## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Mr James Whitla

We have almost made it to the end of a frenetic term and it has been wonderful to see the enthusiasm and positive attitude our students have carried all the way through to the finish line! It has been a term packed full of great learning opportunities and engaging experiences; and we will continue to offer rich activities and choices for our amazing students to shine, again next term.

Some of the stimulating and challenging learning our students have actively participated in include:

| AFL Roadshow | Cans for the Homeless | New Playground Opening | School Athletics Day |
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| Author visit- Adrian Beck | District Athletics | Professor Bunsen | Science Week |
| Coach approach | French Day/French <br> Poetry Competition | Premier's Reading Challenge | Scienceworks Excursion |
| Concert-EDIWOOD | Hooptime Basketball | Project Based Inquiry Units | STEM Nights |
| Curriculum Day- Inquiry | Interschool Sports | Responsible Pet Ownership | Swimming Program |

At a recent School Council meeting my boss helped us to unpack the Peer Review Report that was recently provided to us. This report outlined our successes over the past 4 years of our School Strategic Plan and identified some areas for future improvement. Compiled by an external reviewer, in conjunction with another local School Principal and a previous Assistant Regional Director, the Report gives us some clear direction for our focus over the next 4 years to help make this the best school we can possibly be. Key goals are summarised below, and these will be front and centre for our school throughout 2018 and beyond.

- To improve the agency of students in their learning;
- To improve student outcomes in Reading, Writing and Mathematics;
- To elevate the connectedness of the school community

A huge thank you to all of the parents randomly selected to complete the Annual Parent Survey. We had a $57 \%$ response rate to the 116 surveys randomly distributed.
This Department of Education and Training Survey allows parents to feedback to us their opinions on what is working well and what we can do improve our school. Each year we aim to build upon the suggestions and thoughts from our community and the data from the survey is highly valuable for us as we commence our 2018 planning.

On behalf of our wonderful staff, have a safe and enjoyable vacation and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 9 October.


SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Mr Steve Smith
Enjoy your school break; we have a lot of exciting events planned for Term 4.
Our school Trivia Night will be on Friday 13 October. This exciting and fun filled evening will be held at the Chelsea Yacht Club and doors open at 7:00pm. Individual tickets or an entire table of 10 can now be purchased on QKR.
We are looking for volunteers to help make this night a success. If you interested in assisting with planning or setup please let the Fundraising subcommittee know by contacting us through the school office or sending an email to edithvale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Our Edithvale Primary School branded KeepCups are selling fast. KeepCups are reusable coffee cups - perfect for your Friday morning school coffee fix. KeepCups can be purchased on QKR for $\$ 12$ for the standard plastic version and $\$ 20$ for the glass version. Owning a KeepCup will reduce waste in our landfills and has some financial benefits as well:

- Discounted coffee from Adam when using a KeepCup at our Friday morning Coffee Van.
- Our school canteen will discount hot chocolate for children with a KeepCup.
- And our local cafes will offer discounts when you bring in a reusable coffee cup.

The EPS School Council Fundraising Subcommittee has been successful in securing a fundraising sausage sizzle at BUNNINGS Keysborough, corner of Springvale Road $\mathbb{\&}$ Cheltenham Road on Saturday 28 October from 8 am to 4 pm . If you are able to volunteer an hour of your time towards this event, please contact the Fundraising sub-committee or sign up using the online roster at: https://goo.gl/czhtzh

At our School Council meeting on 12 September we discussed the recent school review with our guest, Jennifer McCrabb. The results from this review and the goals defined during the process will roll into our new School Strategic Plan which will guide us over the next three years.

We also renewed/ratified the following policies at that meeting: Manual Handling, On-Site Supervision, and Safety and Welfare with External Providers. These policies are renewed every three years.

Our next School Council meeting is on Tuesday 17 October.

A timely reminder .
If you can see skin, UV can reach it.
Between September and the end of April 2018, please ensure all children:

- Wear cool, loose fitting clothing that covers as much skin as possible
- Wear a sun protective hat for all outdoor activities
- Apply SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum sunscreen during the day (please see sunscreen tips below)
- Have access to shady play spaces
- Wear wrap-around sunglasses labelled AS 1067 (if practical).


