

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

Term 1–Week 7 - 15 March 2013

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Denise Webster

It is always surprising to get to this stage of the term and realise that there are only a couple of weeks left before the holidays. Students are well settled into the routine of working in their new classes and there are lots of wonderful learning activities happening across all areas of the school. Many of these are talked about on Friday afternoons when students from different levels coordinate the assembly. We are delighted that so many parents join us as we celebrate the week's work.

Once again interim reports will be sent home in the last week of term -these are a snapshot of your child's progress in terms of 'skills and attitude to work'. They are not a report on achievement level - this will be given in the midyear reports. If you have any concerns or wish to discuss your child's progress in more detail please contact the classroom teacher to arrange a time to meet.

This year our school is going through a process of self-evaluation and review. This process provides an opportunity for our school community to reflect on our achievements, our strengths, and areas where improvement is needed. The selfevaluation and the review provide a powerful information base from which we can develop our new strategic directions for the four-year school strategic plan. We will:

- review the school's core purpose and values;
- take a 'futures perspective' of the needs of children and young people and the context of our school;
- agree on the outcomes we are striving to achieve for our students;
- select the few most important strategies that are critical to our success.

The strategic plan will reflect the community's

expectations and the Government's priorities for education and early childhood development. It will be a strategy that is critical to our school's continued success - improving learning, engagement and wellbeing and successful transitions and pathways for our children and young people. We look forward to working with students, staff and other members of the school community to ensure that all viewpoints are represented.

Our next newsletter will be issued on Wednesday 27 March and students will be dismissed from school at 2.30 pm on Thursday 28 March after the final assembly for the term, which will start at 2.10 pm.

#### **FIRE DRILL**

In the next few weeks we will be conducting an emergency evacuation drill. This practice builds upon the fire drills that we have previously conducted and requires us to be off the school grounds for a short period of time. Students and staff will go through this process to ensure that, should there ever be an emergency, we can be confident that all will be safe. All of our school community did a great job during our last fire drill and all involved are to be congratulated on the manner in which they coped.

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE**

The safety of our students and their families is of utmost importance. Drop off and pick up times are now of great concern to the school community and our neighbours, because some parents are not observing the parking restrictions that are in place.

Haig Avenue and French Avenue are particularly congested and we ask that <u>everyone</u> assists in ensuring that our children are safe when going to and from school. Thank you.

# YOUNG LEADERS DAY James Whitla

On March 1<sup>st</sup> I had the privilege of taking our school leaders to the National Young Leaders Day at the Melbourne Convention Centre.

Over 5,000 students from throughout Victoria attended this day which aims to build on students' leadership capacities and skills. **Camille Nightingale, Liam Canavan, William Hampson** and **Amy Tomlinson** heard inspiring stories from scientists, sport stars and entrepreneurs in the hope of creating the next generation of great leaders.

It was a fantastic day and it was terrific to see and hear all four students fired with enthusiasm.

#### CANTEEN Mrs Diane Cameron

After 12 years working/volunteering in the Canteen the time has come to ask for some more parent volunteers to help out.

At the moment I have enough helpers for Monday & Tuesday (but I won't say no to those who can only do those days). Thursday & Friday is where I need help, even if it is for 2 or more hours.

Call into the Canteen if you can help.

Thanks to my helpers for the last fortnight, another big 2 weeks with Icy Poles & Sippah Straws a big hit

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Mon 18th	Tue 19th	Thu 21st	Fri 22nd		
Anna Ericcson	Becky Evangelista	Debbie Bond	Kellie Kingsley		
Mon 25th	Tue 26th	Thu 28th	Fri 29th		
Shauna McMillan	Sharyn McIntosh	Antoinetta Butta & Michelle Lothian	Good Friday Holiday		

# **BRINGING VALUABLES TO SCHOOL**

Just a reminder that items of value should not be brought to school and that neither the Department, nor the School, provide insurance for these items. This includes mobile phones, iPads, iPods, and other portable music devices. It is best to leave these things at home.

# FRENCH POETRY COMPETITION at EPS



#### WHAT IS IT?

The Berthe Mouchette Competition is an opportunity for students to practice the French language by participating in a competition with great prizes to be won! There are two categories, oral and an additional "nouveauté" a Drawing Competition for the Primary level participants.

