

EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL -

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Term 2–Week 7

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Working Together, Aspiring Higher, Connecting with our Community & Doing the Right Thing

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Mr James Whitla

The weeks seem to be ticking by very quickly and I guess that time really does fly when you are having fun! Last week I popped down to Phillip Island to see our Year 5/6 students on camp enjoying the canoeing, archery and giant swings. It was terrific to see the smiles on their faces and the positive energy helped ensure a successful camping experience for all.

COMMUNITY VOICE SURVEY

A HUGE thank you to everyone who completed this survey over the past few weeks. The short survey is a key component in the SCHOOL REVIEW process as it helps us to create a detailed selfevaluation in conjunction with our student and staff feedback too. The survey is still open (it closes on Monday 5 June) and we'd love to collect your thoughts on what we are doing well, what can be improved and what areas we should focus on in our next 4 year Strategic Plan. Once all of the responses are in, and we have collated the data, we will socialise this with our school community.

FOUR YEAR REVIEW

While I'm on the subject of the School Review, we have been lucky to access immediate past Assistant Regional Director Denise Ramus, to work closely with as a 'challenge partner.' Her role will be to work with our school leadership team and narrow our focus for the review so that we can have a structured and well-defined pathway for the next 4 years. Denise brings with her a wealth of experience in education and we are very excited and very fortunate, to be able to work with her.

Zenda Clark from Monash University has agreed to co-ordinate our Review over 2 consecutive Fridays

in late July and early August. At the completion of this very robust process she will present her findings to our School Council and wider community so that we can set in motion our strategic plan for the start of 2018.

CYBER SAFETY

It was terrific to see so many families Cyber represented at our Parent safetv information session this week. Thanks to Detective Senior Sargent Wayne Laver for sharing his insights and knowledge about Cyber Safety and Security with 40 of our parents last night. For anyone who missed the session and would like some information on safe and appropriate use of IT, please click on the Cyber safety link on our school's website or head to https:// esafety.gov.au/esafety-information/games-appsand-social-networking where there are heaps of interesting facts and support options available.

BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION TIMES

There have been a couple of instances recently, where students are turning up to school well before our teachers commence their assigned duties. It is fantastic that our students are eager to get to school but with the weather turning for the worse we are keen to ensure our students are both protected from the elements and are appropriately supervised at all times. A reminder that staff are on duty from 8:45 am in the morning. Before School Care is available from 6:45am on site through the Kingston Council.

Please help us to keep your child safe by not sending them to school before the designated supervision time in the morning. Thanks in advance for your support with this.

TEAM HOLIDAY PROGRAM

I'm excited to let our school community know that we now have access to the TEAM HOLIDAY



program at Edithvale Primary School. This could be a great opportunity for our students to share fun experiences at our school over the holiday period. The team have included some information below and there are more details on our website.

At Team Holiday, we're incredibly excited to be a part of the Edithvale Primary School community and we can't wait to show you what we have planned for the upcoming school holidays.

We spend the entire year developing and implementing holiday programs that have set a new standard for families across Australia. Our specialist crew is made up of qualified educators who are committed to making every Team Holiday experience seriously fun and totally memorable for the children of Edithvale Primary and the surrounding community.

All programs are fully rebatable for Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate, which means you are entitled to a 50% discount – or more – on the full program price when your CCB/CCR numbers are linked to your account.

For more information on what's planned for Edithvale Primary these holidays, please call our friendly Customer Service team on <u>03 9532 0366</u>, *or visit <u>teamholiday.com.au</u>*.

NEW REPORT FORMAT

This week we sent home an example of the new report format that will be introduced for the semester's reporting period. I believe that these new reports contain greater detail on student achievements, clearly highlight students' strengths and areas for improvement and limits the amount of 'education speak'. Reports will be distributed on Friday 23 June with Parent/ Teacher interviews being held on the Wednesday and Thursday of the following week. These interviews will focus on your child's learning goals for semester 2 and provide an opportunity for you to ask questions of our staff about how you can help support your child's learning at home too.

SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT Mr Steve Smith

We are currently between our monthly School Council meetings, but there is plenty going on with our sub-committees.

Our Fundraising (Events) sub-committee is preparing for a fundraising BBQ at Tasman Butchers near the DFO which will be held on Saturday 26 August. More information will be available closer to the date. Planning for the Trivia Night in October is also underway. Our Fundraising (Grants) sub-committee is investigating several grants, some which are funding towards curriculum based projects, focused on the arts and sustainability. We have submitted our application for the Suez Environmental Community Grant as well; if successful we should be notified in August.

Our Buildings & Grounds sub-committee has been preparing for additional work to be completed near the Foundation entrance, along Edithvale Road. The team is also organising a new playground to be installed in Term 3 in the Junior Play Area along French Ave.

To prepare for this new playground, we need your help! We have the expert help of a parent with a bobcat and they are available this Saturday (3 June) morning from 9am until 11am. We also have some other work being done that includes moving mulch and preparing for some new asphalt at the pedestrian lights entrance of the school on Edithvale Road. If you can join us we'd love to see you there.

If you are interested in being involved in any of the sub-committees, please come and see me or put in a note at the office.

Our next School Council meeting is on Tuesday 14 June. We will continue to discuss our upcoming School Review at this meeting. This involves analysing data from our parents, teachers, students and community to see how we measure against our current Strategic Plan (2014-2017); with the goal of creating a new Strategic Plan for the next four years.

We would like to thank everyone who has completed the online survey and those who replied to the handout sent home last week to collect your thoughts on the future direction for our school. Your responses will be a great help with the School Review.

FOUNDATION 2018

Enrolments are now being accepted for any children starting school in 2018. If you are new to our school, please contact the office to book a tour. If you already have children at Edithvale Primary School, please contact the office for an enrolment form to be sent home.

BONBEACH ST. CHADS BASEBALL CLUB PLAYERS WANTED FOR UNDER 12 TEAM 9-11 Year olds, girls and boys. Saturday morning games. Contact Jim Crowe 0448 433 583 or email bonbeachstchads@gmail.com



URGENT-PLEASE READ

- Are you registered with FlexiBuzz?
- Have you selected the correct 'boxes'?

It seems that a number of our families are missing out on important information as they are either not registered on FlexiBuzz (formerly Tiqbiz), have not updated the APP since the change over or are not checking their messages.

For example, this week we have had children bringing lunch orders on Sushi Day, although we have sent reminders about this on FlexiBuzz. It has also been publicised on our website and in the newsletter for several weeks.

Last week, we had numerous phone calls regarding the return of the Year 5/6 camp after we had sent a message out on FlexiBuzz notifying everyone of their expected return time.

Each fortnight, we send a message out on FlexiBuzz, notifying you that the latest newsletter is available for viewing.

The also newsletter is published on our website <u>www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au</u> and there are always copies available at the office if you need a hard copy.

FlexiBuzz is our most widely used method of communicating with you, and if you don't register, you are missing out.

Please register or update and then select the correct boxes for your child/ren. This is important so that you receive every message relevant to your child/children, and are not bothered with other unrelated messages.

FlexiBuzz can be downloaded from the APP store on your Smart Phone or Device, or you can find it on your computer at: <u>www.flexibuzz.com</u>



If you have any queries regarding the process, please pop in to the office and we will happily assist you.

CANTEEN Mrs Diane Cameron

Sushi Day on Tuesday 30 May went very well and many thanks to Nicole for all her help on the day. The next Sushi Day will be Tuesday 27 June (orders will need to be in, via Qkr, by Thursday 22 June).

There have been some students wanting to order Hot Chocolates on a Friday and wonder why it's not available on Qkr. The reason is that Hot Chocolates are not available on Fridays. Orders are accepted on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday only.

A new item starting Monday 5 June is Margherita Pizza, it will be the same price as the other pizzas, \$3.20.

