What an action packed week it has been!! I’m sure that there are still a few very tired heads today as we all recover from the Olympics opening ceremony on Monday and the Footsteps concerts on Tuesday and Wednesday. All of these events require a huge amount of effort from teachers, students and parents – but the results are priceless. The children have had a fantastic time and we, as spectators, get to watch on proudly as they immerse themselves in their performances. Thank you for your wonderful support – I hope that you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did.

Denise Webster

SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE
YES! Our students at EPS showed us that over the last two nights. Congratulations. What a fantastic time we all had... from rehearsals to our opening night!
Our EPS students showed their talents from jive, to disco, to walking like an Egyptian. The preps certainly brought the house down with shake, rattle and roll. The grade 1’s showed us how they roared. The grade 6’s thrilled us with “Thriller” What about the grade 3’s with their High School Musical? Just amazing! And we certainly will look at Ninjas in a different light after that clever dance by grade 4. The grade 5’s looked great with their “greased hair and swishy skirts and those disco moves...brings back memories. We listened to the beautiful voices of our choir and instrumentalists, and finally, we had so much fun watching the teachers.
Thank you to our wonderful and talented MC’s Josh Elkins, Arielle Cathcart and Luke Zaradic from grade 6.
We would like to acknowledge Scott Diamond (Assistant Principal) at Mordialloc College for his assistance and the use of the hall and to Carrum PS and Aspendale Gardens PS for assisting costumes, John Lamont for controlling the curtains on both nights and Ashley Howard and Paul Turner for operating lights. A special thank you to Jeanette Woods and Anne Waller for their help with costumes and getting the children dressed on both nights. I would also like to thank Mrs. Lamont for her tireless effort and time over the last 4 months.

Jenny Lang
Visual Arts Teacher.
as we did.

BIG COMPETITION
French Crepe Day (Pancake) Wednesday 27th August

To help celebrate this special day. Madame Snow will be asking all the students from Grades 2-6 to create a version of the Eiffel Tower. La Tour Eiffel (the Eiffel Tower) must be made out of recycled materials.
Preps and Grade 1’s will participate in a colouring competition. All art pieces will be paraded at a special French assembly on Wednesday 27th of August. We would like the whole school to dress up in the colours of the French flag which are Blue, White and Red or to wear French outfits.

Term 3—IMPORTANT DATES

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FOOTSTEPS CONCERT DVD’S

Will be available for sale. Details will be follow in the newsletter Next Week
Inquiry Based Learning

As part of our curriculum development this year a number of teachers have been looking at Inquiry Based Learning and how it can be adapted as part of our teaching at Edithvale Primary School.

You might ask “What is Inquiry Based learning”?

Inquiry Based Learning is a discipline that leads to understanding. It is an involvement in learning that teaches skills and attitudes that permit you to seek resolutions to questions and issues while you construct new knowledge.

Teachers at Edithvale Primary School plan curriculum that caters for different learning styles. Planning for the content of lessons is on a term and weekly basis. Along with the specific teaching of the concept, Inquiry Based Learning can be introduced to the class.

Inquiry Based Learning is based around students questions. The students work through the questions to solve the problems. Parents and teachers act as facilitators of learning. They provide the assistance and skills to send the students in the right direction to seek out the answers.

Through teacher professional development, the staff at Edithvale Primary have been learning how to ask questions that will stimulate the thinking and questioning techniques of the students.

The process of inquiry learning has three basic steps.

- An immersion stage, where a student is introduced to a concept
- A questioning stage, where students ask the questions that will help them to determine what they want to learn, how they are going to learn it, where they will get the resources from and why they want to learn a particular concept
- The learning stage, where the student finds the solutions to their questions.

Parents and teachers play an important role in the process. As parents you have introduced your children to the inquiry process from birth. You have and are still facilitating many vital learning steps. As teachers, we continue to deliver the skills that will promote and develop learning. As partners we are giving the students an education that will allow the students a greater understanding of the world we live in, the way we learn, a better means of communication and a structure of how to work.
Canteen News

On Friday the 22nd August, is the last day for Olympic lunch Orders. There will be no other lunch menu items available on this day, only Olympic Lunch orders.

Thank you to my wonderful helpers for the week. A job well done.

Diane

Canteen Roster

Monday 18th ~ Angie Clark
Tuesday 19th ~ Kate Joy
Thursday 21st ~ Chris Topham & Jill Eadie
Friday 22nd ~ Sharon Graham
~ Jackie Houghton

News from Chelsea Heights Community Centre

What a good time of year for getting creative in a cozy heated room at our Community Centre! Decorate a cake for that “special occasion” on Monday nights or Wednesday afternoons, be guided step-by-step into making your own quilt to treasure in our Patchwork Quilting class Wednesday mornings, learn healthy but tasty cooking with Gluten Free or a special Cooking for Blokes class on Tuesday evenings, create distinctive patterns and techniques on Silk with silk painting Monday afternoons, or put together your own colourful masterpiece in our Mosaics sessions on Wednesday evening or Friday afternoon. Do not forget our Wellness Day “Transform Your Life” - showcasing a range of alternative therapies for better health and happiness on Sunday September 14th 10am until 4pm. There is plenty more on offer on our web site www.chelseaheightscommunitycentre.com.au or check out our Term 3 brochure. We also offer Occasional Take-A-Break childcare each week day for children under 6 years old and have a fabulous hall available to hire for that special event in your life. Drop by or ring for a copy of our brochure or to enrol in our classes on 9772 3391.

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Wetlands Welcome Photo Competition

Send in your very best photos of the Edithvale-Seaford Wetlands or the birds, animals & plants that live there and enter our competition

Free Entry - send in as many pictures as you like

2 categories - a) Under 17 & b) Open
Photos to be laminated and not larger than A4
Your name, age (if under 17) and contact details, including email address should be on the back of each photo
All photos to be kept by Friends of Edithvale Seaford Wetlands to use for display purposes - credits will be given

Send your photos to Wetlands Welcome
PO Box 124, Seaford 3198 by 1st October 2008
Alison - 8766 4304 - 0408 342 192
alisonkuiter@optusnet.com.au

All photos will be displayed at the Wetlands Welcome Day at Seaford North Primary School in Halifax Street, Seaford (Mel 97 F11) from 10 am - 3 pm on Sunday 19th October

Wetlands Welcome Day - celebrating the arrival of migratory birds
Talks, displays, children's activities, puppet making of birds that will be flown in the "Great Migration" which takes place on the oval and begins at 12 noon