- Years 3-6 recital of a French poem
- Entry fee \$ 5.50

#### THE PRIZES

All participants receive a certificate and prizes are awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners of each year level.

Prizes beautiful include French books, encyclopaedias, CDs, DVDs and .... Le Prix La Pérouse - a cultural trip to New Caledonia (Year 11 winner) Le Prix AFX Student Exchange - a 5 week exchange trip to France (Year 12 winner).

#### WHO CAN ENTER?

The competition is open to all students from Year 3 to Year 12 in all schools across Melbourne and Victoria. Even students from non-participating schools and home schooled students may enter as independent candidates.

#### HOW CAN I ENTER?

Please contact: Madame Snow at EPS.

## **STUDENT PHOTOS**

REMINDER: Student school photos are being taken on Thursday 21 March.

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Orders can be placed online

or via the envelopes sent home with your child. Envelopes should be returned to school prior to photo day.

# WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARDS

It is now five years since Working With Children cards were first issued. That means, a lot of people holding cards, will be due to renew them. If you do any work at the school and have recently renewed your card, would you please bring it to the office so we can take a copy (or send a copy to school with your child). Alternatively, you can log on to the WWC website and update your volunteering location, to say Edithvale Primary School, and I will automatically be sent a copy of your card.

It is a legal requirement that we have these cards on file for any parents helping out around the school.

## 2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP Rachel & 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 for polo tops, shorts, windcheaters, skorts etc; so come and have a look and save yourself some money.

## **EPS MEMORABILIA**

With our Centenary Celebrations coming up this year, we are seeking Edithvale Primary School memorabilia such as photos, letters, old school newsletters etc;

If you have anything we could have (or borrow), please bring it up to the school at your earliest convenience.

Watch out in our future newsletters and on our website [www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au] for details of our celebration activities.

## PAYMENT ENVELOPES

If you would like a few 'payment envelopes' for sending money to school, you can collect them from the school office. Otherwise, you can use any envelope, just ensure you include your child's name, class, the name of the excursion and how much is enclosed, on the front of the envelope. Thank you.

# **STAFF CARPARK**

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We have noticed a number of people have been entering the school grounds via the 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*.

#### STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

A reminder that neither the School or 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.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

The package of permission forms that went home recently included a permission form for RE for Years 1-4 only. Prep and Year 5 & 6 do not participate in Religious Education classes, therefore the blue RE form was not included in their packs.

If you have not sent your forms back yet, please do so at your earliest convenience—we need to have our records up to date as soon as possible.

#### ART ROOM Ms Jenny Lang

We are looking for recyclable materials for the art room. If you can help us out with any of the following items we would be most appreciative.

- telephone books (yellow and white)
- tubes
- yoghurt containers (small)
- meat trays (foam)
- egg cartons
- a 👬 🌾
- boxes (only as large as a cereal box)

All items can be left at the Art room.

Thank you.

#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

**The** Uniform Shop opening hours have been changed slightly, to <u>3.00 pm-4.00 pm</u>, still on a Tuesday afternoon.

## THE BIG LITTLE G PROJECT!!! Max Telfer & Mark Deacon Grade 3

#### WHAT IT IS ABOUT !!!

The aim is to measure the local acceleration due to gravity, using a pendulum. As objects fall towards the ground, they speed up. The more gravity there is the faster they go.

We are sending our results in to the biggest gravity map in the world.

#### WHAT WE DID !!!

We cut a bit of fishing line 75cm long. We tied 2 washers to the end of the line. We set up a tripod and blu-tacked the end of the line to the tripod. Then we measured the pendulum. Next Mark pulled the pendulum and Max timed the pendulum swing 10 times. We did this 10 times.



Now Max pulled it and Mark timed it. Then we had to calculate our results using the formula  $g=l(2TT)^2$ 

#### City of Kingston Vacation Care Program

#### Program Dates: Tue 2 April—Fri 12 April 2013 Enrolments Start: Monday 4 March Close: Friday 22 March 2013

It is requested children who require support for inclusion in a program, submit enrolment and payment forms as early as possible to allow time to apply for funding. Vacation Care Brochure's are now available at the School Office or can be downloaded from Kingston's website <u>www.kingston.vic.gov.au</u> For enquiries please call the Vacation Care Team on (03) 9581 4846 or (03) 9581 4875.

