



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Denise Webster

ART SHOW

What a wonderful Art Show opening we had last Thursday - I hope that you were able to spend some time with us and see some of the great work that the students have been doing over the past weeks in preparation for this event. We were delighted to welcome many parents, family members and friends to our school and were proud to showcase some of the fantastic work that was presented by students, staff and community members. We welcomed a number of special guests:

- ◆ The Hon. Donna Bauer MLA, State Member for Carrum who opened the Art Show;
- ◆ Councillor Dan Maloney, City of Kingston;
- ◆ Ms Monica Bladier who represented The Hon. Mark Dreyfus, Federal Member for Isaacs;
- ◆ Ms Judi Gurvich, Regional Network Leader, SMR.

I must take the opportunity to thank, once again, the many parents who gave assistance in the setting up of the Art Show. There were also a number of parents who contributed their art work for donation, for sale or for display. We were able to promote our school event to the wider community with the support of Andrew Tomlinson and Ray White Real Estate in Chelsea.

With the help of Coates Hire in Dandenong, we were also able to provide signage to Edithvale Road traffic to facilitate safe access to the school for our visitors. Many thanks also go to Simon Pearson from the Chelsea Art Show who provided a number of display boards for us to use throughout the week, and to Mark McGurgan whose mellow music added to the atmosphere of the night.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the fantastic effort from our wonderful staff and students - this highlights once again what a great school we have.

ENROLMENTS

Our prep transition program begins in the next few weeks. There is a parent meeting on August 24 and we encourage all parents of our 2012 preps to come along. The new preps will begin their sessions on September 1 at 2.30pm.

If you have not yet enrolled your child, please contact the office ASAP for an enrolment form so that you and your child can be a part of the transition program.

NEW LEARNING CENTRE

You will have noticed that we have just regained some of our yard area after the removal of the builders sheds. The building itself is almost complete. We are waiting on the Certificate of Occupancy and the Practical Completion process. Everything is just about ready to go, as indeed are the teachers and students, and hopefully it won't be too long before we get to enjoy our lovely new premises.

IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST

Fri 19th— Thu 25th	◆ Book Fair—in the Library.
Mon 29th— Wed 31th	◆ Year 4 Camp — 'Camp Manyung'.
Wed 26th	◆ Year 1 & 2 Botanic Garden Excursion.

SEPTEMBER

Thu 1st	◆ Fathers Day Stall. ◆ Footy Dress Up Day.
Fri 2nd	◆ Prep Gingerbread Factory Excursion.
Tue 6th	◆ Parent Maths Information Session.
Fri 9th	◆ Planning Day—Pupil Free Day.
Tue 13th	◆ School Council.
Wed 14th	◆ French Day.
Fri 16th	◆ Interschool Athletics Carnival.



ART SHOW—RAFFLE RESULTS

Congratulations to the following people who won prizes in our 'Carnivale' Art Show Raffle.

1st Prize (Queensland Holiday) Amy Tomlinson

2nd Prize (Backpack) Anni Kuchenmeister

3rd Prize (Camera) P & J Sutton

4th Prize (Clock Radio) Jack Mogensen

Congratulations also to Angelo Mavroudis who won an MP4 Player and Mini Boom Box Speaker, for selling the most tickets—5 books! There were several other families who sold two or three books of tickets.

Thank you to everyone who bought or sold tickets—your support was invaluable.



Amy Tomlinson and family receive their Queensland Holiday Prize.

PFA NEWS

Diane Cameron

Fathers Day notices were sent out last week and gradually order forms and money is being returned.

Remember all orders with payment are to be returned by Thursday 25 August. Orders returned late will be processed separately and will choose their gift during lunchtime on the day of the stall and not with their class.

The next meeting is this Thursday 18th August, at 2.30 pm. When you sign in at the office, you will be informed of the whereabouts of the meeting, as the staffroom is occupied at that time.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK FUNDRAISER

Thanks to everyone who recently purchased an Entertainment Book through Edithvale Primary School.

Thanks also to a number of people who offered a donation as part of the fundraiser.

Our fundraising dollars totalled
\$1,154.



CANTEEN NEWS

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM 3

Mon 22	Tue 23	Thu 25	Fri 26
Georgina Devereaux	Michelle Aronleigh	Michelle Custy	Kerrie Cappy
Mon 29	Tue 30	Thu 1	Fri 2
Anna Ericsson	Sharyn McIntosh	Jo Mills	Kellie Kingsley & Antoniette Butta

More good news—Pizzas are now back in stock. Thanks to all pizza loving students for waiting so patiently. Also back in stock are pink guava and mango 'smooze'. Thanks to all my happy volunteers over the last fortnight, which has been a hectic one!

