



Edithvale Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Term 1 - Week 11

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Denise Webster

The end of term has arrived with a rush-it seems only a few weeks ago that we were starting the school year; getting to know our students and their families. If I look at the prep students, I now see confident, self assured children who have adapted well to their new learning environment. They are also a great reflection of the rest of our student cohort who have had some wonderful learning experiences throughout the term.

Last Thursday's Easter Twilight Family Night was an outstanding success and brought many members of our school community together for a fun filled evening. Thanks to Barb Sharp and her team for their fantastic organisation and many thanks to the students and parents who contributed to our fundraising efforts.

You will have noticed that, bit by bit, our new learning centre is developing. The plasterers are now inside doing their thing and it won't be long before we will be focused on selecting furniture and equipment. The level 4 teachers and students are beginning to get excited about the prospect of being pioneers of the new flexible learning space.

Over the holidays there will be some work done in the prep playground area. The wooden play equipment has served us well but a recent audit revealed that it no longer meets the stringent safety requirements for playgrounds.

Congratulations to Laura Tomlinson for her participation in the Kingston Junior Mayor speeches at Chelsea Town Hall this morning. Laura gave a wonderful presentation which she prepared with expert assistance from her fellow students: Jemima Cleaver, Scott Kingsbury and Victor Ding. All were excellent ambassadors for our school.

Mid Semester reports were sent home yesterday afternoon. Please contact the school if yours did not arrive.

Assembly on Friday will begin at 2:00pm and students will be dismissed at 2.30pm. Please note that the canteen will be open on Friday as per usual and lunch will be held at an earlier time. Our first assembly next term will be our Anzac assembly. Please join us if you are able.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a safe and restful holiday.



BEAT THE BITE

If you're planning to go on holidays over the break, here is some important information to know from the Department of Health.

Its holiday time and lots of families will be heading to areas where mosquito activity has been high - and they're not just annoying; some mosquitoes can transmit serious diseases.

There are simple ways you and your family can protect yourselves and **Beat the Bite**:

- Wear light-coloured, loose-fitting clothing when outdoors.
- Use mosquito repellents containing DEET or Picaridin on exposed skin.
- Try to limit outdoor activity if lots of mosquitoes are about. Dusk and dawn is when most mozzies are active.
- Make sure there is no stagnant water where mosquitoes can breed around your accommodation.
- On holidays make sure your mosquito netting or screens are properly fitted.
- If you've got a baby in your family, it's safer to spray or rub insect repellents on their clothes rather than directly onto their skin.

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL

Fri 8	◆ Term One Finishes—2.30 pm
Fri 22	◆ Good Friday
Wed 27	◆ Term Two Commences
Thu 28	◆ Village Movie Orders Due Back

MAY

Tue 3	◆ Head Lice Checks
Fri 6	◆ Cross Country Trials
Fri 13	◆ District Cross Country
Sun 15—Sat 21	◆ Education Week
Tue 17	◆ School Tour 9:15am—Please ring to book.
Thu 19	◆ School Tour 9:15am—Please ring to book.



NEWS FROM THE GENERAL OFFICE

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is located in the Prep corridor between Prep 1 and Prep 2 and is open every Tuesday afternoon from 3:00pm–4:15pm. Payments can be made by EFTPOS or cash.

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.

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 recently. It is important for us to hold at the school, current student information 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 as soon as possible.

EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

Some 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 from the start of term 2. [Some have arrived already, but not all].

MANNERS 😊😊😊

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

LATE PASSES

When you are late to school, you must first come to the office for a late pass. It is then taken to class to give to your teacher, where it is collected and recorded on our CASES21 attendance system.

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!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ARE COMING TO EPS ON **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.



On Friday 6th May 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'.

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

Run by Kingston City Council

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.

CANTEEN

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

Let me start by saying a huge THANK YOU to all the parent helpers who have volunteered in the canteen during the first term. Your help is very much appreciated. Term 2 rosters have been sent out this week. If you have any concerns please contact me. Also thank you to the Year 6 students who help out during recess and lunch times.

Sushi Day on Tuesday was a great success with 250 rolls ordered. Thanks to Claire and Sharyn for helping with the orders and to Chloe and Holly for highlighting and sorting order forms.

The Term 2 menu will be sent out early next term. New additions are Spinach and Ricotta Rolls (\$2.20) and Hot Chocolate (\$1.00).

Have a great break everyone, recharge the batteries and take care if going away.

APRIL ROSTER

		Thu 28	Fri 29
		Michelle Custy	Antoinette Butta
Mon 2	Tue 3	Thu 5	Fri 6
Lara Sinclair	Michelle Aronleigh Becky Evangelista	Jo Mills	Kelly Kingsley Christine Ozanne

BPAY—IS NOW IN PLACE

Sandie Wishart—Business Manager

You should have received your letters notifying you of your BPay References, so you can (if you wish) start paying your excursions and other charges, via internet banking. Your BPay reference will also be printed on your statements now. *Please only use BPay for payments of \$20 or over.*

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 sent home.**

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 me on 9772 1393.

