This week is Education Week and the response from students, teachers and parents has been wonderful. There have been activities planned for each day and the mood has been one of celebration. Many students gave their parents a personal guided tour of their classrooms on Tuesday evening and very proudly talked about their learning and the projects that they have been working on. Yesterday, all students were involved in activities which allowed them the opportunity to think how it might feel to ‘walk a mile’ in someone else’s shoes. It gave them a small insight into a variety of life experiences that were very different to their own. Our week concludes with the much anticipated disco tomorrow evening. Thank you to everyone who has helped to make this week a very special one for Edithvale Primary School.

On two mornings this week we have been conducting tours for prospective enrolments and this has also given us the chance to showcase some of the excellent things that are happening at EPS. Enrolments for 2009 are already being taken. Again, we are offering a comprehensive transition program for the new prep and this will begin in August. If you are already one of our families and have a child due to begin school in 2009, please come to the office and collect an enrolment package.

Many, many thanks to the families who braved the elements on Saturday morning to help at the working bee. It is amazing what can be achieved in a short space of time and their efforts certainly had our school grounds looking terrific for Education Week.

Denise Webster

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**The Preps Went to the Zoo**

On a lovely sunny Thursday last week, the Preps went to the zoo. What a time we had! We saw peacocks, lions, monkeys, giraffes, elephants and beautiful butterflies. We had lots of helpers to take us around the zoo and see the many, many animals.

We had a terrific time at the zoo but there were a few of us that were very, very tired at the end of the day! Little legs walked a long way!

Come see our photos outside the Prep classroom ~ Preps can fall asleep in any position!
ART WITH 4/5

The grade had a fantastic experience designing and painting in teams on a canvas. Here are the final 'masterpieces'.

RANDOM

Artists: Tom, Callum, Lachie, Renee and Mayla
What we used: Scrapers, paint brushes, rollers, sponges, paint, canvas, stencils and pencils.
Colours used: Pink, red, blue, white, black, yellow, orange, green, purple, metallic green, lavender, light green, violet, brown, light blue and grey.
How we created our masterpiece:
1. First we drew a plan on a piece of paper and once we all agreed, we could finally start on our canvas.
2. We used stencils to draw circles, squares, triangles, hexagons and pentagons.
3. We painted the shapes then we painted the background and scraped all over the painting.
4. We splattered the painting with black paint and a few other colours then we used rollers all over the painting.
How we felt when creating our masterpiece:
We felt like real artists like Picasso and DeVince.

SPLAT!

Artists: Daniel, Tiger, Caitlin and Bec. M
How we created our masterpiece:
1. First we all worked together in making a rough copy.
2. Tiger outlined a random shape and we mixed some pink and green and white to make the colours we liked. Bec used a sponge roller and started painting. Caitlin used a scraped to scrape away at the paint.
3. We sponged the outside shape using lots of different colours. We mixed red and green on the canvas then we put red, orange, pink, blue and green dots on the paint. Then we splattered paint over the shapes.
4. Tiger painted the black stripe on the edge of the canvas and Caitlin painted the sides.
How we felt when creating our masterpiece:
We were excited because we had never painted a canvas before. While we were working, it was amazing and we got very excited and a little bit silly. We thought we were cool.

REMINDER: DISCO IS ON THIS FRIDAY NIGHT

We have had an overwhelming response from parents offering to help at the Junior disco. Although this is fantastic and we understand parents wanting to support the school, in order to not overcrowd the hall with adults, we will be rotating supervision between the disco floor and the Staff Room.

There will be tea, coffee and cake on offer in the Staff Room.

All parents, not just disco helpers, are welcome to attend the Staff Room whilst the disco is in progress.
SWIRLY

Artists: Ben A, Megan, Olivia and Nick

What we used: Paint brushes, paint, sponges and a rolling pin.

How we created our masterpiece:
1. We roughly planned out our outline on a piece of paper.
2. We swirled paint of all different colours and we splattered parts of the picture.

How we felt when creating our masterpiece:
We felt happy when we were finished and we were proud of what we had produced as a team. Some of us felt sleepy.

BUBBLES

Artists: Rhys, Joel, Madeline, Kasey and Rebecca Flynn

Colours used: Yellow, red, pink, purple, blue, green, black and white.

How we created our masterpiece:
1. Our group brain stormed ideas before starting.
2. We did a plan on paper first so we didn’t make any mistakes.
3. We started drawing bubbles in pink, green, blue, red, orange and yellow.

How we felt when creating our masterpiece:
We felt like we were floating in a bubble. We all really enjoyed ourselves.

DEBB

Artists: Ben. M, Emily, Breanna and Dante

How we created our masterpiece:
1. First we drew up a plan.
2. We sketched our plan onto the canvas.
3. We started by painting the stripes and circles.
4. The colours we used were: pink, purple, aqua, yellow, red and pink.
5. We finished the circles and started the blue sky.
6. We used a spikey sponge for the rainbow effect and paint brushes for the circles and sky.

How we felt when creating our masterpiece:
We felt very relaxed as we created our artwork. It was a tough experience but it was great!
**THINGS TO REMEMBER**

- Late children need to get a let pass from the office prior to 9:30am.
- School Banking is collected on a Tuesday and processed on the Wednesday.
- Canteen closed on Wednesday
- Uniform Shop open on Tuesdays
- Parent Helpers need to sign in at the office.
- Early departure need to sign out at the office.
- Notes are required for all absences.
- EMA cheques are now ready for collection.
- SRC, School Captains and house Captain photos can be ordered from

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

Sushi forms are coming in thick and fast and final days of acceptance is Thursday 29th May. Year 5’s who are going on camp, please try and get your order in by Friday 23rd May.

What a fun start to the week with extended versions of past hits “Walk Like An Egyptian” and “The Lion Sleeps Tonight”, filtering from the hall to the canteen. Looks like the Footsteps Dancing is a hit with the students. Thanks to my helpers this week.

Diane

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**FOOTSTEPS at Edithvale Primary School**

We can hardly wait...it’s nearly here …and we’re so excited….4 sleeps to go and we will have Footsteps at Edithvale! What a wonderful time we will have every Monday for the next 10 weeks. Here are the session times for everyone to take note of....

1. 9:00 ~ 9:40am ... Grades 5
2. 9:40 ~ 10:20am ... Grades 2
3. 10:20 ~ 11:00am ... Grades 1
4. 11:30 ~ 12:10pm ... Grades 3
5. 12:10 ~ 12:50pm ... Grade Preps
6. 12:50 ~ 1:30pm ... Grade 4
7. 2:30 ~ 3:30 pm ... Grade 6

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