



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Term 1—Week 7 - 14 March 2014

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs Denise Webster

Last week James Whitla and I attended a Principal's conference in Creswick where we listened to a number of presenters talk about what might be 'Beyond the Horizon'. Social analysts, Mark McCrindle and Michael McQueen gave us much food for thought as they talked us through some of the current and emerging social trends and how these impact on education. They made us think about how we interact with our students and how vitally important it is to develop strong and authentic relationships with them. It is so important to make sure that the students can understand the relevance of their learning and how it will assist them in the future. Tom Barratt continued with this theme later in the conference when he spoke of how learning must connect to the real world and the value of building curiosity.

Health and fitness has always been a focus at Edithvale and it is great to see so many students 'taking up tennis' on a Thursday morning before school. Next Wednesday, as you know, is Ride to School Day and it would be wonderful to see parents and students come along to join in the fun.

Next Friday we are holding our first Working Bee for the year. We have a number of small tasks that we'd like to get done and we are encouraging as many teachers, students and parents to come along and lend a hand. It would be fantastic to see you there.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Mr James Whitla

On Friday 28 February I was proud to take a small and determined squad of swimmers to the District Swimming Carnival. Our students competed strongly in all disciplines and it was a pleasure to see and hear the camaraderie, support and enthusiasm that each of the students displayed throughout the day. Overall our team achieved some excellent results and there were plenty of 1st, 2nd and 3rd ribbons prominent on the chests of many swimmers on the bus ride home. Our 11 year old girls 4 x 50m Freestyle relay team consisting of Jayde Boyd, Jemima Davies, Emma Johnstone and Jas Warren won their way to the Divisional Swimming Carnival on March 11, as did Jayde Boyd in both the 50m Butterfly and Backstroke events. This was a special achievement in reaching this next level of competition and all acquitted themselves exceptionally well in their races.

The Freestyle Relay Team finished 5th at the Divisional Swimming Carnival and Jayde Boyd finished 3rd in the butterfly and WON her backstroke event and will now compete in the Southern Metropolitan Regional Championships later this month. We wish her all the best of success!

The following students who made up our Edithvale Primary School Swimming Team are to be congratulated on their great effort and positive attitude at the District Carnival:-

Katya Adkin	Nick Baker
Jayde Boyd	Lauren Butcher
Megan Cawley	Daisie Cooper
Holly Cox	Jemima Davies
Sebastian Dobbs	Joanna Elkington
Stephen Elkington	Will Forster
Indi Hard	Emma Johnston
Drew Kugimiya	Jack Mogensen
Ella Sewell	Fraser Syme
Annabel Syme	Max Telfer
Jasmin Warren	Tom Wilcock



SICK BAY / FIRST AID

Kerry Mitvalsky

Staff at Edithvale Primary School have recently completed their first aid training with Helen McGrath from Total First Aid Training.



During the training it was reiterated that the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development require all student medication to be stored in a secure place, away from the classrooms and in a place only accessible by staff who are responsible for administering the medication.

In light of this, we request that ALL medication is sent to school in a named plastic bag and stored in the sick bay, including Ventolin (or equivalent) and spacers.

ASTHMA

As some areas of the school are locked during times when the classes are out, ie: assembly, recess and lunchtime, we also ask that children with Asthma come to the sick bay to use their medication under supervision.



It is also a regulation that students have their own spacers as now we cannot reuse the plastic spacers we previously supplied.

ALLERGIES

There are a number of students in our school who have allergies—some of these are life threatening. For this reason, children should not be sharing food with their friends and we ask that you reinforce this with your child

We strongly recommend that you DO NOT send along any food containing nuts.

If you are sending any food to school for a special occasion, please consult with your child's teacher regarding any restrictions.

ILLNESS

Please remember to inform the school if your child has an illness that may be contagious.

All absences from school must be followed up with a note to explain the absence when your child returns to school. Thank you.

MANAGEMENT PLANS

A number of students have a management plan (eg for allergies) that has been developed in consultation with a doctor/specialist. Some letters were recently sent home to parents/guardians of students where a medical condition is known. These letters were requesting forms to be completed &/or updated. It is essential that our records are up to date so please assist us by completing these forms and returning to school ASAP.

SUNSMART

A timely reminder.... If you can see skin, UV can reach it.

