



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Term 3—Week 8

7 September 2012

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Denise Webster

We hope that all of our Dads had a fantastic day on Sunday and enjoyed the fuss that was being made of them. Many thanks to our band of wonderful Mums who organised this year's Father's Day Stall - I know many of the students were very excited about their purchases for Dad. The Prep and Year 1 students also spoil their fathers just a little bit more when they invited them to come to school for even more celebrations. It was terrific to see so many Dads involved in the morning's fun.

Year 4 students have just spent 3 days at Camp Manyung in Mt Eliza - they went well prepared for all types of weather and had a timetable of activities that kept them very busy indeed! Thanks to Karen Laurent and her team for the hard work that goes towards making a successful camp. I'm sure that there will be reports and photos from the children in the next newsletter.

On Thursday 30 August our preps for 2013 made their first visit to EPS. They had a great afternoon and we were delighted to have them here for the first time. It is a very exciting and sometimes daunting time for our new students and their parents but it went very smoothly and we look forward to our next session which will be on Wednesday 17 October at 9.30am.

Last week our Centenary Committee met again and there are many plans underway for our celebrations next year in May. The research group has asked that if there is anyone who has old photos or documents that reflect some of the history of Edithvale Primary School could you please contact us at the office so that we could take a copy to include in our displays.

We have sold a number of items in our 'Bristol Sale' but there are still some items left. If you think you may be in need of a table, chair or desk, or even an easel ... we may have what you are looking for! Come and see us at the office.

FUN RUN James Whitla

Thank you to all of you who have returned their sponsorship forms and money from our School Fun Run. We have raised over \$4,000.00 that will be used to help pay for the new fence that can now be seen around the perimeter of our school. I am currently in the process of compiling all of the students' prizes for the money raised and hopefully they can be here soon.

Thanks again for all of the wonderful support from students, parents and staff that we had on the day of the event.



IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

Wed 12th	♦ School Concert—Kingston Arts Centre 6.30 pm arrival for a 7.00 pm Start.
Thu 13th	♦ Scholastic Book Fair Ends.
Fri 21st	♦ Last day of Term 3. ♦ 2.30 pm Dismissal.

OCTOBER

Mon 8th	♦ First day of Term 4.
Mon 22nd— Wed 31st	♦ Swimming Program (over 8 Days).



A LETTER FROM OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT ...

At our last School Council meeting on Tuesday night a passionate and lengthy discussion was held with regard to getting greater community involvement at the school, an issue that has long term implications for the school and our children's education.

Whether our children are just starting out in Prep or entering their final year of primary school, there are many good reasons for parents to volunteer their time. It sends a positive message to your children that you value their education. It's a great way to show your children that you take an interest in their education, and it sends a positive message that you consider school a valuable undertaking.

Many schools now have to raise their own funds for activities and supplies that once were considered basic necessities, and parent volunteers are essential to organising and undertaking these and other school activities. Parent volunteers offer a huge resource and support base for the school community while showing their kids the importance of participating in the community at large. Lessons learnt now are learnt for life.

Not only will you reap the benefits of your involvement, your children will too. By interacting with teachers, and other parents on a regular basis, you'll gain a firsthand understanding of your child's daily activities. Know your school, know your child.

If you haven't been involved in the past, it's never too late to start. In fact, it may be more important than ever to be involved when children reach the senior school. Some parents may experience "volunteer burnout" or decide that the schools don't need them as much; nothing could be further from the truth.

Remember that volunteering not only benefits your children, but will enrich the classroom, the whole school, and the entire community by providing students with positive interaction, support, and encouragement. Don't underestimate the students, you may feel that what you have to offer might not interest them, but you'll probably be pleasantly surprised. You'll help build skills, confidence, and self-esteem that will last well beyond their school days.

This raises a simple question that I ask you all to consider honestly. "What is it that I do to support the school and do I attend school activities events and functions?" Many families will answer with a heartfelt, "yes". However, there will be many who will answer "no", or make an excuse not to pitch in and help as we are all too busy.

