The Dirk Hartog Camp was an amazing opportunity for our youngsters to experience the World Heritage Shark Bay region. The students came face-to-face with local marine life at the Ocean Park like squid, turtles, fish, crayfish and even sharks! We learnt how important it is to protect and conserve our precious marine life with careful respect. The students also had the opportunity to experience Dirk Hartog Island and its magnificent flora, fauna and history thanks to our parent tour guide Kieran Wardle. We learnt that Dirk Hartog Island was the first place European settlers landed in Western Australia 1616. Amidst all the 'hands-on' learning, the students had a fantastic time interacting with each other and developing social skills. Stay tuned to the CSOTA website for photos coming soon.

CSOTA Parents are kindly asked to complete a School Survey for 2009. This is available on the school website. This survey is very helpful for us to evaluate what is working well and what needs improvement in terms of the functioning of the school. We appreciate your valuable support in this process in making our school the best it can be.

We now look forward to our next camp, which is the Year 6/7 Canberra Camp coming up in September.

Congratulations to Tessa Meecham who entered the interschool cross country run and won her race with a record breaking 14mins 20secs. Well done champ!!

That's it from me this time and, of course, if you have any queries regarding anything in my report or the newsletter, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely
Jim Peletier