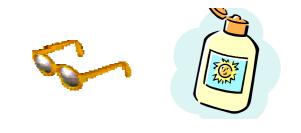
# BEING SUN SMART Simir Dhawan - 2B



In summer, people enjoy going to the beach, playing different water games and watching cricket. We must never forget to apply sunscreen lotion before going out in the sun, as the sun's rays can be very harmful for our skins. The hot rays of the sun can damage our skin. Tanning and sunburn can lead to skin problems.

Never look directly at the sun. We should always wear sunglasses to protect our eyes. Slipping into clothes that cover most parts of our body is very helpful. Everyone should wear a hat that can cover eyes, face and neck.

In summer we must drink lots of water. Small children should play in the shade. When travelling in cars, always have window shades on. It is not difficult to be "Sun Smart".



School Holiday Gols Clinics conducted by Paul Boxall Golfvic/ PGA Teaching Professional

All equipment supplied Bookings are Essential (please byo food & drink)

PATTERSON RIVER GOLF CLUB The Fairway BONBEACH 3196 Tel Proshop: 9772 1972

Dates :-Tuesday April 2nd Thursday April 4th Tuesday April 9th Wednesday April 10th Thursday April 11th 1/2 day (09.00am - 12.00pm) \$40 Full day (09.00am - 3.30pm) \$70

## ASPENDALE GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS PH: 9587 5955 FAX: 9587 5280 EMAIL: agcsinc@bigpond.net.au

Aspendale Gardens Community Centre have a number of activities for the young and young at heart. For information on what we have to offer, check out our website <u>www.agcsinc.org.au</u> or pop into the community centre for a copy of our brochure.

Our office hours are 9.30am-3pm Tuesday to Fridays. Ph. 9587 5955

COMEDY NIGHT- A night with Marney McQueen. Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March (7.30 for an 8pm show). Marney has received excellent reviews from stars including Jackie Weaver, Barry Humphries as well as Edinburgh and Australian comedy festivals. Come along and enjoy a night of hilarity and support your community centre with our major fundraiser for the year. Tickets only \$35 for single or \$30 per person if you book a table of ten. Tickets available on our website www.agcsinc.org.au. Enquiries ph. 9587 5955.

#### Occasional Care- now twice a week.

Tuesdays 8.30am-11.30am and Fridays 12.15-3.15pm. Take a break and let our qualified child care staff look after your little ones at a very affordable price. Only \$15 per session or \$25 per family (AGCS members) Bookings can be taken one week in advance or you can book a permanent spot (term by term basis) SPACES ARE LIMITED. Enquiries ph. **9587 5955**.



# LOST PROPERTY



Lost property is stored outside the LOTE room. Madame Snow will place the lost property bin outside her room during school hours.

Please look through it for any lost items. Small, valuable items will be held at the office. Named items will be returned to students ASAP.

#### EMA

Anyone who elected to have their EMA paid by cheque can call in to the office to pick it up as the cheques have now arrived.



For those that chose direct payment, this should now be in your bank account.

If you nominated to have EMA paid to the school, this has been credited to your account and is ready to be allocated to your outstanding charges.

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LADIES NIGHT-CRAFT MARKET 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> March In the School Hall Le Page Primary School 73-77 Argus Street, Cheltenham

Jewellery, Hair Accessories, Soaps, Cards, Lollies, crafts, knitted goodies, tea towels, jams, leadlight, massages, raffle and much

more. Tea/ Coffee and Baked Treats Don't miss out, it's a great night.

> **Stall Enquiries:** Rita - 0417 359 344



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4 Prep Begin Normal Timetable-Full Time This Week	2	9	2	8 Parent Helper Reading Program 9- 11am	6	10
11 Labour Day Holiday	12	13	14	15 Book Club due P.H.Reading Program 9-11 Twilight Working Bee	16	17
18	19 School Council AGM	20	21 Student Photos	22	23	24
25	26 Sushi Day	27	28 Last Day Term 1 School finishes 2.30pm	29 Good Friday	30 Easter Saturday	31 Easter Sunday

APRIL 2013	Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun	2 3 4 5 6 7	9 10 11 12 13 14	16 17 18 19 20 21   ts Yr 5 & 6 Camp	23 24 25 26 28	30
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