



EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Term 3—Week 6

23 August 2019

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Mr James Whitla

Principal's Forum

Next Friday we have been asked to present to 350 Principals from the Bayside Peninsula Schools Network on the great work that we continue to do in Numeracy with our students and staff. The presentation will explain our maths journey over the last 5 years and the work done with Maths Coaches, the Professional Learning that has been undertaken and, importantly, the targeted teaching we do to help students develop a strong understanding of Number.

I share this honour of presenting with Jess McGeachin- our Maths Leader- and look forward to proudly sharing the work that we continue to do that has driven us to become recognised as a school of INFLUENCE in our Network.

Compass Events now LIVE

In order to streamline our processes and communications through COMPASS and to further reduce our environmental footprint, the "Events" platform for our incursions and excursions and CompassPay to pay for those events is now LIVE.

Information on All excursions/incursions can now be accessed via **My News** on your home page letting you know there is an **EVENT** in your Action Centre. Parents and Carers of students who will attending these **EVENTS** will receive emails to serve as a gentle reminder of the need for permission and payment (as required)

At this stage, Canteen and Educational Contributions will remain with Qkr.

We are trialling this in our Senior school for upcoming Interschool Sport and Athletic days and are hopeful that we have the system right. We acknowledge that, as often happens with change, things don't always go to script. We hope to minimise any disruption or frustration associated with this switch and are keen to take on board feedback on how we can do this better.

District Athletics

Last week our Athletics Trials identified plenty of talented athletes, many of who will be representing Edithvale Primary next Friday 30 August at the Interschool Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to all students who attended the trials and gave great effort. We wish our team all the very best at the Carnival next week.

Homelessness Week

It's always a pleasure welcoming Tim Richardson MP to our assembly. Today Tim helped us launch Homelessness Week where we are aiming to support those less fortunate than ourselves by asking for donations of non-perishable food. Last year our community donated almost 600 cans of food to help the Chelsea Community Church provide meals for homeless people in our broader community.

Complementing this work again this year will be our Cup Cake Drive that students Airlie and Scarlett will be running. This initiative gained great traction last year and saw members of the Victorian Parliament eating these in Spring Street! More information on how to order these and when they will be available at school will be distributed shortly

New Flag Poles

This week 3 new Flag Poles were erected by the French Avenue gates. These new additions allow us to now fly proudly the Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags each day as we continue to pay respects to the traditional owners of the land on which we learn and teach each day

Thank you

A huge thanks for your patience and understanding with the road works along French Avenue. This week has been a bit disruptive and we have had limited access off the street. In the interests of safety we have kept our gates shut and I envision that these will be open again very shortly



SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr Steve Smith

We have two Fathers' Day activities planned for next week. The school will host a **Fathers' Day Stall** on **Thursday 29 August**, and a **Fathers' Day Breakfast** on **Friday 30 August**. If you are able to assist with either day please return the helper slip sent home by purple pocket earlier this month.

Just a reminder that our annual **Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings** (Keysborough) will be on Saturday 31 August. Our BBQ is scheduled on the Fathers' Day weekend and we are expecting a lot of hungry customers. If you have an hour to spare please sign up by returning the paper reply slip (sent home by purple pocket) to the school office or using the online roster below. Thank you!

<https://volunteersignup.org/Q497Q>

The funds raised from this event will be put towards the school's three new flag poles, which were installed earlier this week by the French Avenue gates.

At the School Council meeting last week we reviewed the following policies - "Child Protection & Mandatory Reporting", "Statement of Values & School Philosophy", "Inclusion & Diversity", and the "Photographing, Filming and Recording Students" policy. These policies can now be found on the school website (www.edithvaleps.vic.edu.au).

School Council approved a proposal from the Fundraising team for a **Community Christmas Market** to be hosted at the school on **Sunday 17 November from 9am - 2pm**. We will have more information about this event in the coming weeks.

Our next School Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 10 September.



BUNNINGS

warehouse

EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL
SAUSAGE SIZZLE
SATURDAY 31 AUGUST
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Corner of Springvale & Cheltenham Road, Keysborough

TEAM KIDS—TERM 3 UPDATE

Wow it's hard to believe we are at the half way mark of term three! Team Kids Edithvale has been busy with our kids clubs again this term. Some of our yummy recipes from our Junior Chefs Club include custard tarts, veggie rolls and lamingtons. In the coming weeks we will be creating macarons and savoury quiches in preparation for our end of term event - a high tea!

Parents are encouraged to make a gold coin donation to help raise funds once again for WISH Wildlife Rescue to support their critical work. The children have also been brainstorming some ideas for our dance competition where we will compete against other team kids venues across Australia. The winning venue will be awarded a foam party for the entire school!! Our STEM and Art Attack clubs have been evolving this term as well and the intent is to keep drawing on the interests of the children to maximise engagement levels of our planned activities.

Please note I will be on university placement from mid-August to the end of term (except every Friday). Please direct any questions or concerns to Lauren in my absence and she will be more than happy to assist.

Our spring holiday program has now been announced so please feel free to drop by to discuss any questions you may have with any of our programs on offer.

Kind regards,
Nat (Director of Service - Team Kids Edithvale).

WANTED: Plastic Bottle Tops

We are asking anyone to bring in your clean (washed) PLASTIC caps (marked with either #2 or #4), from any plastic bottles, including lemonades, sports drinks, milk bottles, and pop them in the collection bin either near the office, or by the 3D printers. We will send them off to make new hands for kids that need them.



Together, with [Envision Hands](#), we will be gathering bottle tops and transforming them into mobility aids and other usable household items. As part of the e-NABLE project, Envision Hands aims to make 100 mobility aids for disadvantaged children and communities throughout India and other 3rd world countries.

Envision Hands is an incredible environmental and humanitarian project supported by Coca Cola, Rotary, Lions Clubs and so many people in the community.



Start Collecting!



Term 3: Important Dates

August 27	Foundation 2020 Transition morning—9.30am to 10.30am
August 28	Fathers' Day Stall
August 28	Year 3 Starlab Incursion
August 30	Fathers' Day Breakfast
August 30	District Athletics for Years 3-6
August 31	Fathers' Day Bunnings BBQ at Keysborough
September 2	Foundation to Year 4 Swimming starts
September 19	School Concert
September 20	Last Day Term 3 (2.30pm dismissal)

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 26	Tue 27	Thu 29 Aug	Fri 30	Mon 2 Sept	Tues 3	Thurs 5	Fri 6
Lisa Saint-Aubin		Svetlana Desousa	Nicole Butcher	Jasmin Miller	Sue O'Brien	Erin Cogar Mel Foster	Olivia Robertson

SAVE THE DATE
THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL CONCERT

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Around the



World



Community Christmas Market
at Edithvale Primary School.



Sunday 17th November 2019
9am - 2pm
Rain or shine

Email: edithvaleprimaryschoolmarket@gmail.com

FLU SEASON IS UPON US

We are continuing to have confirmed cases of Influenza A and B reported at school. Please seek medical advice if your child/children are showing any symptoms.

The most common symptoms of the flu are:

- Sudden appearance of a high fever (38 degrees or more)
- A dry cough
- Body aches (especially in the head, lower back and legs)
- Feeling extremely weak and tired (and not wanting to get out of bed)
- Other symptoms can be:
- Aching behind the eyes
- Loss of appetite
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose



The flu is a highly contagious viral infection that can cause severe illness and life threatening complications, including pneumonia. The flu is spread by contact with fluids from coughs and sneezes.

Children should not attend school until they are well.

Please refer to the Better Health website for more information:

<https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/ConditionsAndTreatments/flu-influenza>