From **September until the end of April**, please ensure all children:

- Wear cool, loose fitting clothing that covers as much skin as possible
- Wear a sun protective hat for all outdoor activities
- Apply SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum sunscreen during the day (please see sunscreen tips below)
- Have access to shady play spaces
- Wear wrap-around sunglasses labelled AS 1067 (if practical)



SUNSCREEN TIPS

- Regular use of sunscreen has been shown to reduce the incidence of melanoma and squamous cell carcinoma, both in the short and long term.
- Choose SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen. Make sure it is within its use-by date and is stored below 30 degrees. It is best to apply a generous amount of sunscreen to any exposed skin around 20 minutes before going outdoors. Sunscreen should be reapplied every **two** hours even if the stated level of water resistance is 4 hours.
- Store sunscreen with lunchboxes and/ or hats so when children grab their lunch or hat before going outdoors, they will also be reminded to apply sunscreen. If sunscreen is kept in the cooler section of the lunchbox, it will be cold when applying - especially nice on a hot, summer's day.



PREP PARENT MATHS AFTERNOON

Sharlotte & Amanda

We were so pleased with the participation of the Prep parents during our Maths afternoon on Tuesday.

The session was focused on 'why' and 'how' Maths is taught here at EPS and parents even participated in a mini-lesson! They also received resources to support them at home.

The session went well; we hope that parents left feeling more confident with the way they talk about Maths with their children.

I'M BEING BRAVE AND DOING THE WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE!

Zac Mison

Over the past 18 months I have let my hair grow. It's now long; and although I love it, I'm keen to go shorter. So I came up with the idea (myself!) to cut my hair super short and raise funds at the same time.

My Nana recently won her fight with breast cancer, and I watched her lose her hair during her treatment. She taught me that having no hair was no big deal - you're still the same person! So cancer is an important disease for me to help with.

Today, 31 Australians will get the news they have blood cancer. Your donation will help the Leukaemia Foundation to fund its important work - providing practical and emotional support to people with blood cancer, as well as investing millions in research.

I'll be having my hair cut on Friday 14 March at 1pm in front of Years 5 & 6.

My friend and classmate, Iluka, is also participating in the World's Greatest Shave, but has chosen to colour his hair in support of the cause rather than shaving it.

If you would like to support the Leukaemia Foundation by making a donation, please donate online via the link <https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registant/FundraisingPage.aspx?registrationID=532668#&panel1-2>, or bring money to School in an envelope and hand it to Miss Goudey.

I'll be having my hair cut on Friday 14th March at 1pm in front of Years 5 & 6. Thanks heaps!



FAMILY STATEMENTS

SCHOOL FEES & CHARGES

All families should have now received their first statement for the year, showing all completed transactions. If you have any queries, please give Sandie a call on 9772 1393.

Thank you to those who have paid all of their charges so promptly. These payments assist us in providing your children with a wider range of Curricular and Extra-Curricular programs.

If you have any outstanding charges, would you please make payment as soon as possible? There are several payment options available to you:

- BPay**
Thank you to everyone who is using BPay to pay their charges, this is the safest, and most convenient method of payment. Just make your payment (the BPay details are on your statement) and send an email or a note along to school, letting us know what it is intended for. Once the payment has been received and allocated, a statement will be sent home for your information. BPay payments should be for \$20 or more, due to the bank charges incurred.
- Instalments**
It is not too late to elect to pay your School charges by three instalments. Just pop into the office and fill out a form, include your credit card details, and we will deduct the first instalment now, the second on 28 April and the third on 28 July.
- Scheduled Payments**
Set up a scheduled payment using your banking software, and pay \$25–\$50 (*or whatever you can afford*) each week or fortnight. Sandie will then allocate this to the most appropriate charges.
- Pay by Cash or Credit Card**
Of course you can still pay by cash or credit card, using the reply/payment slips provided to you. Payment envelopes are available from the School office.

STAFF CARPARK

For the safety of students and parents, we ask that parents park in the street and use other entrances.

The carpark is for staff use only.

CANTEEN

Mrs Diane Cameron

The last two weeks have been very busy with window sales and lunch orders. A big congratulations to Lara on breaking the Sippah Straw sales record of 25 sold last Thursday. A certificate will be issued shortly.