Our School holds 4 Working Bees throughout each year to assist in the maintenance and upkeep of school grounds and property. These working bees are necessary in providing a safe, attractive and clean environment for our children. The hard work of maintaining the school property today cannot be left in the hands of a few consistent workers. We ask that each family assist with at least one Working Bee during the year. We will be nominating Grades for each Working Bee again next year. If your child is in the Grade nominated, you will find this is an opportunity to meet other parents from that Grade. If you are unable to attend on the date for which your child's Grade has been nominated, please feel free to choose another date from the list below.

We realise that all families have commitments on the weekends, however, if we all nominate one day for a period of two or three hours, then we will all be sharing in the responsibility that we have as members of the School Community.

Remember... one Saturday morning per year is all that we are asking. The children of Edithvale Primary will be grateful to each of you for your support.

The following are the dates for Working Bees during the remainder of this year and the proposed dates for 2013:

Term 4 2012 – 20th October 2012

Focus on the Bristol area or outdoor learning space.

2013

Term 1 - Prep - 15th March 2013- Friday afternoon working bee and BBQ

Term 2 - Whole School in preparation for our 'Centenary' – 4th May 2013

Term 3 2013 – Years 4/5/6—Date to be confirmed.

Term 4 2013 – Years 1/2/3—Date to be confirmed.

Saturday morning Working Bees will commence at 8.00am and conclude at approximately 1.00pm, with morning tea provided. I am passionate about our children's education, and believe that Edithvale is a great school, but could be even better with your help. I look forward to seeing you at our next school event.

Kind regards

Martin Taylor

School Council President

DISTRICT ATHLETICS James Whitla

Next Friday September 14th we will be sending over 50 students to the District athletics Carnival being held at Ballam Park in Frankston.

Our students have worked very hard during PE lessons to improve in all disciplines and enthusiastically competed in our trials over the last 2 weeks.

Congratulations to those who will be representing Edithvale Primary School in 2012 and I'm confident that you will join me in wishing all team members the best of success next week.

EPS COOKBOOK—ADVERTISING Tania Taylor—Fundraising Committee

As you all should know by now, we are producing our very own cookbook to help raise much needed funds for our new fence. If you wish to add a recipe to the book, then please go to publishedauthors.com.au and submit your recipe, ensuring you select Edithvale Primary School from the list.

We are now seeking the involvement of our family's businesses and our valued local businesses, to advertise in the cookbook, to help fund the printing etc; We hope to sell at least 300 copies and friends and family of EPS will use this book for years to come so you will receive ongoing goodwill and marketing benefits.

Please see the flier supplied with the newsletter.



FRENCH DAY AT EPS OH LA LA!



Madame Snow



"If you want to play, we will find a way".

Chelsea Junior Cricket Club (established 1926) is an inclusive fair-go club that offers:

- ⇒ in2Cricket
- ⇒ U12s, U14s, U16s

Come along to training—every Wednesday at 4.30 pm at Chelsea Cricket Club, Beardsworth Avenue, Chelsea, 3196. Any queries, contact Robert Campbell on 0401 140 698.



FREE TO GOOD HOMES

We have a number of good quality Lever Arch Files available FREE to anyone who would like them.

At the end of the day on Monday, they will be thrown out, so if you would like one, or a few, pop into the office on Monday morning.

PVC covers, a few different colours available.

YEAR 1 NARRATIVES

Amanda Scafidi

This term the Year 1 students have been learning to write narratives. They began with a concept map to plan out their stories. Next they wrote their rough copies. The students tried to use describing words to make their stories more interesting. Finally they used their computer skills to type up their stories. Here are a few for your enjoyment.

The Young Swimmer

By Jessie Brennan

One day there was a girl named Eve Gram. She loved swimming, and her BFF Jessica Brennan loved gymnastics. One day when Jessica and Eve were training to get an Olympic gold medal, Jessica was doing a flip when she fell to the ground and broke her leg. Eve had to take her to the hospital and get her a wheelchair. Because of this, she could no longer be in the Olympics. In fact, she needed a metal leg. Jessica was devastated. But then the nurse said you can go to the Paralympics and do gymnastics. And so Jessica trained hard to get in to the Paralympics where she won a gold medal. Eve also won a gold medal. They both screamed with excitement. After the Paralympics and the Olympics were finished they decided to live in the Olympic village because it felt like home. The End.



Ben the Olympic Boxer

By Will Devereaux



Once there was an Olympic Boxer called Ben. He was getting ready to fight Will. He got in the ring. He ducked and dodged. Ben tripped and hurt his ankle. He was devastated. Ben got out and put an ice pack on it. When he recovered he punched Will in the face and he won a gold medal.