The Canteen has had many new parents helping out this term. Welcome to Sara, Elaine, Jodi, Tarn, Sam, Holly, Elisha, Stacey, Sarah. The last four weeks of Term 2 there will be a further three parents starting to help out in the Canteen. A big thanks to some of our Year 6 students who also help out during recess and lunch.

CANTEEN ROSTER								
Mon 5	Tue 6	Thu 8	Fri 9					
Kristyna Hall	Tanja Brinkman	Tarsha Warren	Brooke Mills					
Mon 12	Tue 13	Thu 15	Fri 16					
QUEENS BIRTHDAY	Stacey Smith	Nathalia Machado	Kate Gibbon					

NEW PLAYGROUND!

The School Council is extremely pleased to announce that we are getting a new playground! The "Double Galaxy Rope Climber" will be located in the Junior Play Area (French Avenue side), to be installed in term 3. If you would like to see the drawings of the new Play Equipment please "Control-Click" this Hyperlink <u>4612224</u>.



THE FRENCH GAZETTE Berthe Mouchette Competition

Bonne Chance/Good Luck Madame Snow

Edithvale Primary School is a regular participant in the Berthe Mouchette Poetry Competition held by the Alliance Française (St Kilda). The competition is offered to all our students, from Years 3-6 and involves learning, memorising and reciting a French poem in front of a judge.

To all the students involved in the French Poetry Competition, wishing you the very best for the oral examination on Monday 5 June 2017.

'Bonne Chance a tous/Good luck to all!'



LIBRARY NEWS



Arrrrrrrrrrrrh ! G'day shipmates!

Come to the all new LAMONT BOOK FAIR

Sea Where Reading Takes You! will dock at Port Edithvale Library (our school library) next Monday 5 June and will be open to all sailors each day 8.30 – 8.50 am & 3.30 – 4.00 pm until Thursday 8 June

So come on board and sea where reading can take you !



School Banking Information Session.

EDITHVALE PRIMARY is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2017 are:

Cyber Handball 3D Chalk Set Smiley Emoji Keyring Pencil + Tech Case Colour Change Markers Tablet Case Volt Handball Epic Earphones



School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

School Banking day is **TUESDAY**! Each week you need to hand your bank book to your teacher !

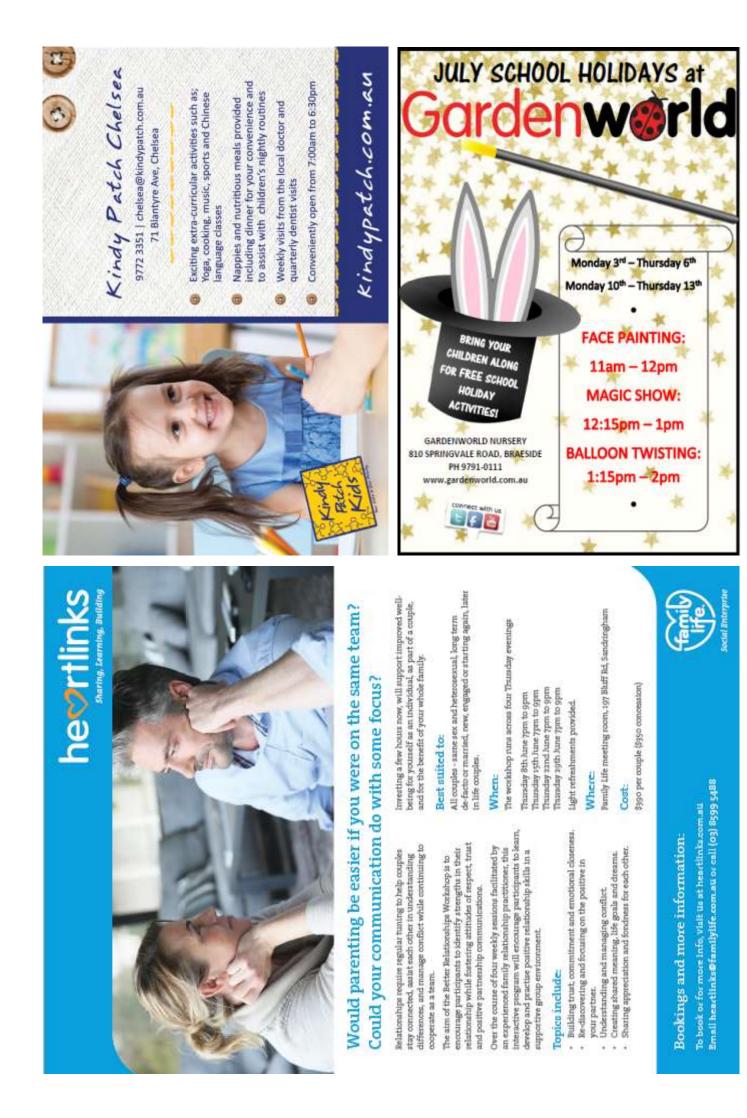
We will be holding a School Banking Information Session at EDITHVALE PRIMARY

