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FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

Term 2–Week 4 19 May 2011

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Mrs Denise Webster

This week has been filled with many activities celebrating Education Week; all classes have designed special events and invited parents to come along and see them at work. On Tuesday and Thursday mornings we were delighted to showcase our school to many prospective students and parents - it was wonderful to hear many of our current students talking with pride about their school and the learning they are experiencing.

If you are already a member of our school community but have another child beginning in 2012, now is the time to collect an information pack and enrolment form from the front office. If you were unable to attend the tours and would like to have a look around, please ring the office to make an appointment. Our Prep transition program will begin in August.

This week Year 5 and 6 students were enlightened about many aspects of forensic science by the CSIRO team which visited our school on Monday. On Tuesday the Year 3 and 4 students were fascinated by all things Egyptian when they attended the Tutankhamen exhibition at the museum.

Preps have been constructing 3D animals and Year 1 & 2 students have been delighted with fairytale activities.

There are also many things to celebrate this week.

Congratulations go to:

- our fantastic aerobics team who came second in the competition at Geelong last Saturday. Many thanks to Mrs Kerrie Evans who coached them to such great success. They now go on to the next stage of competition which will be held in Werribee in June;
- the cross country participants from Years 3 to 6 who braved some very uninviting weather to compete last Friday;
- the students who participated in the NAPLAN testing -a great effort by all students in Years 3 and 5.

Thanks also go to:

 our fantastic mums from the PFA who ran the Mother's day stall—we hope that everyone enjoyed this special day with their families.

This year we will again present an ART Show at Edithvale Primary School. Our last show in 2009 was an outstanding success and we are very enthusiastic about organising another event which will bring together people from all sections of our school community. In the next couple of weeks information will start to come home about ways in which you can be involved. Students, teachers, parents and friends of EPS will all get the opportunity to display some of their artwork. 'Opening Night' will be a focus point of this week long event and we hope the displays, activities and the 'auction' will once again draw people in to the excitement of this special occasion.

VALE—CARL PERRY

It is with much sadness that we inform you that Carl Perry, our long standing Haig Avenue Crossing Supervisor passed away with his family at his side, on Saturday 14 May 2011, following a long illness.



Carl was a valued member of our community and will be missed by all.

IMPORTANT DATES					
JUNE					
Mon 6th	• Year 1 & 2 ACMI Excursion.				
Fri 10th	• Buildings & Grounds Meeting 1.30 pm.				
Mon 13th	• Queen's Birthday Holiday.				
Tue 14th	 New Building Landscaping Meeting 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm—in the Staffroom. School Council Meeting. 				
Fri 17th	• Student Disco–More information to come.				
Sun 25th	♦ School Working Bee.				
JULY					
Fri 1st	Last Day of Term Two.Hot Dog Day.				

FROM THE SPORTS DESK Mr James Whitla

Last Friday, I was very fortunate to take a team of determined and resilient athletes to the District Cross Country Championships. Held in bitterly cold conditions that were not conducive for running, our team, listed below, performed wonderfully. Every one of our students completed the course and did themselves, and our school proud.

Some noteworthy efforts included the following, all of who will be representing Edithvale Primary School at the Kingston Divisional Cross Country Championships in the coming weeks. We wish them all the very best :

10 year girls:	Sharni Teesdale (9 th) and Lily Cooper
, ,	(10 th)

- 10 year boys: Mac Cleaver (93rd) and Will Hampson (6th)
- 11 year girls: **Camille Nightingale** (8th)
- 11 year boys: Max Kingsbury (10th)
- 12 year girls: Sarah McCormack (7th) and Stephanie Klusik (8th)
- 12 year boys: Robert Deacon (2nd), Daniel Vella (3rd) and Jesse Davies (9th)

It was great to see so many parents supporting and offering encouragement to our team so a big thank you on behalf of the school.

In other news, we are excited to pass on that **Daniel Vella** (soccer) has progressed to the next stage of selection trials and will be representing our Kingston Division at the regional trials on Thursday May 19th.

This is a fantastic achievement and we wish Daniel the best of luck at these trials.

The Edithvale Primary School Cross Country team for 2011 was:

PFA NEWS

Diane Cameron

Thank you to the parents who attended last Thursday's PFA meeting. We discussed the Mother's Day Stall and activities for this term.

A <u>student disco</u> will be held on Friday 17 June. Notices will go home later this month.

