



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Term 1—Week 3

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Working Together, Aspiring Higher, Connecting with our Community & Doing

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

"All kids are gifted, some just open their packages earlier than others" - Michael Carr

Congratulations to ALL of our students who have settled into their new routines so comfortably over the last few weeks. It has been terrific to see so many new students contributing so positively to our great school and receiving terrific support and guidance from our students who have been with us for a bit longer.

Information from each Year level that outlines some of the processes and learning that our students will be doing in Term 1 has been distributed. Please take a read and seek out your child's teacher if there are any questions you have over the content. These can be found on our school website in the Purple Pocket Notice section http://www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au/parents/purplepocket_S12019

Our dedicated staff are keen to help and support all of our students and working in partnership with you, we are confident that 2019 can be a great year for everyone at Edithvale Primary School.

Before signing off this week I ask you to ponder the question below, and something that prompted my thinking about the things we can all do to help us be successful in our fields of endeavour that I hope you enjoy (also a great one to ask children at the end of the school day)

If you were asked to list three things that went well for you during the day, what would you include?

SUNSMART

We are a SunSmart School! Although the weather may be cooling down a bit, the UV levels are still high so please remember to use sun protection each day during the sun protection times - not just on hot or sunny days.

Information for families is available from <http://www.sunsmart.com.au/communities/parents>

SCHOOL COUNCIL

2019 School Council nominations are now open and we are seeking to fill 4 Parent representative places that are available. Information about how to vote and where to cast your votes has been distributed recently and key dates are included below.

Closing date for nominations	Wednesday 20 February 2019
Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Friday 22 February 2019
Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	Wednesday 27 February 2019
Close of ballot (at 4.00 pm)	Wednesday 6 March 2019
Vote count (with scrutineer)	Thursday 7 March 2019
Declaration of poll	Friday 8 March 2019
First council meeting to elect office bearers	Tuesday 26 March 2019

Student accident insurance, ambulance cover arrangements and private property brought to school

Schools are asked to remind their communities that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Please note that:

- parents or guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance or transport as well as any other transport costs; and
- parents or guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers and it is the responsibility of parents or guardians to look into their preferred options in this regard.

The Department cannot provide advice to parents or guardians on the purchase of individual student accident policy or ambulance cover.

Private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage.

This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. As the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property, students and staff should be discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.



SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr Steve Smith

Welcome back to what will be a great year at Edithvale Primary School.

The EPS School Council meets once a month to discuss various aspects of the school, including fundraising, grants, buildings & grounds, finance, and education. We also have several sub-committees that focus on each of those areas in greater detail and report back to the Council.

Earlier this week we had our first School Council meeting of 2019. At this meeting we went through some housekeeping items in preparation for our AGM next month. We also discussed some of the Term 1 initiatives underway.

There is a Welcome BBQ for all our new families this afternoon. This annual BBQ is a great way to meet other members of the school community and an opportunity to have any of those EPS questions answered. We hope to see you there.

Our fundraising team is counting down to the Edithvale Primary School Twilight Fair on Friday 22 March. Only 5 weeks to go! Our weekly classroom donations are underway. This week's donation item was bottles of wine for our "win a wine" stall. Next week we are collecting "Lucky Jars" which are jars filled with lollies or other items that children can win at the Fair.

This week, in your child's purple pocket, you will receive a book of 5 raffle tickets for the Twilight Fair Raffle. Each ticket is \$2 and additional books are available at the office. We have some great prizes including a Vuly trampoline, a sports hamper and a 1kg block of chocolate from Yarra Valley Chocolaterie.

If you are interested in helping out with the Twilight Fair please contact us at EdithvalePrimaryFair@gmail.com.

Over the summer our buildings and grounds team has had a year of planning translate into a new bike shed and new playground equipment. The playground equipment is already very popular with the students. And the bike shed is nearly complete and will be ready for use later this month.

Our next School Council meeting will be our AGM on Tuesday 26 March.



FRENCH POETRY COMPETITION (BERTHE MOUCHETTE) AT E.P.S

Madame Snow et Charlotte (French Assistant)

The Berthe Mouchette Competition is an opportunity for students to practice the French language by participating in a competition with great prizes to be won!

All participants receive a certificate. Prizes are awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners of each year level. (State Competition). Prizes include beautiful French books, encyclopedias, CD, DVD and much more.

Who can enter?

