**FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER** 

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Term 1-Week 8 - 22 March 2011

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### **Denise Webster**

On Tuesday evening School Council met for the Annual General Meeting, the Election of Office Bearers for 2012 and the March meeting. Congratulations to Martin Taylor who was unanimously voted in as President and, under his guidance, we look forward to a very productive year ahead. Sub committees were formed and we are in the process of establishing dates for meetings throughout the course of the year. The work of a number of the committees extends into the general population of the school and there is always room for other community members to come along and join in. So if you are interested in joining the sub-committee for Buildings and Grounds or Fundraising please let us know. We are also forming a special working party to help organise the celebrations for the Centenary year in 2013. We have school councillors and community members past and present who have already come on board but we would warmly welcome anyone else who wants to contribute. More information about School Council and the work it does will be included in the next newsletter.

Early next week the Term 1 Interim Reports will be sent home. These are a snapshot of your child's progress over the term; they are not a record of achievement. If you have any concerns about what is in the report or about your child's learning, please contact the classroom teacher to organise an appointment for an interview.

We'd like to officially welcome Pru Hill who has replaced Dee Greedy as our 'front of house' person, looking after reception and student administration. Pru has worked at other schools so is familiar with the way schools operate. Please say hello to her next time you are up at the office. Tracey David has also joined our staff as a part time integration aide. Tracey has worked at EPS on a casual basis recently and we are happy to have her here as part of our team.

If you just happened to walk down the prep corridor yesterday morning you may have seen many little brides and grooms gathered together to help Miss Britt Baker celebrate her upcoming wedding. It was a sight to behold! All of the staff, students and parents from EPS would like to wish Britt and Matt a lifetime of happiness. We hope that they have a fabulous day on Saturday.

As the term draws to a close I would like to thank everyone for their hard work and support over the past eight weeks. There is always so much work to do in schools and we welcome, and indeed often rely, on the support and assistance that we get from our parents and friends. Whether it is in the classroom, on excursions or camps, at special events or celebrations - we are delighted by the extent of the help offered to us.

On Friday, March 30, students will be dismissed at 2.30pm. Final assembly will begin at 2.10pm.

## **IMPORTANT DATES MARCH** ♦ Sushi Day. No Canteen Orders Today. Tue 27th ♦ School Photos. Thu 29th Parent Helper Training. ◆ Last Day of Term One. Fri 30th ♦ School finishes at 2.30 pm. **APRIL** ♦ First Day of Term Two. Mon 16th ♦ ANZAC Day Assembly. Tue 24th Wed 25th ♦ ANZAC Day

Prep Parents Maths Information Session.



Thu 26th

## **TABLOID SPORTS**

Unfortunately we had to cancel the Tabloid sports Carnival yesterday due to the inclement weather. We would like to thank all parents, students and staff who braved the blustery conditions on Wednesday and we hope to see you all again when we organise for the Carnival to return to Edithvale Primary School later in the year.

## 'MEET AND GREET' AFTERNOON

On Tuesday March 13<sup>th</sup>, Edithvale Primary School held a 'Meet and greet' afternoon tea. Many parents and relatives came into our classrooms to see our great work, have a cup of tea (and some tasty snacks) and meet our friends and their families.

It was a really great afternoon and the smiles on everyone's faces showed that a good time was had by all. It's really fantastic to see our Edithvale community sharing in our learning and making friendships.

Pictured below is Asha of 4B, with her dad William and Ethan & Declan with their mum Nicola.





## ST KILDA RECOUNT - 20/03/2012

## By James Vicendese-4B

It was a normal Tuesday morning. I got to school just on time and I was reading my book when Miss Rohan said that there were some footy players from St Kilda coming to school.

We went outside and saw them. First, we asked them some questions then ran around the oval. After that we did some handballing drills in groups. We also had to bounce the ball, it was easy for me but some people found it hard.

Finally we did some kicking drills which were a little bit harder but still easy. Then we asked the last lot of questions and took a photo with everyone. It was AWESOME!!



