



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Denise Webster

We are currently taking enrolments for our 2012 Prep students. If you have a child who is coming to school next year please pick up an enrolment package from the office. Tours are available—just ring and we will set up an appointment for you. The transition program begins with a parent meeting in August and the sessions for students begin shortly after this. If you know of others who are interested in joining our school community please pass this information on to them.

The end is in sight - we are moving quickly towards the completion of the new learning centre. The painting is just about done; the flooring is in the process of being laid and the lights are up. Once the building is complete, work will commence on pathways and restoring some of the asphalt areas. On Tuesday evening, prior to our School Council meeting, a small group of parents and teachers met to discuss the landscaping project for the new area. If you missed this meeting but would like to be involved, there will many more opportunities to join us - just see us at the office and we can let you know when the next meeting is scheduled.

Student Reports will be sent home next week and these will give parents an indication of how their child is progressing. The written report, however, is only one part of the reporting process - the parent teacher meeting that follows provides the opportunity for a more specific discussion of what is contained in the report. We have introduced a new system for booking a meeting time (see details at right) and we encourage you to take up this offer to meet with teachers either on Monday June 27 or Tuesday June 28.

Preparations for the Art Show are well underway and students and teachers alike are getting into the spirit of Carnivale. If you would like to be a part of the planning committee, please come along to our weekly meetings, after school on Thursday at 3.40pm. These brief meetings allow us to check our progress and highlight 'what next'. We also believe strongly that 'many hands make light work' so come along and join us!



PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS NEW ONLINE BOOKING SERVICE

Yesterday the youngest or only child in your family will have received a notice informing you on how to book a Parent Teacher Interview using our online service. The interviews will be conducted on Monday 27th June or Tuesday 28th June with one booking time of 10 minutes allocated per student.

All bookings must be made online at www.schoolinterviews.com.au

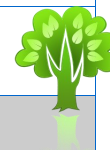
Please insert the code **SZU5K** into the School Event Code space, click the 'GO' button, and follow the prompts. A computer will be available in the office area during school hours if you do not have internet access at home.

Please take the time to make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss their progress.

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

Fri 17th	◆ Student Disco.
Sat 25th	◆ School Working Bee ◆ From 8.00 am—ALL WELCOME!



JULY

Fri 1st	◆ Last Day of Term Two—2.30 pm Finish. ◆ Hot Dog Day.
Mon 18th	◆ First Day of Term Three.
Tue 19th	◆ School Council Meeting 7.00 pm.

AUGUST

Thu 11th	◆ 'CARNIVALE'—ART SHOW—OPENING NIGHT
Mon 29th— Wed 31th	◆ Year 4 Camp—'Camp Manyung'.



CBA BANKING BOOTH



On Tuesday 7 June, Karen from the Commonwealth Bank, ably assisted by parent helper Michelle Ford, conducted a Banking Booth so children could do their school banking at the booth, rather than sending their banking in via the office.

Each child received a gift/reward of their choice and were all very excited about going to 'the bank'.

Several new accounts were opened and the morning was a big success. There will be another CBA student banking promotion in term 3—perhaps you could win a 'Platybank' or a 'CBA Rubik Cube'.



NOTE:
Backpacks can only be ordered
until Wednesday 22 June.



“WOOF!” - “I’VE MISSED YOU”

Don't forget your banking each Tuesday, because it's important to learn to save every week & if you do, you'll soon have ten tokens and you could choose *me* as your reward. Yeah! “Don't forget me - Woof”

Pat the Dog - Commonwealth Bank



Thank you to those parents who are using BPay. The system is working well and it is great to see more people using it each week.

Some are making regular fortnightly or weekly payments, to slowly chip away at their balance. We don't mind this, if it makes it easier for you, as long as things get paid off in a timely manner.

Please remember that payments must be for \$20 or more.