Ava's Great Dive

By Matilda Sinclair



There was once a girl named Ava. She had a brother and a sister. Her sister was called Polly and her Brother was called Banjo. She had one friend. He was called Sam. Ava had a swimming pool in her backyard. She would never hop out if she didn't have to. Ava could only do one type of dive and Bella could do eight. Bella and Ava were in the finals. Ava was trying not to show how frightened she was. She was very lucky because hers was the best dive ever. Everyone from Japan was astonished when they saw her dive. It looked like water coming out of a waterfall. She landed gracefully with a SPLASH! All the audience cheered and cheered until they were out of breath. Ava won and she was rewarded with a bunch of flowers, a gold medal and a photo of her dive.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our exciting Book Fair for 2012 is on now, in the Library from 8.20 am to 8.50 am and 3.30 pm to 4.15 pm each day. Open every day except Thursday 13 September in the morning (this is the last day—so don't miss out).

CANTEEN NEWS

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

A big thanks to all helpers over the last 2 weeks, which were a very busy 2 weeks. Term 4 Menu and roster will be done next week.

The Canteen is still selling Paddle Pops(\$1.20), Calippo's (.80c) and small tubs of ice-cream (\$1.00) at lunch times. Please note that Vegemite toast is a window sale item at Recess, not a lunch order item. Last day of term there will be lunch orders available

CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM THREE

Sept 10th	Sept 11th	Sept 13th	Sept 14th
Michelle Lothian		Kellie Kingsley	Kerrie Mussert
Sept 17th	Sept 18th	Sept 20th	Sept 21st
Shauna McMillan	Michelle Aronleigh	Kerrie Short	Antoniette Butta

ENTER THE CBA SCHOOL BANKING CRICKET COMPETITION



YOU'LL HAVE THE CHANCE TO WIN TWO MINI CRICKET BATS SIGNED BY THE AUSTRALIAN AND ENGLISH CRICKET TEAMS!

The prize will be awarded to the student who makes the highest number of deposits between 20 August & 9 November 2012.

(In the event of a draw, the winner will be drawn from a hat).

Drawn at assembly on Friday 23 November, so don't miss out, start banking today.

(There will also be a few 'runners-up' prizes)

If you haven't started Student Banking, open a new account at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia today and start banking to be in with a chance!

STUDENT BANKING DAY IS TUESDAY

The following reward items are now out of stock and cannot be supplied

- * Handball
- * Dollarmites watch
- * Dollarmites wallet

We have a limited number of Backpack available for 15 tokens whilst stocks last.

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

THANK YOU.

FUNDRAISING FOR OUR NEW FENCE

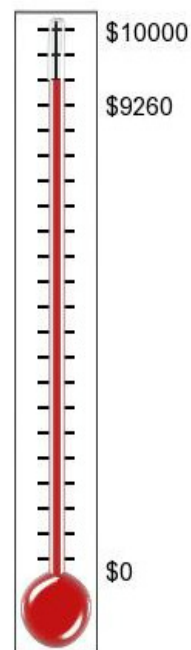
Our fundraising, for our new perimeter fence continues and the fence should be starting before the end of term.

So far we have raised

\$9.260.31



The Mobile Phone 'Foneraiser' will also contribute towards these funds so keep sending your old phones along to school.



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ENTERTAINMENT BOOK FUNDRAISER

A big thanks to everyone who recently purchased an Entertainment Book through Edithvale Primary School.

We sold a total of 86 Melbourne Books & 1 Geelong Book. That's 2 more books than last year!

Our fundraising dollars amounted to: **\$1,129.**

This money will go towards our new perimeter

DRUM KIT LESSONS

Private drum lessons available in Seaford

Or if you have a drum kit and live between Edithvale and Frankston, I can come to YOU

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Any enquiries phone Noel on 0419 355 041

DEAR PARENTS/FAMILY OF EPS ...

I have recently started my own garden maintenance service 'Clean Cut Gardening' & I am looking for clients/ properties in the local area—Household or Businesses.

If you mention this flyer (ie: -You're a parent/ family member of EPS student) I will donate \$50 back to the school for every new client that books a regular service, prior to Term 4 2012.