Time: 2.30PM Date: FRIDAY 16 JUNE Location: SENIOR LEARNING CENTRE

Please join us and find out more about the School Banking program and how your child can get involved.

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child you can visit **commbank.com.au/** schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account. A School Banking representative will be available at the Information Session to show you how you can do this. In order to verify yourself and your child, you will need your driver's licence and your child's birth certificate, but if you don't have these with you on the day, you can complete verification online at home.





News from Chelsea Heights Community Centre

On Monday 19 June 7pm to 9pm the Centre will be holding a decluttering workshop which will give you the strategies to organise your storage spaces and be confident in deciding what to keep and where to put it!

On Saturday 17 June 10am to 4pm come along and learn how to make a beautiful transparent indoor/outdoor piece, this course is suitable for people of all ages.

The Seniors Bike Riding group, guided by Volunteer leaders leaves from the Centre each Wednesday at 9.30am. This is a perfect opportunity to explore local tracks and make new friends.

We have limited places in our Friday morning art class. From 10am to 12noon, practice your art or learn new mediums.

Ring 9772 3391 to book, for more details or our Term brochure, Please visit our website at <u>www.chelseaheightscommunitycentre.com.au</u> for a full program or just drop on by.

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Week 11 26-30 Jun		SUSHI DAY Order on QKR by Thursday 22/6	Education Sports Carnival Parent/Teacher Interviews	Parent/Teacher Interviews	Last Day of term Assembly 2pm Finish 2.30pm	
Week 10 19-23 Jun					School reports go home Assembly presented by School Leaders	
Week 9 12-16 Jun	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY	School Council			Student Banking sign-up 2.30pm Assembly presented by Year 3s	
Week 8 5-9 Jun	Book Fair	Student 1st Aid Book Fair	Book Fair	Book Fair		
Week 7 29-2 Jun	Cyber Safety Parent Information Night	SUSHI DAY order on QKR by Thursday 25/5		Year 5/6 Tree Planting	Year 5/6 Federation Immersion Assembly presented by Year 5/6s	
Week 6 22-26 May	Year 5/6 Camp	Year 5/6 Camp	Year 5/6 Camp		Assembly presented by Year 2s	
Week 5 15-19 May		Years F–6 Maths Workshop			Foundation 2018 Open Learning Morning 9.30-10.30 District Cross Country	
Week 4 8-12 May	Mini Beasts Incursion Year 1	NAPLAN School Council	NAPLAN	NAPLAN School Leader Photos		
Week 3 1-5 May					Cross country trials	
Week 2 24-28 Apr		ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY	Year 4 Camp	Year 4 Camp	Year 4 Camp	
Week 1 17-21 Apr	Easter Monday	Term 2 starts	Shrine Excursion Year 6's	Junior Mayor		
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKEND

EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL-CALENDAR-TERM 2, 2017