# MY EXPERIENCE OF LEARNING HOW TO KICK A BALL

Annabel Syme 4A

A couple of days ago Mr Whitla organised for two footy players to come down to teach us how to kick 'like a pro', handball perfectly and bounce like you are on the ball.

They came from St Kilda to our school at Edithvale. The St Kilda players were called Jamie and Raiph. Jamie's number is 35 and Raiph's is 8.

Even though I go for Essendon I still thought they were pretty cool.

There were heaps of demonstrations of how to do it.

I thought it was great for our education in sport, also a great experience for me and it was fantastic fun!

## **CANTEEN NEWS**

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

**SUSHI DAY** is on Tuesday 27th March and all orders are due today, Thursday 22nd March. Last orders will be accepted this Friday morning. THERE WILL BE **NO** CANTEEN LUNCH ORDERS ON THIS DAY, ONLY WINDOW SALES.

The term 2 menu will be sent out early next term. There will be a couple of winter menu items added.

The term 2 Roster is being compiled at the moment. As term 2 is 11 weeks, there are some days where extra help is needed. If you can help out for a couple of hours, or for the whole day, between 9am—2pm, please see me at the Canteen.

Thanks to all my helpers over the last fortnight - a 'top effort'

#### CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM ONE Mon 26th Tues 27th Thu 29th Fri 30th Georgina Sharyn Mark Antoniette Devereaux McIntosh O'Hehir Butta, Christine & Jo Mills & Claire Ozane & Stewart Marabell Humbell

# EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES AT EPS THIS FORTNIGHT

AFL players' visit with St Kilda Saints players, Raiph Clarke & Jamie Cripps

Young Leaders Day Tabloid Sports Carnival Choir



Running Club
Hip Hop Club
Cheerleading



# EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

Some of the payments have now arrived in our bank account (and yours). Those who chose the cheque option can collect their cheques from the school office now.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

There has been some confusion over the RE letters which were sent home in the yellow envelope and a second one with your child last week.

You only have to return the form if your child <u>WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING</u> in RE Classes. If they are participating, just send along your \$6.00 in the envelope provided.

## **COMMUNITY HEALTH CHARGE**

Thank you to all of those parents who have paid their Community Health contribution of \$20 per child.

The Community Health Contribution is used to help support the employment and training of first aid staff and for the purchasing of supplies and equipment to attend to the immediate first aid needs of ill and injured children.

A portion of this contribution also goes towards our two Pediculosis (head lice) inspections that School Council organise during the year.



Please have you envelope back to school by tomorrow—**Friday 23 March** so the money can be forwarded to the appeal before the end of term.

## **REMAINING STUDENT FREE DAYS 2012**

## **MONDAY 3 SEPTEMBER**

Curriculum Development Day for Staff

## Friday 30 November

Curriculum Development Day for Staff

## THE ENTERTAINMENT **BOOK FUNDRAISER IS** COMING AGAIN

They're coming on Friday 20th April 2012



The brand new 2012|2013 Entertainment™ Book features many of the area's best restaurants, cafés, hotel accommodation, attractions, and activities. Books are packed with hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers, and over \$15,000 in total of valuable offers that your family can enjoy until June, 2013!

The best part is that for only \$65, you'll be helping us fund-raise, with \$13 from every Book sold contributing to the School's Fundraising Efforts.

They're going to be sent home to families on Friday 20 April, 2012

Please take the time to look through the Book when you receive it, and take as many orders from your work colleagues, friends or relatives before they sell out!













## YEAR 6 COMMEMORATIVE JUMPERS

The Year 6 Commemorative Rugby Tops have now been ordered and should arrive early in term two-just in time for the cooler weather. No further alterations or additions can be made.