The competition is open to all students from Year 3 to Year 12 in all schools across Melbourne and Victoria

How to enter

ENTRY FEE \$6.50. Payment can be made on QKR and then complete the online permission form. Or payment can be sent to the office in an envelope, with your child's name and class clearly marked on the envelope by Friday 1 March 2019.

We will be practicing at lunchtime as part of our extra-curricular activities program.

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CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 18	Tue 19	Thu 21	Fri 22	Mon 25	Tue 26	Thu 28	Fri 1
	Jo Mills	Alice McCarthy Svetlana DeSousa	Tiffanie Labib		Tanja Brinkman	Jill Donnelly Erin Cogar	Olivia Robertson



Don't miss the Edithvale Primary School Twilight Fair!

As part of our school's continued commitment to creating exceptional learning and enrichment outcomes, we're excited to host this year's Edithvale Primary School Twilight Fair!

The Edithvale Primary School Twilight Fair is the main fundraiser for our school and will be held on **Friday 22 March 2019!**

The Twilight Fair promises to be an exciting and inclusive event for everyone in our school community. All money raised will go towards improving and reinvigorating the outside learning and play areas for our students. We are fortunate to have a wonderful space to work with, and believe that this redevelopment will enrich our students' learning opportunities.

We anticipate that at least 1,000 students, teachers, parents, carers and friends will take part in this special event. We're looking forward to welcoming families from Edithvale, as well as our neighbours in Chelsea, Aspendale, Chelsea Heights and beyond.

Our Twilight Fair has already received the support of some incredible local businesses, including our friends at [Vuly Play](#). Australia's most trusted developer of trampolines and outdoor play equipment has generously donated an [Ultra Medium Trampoline](#) (valued over \$699!), which is our first prize in the raffle. The Ultra trampoline is designed with a heavy duty secured enclosure, and a polyethylene net that's been rigorously tested for superior safety in Australia's changing weather conditions.

We'll also have a great variety of activities and stalls on offer at the Twilight Fair, including:

Rides and games
Artists and performers
Silent auction
Book stall

Dunking booth
Side show alley
Cake stall
Plant stall

...And much more!



For more information about the Edithvale Primary School Twilight Fair, check out:

Our Twilight Fair Website: www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au/Fair

Our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/EPsfair/

TEAM KIDS—NATALIE GEORGE

Here at Team Kids Edithvale we have been focusing on getting to know all of our new Foundies and any other new children joining our program for the first time. We have been busy purchasing new resources to make our space better and more engaging for all of our children. We welcome all feedback from parents in regards to any improvements we can make here at Team Kids. As we move further into the term, we will be engaging in our 'Team Kids' clubs in which we endeavour to find activities that capture all of the childrens interests and hobbies. Our current clubs include: junior chefs, garden grubs, little scientists, mindfulness club and epic sports club. We are always looking to add to this existing list with new and exciting club ideas.

Please don't hesitate to contact us at anytime with your questions or feedback.

Programs: Before & After School Care, Vacation Care

Where: 42-54 Edithvale Rd, Edithvale, VIC

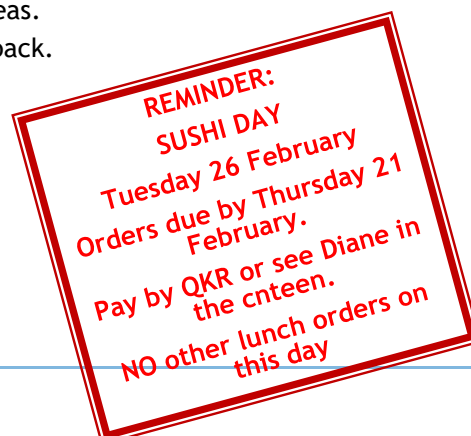
On-site Location: School Hall. Enter via Edithvale Rd and follow the TeamKids flags.

Before & After Care Hours: BSC: 6:45 am - 8:45 am, ASC: 3:30 pm - 6:15 pm

Holiday Program Hours: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm.

Phone: 0422 226 774

Email: EdithvalePS@teamkids.com.au



Term 1: Important Dates

February 20	Nominations close for School Council
February 21	Parent Literacy & Numeracy Practical Parent Workshops
February 26	Sushi Day
February 27	District Swimming
March 7	School Photos
March 11	Labour Day — students not required at school
March 22	Twilight Fair
March 26	Sushi Day
March 26	School Council—AGM
April 4	Foundation Grandparents and Special Friends Afternoon
April 5	Last day of Term 1. 2.30pm dismissal