GOODBYE

Premier's Reading Challenge

Next Friday, August 26th, will be the last day of our Premier's Reading Challenge for this year. In order for your child to obtain a certificate all reading lists must be returned to school by next Friday, August 26th.

I would like to thank everyone who has participated in the Premier's Reading Challenge for their support - the children who have avidly read the books, the parents who have read and listened to the books and the teachers and especially Mrs M for entering the books on the data base.

The Reading Challenge could not have gone ahead without the help of a wonderful band of parents who have manned the library every morning since the beginning of the Challenge.

Thankyou so much to:- Jenny Nickhols, Georgina Devereaux, Jeanette Scott-Harvey, Jane Sutton, Michelle Hawker, Helen O'Keeffe, Catherine Smith and Siobhan Chambers. We are so grateful for your help. Your happy, smiling faces have encouraged many children, who may not otherwise have done so, to take advantage of our library and to participate in the Reading Challenge.

Thanks!!

Don't forget to bring your reading lists back!!

Kerrie Mitvalsky and Karen Laurent

STICK ART featuring JACQUI GOUGH



On Tuesday 16th of August, Jacqui Gough came to Edithvale Primary School with a mission to teach the level 4 students stick art.

As a volunteer, Jacqui started her first class in the wonderful 5/6D handing out images of Carnivale animals, then we gathered our sticks, ink and paper and away we went.

We painted messily with a beautiful effect and took amazing photos of our creations.

It was tons of fun—so thank you Jacqui, we had a ball.

YEAR 5 WORKSHOP

On the 11th of August the Year 5s went to an art workshop; it included cartoon drawing and drawing a picture of a friend. The person who came to do this workshop was Harley Hefford (Asher Hefford's brother). We thank Harley for a good time and the teachers for making this possible. The art show was a great success. By: Jake Schranz and Max William Kingsbury.

EDITHVALE WORKSHOPS

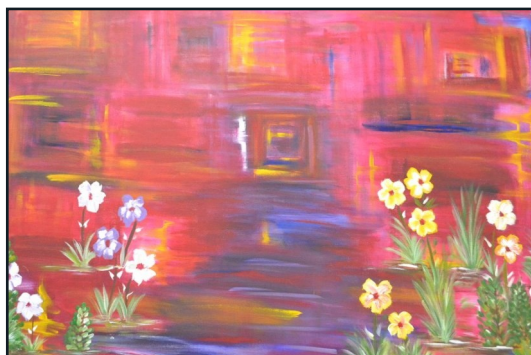
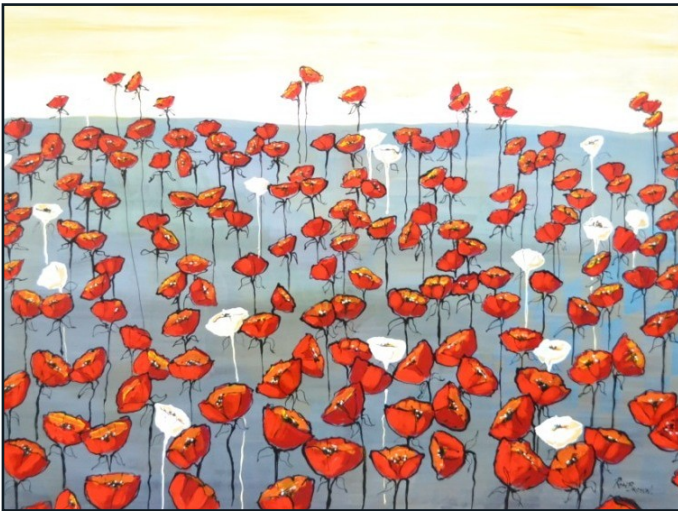
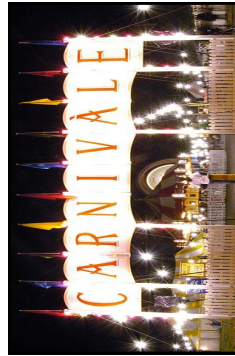
On Monday 15th of August, 4 Year 12 students from Mordialloc Collage came to run some workshops with the Preps - Year 6. There were 3 workshops.