WE'RE GOING 'ELECTRONIC'

Sandie Wishart—Business Manager

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.

SUPERSAVERS

Tuesday is School Banking Day



Don't forget - 50 cents! (is that all?) and a Youth Saver account is all it takes.

DON'T FORGET YOUR SCHOOL BANKING! IF YOU HAVE A CAMP OR AN EXCURSION, DROP YOUR BANKING OFF TO THE OFFICE BEFORE YOU GO, KEEP ON SAVING FOR YOUR REWARDS—AND KEEP FUNDRAISING FOR THE SCHOOL.

Year 1 at the Twilight Extravaganza

My Family and I Liked



showing Mum and Dad the things I have done during the term



finding two eggs



being in the parade with bunny ears



showing Mum and Dad my puppet; my sister didn't share her biscuits



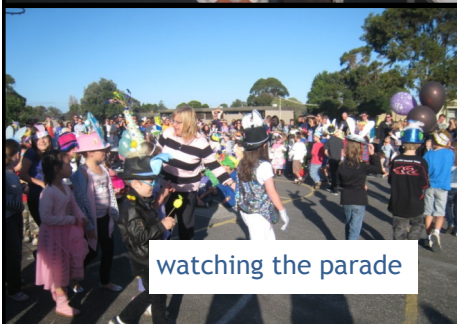
the Easter egg hunt



eating the cookies we made



the sausages. They were yummy!



watching the parade



having a drink and an icy pole from the canteen



making mosaic eggs



being in the parade with my bunny ears.



how many eggs???



too many eggs????????

JUNIOR MAYOR COMPETITION

Laura Tomlinson - 5/6D

Hello, I'm Laura Tomlinson from 5/6D. Today (7 April) I was given the privilege of representing Edithvale Primary School at Chelsea Hall in front of 22 other schools and presented a speech for Junior Mayor.

So, with the help of my support team, Jemima Cleaver, Victor Ding and Scott Kingsbury, we will hopefully be successful in the process.

Please wish us luck—and we'll let you know how we go, in the next newsletter.

COURTNEY'S SWIMMING DAY AT ZONE

Courtney Smith—5/6D

It all started at Phillip Island Adventure Resort, which I must say was the most magnificent camp I have ever been to.

I woke up around 6.00 am because I was worried I was going to be late for my swimming. At 7.30 am my Mum came and picked me up from camp.

It was a long and tiring day but I got through it with the help from McDonalds!

When we got to the swimming, I was a bit nervous. When I swam I felt like there was no-one there cheering for me and I felt uncomfortable when my friends were screaming out my name.

In the end, I came second in breaststroke. My Mum was very proud of me. I felt tired at the end of the day—but am feeling much better now.

SPORT ROUNDUP

James Whitla

CROSS COUNTRY

Our planned date for the Edithvale Primary Cross Country trials is Friday May 6th where students from years 3-6 will run, jog or walk a distance of either 1, 2 or 3km.

The students love having the support and encouragement parents and teachers can provide around the track so if any parents would like to assist with marshalling at this event, can you please see me.

Those students who qualify for the District Cross Country will be representing Edithvale Primary School the following Friday May 13th at Seaford North.

Good luck to all competitors.



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The first Craft Factory brochure for the year went home on Monday. Please take advantage of their special offers and purchase some quality craft items for your children to use during the holidays. There are lots of Easter craft ideas and special offers. *[And the school receives a 7.5% donation on any sales].*

Information on how to order is included on the brochure—or you can go to their website—officemax.com.au/craft—and purchase using the School's unique promotional code: CFEP3196

SCHOOL CROSSINGS

Edithvale Road & Haig Avenue

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 over the last few weeks 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 often sit and watch the crossings and you will be booked if you do not use the crossing correctly.

P F A

Diane Cameron

Mother's Day order forms have been sent out. Thank you to those families who have returned their forms already. If you can return them by the last day of Term 1, that will help with the collating of vouchers and gifts.

Thank you to Monica for your help with processing orders. Thanks also go to the parents for getting the forms out early. Last day for orders is Friday 29th April.

PLEASE NOTE: The Mother's Day stall is on Thursday 5th May, **not Friday 5th May** as put on the order form.

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)

☐

Family Pack(s)

☐

Adult Movie Pack(s)

☐

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 \$ _____

This order will be processed on Friday 29 April — so please return your orders by Thursday 28 April.
Tickets will then be available throughout the year and will be ordered at the end of each month.

For more information visit villagecinemas.com/schools

Your personal information is being collected by your School or Organisation in order to fulfil 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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FREE OPEN DAY!



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SUNDAY 10TH APRIL



★ 1.00pm 5-7yrs ★
★ 2.00pm 8-10yrs ★
★ 3.00pm 11-14yrs ★
★ 4.00pm Adults ★

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