## SUNSCREEN TIPS

- Regular use of sunscreen has been shown to reduce the incidence of melanoma and squamous cell carcinoma, both in the short and long term.
- Choose SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen. Make sure it is within its use-by date and is stored below 30 degrees. It is best to apply a generous amount of sunscreen to any exposed skin around 20 minutes before going outdoors. Sunscreen should be reapplied every two hours even if the stated level of water resistance is 4 hours.
- Store sunscreen with lunchboxes and/ or hats so when children grab their lunch or hat before going outdoors, they will also be reminded to apply sunscreen. If sunscreen is kept in the cooler section of the lunchbox, it will be cold when applying especially nice on a hot, summer's day.



## WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Thank you to everyone who has contributed. We are hoping to reach our target of 30,000 points. We will let you know after the holidays, how many points we achieved.

## CANTEEN

 Mrs Diane CameronIt's the last report for Term 3 and what a term it was. Firstly a huge thanks to all parent volunteers for your help and support in the Canteen this term. A BIG thanks to Sarah and Jane for coming to help last Friday. Also thanks to parents for helping out on Hot Dog Day, which is pretty huge (over 200 hot dogs, 100 jam donuts, 80 gingerkids and 200 drinks).

Term 4 Sushi Days will be on Tuesday 31 October and Tuesday 28 November.

As at Friday 15 September the new leader for the Canteen Cup is 00B. The winners were announced at recess today and each received a Twirly Pop ice cream. Congratulations to the winning class.

Well done to those students who have brought their 'keep cups' to the canteen at recess for a hot chocolate at lunch time. Remember when using these cups the students pay only $\$ 1.00$.

Hot Chocolates will not be a lunch order menu item in Term 4, but those with 'keep cups' will still be able to bring to the canteen at recess or first thing in the morning for collection at lunch time.

Parents rostered in the first two weeks of term 4 will be contacted by me soon and the full roster will be sent out early term 4. See you all next term, have a wonderful break

| CANTEEN ROSTER |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mon 9 | Tue 10 | Thu 12 | Fri 13 |
|  | Stacey Smith | Katie <br> Schneider | Jane <br> Donaldson |
| Mon 16 | Tue 17 | Thu 19 | Fri 20 |
| Monica Leo | CANTEEN <br> CLOSED | Tarsha <br> Warren | Renee Jean |

## SUSHI DAY

The next Sushi Day is on 31 October. Orders are by Qkr only. If you are not able to use Qkr, please see Diane Cameron in the canteen.

Orders are due by 26 October. Please note order forms will NOT be sent home.

## 2017 FRENCH POETRY COMPETITION RESULTS Madame Sylvie Snow

Here is the list of the 19 finalists who took part in the final round of the State Poetry Competition!


YEAR 3 :
Evie ANAGNOSTOPOULOS, Ana-Sofia CHALELA SABOGAL, Karen HALL, Annabelle MACMILLAN, Rose MARSH and Nellie SEDDON.

YEAR 4:
Lachlan FULTON, Eva HAY, Hana PATSELIS and Airlie SMITH.

YEAR 5:
Bodea GWYN-AITKEN and Luke WILSON.
YEAR 6:
Charlotte BADLEY, Jessica BRENNAN, Eva COULTON, Jacinta GALLAGHER, Alexandra HEENAN, Nadia HENRIQUES and a big BRAVO to Jordan Shenouda for winning $2^{\text {nd }}$ in the State of Victoria in the French Poetry Competition 2017, 'Fantastique'

We congratulate all the participants for their outstanding results. Certificates for all participants will be given out at the end of Term 4.


## FOUNDATION 2018 ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are now being accepted for children starting school in 2018. If you are new to our school, or our community, please contact the office on 97721393 to book a tour.

If you already have children at Edithvale Primary School, please contact the office and we will send an enrolment form home for you.
Our next transition session is on Friday 13 October from 9.30am until 10.45am.


EDITHVALE ASPENDALE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

## 2018 COACHING APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN

U13s-u17s - applications close $7^{\prime \prime}$ October 2017
U95-u12s-applications close $15^{\prime \prime}$ October 2017
u12, u15, u18 Girls-applications close $15^{\circ \prime}$ October 2017
Coaching application forms are available from our website www, eaitc com.zu Email completed application forms to secretary eadfccomay


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