



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Term 3—Week 1

15 July 2016

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together, Aspiring Higher & Connecting with our Community



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Download tiqbiz and register today—so you don't miss out on important information.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Mr James Whitla

Welcome back to what promises to be another fantastic term with great opportunities for us to work together and continue to make Edithvale Primary School a great place to be.

It's certainly been a cold start to the term but I am warmed by the efforts of our students and teachers. As we continue to encourage creativity and curiosity, it has been wonderful to hear "I love school. It's because I'm so curious! I just love learning!" from one of our many enthusiastic Year 2 students; and to hear staff excited at the challenging questions they are being asked by their students in class.

We welcomed 7 new students to our school on day one of this term and in conducting tours of our school, one of the parents of these new students **jumped into the spirit of curiosity by asking "Do pineapples grow on trees, or in the ground?"** It has been an intriguing exercise listening to the many and varied answers to this question from our staff and students over the course of this week!

I am proud to inform you that our 3 representatives at the State Cross Country Championships held on Thursday, achieved outstanding results against the best runners in the State. Tom Wilcock finished 6th and is now an emergency on the State team. Sister Sophie ran 8th and Mark Deacon 23rd.

These efforts reflect the character, drive and determination of each student and I encourage you join me in congratulating them on their efforts.

The Election Day BBQ our school hosted, is mentioned later in this newsletter so I will not take up too much space here on it; other than to publically recognise the wonderful work our School Council Fundraising team did to ensure a successful event. Ably led by Nicole Butcher, we clearly generated more funds for our school than other local primary schools. Thank you team!

This term sees us with a very full calendar. French Day, Art Show, Olympic Opening Ceremony and **Immersion Day, Fathers' Day Stall and Breakfast, Senior School Athletics Carnival and District Sports Day, SEDA Sports Clinics, Curriculum Day on September 9 and Excursions-** all on top of our extensive Extra Curricula Activities ensures that this will be an exciting term.

Finally, as a staff we remain committed to **developing our students' curiosity and a recent tweet by 'Ideapod'** caught my eye. It offers a succinct summary of some of the strategies we are implementing to ensure we give our students opportunities to enhance their creativity and curiosity.

The Power of Curiosity: 4 Strategies to Stay Curious

Read
Reading opens your mind to new possibilities, ideas and worlds, sparking your interest to explore and **wander. Don't be afraid to delve into a diverse range of topics. Buying a random magazine on a topic you normally wouldn't read about can feed your curiosity and teach you something new.**

TIQBIZ—MOST OF OUR FAMILIES HAVE NOW REGISTERED

Congratulations! Most of our families are now registered on Tiqbiz which is great news, because it means they are not missing out on important news and information. There is a compulsory update available, which you will all need to complete. Details can be found later in this newsletter.

Those who have not registered, please do so ASAP, either on your smartphone or PC.



Reframe “Boring” Situations

We all experience boring situations, but any event can be turned into something meaningful. Sharpen your observation skills and give attention to something that you would usually miss. Once you **take a closer look, you’ll find that what’s boring** actually is fascinating.

According to artist and composer John Cage, “if something is boring after two minutes, try it for four. If still boring, then eight. Then sixteen. Then thirty-two. Eventually one discovers that it is not boring at all.”

Don’t Let Fear Hinder Curiosity

Curiosity is the perfect counterweight to fear and [anxiety](#). Learn to focus on the positives of any situation. Be optimistic and approach every experience with the intention to gain something **positive from it. You’ll probably find that many of your worries don’t serve a purpose anyway.**

Always Ask Questions

As Neil DeGrasse Tyson said: “the people who don’t ask questions remain clueless throughout their lives.”

Always ask questions. It’s not only okay not to know something, it’s better. Only then will you be able to learn something new. What journalists call “the five Ws and the H” – who, what, when, where, why, and how – are curious people’s best friends.

Curiosity is making the choice to look deeper into everyday things and seeing their true significance. Realizing that there is much to learn from everyone and everything you can encounter is the first step to living a fulfilling and happy life.

