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Calendar

UPCOMING EVENTS



Tuesday 30 July

Grade 5/6 Excursion to
Science Works

Tuesday 6 July

Grade 5/6 Excursion to
Wizard of Oz

Monday 12 August

Grade 5/6
Hooptime

Saturday 17 August

PFA Bunnings BBQ

Tuesday 27 August

Art
Show/Literacy/Numeracy
Evening 5-7pm

Monday 16 – Friday 20 September

Life Education Van

Thursday 19 September

Footy Day

Principal's News

Congratulations to our recently elected members of Junior School Council, who were presented with their badges at assembly last week. Part of this role will be allocated to representing their learning community in student leadership meetings where they will contribute ideas to the further development of Cranbourne Primary School.



Giving children an opportunity to input into their learning and their environment contributes to their sense of ownership and belonging. Developing a sense of responsibility and capacity to be independent is just as important as developing their academic skills. Much of the learning that happens at school has a focus of developing your child in these areas.

As you are aware, one of our specialist programs is Personal Development. During these weekly sessions, students are involved in conversations, role play, media study and other various activities that work through topics and issues related to being part of a community. Your termly learning community newsletters give an overview of the topics covered each term. This program is unique to Cranbourne Primary School and we believe it is one of the contributing factors to the development of our independent, responsible students.

Cheryl Van Deursen – Principal

House Points

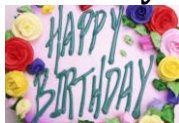
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4 th	Russell

Quote:

'Happiness is not the absence of problems but the ability to deal with them'

SCHOOL NEWS

Student Birthdays



Happy Birthday to the students who celebrate their birthdays this week

Joshua C.

Brody E.

Baahes D.

Logan C.

Tamekah M.

Stars of the Week

Congratulations on all your wonderful efforts this week!

Grade	Student	For being
Prep PAM	Riley J.	Responsible
Junior BA	Bella F.	Persistent
Junior HM	Amber D.	Persistent
Junior MC	Katrina M.	Confident
Middle LB	Brodie T.	Organised
Middle MD	Kassey N.	Persistent
Middle SG	Jake D.	Adaptable
Senior IW	Gemma C.	Conscientious
Senior MR	Hayden L.	Confident
Senior RP	Justin L.	Conscientious
P.E.	Linda I.	Confident
Art	Tamekah M.	Persistent
Personal Dev	Stephen H. (SMR)	Articulate
Assistant Principal	Jamie H. (JMC)	Diligent
Principal	Courtney Z. (SMR)	Responsible



WEB SITE

We are constantly upgrading and adding information onto our web site, this allows you to keep up to date on special events, excursions and cut off dates for payments. You can also print forms out at home if notices are misplaced.

This week we have also included updated school policies for your information.

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BOOK CLUB

Book Club Issue 5 is out now.

ORDERS to be returned by **Friday 3rd August.**

CURRICULUM NEWS

Staff members in our Prep and Junior Learning Communities have been extremely busy preparing for the implementation of Investigations. Over the last 12 months the staff in this area of the school have been reading, researching, investigating and visiting other schools that already run with this approach. All of this has been done to ensure that our students receive the best possible learning opportunities that we can provide. The approach follows that students at this age learn more effectively through 'play'. At school we will provide an environment where students are engaged in learning activities that are play based, interest based according to the students' interests, in order to provide the best opportunity for students to develop specific skills and acquire knowledge. The advantages to this approach are the development of:

- Literacy skills -Speaking and Listening, Writing, Reading skills
- Mathematical skills
- Independence, Organisational and Co-operative skills
- Application of skills to real life applications
- Engaging and stimulating curriculum
- Open ended tasks to accommodate a diverse range of ability levels

Planning for these activities is very thorough and the sessions are not just a chance for children to have 'free play'. The teachers have developed a strategic plan to ensure that skills and content relevant to Prep, Grade 1 and 2 are addressed. The development of this program works with the philosophy of our school, "At Cranbourne Primary School the staff, students and parents strive towards 'Learning Together'. We co-operate to create an inclusive and safe learning environment that encourages students, teachers and the wider community to become responsible and independent life-long learners in the local, national and global community." (CPS School Strategic Plan) More information will be available to parents shortly. Please speak to your child's Home Group teacher if you have any questions.

Di Fernand - Assistant Principal

STUDENT NEWS

LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP

On Tuesday 16th July the Grade 5 and 6 students participated in the Lightning Premiership playing Basketball, Tee Ball, Football, Soccer, Newcombe and Netball. The students had a wonderful day representing Cranbourne Primary School and the sportsmanship shown by the students was outstanding. The A team Basketball players were successful in winning the premiership. *Special thanks* to Mr. Peel for organising a successful day.



The Senior School students are also looking forward to two very exciting excursions this term. Our first adventure is to Scienceworks! On this excursion we will be exploring the different scientific aspects behind the Carnival. We are looking forward to discovering how we can win at all of those frustrating side-show games! Our second adventure is to Cranbourne Secondary College to view their performance of 'The Wizard of Oz'. We are all very excited to be given this opportunity, and can't wait to see all the hard work and amazing effort that has been put into this production. Hopefully it will inspire some of us to pursue a career in theatre!

A reminder to parents that all students have been given homework this week to be completed by Friday 26th July. Please encourage your child to have this homework completed on time.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Thank-you to all the families who have shopped at the Good Guys and brought in their Cranbourne Cash vouchers – congratulations to those families who had members of their extended family also shop and collect vouchers. Please pass this on to family and friends to think of our school when they need to make white goods or electrical appliance purchases.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE 'GOOD GUYS' WHO HAVE PASSED ON TO OUR SCHOOL THE BENEFITS FROM CRANBOURNE CASH.

WE WERE PROUD TO RECEIVE THE CHEQUE FOR OVER \$4,500.00.

THIS MONEY HAS GONE TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF FRIDGES AND FREEZERS THAT SUPPORT OUR STAFF & STUDENT WELL BEING.

BUNNINGS BBQ

A separate notice is included with this newsletter regarding the Bunnings BBQ to be held at the Homemakers Centre Cranbourne on Saturday 17th August.

If you are able to help on this day please return the slip attached to the notice.

Thank you.