Also, the last day of this term—(Friday 1 July) will be <u>hot dog day.</u>

CANTEEN NEWS

Diane Cameron–Canteen Manager

My apologies to students, teachers and parents for the delay in sending out this term's canteen menu. I am still waiting on a couple of items and the new menu will be sent out this week.

New items available for lunch orders are Fried Rice (\$3.00), Fantastic Noodles (\$2.20), Hot Apple Pies (\$1.40), Spinach and Ricotta Rolls (\$2.20) and Hot Chocolate (\$1.00).

Frozen Ice Treats will be kept to a minimum: Smooze (\$1.00), Calippos (.80c) and Paddle Pops (\$1.20) are still available.

Please note that Vegemite Toast and Raisin Toast are <u>not</u>lunch orders items. Lastly, thanks to my wonderful parent helpers over the last fortnight—A **TOP EFFORT!**

TERM TWO ROSTER								
Mon 23rd	Tue 24th	Thu 26th	Fri 27th					
Kerrie Mussert	Jill Eadie	Mark O'Hehir	Antoniette Butta					
Mon 30th	Tue 31st	Thu 2nd	Fri 3rd					
Georgina Deveraux	Michelle Aronleigh	Michelle Custy	Kerrie Cappy					

10 year boys	10 year girls	11 year boys	11 year girls	12 year boys	12 year girls
Josh McIntosh	Sharni Teesdale	Max Kingsbury	Camille Nightingale	Robert Deacon	Sarah McCormack
Mac Cleaver	Lily Cooper	Dean Cappy	Kirah Hard	Daniel Vella	Stephanie Klusik
Will Hampson	Teagan Crichton	Jake Schranz	Kacey Quennell	Nick Hookway	Gemma Proy
Samson Melatua	Amelia Vella	Alex Bailey	Jessica Sayers	Jesse Davies	Katya Flaherty
Shaun Ford	Hannah Smith	Kain Kugimiya	Jess Butta	Daniel Kah	Tayla Flaherty
Winiata MacKintosh	Emily Hawker	Bailey Bocksette	Caitlin Bourne	Scott Kingsbury	Taylor McIntyre
James Lovitt	Paige Petropoulos	Jamie Dimos	Sammy Jacobs	Joel McIntosh	Brooke Millen
Ben Hepworth	Anastasia King	Alex Griffith		Corey Ford	Michaela Sutton

EDITHVALE AEROBICS

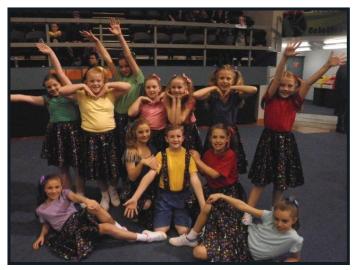
Kerrie Evans - Aerobics Coach

Wow! What an exciting time everyone had on Saturday night. The 'Schoolaerobics' competition was held in Geelong this year at The Arena stadium, a nice venue but a long way to go. Before our performance the girls and Liam all checked their hair and costumes and then we had a final practice. It was quite nerve racking waiting, however it was great to watch some of the other teams.

Next it was our turn and everyone put aside their nerves and excitement to dance beautifully and what fun they all had. Finally it was the presentations and what excitement as Edithvale was given 2^{nd} and an automatic place in the State Finals to try for a chance to compete in the Nationals later in the year. Thank you to the girls for working so hard and to all their mums and dads for their support.

A special thank you to **Brianna** for helping with the team and to **Michelle Lothian** for making the great costumes.





Fundraising Movie Packs

Any time you'd like to order **Village Cinema Movie Tickets**, the order forms will be available at the general office.

PREP EXCURSION

ROYAL MELBOURNE ZOO

Last Friday the Prep students went to the Royal Melbourne zoo. After much excitement getting on the bus the students arrived at the zoo. A quick stop for play lunch and toilet and we were off!

Many animals were looked at, examined and discussed by some very excited Preps. We were very lucky that many of the animals were out of their sleeping enclosures and the weather was reasonably kind to us.

The new seal enclosure was a great attraction and being in charge of the zoo map also gained support!

Thank you to the parents who came to the zoo and walked around with their little group.



MATHLETICS!!!

This week, students have begun using Mathletics as part of their Mathematics curriculum. A note was sent home yesterday to the parents who have paid for the use of this program, along with their child's username and password, ready for use at home.

For those who have not paid, please complete the Mathletics form and send payment to the office ASAP.