Every now and then I receive offers as an AFL ambassador of tickets to selected AFL matches. A number of families have previously accessed tickets and enjoyed the experience of watching games at the MCG. I have been fortunate to secure 5 tickets to each of the Carlton v St.Kilda, Carlton v, West Coast and Richmond v Geelong matches. As there are a limited number at our disposal, they will be **given out on a ‘first in, first serve’ basis. Please come and see me if you’d like to access these tickets and see your team in action.**

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Each year the School conducts an opinion survey of 15 per cent of the school community. Parents are randomly selected to participate and we use the information to support future school planning and improvement. This survey, in conjunction with **another strong, positive ‘Students’ Attitude to School Survey’ and ‘Staff Opinion Survey’, help to paint a picture of our School.** They all help us to recognise and celebrate our successes and strengths and set goals for future improvements.

On Monday 25 July, if you have been randomly selected, your survey will be brought home by your child. We would appreciate it if you would complete this survey in a timely manner and return it to School by Friday 19 July.

Even if you have not been selected for this survey, we welcome your feedback and opinions at any time.

SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT Mr Steve Smith

On 2 July the Fundraising sub-committee organised an Election Day BBQ and cake stall. We had great weather and amazing group of volunteers on the day. It was nice to see so many of the Edithvale community stop by our BBQ for a bite to eat and to chat with us. It was a successful fundraiser, with close to \$2,500 raised for the school, which will be **used to develop our School’s outside facilities.**

Please take a look at the fundraising sub-committee article in this newsletter for more details about the Election Day BBQ and cake stall, including a big thank you to everyone that helped make it a success.

A special thank you to Nicole Butcher for organising this fundraiser, managing the roster, and ensuring we did not run out of supplies.

With the start of the new term, the sub-committees will be meeting soon to discuss some initiatives underway. The Buildings & Grounds sub-committee will organise a Working Bee for this term. They will also continue to work on the Master School Plan. The fair sub-committee will be meeting soon to discuss Term 3 activities to support the Fair next year on Friday 17 March, 2017.

If you are interested in being involved in any of the sub-committees, or have any good ideas please come and see me or put in a note at the office.

Our next School Council meeting is on Tuesday 19 July.

SICK BAY

In the sick bay we have a small supply of clothing that we are able to LEND students for emergency situations. Although most of these items are laundered and returned to school, there are still some items of clothing that may have found their way into the wardrobe of the lendee!

If your child has been lent clothing, from socks and undies to pants and jumpers, please check that all items have been returned—they will be marked **“SICK BAY”** - - - even the socks!

PARENT PAYMENTS 2016

On Thursday, an important letter was sent home to all families in regards to our parent payments / voluntary contributions.

At the end of term 2 (half way through this school year) we had received: -

- 80% of the Essential Education Contribution;
- 42% of the Buildings and Grounds Contribution;
- 45% of the First Aid Contribution;
- 42% of the Curriculum Programs Contribution;
- 88% of the Mathematics Contribution.

We are now requesting that you make sure your **account is up to date and if you haven't paid your voluntary financial contributions**, we would appreciate it if you would do so as soon as possible, so that the money can be used for our current cohort of students. *Please pay using QKR if possible, where you will find the three voluntary charges listed.*

Over the next few days, you will receive an electronic copy of your family statement (if an **email address has been provided**). If we don't have an email address on file for you, a hard copy will be sent home with your child. The statement will show all payments you have made, any outstanding charges, and any voluntary financial contributions you have made.

Note: Voluntary financial contributions do not show on your statement, until they have been paid. These 3 charges are shown in Table 1.3, on the following page.

Edithvale Primary School provides a comprehensive, creative and challenging educational program for all of our students in a supportive and caring environment. Your child will continue to have access to high quality learning experiences where individuality, creativity and curiosity are valued. State Government funding helps provide all students with free instruction in the standard curriculum programs, and for general administrative and maintenance costs associated with running a school. However, to provide your children with diverse learning opportunities, all government schools determine their essential education items, optional extras and additional resources and programs. These are funded through the three categories of parent payments highlighted below.