They were clowning, magic & acrobatics. In clowning we did acting games with Alex and Dillon. In magic we were taught a magic trick with Josh using a tooth pick. In acrobatics we did somersaults and pyramids with Taylor.





CARNIVALE





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YOUR COMMUNITY—YOUR SAY!

Mordialloc Community Centre invites you to be part of a passionate team who enjoy giving their skills and experience to the community. The Mordialloc Community Centre is governed and managed by local people for local people and we are seeking expressions of interest from parents, grandparents, neighbours, friends to join it's Committee. No experience is necessary - just a desire to get involved in making the Centre a wonderful place for the community.

For 2011-2012 we are especially interested in adding marketing, engineering, and fundraising skills or experience to our Committee.

For further details contact the MCC office on 9580 3675, or email president@mordicc.org.au

PARKING ISSUES

Please observe all parking signs around the school, particularly in Haig Avenue; as it makes it very difficult to see the children walking to and from school if you are parked illegally.

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.

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

STUDENT MEDICAL INFORMATION

If your child has had any changes to their medical conditions, would you please come along to the office and update their particulars.

It is vital that we have all correct and current information recorded on our system in case of a medical emergency.

If you are unable to get to the office, send your child for an 'update form' and you can return it with them the following day. Thank you for your co-operation.

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.

BOOK FAIR 2011

Come to Our Galaxy of Books

Mrs Greedy

Our Book Fair is arriving at the end of this week on Friday 19. The year certainly comes around quickly.

We always look forward to our Book Fair. There will be many new as well as old favourite titles too numerous to mention to choose from. If you are looking for birthday presents, Christmas presents and not quite sure to buy come into our Book Fair, we're sure you will have no trouble finding something.

The Book Fair will be held in the library at the following times:

19 August—25 August

8:30am - 8:50am

3:30pm—4:15pm



We look forward to seeing you there!

STUDENT ARTWORK FOR SALE

It's not too late to purchase your student's artwork from the Art Show.

All art is available for a gold coin donation.

Please send your 'donation' along to school and your child's masterpiece will be sent home to you.

Thank you for your support.

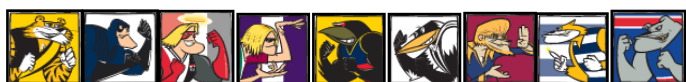


Edithvale Primary School invites you to wear the colours of your favourite Footy team on Thursday 1st September for a gold coin donation. A handball competition and other Footy activities will be held at lunch time.

All monies raised will go to the Spina Bifida Foundation of Victoria. The first week of September is Awareness Week, which aims to provide community education about Spina Bifida.

Spina Bifida is the incomplete formation of the spine and spinal cord which occurs during the first month of a baby's development in the womb. People with Spina Bifida have varying degrees of permanent disability including paralysis or weakness in the legs, bowel and bladder incontinence, hydrocephalus and learning difficulties. Many are able to lead full, active and independent lives.

For more information contact the Spina Bifida Foundation of Victoria on 9663 0075 or www.sbfv.org.au



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—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

We have commenced sending family statements, via email, which seems to have been a big success. In the not too distant future, we will also commence sending newsletters 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

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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.

DO YOU HAVE ROOM IN YOUR HOME AND IN YOUR HEART?

Foster care is a way of providing a family life for a vulnerable child in your home when they are unable to live with their birth family or extended family members. Foster care can be for a few days, a few weeks or much longer.

Berry Street is urging people who like a challenge, can work as part of a team and have the capacity to make a commitment to a child or young person, to consider becoming a foster carer. The search for committed carers is open to people from all walks of life with a variety of living arrangements, backgrounds and experiences.

Berry Street provides foster carers with ongoing training, 24 hour support, regular breaks and fortnightly non-taxable reimbursements. To find out more about becoming a foster carer call Jasmine on 9239 1400 or visit www.berrystreet.org.au.



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**ABCD PARENTING—A four week group program
for parents and carer's of adolescents aged
between 10 - 14**

When: Tuesday evenings 7-9:30 pm
23 August - 13 September

Where: Chelsea Maternal & Child
Health Centre, 312 (Cnr)
Station St & Thames Promenade
CHELSEA 3196

Cost: \$20 per person / \$30 per couple

HOW TO BOOK:

Bookings are essential as places are limited.
For more information and bookings phone 9581 4585
or email: Karen.ravesi@kingston.vic.gov.au

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- Improve communication
- Negotiate boundaries
- Set limits
- Look after yourself
- Deal with risky behaviour



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