



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Term 4—Week 1 13 October 2011

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Denise Webster

Welcome back to term 4 - I hope that everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday and that you are ready for the busy time ahead. Term 4 is important for students as they consolidate their learning in preparation for their move into the next level of schooling. Each student will be in the process of working with their teacher to set short term goals that will support their progress over the next ten weeks. If you have any concerns about your child's progress please take the opportunity to contact the classroom teacher as early as possible in the term.

Please remember that - the hat is back! All students are required to wear broad brimmed hats in the yard from the beginning of term 4 until the end of term 1, 2012. There are designated shady areas where students will need to remain if they forget to bring their hat.

This term we welcome Ms Eloise Winter who is working in the Art room while Miss Lang is on Long Service Leave. I would also like to acknowledge the wonderful contribution that Mr Paul Arnts has made to our school. Mr Arnts has worked with both teachers and students as a Numeracy coach and has shared his admirable skills and knowledge with us over the past three years. We will be sad to say goodbye but wish him all the very best in his retirement.

Many thanks to Mrs Di Cameron and Mrs Karen Laurent for their work in the Vegie Patch during the holidays. If there are any parents who wouldn't mind an hour or two in the school garden every now and then, we would love to have your help.

SWIMMING

James Whitla—Assistant Principal

Our term 4 Swimming program will begin on Monday 24 October and finishing on Friday 4 November. All children will need to bring spare underwear, towel for changing and a swimming cap all clearly named. Swimming caps will be available from the Swimming Centre on the first day for those without one or can be purchased through the school office for \$8.00 each. A limited number of swimming caps will be available from the school office from Monday 17 October and we encourage you to purchase these well before swimming begins. All swimming payments must be paid in full before the commencement of the program. If you are having problems paying please contact Mrs Denise Webster to make alternative arrangements.

IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER

Tue 18th	◆ School Council Meeting
Wed 19th	◆ Prep Transition—9:30—10:45am (Hall)
Fri 24th— Fri Nov 4th	◆ Swimming Program Commences (over 8 days)
Sat 29th	◆ Working Bee 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

NOVEMBER

Tues 1st	◆ CUP DAY
Thurs 3rd	◆ Prep Transition 2:30 - 3:30pm
Fri 4th	◆ Swimming Program Concludes.
Tue 22nd	◆ Prep Information Night—Staffroom
Tue 29th	◆ Prep Transition

DECEMBER

Tue 13th	◆ Prep Transition / Orientation Day
Tues 20th	◆ Graduation
Fri 23rd	◆ Last day of school



PREP TRANSITION DATES CORRECTION

We would like to advise all new Prep parents that we inadvertently printed an incorrect date on the 2012 Prep Transition Schedule.

The correct date should have been:

4th Session
Thursday, November 3rd
2:30 ~ 3:30pm

FAMILY ACCOUNTS/STATEMENTS

Sandie Wishart—Business Manager

Family statements are sent out quarterly, and as most of you will know by now, we are sending them out via email where possible now.

If you have any queries on your account please give me a call and we can work it out—it's important that you keep your receipts, in case of any discrepancies.

If you have an EMA credit on your account, please give me a call to let me know what to allocate it to. We can't allocate it until you notify us.

SWIMMING PROGRAM PAYMENTS

We have had a number of people pay for swimming program, who had already paid at the start of the year.

Please check your records before making a payment—and if you're not sure, or if you need a copy of your statement, just give Dee or myself a call and we will email one to you. Thank you.

COLES & WOOLIES VOUCHERS

Keep on collecting your Coles and Woolies vouchers when you shop at either of these chains of stores. and bring them (or send them) along to school.

Closing date for these vouchers is Tuesday 18th October, so get them in before then.

At the end of the program we will receive sporting equipment from Coles and educational equipment from Woolies. Thank you.