For additional information, please refer to the Department of Education and Training (DET) document **'Parent Payments in Victorian Government Schools'** at:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/financial/Pages/parentpayments.aspx>

Voluntary Financial Contributions are used for School facilities and equipment not associated with providing the standard curriculum program otherwise provided for through the SRP (Student Resource Program), which help to fund many programs and resources that benefit your child and that would otherwise not be offered at Edithvale Primary School including: -

- ◆ Maintenance and replacement of classroom fixtures, fittings and furniture as well as any minor works, improvements and maintenance of our school grounds and buildings.
- ◆ The employment of Level 2 First Aid officers to care for and manage any illness or injury acquired at school by your child and the purchasing of supplies and equipment to attend to any emergencies.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this letter; we are keen to see a higher percentage of these charges paid, for the benefit of our current students.

TIQBIZ UPDATE

Tiqbiz has released an update. It's a compulsory app update that needs to be made by everyone.

The app will need to be updated then opened and logged in to activate the new tiqbiz.

Thank you for your co-operation, we don't want you to miss out on important announcements.



Steps to update and activate your new tiqbiz



BOOK FAIR

Mrs Helen Arden & Mrs Jane Hayes



The Book Fair is coming
... **the Book Fair** is
coming!

The Book Fair will be landing on our shores and open for business on Monday 5 September until Thursday 8 September. The theme this year is Australia—Story Country!



REMINDER TO USE SCHOOL CROSSINGS

Edithvale Primary School is fortunate to have two school crossing supervisors to help our children safely cross Edithvale Road and Fraser Avenue.

On Edithvale Road, Norm, supervises the Edithvale Road pedestrian light crossing. On Fraser Avenue, Margaret, supervises the school crossing, near Haig Avenue.



Please remind your children to cross at these two designated locations when they need to cross these two busy streets.

CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM THREE

Mon 18	Tue 19	Thu 21	Fri 22
Monica Leo	Lisa Carter	Kate Gibbon	Dana Page
Mon 25	Tue 26	Thu 28	Fri 29
Nonie Hare	Jane Donaldson		

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

All parents/guardians/grandparents attending School excursions or activities, including helping in classrooms, must have a current Working with Children Check. Go to the following website for more information and to complete an application form. You will then take the application form to your post office for processing. Working with Children Checks are free for 'volunteers'.

<http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

We will need a copy of your card on file at school prior to you attending any School excursions or activities. If you name EPS as your place of Volunteering on your application form, we will be sent a copy of your card at the same time you receive it.

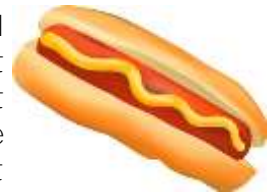
The Working with Children Check helps protect children from physical and sexual harm. The scheme aims to prevent those who pose a risk to children, from working or volunteering with them.

CANTEEN

Mrs Diane Cameron

Glad to be back this term with lots of things happening at the canteen.

Firstly a BIG thank you to all the parents who helped out last term on Hot Dog Day. It was a massive effort by those parents who helped put together over 250 lunch orders and deliver them to all classes. I hope all students who had an order that day enjoyed it.



The term 3 roster has been done and there have been a couple of changes. Most have been sent out and the last couple will be sent out this week.

This term we have the Canteen Cup – a points system for each class when delivering and collecting the lunch crates. The prize at the end of the term will be a free icy pole for each student of the winning class. A list of rules was delivered to each class first day back. *(Teachers have you read your list of rules out to your class?)*



Also in August we have Canteen Week with some specials happening each day the canteen is open.

All items are in stock at the moment, but if there are any shortages I will remove item/s from Qkr until back in stock.

NEW FRENCH ASSISTANT AT EPS From Mauritius Madame Sylvie Snow

We welcome into our school Madame Sara-Jane Marianne-Souris, our French Language assistant for 2016, who will be working with us at Edithvale for two days per week (Wednesdays & Thursdays) as well as with Mordialloc Secondary College. We are very proud of our language program and we are thrilled to have Sara on board to enable us to further enrich our French studies.



