Algebra	B				
	Measurement and Geometry	C				
	Statistics and Probability	C				

As content in **all other learning areas** has not changed, student reports will continue to show 12 months progress for the end of semester student reports. In these subjects your child's achievement level at the end of **semester 2 in 2012** is marked by a hollow dot and their achievement level for **this semester's** report marked by a solid dot. An example of a student who has achieved a normal 12 months growth over the course of the year is included below:

Personal Learning	B	
Information and Communications Technology	C	
Thinking Processes	B	

The shaded column indicates a range where students are achieving the standards expected at that year level. We acknowledge that there may be some confusion around the merging of two different sets of growth points and hope that these will become clearer when you receive your child's report which will be sent home on Friday December 13<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions about these, or need further clarification, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher after this date.

## TRI KIDS—RACE 2

On 1 December, five of us (Laura, Tane, Wini, Drew and Samson) participated in another triathlon. We took 20 minutes off our previous time. We improved all of our skills by practising every Tuesday after school.



Our training schedule involved us swimming 200 metres, riding 6km and running 1km. Our next triathlon will be on 19 January 2014.

## 'I SEA, I CARE' NEWS

On Friday 5 December the 'I sea, I care' ambassadors Drew, Joanna, Katya and James went to Sorrento to go on a Moonraker charter boat. They went to explore the ocean and hopefully see some seals and dolphins! It was their first day being 'I sea, I care' ambassadors and they were all very excited. They climbed aboard the boat with the 9 other schools joining the program for the first time. The boat travelled out past Portsea and they got to go snorkelling at Pope's Eye where they saw so many different species of fish and plenty of sea birds. The freezing cold weather couldn't stop them from having an amazing time! As they headed back to shore they had delicious hot chocolates and lamingtons to warm them up. Overall, it was the best water experience they have ever had!



## SICKBAY

Occasionally our students require a change of clothing for one reason or another. When this happens we try, wherever possible, to lend them clothing from our small supply in the sickbay. The wet or soiled clothing is sent home in a plastic bag with a note requesting that you wash the "loan" items and return them to school as soon as you can as our stock of clothing is small.

We currently have a number of items of clothing out on loan. If your child has borrowed any clothing (including socks or underwear) can you please send it back to school as we have now run out of some items.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY APPEAL

We received a letter of appreciation from the Longbeach RSL Sub Branch for the support they received from Edithvale Primary School during the 2013 Remembrance Day Poppy Appeal. The appeal raised a total of \$34,805 with Edithvale Primary School contributing \$317.00.



## TYPHOON HAIYAN APPEAL

Thank you to those who have donated to the appeal for victims of Typhoon Haiyan. If you would still like to donate to this appeal, we are still collecting donations in the school office, which we will deposit in bulk, from the school community.

## STUDENT BANKING REDEMPTION DAY



Although the weather was not kind to us, and we couldn't hold our redemption day outside, we had a great turnout all the same. Many children came along to cash in their banking tokens, and went away with their chosen rewards.

**Remember that student banking day is on a Tuesday.** It's a great way to teach your children to save and they earn themselves a few little rewards along the way.

## CANTEEN Mrs Diane Cameron

As this is my last newsletter report for 2013, I would like to thank all my parent helpers who have volunteered their time to help serve, prepare lunch orders, re-stock items and share a latte or two with me when rostered on. Your help as always has been valuable and enjoyable.

We farewell Sharyn McIntosh this year, whose son is moving on to secondary school. Sharyn has been a valuable helper on all my Sushi Days for the last seven years.

Items **NOT** available till next year are :

Pizzas	Chocolate Muffins
Fried Rice	Yoghurt
Dim Sims	Schnitzels

All other items should be okay till the end of term.

**LAST DAY OF CANTEEN IS FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER**

So one more week of Canteen.

Have a wonderful holiday break and see you all in 2014.

CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM 4			
Mon 9	Tue 10	Thu 12	Fri 13
Shauna McMillan	Sharyn McIntosh	Antoinette Butta	Kellie Kingsley

## SCIENCE DAY Phillip Park 2B



On Wednesday 4 December, it was Science Day! On Science Day we did tons of experiments, like making slime and testing chemicals if they were acid or base. I was in group 1 and our first activity was making "slime". Making the slime was pretty difficult because we had to mix it and test if we made it right.