ART SHOW 2011



A reminder that Edithvale Primary School will be holding their second art show on **Thursday 11 August** and we're looking for parents, guardians and grandparents to join our working committee.

If you'd like to be involved, please come along to one of our meetings—in the staffroom each **Thursday from 3.40 pm**. Meetings will be held every Thursday until the week of the show.

The theme of this year's art show is 'Carnivale'.

In conjunction with the Art Show, we will be running our own fundraising raffle, with the prize being a Gold Coast holiday.



Tickets are \$2.00 each and a book of ten tickets will be sent home to all families on the first day of term 3. We trust you will all support this raffle and sell your book of tickets.

JACK IN THE BOX MUSIC MARK MCGURGAN

Thank you to all students and parents for your participation and hard work in term 2. This year we will be running our end of year concert at the end of term 3. All students should be starting to receive their concert songs and adding them to their practice routines. I've instructed all teachers to spend only a little bit of time on per week on the concert songs so as to leave time for technical work and extra studies.

We have also introduced vocal to the curriculum this year so some instrumental groups will be receiving chord based music to do at the concert. The vocalists will also be doing some modern popular tunes and the instrumentalists will be learning the backing for these tunes.

We have an exciting year for Jack In The Box music planned and once again its a pleasure to have everyone on board.

Please Note: accounts are
now overdue.



PFA NEWS

Diane Cameron

STUDENT DISCO—THIS FRIDAY - 17 JUNE

Parent helpers have been contacted. Due to an overwhelming response from parents, for the first disco, some parents may have missed out, but you are more than welcome to stay, if your child feels a little unsure.

****** PLEASE BRING SMALL DENOMINATION NOTES OR CORRECT CHANGE FOR ENTRY AND CANTEEN *****

HOT DOG DAY—FRIDAY 1 JULY

Hot dog day is getting closer. All forms and money are to be in by Friday 24 June. Helpers are required during the day. If you can help, please contact me at the canteen.

SUNSMART GET SOME SUN EXPOSURE



As we all prepare for the onset of the cold winter months; and although the sun is a bit shy about making an appearance at the moment, SunSmart is encouraging everyone to get some sun exposure to help with vitamin D levels.

Although ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun is the main cause of skin cancer, it is also the best natural source of vitamin D, essential for strong bones, muscles and overall health.

Whenever UV Index levels reach 3 and above, sun protection is required. At that level, UV radiation is intense enough to damage the skin and contribute to the risk of skin cancer. In Victoria, average UV levels are below 3 between May & August, making it a great time to get outside and boost our vitamin D levels.

At this low level, UV is generally not damaging to the skin and sun protection is not required unless in Alpine areas, near highly reflective surfaces such as snow or when spending extended periods of time outdoors.

Children and young people with fair to olive skin should receive 2 to 3 hours of sun exposure to the face, arms & hands, or equivalent area of skin spread across a week.

Children and young people with naturally very dark skin will need approximately three to six times this recommended exposure level.

Given that UV levels vary across the state, SunSmart recommends checking the SunSmart UV Alert for your region each day to make sure UV levels are below three.

FROM THE SPORTS DESK

James Whitla—Assistant Principal

Last Wednesday Edithvale Primary School was represented at the Kingston Divisional Cross Country Championships by 11 of our students who all performed admirably in tough, windy conditions.

Robert Deacon (Year 6) was one of the stars, running 3rd in his age group and he will now run in the Regional Championships.

Others who did themselves and the school proud were **Sharni Teesdale, Lily Cooper, Mac Cleaver, Will Hampson, Camille Nightingale, Max Kingsbury, Sarah McCormack, Stephanie Klusik, Daniel Vella** and **Jesses Davies**. Congratulations to all competitors.

WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

4A and 5/6A are working together to make some yummy food. The tasty treats will be sold at lunch time on Friday to raise money to contribute to the prep play area. Bring along some coins on Friday to help us 'make a difference'

Truffles 20c Honey Joys 50c Popcorn 20c
Marble Choc Slice 20c Chocolate Crackles 50c

A HUGE thanks goes to **George** at our local IGA in Edithvale for donating some of the ingredients to make the food. We are proud that our efforts of working together are involving businesses in our local community.

CANTEEN NEWS

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

The term three roster is being completed this week and will be sent out early next week. If there are any changes, please contact me.

A reminder to all students and parents that Hot Dog Day (Friday 1 July) forms are due in at the office by Friday 24 June.

A big thank you to my wonderful parents helpers over the last fortnight, another great effort.

***** Lasagne and Pizza are still unavailable until further notice *****

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 20th	Tue 21st	Thu 23rd	Fri 24th
Shauna McMillin	Claire Stewart	Mark O'Hehir	Christine Ozanne
Mon 27th	Tue 28th	Thu 30th	Fri 1st
Kerrie Mussert	Sharyn McIntosh	Kerrie Short	Hot Dog Day

TERM TWO WORKING BEE

SATURDAY 25 JUNE - FROM 8.00 AM

Morning Tea Provided



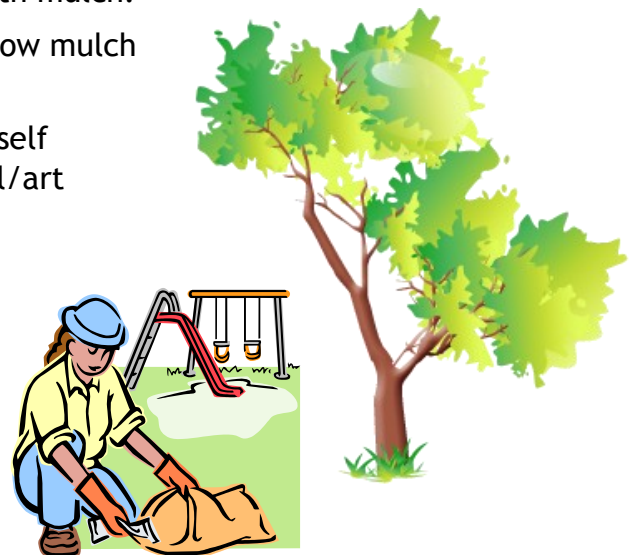
All hands on deck, are required for next Saturday's working bee.

Starting at 8.00 am, but you can come along at any time—even if you can only spare an hour, it would be much appreciated.

Bring along your gardening tools, shovels, rakes, brooms, wheelbarrows, circular saws and electric drills - or just come along with your gardening gloves on, ready to be given a task.

THINGS WE WANT TO ACHIEVE ARE

- ◆ Weed the garden near the hall and top up with mulch.
- ◆ Sweep along Edithvale Road frontage and throw mulch back into gardens.
- ◆ Tree-guard existing small shrubs which have self seeded (Wattles and Banksias) in front of hall/art room.
- ◆ Weed vegetable, herb and fruit gardens.
- ◆ Remove and stack red friendship bricks.
- ◆ Prune trees back in teachers carpark.
- ◆ Replenish softfall mulch in play areas.
- ◆ Install 'Go For Your Life' sign.
- ◆ Clean drains.



RCH—GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who came along in their pyjamas on 'pyjama day' last term and made a donation.

We raised **\$457** for the Royal Children's Hospital.

Fundraising movie Packs Family Order Form

Any time you'd like to order **Village Cinema Movie Tickets**, the order forms will be available at the general office. **Please note:** We have not placed our first order yet, as we have only received a couple of replies so far.

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 08 059 for further information.

BPAY—PAYMENT 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

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! If you don't have an email address, then of course, you will still receive hard copies.

GOOD MANNERS

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

INSURANCE

Affordable Student Cover is available for just \$29.90 per year. To apply online go to www.studentcover.com.au and click **APPLY NOW**. More information is also available from the school office.

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!

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.

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.

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