FRENCH POETRY COMPETITION

Results are in!



'Bravo et Merci' to all our students who competed in the *Berthe Mouchette* Poetry Competition. The following 13 students have been named as finalists and will compete again on Sunday 24 July.

Felix Collins	Lachlan Fulton
Eva Hay	Maya Johnston
Hana Patselis	Maisy Villella
Noah Martine	Luke Wilson
Jessica Brennan	Jacinta Gallagher
Jordan Shenouda	Jackson Barratt
Stephen Elkington	

Good luck for the finals!



Edithvale Primary School has recently registered with Centrepay. Centrepay is a free direct bill paying service available to parents/guardians who receive an Australian Government Department of Human Services Centrelink payment, family assistance payment or Parental Leave Pay.

Payments can be made directly to the school and **credited to your child's account** It can be used to pay for school charges, camps and excursions.

If you would like to set up a deduction, please speak to Pru, Sandie or Helen in the office.

FUNDRAISING

ELECTION DAY BBQ AND CAKE STALL

As you would be aware, our school council fundraising subcommittee held a BBQ and cake stall on Saturday 2 July.



The day was a huge success with just over 200 egg and bacon rolls, 600 sausages, over 12 kgs of onions, just over 100 drinks and various cakes and muffins sold.

There are so many people to thank for contributing to make this day such a success. A HUGE thank you to each of the following: -

- ◆ the families and staff who contributed a plate of baked goods for the cake stall.
- ◆ all the members of our school community who came along on the day to support our school by purchasing food and/or drinks from the BBQ or a plate from the cake stall.
- ◆ the following people who gave up their time either the day before with collection of the cakes or on the day to assist us serve and cook: Paul & Bridget Arden; Kath, Jackson & Sam Barratt; Jessie & Kirsty Brennan; Kane, Luke, Lauren & Nicole Butcher; Darryl Collins; Al Curtain; Carla Dix; Jane Donaldson; Rachel & Troy Foster; Kate Gibbon; Catherine Grimwade; Maddie & Nonie Hare; Melissa Heath; Bernadette & Will Lydster; Claire Martine; Blaise McFarlane; Jacqui Miller; Jenny Nickhols; Andrea Sabogal; Liam & Steve Smith; Jarrod Thomas; Chantelle Tucker; Isabelle Vicendese; Jodi Vuat; Cliff Wheatley & James Whitla.
- ◆ Jacqui Miller for her awesome, impressive signs (see above) which definitely helped draw in the crowd on the day.
- ◆ and last but definitely not least a MASSIVE THANK YOU to Bakers Delight Chelsea who donated all the rolls for the egg & bacon rolls and to Andrew Schneider for organising this donation.

Profit from the day was just under \$2,500. This money will go back into the school to develop our **School's outside facilities**. We will keep you updated as the money is put to use. Days are only as successful as this one when the school community supports them. Thanks for your ongoing support of our fundraising efforts.





KARATE

Classes



Children

Adults

Seniors

Want to start learning real Japanese Karate but don't have any experience or don't have a uniform (dog)?

In these new classes, facilitated by the Japanese Karate Association (JKA), everybody aged between 6 and 65 is welcome, whether you have no experience or decades of experience in Karate or any other martial art.

A globally accredited volunteer instructor with more than 30 years of experience who is a local to Aspendale Gardens will bring this authentic Japanese martial art to the AGCS.

The sessions offer a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to train alongside each other and share in the joy of this ancient martial art.

Term 3 | Wed 6.30pm – 7.30pm | Sat 2.00pm – 3.00pm
 \$120 per 10 classes + insurance
 Bookings Essential 9587 5955



Aspendale Gardens Community Service
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WORLD CHALLENGE FUNDRAISER



A night with Gabriel Gaté...

Join us for a fun night of food, wine and entertainment. Experience an exclusive night with Gabriel Gaté and Sandra Bernard from Chateau Cuisine. See the famous chefs in action as they produce world renowned culinary delights.