The next activity was Colour Mixing. We had to mix red, yellow and blue, the primary colours.

The third activity was Cabbage Chemistry. In this activity we got cabbage water and carefully put some stuff in like vinegar, antacid and lots more. If it was pink it was an acid, if it was green it was a base and if it was purple it was neutral.

The fourth activity was in the staff room it was cooking. We cooked Mars Bars Christmas Crackles. Sadly I couldn't eat it because of my allergies.

The last activity was The Volcano. We learnt that if you put bi-carb soda and dish detergent in a cup and add vinegar it will explode!

First we stuck together a cup and plate, then put bi-carb soda and dish detergent in the cup, add some food dye and finally add the vinegar really quickly, then, KABOOM!! The volcano will explode.

My favourite part of the Science Day was making the slime and volcano. Science Day was awesome!



### Christmas

LACHLAN MONSSEN

Santa on the sleigh  
Flying in the sky all night  
And giving presents




### Ghosts In Your House!



Lurking round your house  
Making mischief when you go  
Scowling, howling, hool  
BY ABBY WALLACE



### Haiku Poems Year 3

#### Black Cats

BLACK CATS ARE RUNNING ROUND  
WITH THEIR WITCHES ON THEIR BROOMS  
JUMPING UP AND DOWN





BY WILLIAM VICENDESE

### THE WITCHES NIGHT

BY ANNU KUCHENHAUTER



They come out at night  
Swishing through the dark and light  
Riding on their brooms



### Fairies

BY REBECCA BROWN



Fairies come to life  
Flying through the red mushrooms  
Twinkling their dust

### TREES

BY JACKSON BARRATT

SWAYING IN THE WIND  
WHISPERING TO VERY CLOSE TREES  
BRUSHING THE COLD GROUND.



## Writer's Corner



## Bike Ed—Year 4

For the past week, our Year 4 students have been participating in Bike Ed. They have been involved in activities relating to bike control and safety on roads. The students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and have participated with enthusiasm and a willingness to learn new safety skills. They have used their knowledge and new skills to create bike safety videos in small groups and have used different text types to write creative reflections.

### Bike Ed experience - By Jack Mogensen

During this past week we have been learning about bike safety on the roads. We had to learn when to brake either smoothly or quickly to prevent others from getting hurt. We have also been doing scanning, riding on different surfaces, sharp turns and slow riding. The Year 4s have really enjoyed Bike Ed and hope to do it again.

### Bike Ed Poem - By Lauren Bond and Isabelle Muir

Year 4 Bike Ed is the best, we think it beats all the rest!  
We learn how to ride a bike with skill, I'm pretty sure we do it better than Bill.  
Bike Ed keeps us fit and healthy, It's also better than being wealthy.

### Bike Ed Poem - By Laura Melatua & Mitch Keatley

Bike Ed was really fun,  
All those hours were really well done.  
Twisting, turning, stopping and manoeuvring,  
I think we lost a pound or two!  
The first day was hot and we all felt like a boiling pot.  
The second day was okay and we wished we could ride all day.  
Bike Ed was really great but we thought we would need a break.  
With that our report is done,  
I hope you liked this lovely one!

### My Bike Ed Poem - By Tom Rainsbury

Bikes, bikes everywhere. On the ground and in the air.  
Rocking and rolling, stopping and going. Having a flowing ride to school.  
Always have a helmet on your head. The fun never ends when you are doing Bike Ed!



### Acrostic Poem - By Jasmin Warren

Brilliant activities  
Informative to the brain  
Kinaesthetic style of learning  
Everyone can join in  
Enjoyment  
Determination to get better

## FRENCH POETRY COMPETITION Madame Snow & Cecile



This competition, also called Berthe Mouchette Competition, is named in memory of the founder and first president of the “Alliance Francaise de Melbourne”, Mme Berthe Mouchette. Mme Berthe Mouchette was a respected artist and regarded as an audacious woman for her time, sharing her love of both French language and French culture. Each year over 13,000 Victorian Y3-12 students bring French poetry to life through recitals in the Berthe Mouchette Competition. A “Big Bravo” to our School Winner Abigail Wallace from year 3 who came Second in Victoria.....Oh la la!