As mentioned before, many items have had a price increase. This was passed on to me by suppliers late last year. Most increases are only 10 or 20cents. PLEASE CHECK YOUR NEW PRICE LIST, if you haven't received one please see the office. A copy is attached to this week's newsletter.

Also the Canteen has some large pre-printed lunch bags, for student's lunch orders. There is an order form below.

A huge thanks to all my helpers over the last fortnight and welcome to Christine Rolfe and Rachel Cox. Remember if you can't make your rostered day please let me know as soon as you can so I can get a replacement.

The Canteen will be running a Sushi Day on Tuesday 1 April (last week of term). Order forms will be sent out next week.

EPS CANTEEN—LUNCH BAGS

The canteen has a supply of large pre-printed paper bags on sale (free trial bag attached), which can be purchased directly from the canteen or you can order them via your student, via the classroom lunch crates.

Prices are:

50 bags for \$4.00
25 bags for \$2.00
10 bags for \$1.00



Currently the canteen sells similar size bags (without printing) for .10c each. If you would like to order, please complete the form below and send [along with your money], to the canteen.

CANTEEN—PAPER BAG ORDER

Name: _____

Student's Name: _____

Class: _____

I would like to order _____ bags and have enclosed my payment of \$_____.

NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY

Mr James Whitla

Wednesday 19 March 2014 marks the eighth National Ride2School Day, where over 250,000 Australian children, just like yours, will ride and walk to school. It is a day about celebrating riding and walking and encouraging everyone to give it a go!



Not only is riding and walking a fun way to get to school, but it also contributes to your children's daily physical activity needs. Although some of you live far away, or have conflicting commitments that makes it difficult to ride and walk every day, even going by bike or foot for part of the way, or on some of the days is still great!

Be part of the fun and pop National Ride to School Day in your calendar now.

For those who choose to participate in the National Ride to School Day there will be a light healthy breakfast consisting of fresh fruit, toast, tea, coffee and juice provided on the morning. There will also be some ball sports set up for all students and parents to enjoy before school.

We look forward to a fun and healthy way to start the day.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

The next meeting to discuss the Mother's Day Stall will be on Monday 31 March, 2.30pm in the Staff Room.

Gifts have been ordered, and we now need to organise the next stage of the stall. So, come along and enjoy a cuppa together!

CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM ONE

Mon 17th	Tue 18th	Thu 20th	Fri 21st
Nonie Hare	Kate Gibbon	Antoinette Butta	Holly Smith Sandra Kinna
Mon 24th	Tue 25th	Thu 27th	Fri 28th
Anna Ericcson	Becky Evangelista	Lara Sinclair	Kellie Kingsley Nicole Butcher



WE HAVE MISSED YOU!

If you haven't banked for a while, please consider starting again. It's good for you and it's good for the school. There are lots of new rewards and competitions to keep you interested this year.

You can also bank through the school, for your older brothers and sisters who have moved on to high school.

Tuesday is School Banking Day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmite token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at **Edithvale Primary School**.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

A reminder that neither the School nor the Department, provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents/Guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers.

LOST PROPERTY

This year, all lost property will be held at room 8. Mrs McAllen will place the lost property bin outside her room at the beginning of each day and return it inside at the end of the day.

Please feel free to look through the bin for any lost items. Only small items of value will be held at the office for collection.

Named items will be returned to students at our earliest convenience so please remember to name all items of clothing and personal belongings brought to school.



FRENCH POETRY COMPETITION 2014 Madame Snow

If your child has shown an interest in the 2014 French Poetry Competition, please return the enrolment form with \$ 6.00 by Friday 21 March. Merci



2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP Melinda

The Second Hand Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday from 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm and is located in the School Hall.

We currently have a great range of items in stock from sizes 4-12 and all are in good, clean condition. Prices begin at \$2.00 for polo tops, shorts, windcheaters, skirts, etc; so come and have a look and save yourself some money.

We also gratefully accept donations of used clothes, bags or hats that are in re-saleable condition (nothing too faded or torn) and these may be handed in at the office.

Please note, sales are CASH only and we cannot change large bills.