Ticket Inclusions:

- Wine, cheese and nibbles
- Trivia competition
- Cooking demonstration
- Footage from Gabriel's latest Tour De France cooking show
- Copies of Gabriel's new cookbook will also be available for purchase on the night with proceeds going to World Challenge

\$35

Tickets can be purchased from the Mordialloc College general office. Ticket numbers are limited so get in quick to secure your spot.

For more details please contact Alice Leppin— leppin.alice.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

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The Fit For Kids Co team offer both Tennis & Basketball coaching here at school, on campus. We run the ANZ Tennis Hitshots Program & the Fit For Kids Co official Basketball Program. These are the perfect introductory classes for children to learn the sport & the skills to play them.

Tennis

Ages: Prep - Grade 3

Days: Thursday Morning
Time: 8:00am - 8:40am
Location: Basketball Court Area
Price: \$135 (9 Week Term)

Basketball

Ages: Grades 2 - 6

Day: Wednesday Morning
Time: 8:00am - 8:40am
Location: Basketball Court Area
Price: \$117 (9 Week Term)

Dates: Week of Monday 18th July - Week of Friday 16th September 2016

Enrol Online Today!
www.fitforkidsco.com.au/enrol
0421 172 369 info@fitforkidsco.com.au

* In the case of bad weather, class will be held within the OHSC Multi Purpose hall area.

MORDIALLOC NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE



Term 2 is now underway and we have some new and exciting classes happening:

CROCHET & KNITTING: commencing Tuesday, July 19

MAH JONG: commencing Wednesday, July 27

PRINTING: commencing Wednesday, July 20
...and many more:

If you would like more information on any of the classes we run, please phone:
Mordialloc Neighbourhood House; 9587 4534

BRILLIANT BOX FUNDRAISER

HAVE YOU PLACED YOUR ORDER?
ORDERS CLOSE: 31st July 2016

Go to <http://sunshinecollective.com.au/shop/>

Complete your order, making sure you put your child's class in the NOTES field, eg. Grade 1G.

At checkout, enter 'Edithvale' in the 'child's school' field.

You will receive a confirmation email when your order is processed.

Your order will be sent home with your child, three weeks after the closing date.

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- **Registration: Saturday the 13th August @ 9:00am**

Enquires: Daryl Eales 0400 950 484






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SHOW DATE:

SCHOOL DATES:

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The Pay-it-Forward Sale

NED gear is available for purchase for 3 days after the show at our school.

Our school gets The NED Show for free because we're hosting a Pay-It-Forward sale. When you purchase a NED item, you help send the assembly on to the next school.

More items at www.shopNED.com.au

Send order form and payment to school with your child.

- NED YO** Glow-in-the-dark \$8
- BOOMERANG** Auto-reverse feature \$15
- EXCELERATOR™** Professional ball bearing yo \$20

Page#	Teacher	QTY.	TOTAL
		NED YO	x \$8
		Boomerang	x \$15
		EXCELERATOR™	x \$20
		Yo Strings	x \$5
		Yo-Yo Holder	x \$5
		Grand Total	\$

Checks should be made payable to our school.

Prices include GST.

- Replacement String (10 strings) \$5
- Yo-Yo Holder \$5



Edithvale Before and After School Program Snapshot – June 2016



This year our numbers have increased and we have welcomed many new families to our service. There is a wonderful community feel to the program with parents active in contributing to the planning and engaging in activities with their children. **Conversations with parents** have provided us with many great ideas for our program, such as when we had excess carrots and Ella's mum Jodie suggested we make carrot balls.

In Before School Care some children talked to educators about **preparing their own breakfast** at home. This promoted the Educators to reflect on the opportunities offered in the program that support independence and teach life skills to the children. We decided that we would set up a table outside of the canteen with the breakfast cereal, fruit, milk, bread, toppings & toaster enabling children to take ownership of their food choices and develop skills such as spreading, cutting & pouring.



The children continue to enjoy bringing in their pets to visit the program. Recently Andrew brought in some chickens. It was lovely to see how gentle the children were and their enjoyment at interacting with the chicks.