Congratulations and a “Big Thank you” to all the participants from Edithvale Primary School, who did really well and can be proud of themselves. This year there were 38 candidates:

Thomas ABLETT	Chloe GIBBON	Jessica HARWOOD	Maddy KINGSLEY
Bridget ARDEN	Anni KUCHENMEISTER	Imogen HEENAN	Drew KUGIMIYA
Alyssa BARROW	Ella SEWELL	Bronte MARTINE	Alyssa LOTHIAN
Heather BARTEL	Lachlan STACEY	Isabelle MUIR	Hayley PRASAD
Sebastian COLE	Abigail WALLACE	Maja TOMIC	Amy SHORT
Mia CRAMOND	Reid YOUNG	Katya ADKIN	Jackson DAVIES
Brigitte CRICK	Ella CAMPBELL	Laetitia AH-YOUNG	Samson MELATUA
Sarisha DHAWAN	Sebastian DOBBS	Ethan CARROLL	Stefan HOSI
Stephen ELKINGTON	Priscilla GALLAGHER	Joanna ELKINGTON	
Bradley ELLIS	Courtney GREEN	Will FORSTER	

The Berthe Mouchette Competition is more than just a poetry competition. Years 3-6 students participating in the poetry recitation can portray their impressions of the poems in a drawing competition, “J’illustre mon poème”. This year, 3 students from Edithvale Primary School shortlisted to the finals, a “Big Bravo” to Abigail Wallace from Y3, Alyssa Barrow from Y3 and Priscilla Gallagher from Y4.

## SAILING IN THE SUN Joanna, Talya, Lucy, Olivia and Laetitia

What a day it was on Friday 22 November. Year 5 & 6 students walked up to the Chelsea Yacht Club to enjoy a day of sailing. A lot of us hadn’t been sailing and now we wished we could go back! We learnt how to sail a boat and while we were there they showed us how to use the ropes like a professional. Some students capsized unexpectedly while others got soaking wet in the speed boats. Our day ended with a delicious sausage sizzle. We would like to thank Mr Cappy for his organisation of this awesome day. We would also like to thank all the parents for volunteering their time and the Yacht Club members for teaching us how to sail.





## ASPENDALE GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTRE

103 - 105 Kearney Drive, Aspendale Gardens

### ZUMBA FOR KIDS

Would your child like to take part in this fun activity? Dani Bosancic is very keen to run "Zumba for Kids" next year. The classes would be: Zumba Kids Junior for 4-6yo; and Zumba Kids for 7-11yo.

If you are interested in taking part, please contact Dani on 0411 139 795 or [dbosancic@bigpond.com](mailto:dbosancic@bigpond.com)

### WOMEN'S SOCIAL NETBALL

Are you looking to keep fit and meet new people? The Aspendale Social Netball League is looking for new players and/or teams to join their competition in 2014. Games from 7.00pm on Mondays and Thursdays. Contact Gill - 0419 881 615.

**OCCASIONAL CARE 2014** - Every Thursday morning 8.30am to 12.30pm

Term 1, 2014 permanent positions now available. Please contact the Centre as soon as possible if you want to secure a place, noting there are limited spaces for under 3's.

Cost: \$32 per child or \$60 per family per 4 hour session (payment must be made at the time of booking).

Orientation session for parents and children: Thursday, 31 January 2014 at 10.00am to 12.00pm.

For further details, contact the Centre - 9587 5955

### PLAYGROUP 2014

Bookings for 2014 playgroup now open: Sessions as follows :-

Mondays	10.15am – 11.45am
Wednesdays	9.30am – 11.30am
Thursdays	9.30am – 11.30am

For more information, please contact the Centre - 9587 5955

### HALL HIRE

Looking for a venue for your next function/party? Your Community Centre has fantastic facilities, including a full kitchen, indoor and outdoor areas and a BBQ available upon request. For further information contact the Centre - 9587 5955

### ACTIVITIES FOR 2014

**COMING SOON!** Look out for our Term 1 brochure in your letterbox, which will outline all the activities we have to offer at our Centre.

### WHAT'S ON

**ACTIVEONE** - Over 55 Exercise and Lifestyle Program  
Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> December - Term 4 Finish

Tuesday, 28th January - Community Centre opens for 2014

Wednesday, 29 January -Pre School Interviews Commence

For further information, please contact us at the Office. Office hours are Tuesday - Friday 9.00am - 3.00pm.