Your child will then be able to activate their Mathletics account.

YEAR 5 & 6 BUILDING-LANDSCAPING

It is now time to begin planning the landscaping for our new Year 5 & 6 building. If you would like to be part of a working committee, please feel free to attend our first meeting to discuss landscaping, on **Tuesday 14 June,** from **6.00 pm to 7.00** pm in the school staffroom.

PREP LOG PLAYGROUND AREA

As you know, there was a need to remove the log playground in the prep area, due to its age an condition. We now welcome some low cost ideas on what we can do with this area.

If you'd like to contribute to this project, please fill in the slip below, and return it to the office ASAP. Thank you.

PREP LOG PLAYGROUND AREA-FEEDBACK FORM

YOUR NAME:

YOUR CHILD'S NAME & CLASS :

IDEA(S):

ESTIMATED COST (IF KNOWN):

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF AN IDEAS & IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE:?

MOTHER'S DAY PAMPERING AFTERNOON

On Friday 6th May, The Prep students held a special afternoon to pamper their mothers for Mother's Day. This involved massages, painting their mum/nanna's nails, reading a story and showing off their hair styling techniques.



The mothers left looking very glamorous and relaxed.



Mr Whitla got in on the act too!



KUMON EDUCATION CENTRE FREE TRIAL

Edithvale Kumon Education Centre is offering a 2 week Free Trial in June this year (16 - 30). Your child can experience the studying of Maths or English twice a week (Monday and Thursday) in the friendly atmosphere of Edithvale Education Centre, as well as daily homework of 20-30 minutes.

You will be able to see if this method suits your and your child's needs and the child's personality.

Call Lena on 0402065154 to make an appointment for a detailed explanation about the Kumon method of education and its advantages—as well as the testing the students. Hope to hear from you soon - Lena, Supervisor—Edithvale Education Centre

Mention the name of a student already enrolled in the Centre and receive an additional week free.

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 now 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 <u>ALL</u> BPay payments, we need to be notified of what your payment is for. The easiest way is to email us on <u>edithvale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au</u> 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 already filled in and returned the forms we sent out last term. It is important for us to hold current student information at school, which includes medical information and emergency contacts, in case of an unforseen 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.

EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

Most of the payments have now arrived in our bank account (and yours) and those who chose the cheque option, can collect their cheques from the school office at their earliest convenience.

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!

A letter will be coming out to you soon with all the details—and there will be an option to 'opt-out' if you still need to receive your newsletter in paper form.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS DUE BACK AT SCHOOL

Thanks to all of those families who have either purchased the Entertainment Book, or returned it to school. All books or orders & payment, should have been returned to school by now so if you still have yours, please ensure either the book or the order & payment is returned URGENTLY.

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!

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!

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

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.

STUDENT BANKING DAY

Bank books are brought to school on <u>TUESDAY</u> 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.

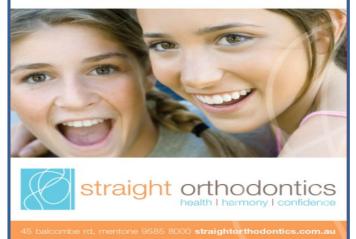
UNIFORM SHOP

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.

EPS COMMUNITY NEWS

Develop the confidence of a winning smile

Take advantage of our **free initial visit** and get some professional advice from a specialist orthodontist today. **No referral is necessary.**



ENROL YOUR CHILDREN IN KUMON! Learning by doing!

In Kumon children learn to concentrate, to be confident, to study regularly and methodically as well as to catch up and excel in Maths and English.

<u>Maths calculation program -</u> from writing numbers, to simple addition and subtraction to multiplication and division, to fractions, to algebra and beyond.

<u>English reading comprehension program -</u> from writing letters to reading simple stories, to basic grammar, to complex sentences, to text analysis, to Shakespeare and beyond.

Call **Lena on 0402 065 154** for an appointment and receive 50% discount on enrollment (usually \$70) and tuition fees (usually \$110 per subject) in February.

TENNIS COACHING

- Juniors 5–18 years. Free racquet 5–8 years.
- \$99 for 9 week term.
- Adult classes and mums program.
- *Social tennis*, junior and senior teams.

Chelsea Heights Tennis Club.

For bookings call 0439 616 748

or register online at:-

www.chelseahadfieldtennis.com.au



GAMES PLAYED SUNDAY MORNINGS

COTACT PETER McCARTHY on 0418 388 257