## **Mordialloc College**

invites you to experience our exciting learning programs



## Saturday 5 May

At 10am, in the Forum (registration essential)

OPEN AFTERNOON 2012

## Saturday 28 April

From 2pm-4pm, tour the Year 7 Learning Centre

## OPEN NIGHT 2012

## Tuesday 1 May

6.30pm, SEAL information session (for interested families) 7pm, Open Night commences in the Year 7 Learning Centre

We encourage you to take this opportunity to meet our College Principal Michelle Roberts and our dynamic teaching team.

Join a guided tour of the College, participate in interactive learning workshops and experience our fabulous, state of the art Science Centre.

Station St, Mordialloc VIC 3195 Phone 9580 1184 www.mcsc.vic.edu.au

## MASSIVE SKATEBOARD **COMPETITION & CLINIC**

## Carrum Primary School



On Saturday, 24 March 2012 (4-7pm), a massive **Skateboard** Competition & Skill Clinic will be held at Carrum Primary School's 'Big Green Festival'.



Three instructors from the YMCA Skate Services (with Australian Sports Commission Coaching Accreditation) will run the Skateboarding Competition & Skill Clinic at the Festival.

The **Skateboard Competition** will be run in Primary School Age & Secondary School Age categories. Registration for the Skateboard Competition will be at the Big Green Festival on Saturday 24 March from 4pm.Lots of competition prizes!! All the details at www.biggreenfestival.com

The Skateboard Skill Clinic will focus on skill development (balance, turning, stopping & tricks), injury prevention, skate park etiquette and board maintenance. Each skill clinic session will be 30 minutes. The cost for each participant is \$5.00. Pre-Booking is essential as places are limited. Registration for the Skateboard Skill Clinic is available on the website www.biggreenfestival.com (look for the 'skaters' webpage).

## SUE TELFER HAS RETIRED

Aspendale Primary School





Date: Wednesday 28th March

Venue: Aspendale Primary School (in our new building)

Time: 4.00 pm - 5.00 pm

RSVP: Please contact Helen on 9580 3255 or via email (teasdale.helen.h@edumail.vic.gov.au) by 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

Feel free to pass this invitation on to past colleagues, students and friends!

# WHAT'S ON AT ASPENDALE GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTRE?

Aspendale Gardens Community Centre has a variety of activities for the young and the young at heart. From sport and fitness classes (for kids and adults), dance, kids music classes, playgroups, occasional care and more. For a copy of our activity brochure, or any enquiries, phone **9587 5955** or check out our website www.agcsinc.org.au

<u>De-clutter your way to a new life!</u> Tuesday May 15<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm. Fancy living in a peaceful and stress-free home and having more time to enjoy yourself? This practical workshop will give you the strategies to organise your storage spaces and be confident in deciding what to keep and where to put it. Included will be fun tips, clever hints and lots of ideas that can be implemented immediately. Cost \$15. Bookings phone 9587 5955

**Heart Link Network** - meets first Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm.

The Heart Link Network is an amazing opportunity for professional business women to connect, build relationships and grow their businesses in an inviting atmosphere. Spaces are limited. For further enquiries contact Lee Cummins on 0400 862 793 or email <a href="mailto:lee.cummins@bigpond.com">lee.cummins@bigpond.com</a>

**Zumba** - Tuesdays 7.30pm-8.30pm. Get fit for 2012 while having fun with the fitness craze that has taken the world by storm. Only \$12 per session.

Contact Mel on 0414 353 827

**Zumbatomic** for kids 4-12years. Big starz (8-12yrs) Wednesdays 3.45-4.30pm and Thursdays 4.15-5pm. Lil' Starz (4-7yrs) Thursdays 1-1.30pm and 3.45-4.15pm. Enquiries ph. Dani on 0411 139 795.

**Thump boxing** Thursdays 2pm-3pm with B Tru 2 U Fitness. Outdoor 30 minute express classes and personal training sessions also available. Enquiries ph. Connie on 0414 671 066

Cartridges for Planet Ark-Do your bit for the environment and drop off your used ink cartridges, toners and even your old mobile phones to the Aspendale Gardens Community Centre reception during office hours (9.30am-3pm Tuesday to Friday). These will be collected by Planet Ark and recycled into many different items including pens and garden beds.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

When: April 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>
(Tues Wed & Thu)



Time: 10.00 am - 3.00 pm

Where: Bonbeach Sports Stadium (Cannes Ave Bonbeach)
COST: \$75.00 for 3 days or \$30 per day
Bring:

Basketball, drink bottle, snacks & lunch BBQ lunch with sausages and bread on last day.