**DON'T FORGET TO PICK YOUR EMA CHEQUE UP
FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM FOUR

Mon 17th	Tue 18th	Thur 20th	Fri 21st
Lara Sinclair	Jill Eadie	Jo Mills Kerrie Short	Antoinette Butta
Mon 24th	Tue 25th	Thur 27th	Fri 28th
Shauna McMillin	Michelle Aronleigh	Kellie Kingsley	Mark Weatherley

CANTEEN NEWS



Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

Frozen items for window sales are:

Paddle Pops \$1.20
Callipo's .80¢

With a chilly start to Term 4, the Canteen will continue to sell Fantastic Noodles (\$2.20), Hot Chocolate (\$1.00) and soup & Roll (\$2.00). New menu's for term 4 will be sent out this week. Starting on Monday 17th October, we will be selling Frozen Juice Cups for .80¢.

Thank you to my helpers this week.

P F A

Diane Cameron

The next meeting for PFA will be on

Thursday 3rd November at 2:30pm

We will discuss end of year student lunch.

Please come along we'd love your input.

ICT @ E.P.S

As we begin the last term of a very busy year we have lots of things happening in ICT. With the opening of our new Learning Centre last term, we saw the introduction of portable Interactive Whiteboards as well as 5 new fixed whiteboards throughout the school. All staff will be undertaking further Professional Development to increase their skills in this area and the students are also gaining confidence with the boards.

We have just had delivered a bank of 28 net-books, which will be used by the senior students. This will enable our existing set to be more readily available to the junior and middle school. These net-books are a great tool to use within the classroom in all areas of the curriculum.

Classes will continue to work with the Ultraset during this term and we look forward to further implementation early in 2012.

ICT committee



LEVEL 4 NEWS

Our Level 4 students are flourishing in the new Flexible Learning Centre. Students are given the opportunity to take their learning outside the classroom and into various spaces such as the gallery, and are trusted by teaching staff to work both independently as well as in groups.

The students and teachers have access to five interactive whiteboards, bringing technology into the Learning Centre on a daily basis. Our students have created PowerPoint presentations on the Inquiry topic 'Journey', and are currently presenting their research as an independent talk delivered to all of Year 5/6, teachers and parents. Students have actively used the Interactive Whiteboard to enhance and deliver their presentation, and so far all presentations have been fantastic.

The Level 4's are excited to kick off the term with all classes participating in Footy Maths, which will result in an end of term final play off between all four classes.

Term 4 will be a busy time for Level 4s, as Year 6s will be preparing for Graduation, and Year 5s preparing for leadership roles.

From the Level 4 Team



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Jack Grut Reserve

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10 week program, 16th October 2011

9:30am to 11am at Jack Grut Reserve

Register on the 16th or any Sunday after!

Contacts

Andy Bateman 0400 131 987

Graeme Stewart 0421 407 643

FOUND

We are holding in the office some lost items.

These are:

- ◆ 1 Trina & Co fuchsia pink and white spotted cosmetics / toilet / child's bag
- ◆ 1 Mauve set of children's glasses
- ◆ 1 gold rimmed set of children's glasses
- ◆ 1 Green House Captains badge
- ◆ 2 SRC badges

If any of these items belong to you, please come to the school office to claim them.

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GOLF CLINICS FOR KIDS

WHERE: Patterson River Country Club
The Fairway
Bonbeach Vic 3196

WHEN: Thursdays & Sundays

FORMAT: Individual & Group Skills Coaching
Fun Activities & Games

EQUIPMENT: Provided
*Own equipment can be used

WHAT TO WEAR: Neat Casual

BOOKINGS: (03) 9772 1972



Bonbeach Life Saving Club
Season 2011/2012
Information Day:
Sunday 16th October 10-2pm
BLSC Beach Reserve,
Lord Weaver Grove, Bonbeach

BLSC offers Nippers (5-14), YIPs (13-18+), Seniors & Patrol, and new Beach Volleyball!
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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 Charmaine at Kingston City Council on 9581 4867 or Paromita on 0439 081 059 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

Thank you to those families who have filled in and returned the confidential student information forms we sent out earlier in the year. 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 any outstanding forms back to the school office urgently so we can have this up to date information at hand. And also, if you change any of your details, please let us know ASAP.

ELECTRONIC STATEMENTS AND NEWSLETTERS

We are now sending family statements out via email, which has been a big success. Our first lot newsletters were also sent electronically late last term (as well as providing the usual 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.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

Some of the EMA cheques have arrived at the school office. Please enquire at the counter to see if your cheque is in, as soon as possible.

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 parents are not to park in the staff car park to collect their children.

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. 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.

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.