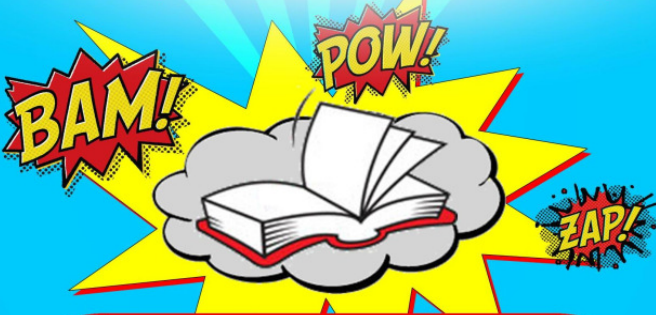



BOOK BUSTERS!

@ CHELSEA LIBRARY

A book club for kids in grades 4,5 & 6.

If you LOVE books, activities, snacks and having fun in the library then Book Busters is the club for you!



When: The last Thursday of every month, 4.00-5.00pm

Where: Chelsea Library, 1 Chelsea Rd Chelsea

Who: Primary school aged children in grades 4, 5, & 6

Cost: Nilch, zero dollars, nada, nothing! It's free!

Kingston Libraries | Telephone: 1300 135 668 | Web: <http://library.kingston.vic.gov.au>

Edithvale Seaford Wetland Education Centre



Water Cycle/Integrated Water Management Schools Event Program

Celebrate the end of Term 1 with a fun school visit to the Edithvale Seaford Wetland Education Centre.

This unique program of activities is an affordable, accessible way to spend time at our award winning, sustainable education site, and may whet your appetite for a future visit to experience our regular education offerings.

What's included:

- Macroinvertebrate (Water Bug) identification activity
- Test drive our new Water Cycle/IWM activities (depending on age of group)
- View our centre and find about other activities for future visits

Session Dates:

- Monday, 31 March
- Wednesday, 2 April
- Friday, 4 April

Cost:

- \$2

Session Times:

- 9.30 - 11.00
- 11.20 - 12.50
- 13.10 - 14.40

Session Duration:

- 90 minutes

Book now to secure your place by contacting Melbourne Water on 13 17 22 or education@melbournewater.com.au

Numbers are limited



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Each registered participant will get a **FREE Hot Shots T-Shirt & Prizes** + giveaways through the year. Lessons are conducted on miniature nets with softer balls! This is the only way for children aged 4 - 12 years to learn the game of tennis!

Why do lessons at school?

- Convenience - On campus before school. Simply drop & go!
- National Standard - Participate in the program endorsed by the Australian Sports Commission!
- Value - Prizes, giveaways & promotions thanks to MLC, Tennis Australia & Nickelodeon!
- Fun & Social - Tennis is a sport for life which is fun, healthy & is for both boys and girls!

Term 1, 2014
Edithvale
Primary School

Dates

Thursday 6th of March - Thursday 3rd April 2014 (5 Weeks)
(No coaching on public holidays)

Times

Thursday Morning: 8:00am - 8:40am

Cost

\$75 - 40 minute session x 5 weeks!
(PLEASE NOTE, SCHOOL OFFICE DOES NOT ACCEPT FORMS OR PAY)



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- Respite Options
- Recreation & Arts Info
- A Large Variety of Stalls

Tuesday 29th April
10am - 2pm

Glen Eira Town Hall - Auditorium
Cnr Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads,
Caulfield

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Sat 29th March
9 - Noon

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Rowans Rd
Moorabbin
Sat
15th March
9 - Noon



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Autumn School Holiday Program - 2014

Come and visit our sustainable, award winning building, to see permanent and migratory birds in their natural environment and learn about our local wetlands.

Thursday, 10 April: 11am-3pm

Changing face of the Wetland

- See the wetland transformed to open grassland (and maybe view a kangaroo)
- Learn about where the migratory birds have gone, and when they will be back
- Make your own migratory bird to take home

Wednesday, 16 April: 11am-3pm

In My Backyard

- See how wetlands improve your neighbourhood
- Contribute to community wetland posters
- Walk/ride to our centre along the extensive network of shared pathway

Drop in at any time within the opening hours

For more information contact Melbourne Water on 13 17 22

Groups of 10 or more please notify our staff on above number



We Care
We Learn
We Achieve

Open Afternoon

Come and experience the Year 7 Centre on Saturday 3rd May from 2.00-4.00pm.

(SEAL information session at 3.00pm)

Open Night

See our whole College at work on Tuesday 6th May from 7.00-9.00pm.