To register please contact stadium on 97761895 or email <a href="mailto:manager@chelseabasketball.com.au">manager@chelseabasketball.com.au</a> to pick up registration form

CHELSEA GULLS HAVE AN IMPORT FROM THE UK WHO WILL BE ON HAND AT TIMES THROUGHOUT THE CLINIC, THESE TIMES WILL VARY.

# ASPENDALE STINGRAYS SOCCER CLUB URGENTLY REQUIRE NEW PLAYERS



Aspendale Stingrays Soccer Club are urgently looking for up to 3 to 4 new players in each of the following age groups to enable the club to field teams in 2012.

Small Sided Football - U10 and U11s; and Junior U12 Boys

If you are interested in playing soccer in 2012 please go to either the Clubs website <a href="https://www.aspendalesc.com">www.aspendalesc.com</a> to check out team training times or contact the Clubs Registrar via email registrar@aspendalesc.com



#### CHELSEA/BAYSIDE KNIGHTS F.C.

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## 2012 Season

#### Boys & Girls Needed in our teams

- · 8 yr old "Girls" Born in 2003
- 9 yr old "Girls" Born in 2002
- 10yr old Girls" Born in 2001
- · 10yr old "Boys" Born in 2001
- · 11yr old "Boys and Girls" Born in 2000

All enquiries are to be directed to Chelseafootballclubaustralia@gmail.com

## **CLEAN CUT GARDENING SERVICE**



I have recently started my own garden maintenance service 'Clean Cut Gardening' & I'm looking for clients/properties in Edithvale & surrounding areas.

If you mention this flyer (ie: You're a parent/family member of EPS student) I will donate \$50 back to the school, (which will go towards school funding for the kids) for every new client who books a regular service, prior to April 2012.

Services include mowing, edging, hedging, tree trimming, green waste removal, weed control, pre-sale facelifts, window cleaning. Quotes available.

<u>Regular maintenance or a once off 'Clean Cut'</u> for summer, it's up to you?

Nick Macmillan (Ryan's Dad-Year 1)

Ph: 0419 140476 or E: nickmac9@bigpond.com

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## **COUNTDOWN TO EASTER**

Games, music, Easter craft and learn about the Easter story.

Wednesday 28th March at 3.45pm at Edithvale Uniting Church.

For enrolment information please call 9772 8389 or 9772 6055.

## 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 Kingston City Council on 9581 4867 or Dylan on 0439 081 059 for further information.

#### **BPAY 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 <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

A yellow envelope was sent home to all families recently, with several forms which need completing and returning to school. These forms were to be returned to school by **29 February.** 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. If you haven't returned your forms, would you please send them back as soon possible and if you change any of your details throughout the year, please let us know ASAP.

## **ELECTRONIC STATEMENTS AND NEWSLETTERS**

We are now sending quarterly family statements out via email, which has been a big success. We are also sending electronic copies of newsletters. At present, we will still be sending a hard copy, but at some stage this will stop, unless you specifically request a hard copy.

In time, we will commence sending newsletters via email every fortnight and eliminate the number we need to print. 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 a hard copy.

**EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)** 

EMA applications have now closed, so unfortunately, if you have not submitted your application ,you have missed out on this round. You may still be able to apply in the second half of the year though, if you have a current Health Care Card.

#### 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!

#### **PARKING ISSUES**

Please observe all parking signs around the school, particularly in Haig Avenue. Reports have come in from parents, that people are being booked by by-laws officers in that area on a regular basis. Please note also, that parents are not permitted to park in the staff car park.

#### 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 <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.

## 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.