Services Offered

Mowing, Edging, Tree Trimming, Hedging,
Weed Control, Green Waste Removal, Window
Cleaning, Pre-Sale Facelift

*** FREE Quotes Available ***

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Regards

Nick Macmillan

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Where: City of Kingston Family Day Care Playgroup Centre
8-10 Swanpool Ave, Chelsea Victoria 3196

When: Every Tuesday in 2012 (excluding school holidays)

Time: 1pm - 3pm

Ages: 0 to 5yrs

For further information please contact Darelle at Family Life on 9782 7800.
CCC activities undertaken by staff are an enhancement of the activities for which we are
funded by DHS and FaHCSIA.
www.familylife.com.au

NEWS FROM CHELSEA HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Get a head start on your Spring cleaning with our
'Organise Your Space - Free up Your Life' 3 week
Tuesday night workshops starting soon. These
friendly sessions will help you get organised and
stay on track.

The popular Childrens' Market will be held at the
Centre on Saturday 20th October 9.00 am to 12.00
noon and it will be our 21st Birthday! There are
some stalls available at the moment if you would
like to sell your pre-loved goods.

Ring 9772 3391 to book, for more details or our
Term brochure, and please visit our website for a
full program at:-

www.chelseaheightscommunitycentre.com.au,
our Facebook page for news - or just drop in.

Thanking you

Lynne - Centre Assistant

LUNCH CLUBS AT EPS

Please see Mrs Cua or Mrs Glavis for any queries



DANCE CLUB

With Mrs Cua on Fridays @ 1.40 PM

LEARNING CENTRE.

Limited to first 20 Year 6 students, boys or girls.

CHEERLEADING CLUB

With Mrs Evans on Thursdays @1.40 PM

LEARNING CENTRE

RUNNING CLUB

With Miss Rohan on Wednesday mornings
8.15 -8.45am.

ON THE OVAL. Anyone can join in.

CHOIR

With Mrs Webster and Mrs Cua on Wednesdays @ 1.40

Anyone can join in - LEARNING CENTRE

POSTER CLUB

With Mrs Glavis on Mondays @ 1.40 In Room

Limit 10: Year 2s & 3s - ROOM 5

HIP HOP DANCE CLUB

With Jamie and Chloe on Mondays @ 1.40 - LEARNING CENTRE.

Limit 12: 6 x Year 2s 6 x Preps

NETBALL CLUB

With Mrs Trotter and Mrs Mitvalsky
on Thursdays @1.40.

Year 2s, 3s and 4s - NETBALL COURTS

CHESS CLUB

With SRC members

Where: Outside Sheds. When: To be announced

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**

**** FREE! Financial Planning Seminar for Families:** Hosted by *Your Financial Future*. Date: **Tuesday 11th September**. Time: **7.30-8.30pm**
This seminar is tailored to the needs of families to help you protect **your financial future**. Topics include; What is financial planning? Starting a family, cost of education, insurance (how much is too much?), life events, wealth creation and protection, effective financial strategies and more.

Enquiries/bookings **Ph. 9588 2800**

or contact via website

www.yourfinancialfuture.com.au

GET YOUR GLOW ON- Saturday 15th September 6pm-8pm. Prepaid tickets only \$10 (Or \$25 per family 3 or more) PARENTS FREE!! Buy your tickets at McDonald Real Estate-Aspendale Gardens Shopping Centre or pay \$15 at the door (on the night) Enquiries Ph. Kerry on **9587 6211**

SHOPPING TOUR – Get the girls together for a **fun** day of **KID FREE** shopping and bargain hunting. Tour includes visits to: Bonds, Candy Stripe, Natio, Social Club Books, Toyworx, Pacbrands, Homedirect, Newman's Chocolates and Rudolph's Warehouse. Get ready for Christmas. Cost \$30

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CHELSEA BASKETBALL

Summer season—entry forms now available. The season starts 8 October and forms are due back by 10 September.



Junior entry is \$140 and senior entry \$160
U10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20s and men, women and mixed comps. Played at Patterson River Secondary College

Please call 9776 1895 or email
manager@chelseabasketball.com.au

for details and a form.

WEEK TWO

How did you find out about this programme?

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

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 change any of your details throughout the year, or 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.