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## Dental services for children

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**FREE and low-cost dental services for eligible children**  
Dental health is essential for overall health and wellbeing.  
Regular dental check-ups are important to catch any problems early.

#### Who can access this service?

The Child Oral Health Program is available to all children aged 0-12 through your local community health service. Your child will have priority access which means there is no waiting list, they will be given the next available appointment.

#### What does the service include?

This service includes:

- emergency care
- general care (e.g. fillings, extractions and sealants)
- dental health advice.

#### How much does it cost?

<b>Emergency care -</b> All children (12 years and under)	<b>FREE</b>
<b>General care -</b> Children (12 years and under) who: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• are government concession card holders or dependents of concession card holders</li> <li>• identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people</li> <li>• are in out-of-home care provided by the Children, Youth and Families Division of the Department of Human Services</li> <li>• attend a special or special development school</li> </ul>	<b>FREE</b>
<b>General care - For general course of care that includes an exam and all general dental treatment with a max \$ cap per-family per-year.</b> Children (12 years and under) who do not fit into any of the above categories	<b>CAPPED AMOUNT PER CHILD</b>

#### To make an appointment contact

Central Bayside Community Health Services  
Oral Health Services  
335 Nepean Hwy Parkdale 3195  
Ph: 8587 0350



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## On-Campus Uniform Sale!

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\*Take 5% off original RRP for purchases made in stores between November 11 and December 14, 2013. Excludes footwear and 12.20% deposit. Offer not available online.

## CHRISTMAS AT ASPENDALE TENNIS CLUB



Aspendale Tennis Club will be holding a Christmas/Fun Day on Sunday 15 December from 12.30pm.

Have a social hit of tennis and meet other members of the club and the community.

Sausage sizzle and cold drinks for sale and a raffle will be drawn.

Raffle prizes include a Wilson Tennis Racquet Bag, Junior Tennis Racquet and Ladies Tennis Racquet. Six month memberships will be on sale with a special offer of free joining fee for this day only. We hope to see you there.

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**WHEN:** 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 8.30am – 12.30pm  
20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> Jan 8.30am – 12.30pm

**WHERE:** Chelsea Beach Foreshore

For further information contact Chelsea YC on 0490 137 055 or email Donna at [donna.24@hotmail.com](mailto:donna.24@hotmail.com)  
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Tennis Academy

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**Junior trial- 4-17 years. Tues. 10 December from 5pm. Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of December from 5.45pm**

**Adult trial- men and women. Tues. 10 December from 5.45pm. Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of December from 6.30 pm**

**Cardio tennis- Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> of December from 7.15 pm**

**Please email or call to book in. Rackets provided**

#### 2014 coaching and club programs

\*Hot shots 4-12 yrs. Incl. a free racket 4-7 yrs. Free shirt 4-12 yrs.

\*Junior group lessons up to 17 yrs. Rackets provided

\*Adult classes. Cardio tennis. Rackets provided

\*Mens social tennis Monday from 7.30pm

\*Ladies social comp. Wednesday from 7.30pm

\*Memberships available. Saturday morning in house junior comp. from 10.45am

Venue - Chelsea Heights tennis club. Thames Promenade

For coaching enquiries and bookings please call Leigh at 0439616748.

Email - [leigh.holland@hotmail.com](mailto:leigh.holland@hotmail.com)

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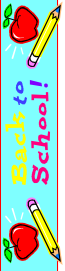


# DECEMBER 2013

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2 Gr 4 Bike Ed week	3	4	5 *Parent Helpers Morning Tea	6 Gr 4 Bike Ed ends  <b>19</b> MORE SLEEPS UNTIL SANTA ARRIVES!	7	8
9	10 *Coach Approach Grade P-2 *Prep 2014 transition 9.30-11.30am *Year 6 → 7 Orientation	11	12 *Prep-2 Concert 2.30-3.30pm	13	14	15
16	17 *Graduation	18	19 *Final Assembly 2.30pm	20 *Last day of school Start 8.45am Finish 1.15pm	21	22
23	24	25 	26	27	28	29



# JANUARY 2014

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Australia Day	28 Student Free Day	29 Student Free Day	30 1st Day Term 1 	31		