(SEAL information session at 6.30pm)

SEAL Entrance Exam

Saturday 10th May 10.00am - 12.00pm

Tours with our Principal, Michelle Roberts, are held every Wednesday at 9.30am.

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OPEN DAY

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SATURDAY, 29 MARCH

**90-92 BIGNELL RD, BENTLEIGH
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10am-1pm

Storytime with Hazel
Edwards, Author of
'There's a Hippopotamus
on Our Roof Eating Cake'

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Messy Play for Pre-schoolers
(BYO Smocks)
Face Painting
Kid's Activities
Door Prizes & More!





EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL—CANTEEN PRICE LIST—TERM 1, 2014

(Effective: Monday 10th February 2014)



Sandwiches & rolls are available in white, multigrain & wholemeal bread.

There is no extra charge for mayonnaise. **TOMATO SAUCE IS 20 CENTS EXTRA.**

ORDERING PROCEDURE: Write order (please PRINT clearly) on a **CLEAN PAPER BAG**, with **CHILD'S NAME, GRADE & ROOM NUMBER**, and **TEACHER'S NAME**. The Paper bag should be large enough to hold all of child's lunch order. **PAPER BAGS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE CANTEEN AT A COST OF 10 CENTS EACH.**

SALAD BOWLS		WRAPS		HOT FOOD		DRINKS	
440ml Container with Lettuce		THE FARMERS WRAP		Corn on the cob		Bottled Water	
Carrot, Tomato, Cucumber,		Grated cheese, carrot, chicken		Hot Cheese Roll		Fresh Orange Juice (250ml)	
Beetroot		and mayo		\$3.40		Fresh Apple Juice (250 ml)	
With Egg		THE BEACH WRAP		Hot Chicken Roll		Just Juice (200ml)	
With Tuna or Ham		Tuna, carrot, lettuce, tomato		\$3.40		• Apple	
With Chicken		and mayo		\$3.50		• Orange	
		THE EDITHVALE WRAP		Lasagne		• Apple & Blackcurrant	
		Chicken, avocado, lettuce		\$2.80		• Paradise Punch	
		and mayo		\$3.00		Milk	
		THE WETLANDS WRAP		Jumbo Sausage Roll		• Chocolate	
		Grated Cheese, Chicken,		\$2.50		• Strawberry	
		Lettuce and mayo		\$3.40			
		THE SALAD WRAP		Party Pie			
		Lettuce, carrot, tomato,		\$3.90			
		Cucumber and avocado		\$2.80			
		TOASTIE WRAP		Hot Dog			
		Chicken, cheese, avocado,		\$2.70			
		and mayo (toasted)		\$3.80			
				Chicken Nugget			
				Chicken Schnitzel Roll			
				(Includes Cheese)			
				Spinach & Ricotta Roll			
				\$2.60			

EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL—CALENDAR—TERM 1, 2014

	Week 1 27-31 Jan	Week 2 3-7 Feb	Week 3 10-14 Feb	Week 4 17-21 Feb	Week 5 24-28 Feb	Week 6 3-7 Mar	Week 7 10-14 Mar	Week 8 17-21 Mar	Week 9 24-28 Mar	Week 10 31 Mar-4 Apr
MONDAY	Australia Day Holiday No School Today		Canteen Re-opens	Junior School Information Night	Life Education All Year Levels	Camp Woorabinda	Labour Day Holiday No School Today		Australian History Day Years 5-6 9.10am	
TUESDAY	Staff Return No Students Required		Senior School Information Night	School Council Meeting	Life Education All Year Levels	Camp Woorabinda		School Council AGM Years Prep-6 Basketball clinic	Prep Grandparent Afternoon 2.30-3.30pm	
WEDNESDAY	No Students Required	Preps Not Required at School	Preps Not Required at School	Preps Not Required at School	Preps Not Required at School	Camp Woorabinda	Swimming Trials	Ride to School Day		1st Aid for Students All Year Levels
THURSDAY	Term 1 Begins All Students Return			Life Education All Year Levels	Year 3-6 Basketball Clinic	Camp Woorabinda		Student Photos		
FRIDAY				Life Education All Year Levels	EMA Applications Close Swimming Carnival	Camp Woorabinda Confidential Student Info Forms Due		Working Bee 3.30 -5.30pm		Last Day of Term 1
WEEKEND							Saturday 15 March BBQ-Bunnings Keysborough			