As we quickly approach the end of the year we begin to reflect on the year past. 2011 has been an extremely rewarding year, with the completion of our second major construction. Staff members have been busy working on the preparation and management of relocating resources and equipment in to the main building to prepare the new learning spaces. These new spaces will provide not only a stimulating and aesthetically appealing physical environment but opportunities for staff to collaboratively provide excellent learning opportunities for your children.

Significant programs that have operated during 2011 which have had a positive impact on the well being of our students are; Breakfast Club, Peer Mediation, Social Skills, Life Ed, Student Buddies through Prep transition, attendance at the Remembrance Day ceremony, the RE program, the Seasons for Growth program, SRC, role modelling provided by our school Captains and House Captains. These programs can only operate with the commitment of a dedicated staff. The end of the year is often a time and opportunity to thank those people who have made a difference in our lives but it can also be a time when changes are placed upon us. These can cause stress and worries. Many children go through this as they approach the end of the year level – be aware of your child’s emotions and ask them to share their thoughts and feelings about the upcoming end of their school year. ‘Change’ is inevitable in our lives but is not always free of stress. Listen to your child and if they have any concerns that you feel need addressing by us, please don’t hesitate to contact the school.

Cheryl Van Deursen (Principal)

Thought of the week –
‘Change is the law of life and those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.’

— John F. Kennedy
SCHOOL NEWS

Stars of the Week
Congratulations on all your wonderful efforts this week!

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House Points
1st – CHILDERS
2nd – BAKEWELL
3rd – RUSSELL
4th – CAMERON

Congratulations CHILDERS!

From the Office

MEDICATION: Please note that if your child is bringing medication to school to be taken, parents MUST fill in the permission form available from the office and leave it with the medication. This is a DEECD directive. The form can also be downloaded from the school website: www.cranbourneps.vic.gov.au

Don’t forget to bring your bank books every FRIDAY!

CURRICULUM NEWS

TRANSITION
We all think of transition between schools – Kinder to Prep, Grade 6 to high school but every year all students experience transition as they move from one Grade to the next. This can be filled with emotions of leaving their teacher, changing friendship groups and moving into a different area of the school. There are other small things that adults don’t always think about, like students who move from Grade 2 to Grade 3 get to change which playground equipment they have access to (this can be very exciting or challenging for some students). As children move from Grade 4 into Grade 5 they will now be part of 5/6 Sport and the students going into Grade 6 will have opportunities to apply for student leadership positions. These are all changes which students will experience. Each Grade level will put something different into place to support this transition but you have an important role too – be supportive, encouraging and aware of your child’s needs and keep in communication with the school.

Di Fernand (Assistant Principal)
Term 4 has been very busy so far. In the second week of the term we attended camp at Forest Edge in Neerim East. We had a fantastic time trying out new activities with the Flying Fox, Climbing Wall and Low Ropes being very popular!

We have been learning about different countries around the world as part of our ‘World Trip’ Projects. It has been very interesting to find out about different languages and currencies that are used around the world as well as discovering lots of exciting tourist attractions in different countries.

As this will be the last entry in the Newsletter from Grade 3 for 2011, we would like to wish all the Grade 3 families and the wider Cranbourne Primary School community a very Merry Christmas and we look forward to being in Grade 4 next year.

REMINDER:
Payments and permission forms for our end of topic lunch day on 16th December are due back by 9th December.
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

We are pleased to support “Cranbourne Cash” - The Good Guys Cranbourne incentive program with our school. With every $25 spent you will be presented with a $1 Cranbourne Cash voucher that can be passed onto the school. To take advantage of this offer, you need to mention our school before any payment is made and you will receive your Cranbourne Cash reward vouchers.

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**RITCHIES CARD**

Thank you to the families who continue to shop at Ritchies and use the benefit card. The school continues to receive donations from the fundraising program.

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**LOST PROPERTY**

There is a large amount of lost property accumulating!
As it is coming towards the end of the year, please come and check to see if you have any articles of clothing looking to go back home. All items will be redistributed at the end of the year, ready to start fresh in 2012.

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**Parent Teacher Association**

**CPS Fundraising Event!**

**Sausage Sizzle**

***Saturday 3rd December 2011***

10.00am – 3.00pm

Pet Stock Store, Sladen Street
Cranbourne

Please come along, buy a sausage and support the school!!!
Hope to see you there!

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**CPS Has Got Talent is coming!!!**

P-2 Auditions  Thursday  1st December
3-6 Auditions  Thursday  8th December
Performance   Friday    16th December

*Thanks Toni, Dash, Courtney, Teagan (Year 6)*