Welcome to Our New Students
This week five new students commenced at Cranbourne Park Primary School. We warmly welcome these students and their families to our school.

Welcome to Our Newest Staff Members
On behalf of the school community I extend a warm welcome to Mr Josh Guy, Mrs Jenny Henderson and Mrs Emma Zach. Mr Josh Guy will be teaching English as a Second Language and Student Learning Support whilst Mrs Henderson will be teaching P04 and Mrs Zach will be teaching The Arts. We look forward to their contributions to our school.

Our Exciting New Playground
Installation of our new playground is commencing this week. It will be a wonderful new play area for our students who have patiently waited for its arrival.

Hot Food Lunch
On Monday 29 July 2013, students will have the opportunity to participate in a whole school ‘hot dog lunch order’. Students can purchase a hot food lunch which includes either one or
two hot dogs, a lamington and a 100% fruit juice. Sanitariu
m vegetarian hotdogs will be available, by order, for those with special dietary requirements. All monies raised will go towards the SRC fundraising. To order a lunch please fill out the order form (available from the office), and return it with the correct money to school by: **3:15pm on Friday 26 July, 2013.** 
Due to purchasing requirements we are unable to accept late orders.

**Gift Wrap – Be Quick**
We have a limited number of rolls of assorted gift wrap. The rolls are themed general and Christmas. Each roll contains ten sheets of wrapping paper and is available for purchase at the bargain price of $2 per roll. Be quick as these rolls of gift wrap will sell quickly and we have a restricted supply.

**Parent Opinion Survey**
Each year, as part of the school’s accountability requirements to the Department of Education, Employment and Training the school surveys a random selection of parents on their opinion of the services provided by the school. The survey is given in every school across the state. The results of the survey are collated for the school and form part of the school’s annual report to the community and to the Department of Education, Employment and Training. The survey was designed by the department to seek parent opinion on our school’s academic rigour, physical environment, teaching quality, student reporting and customer responsiveness.

On Monday 29 July, surveys will be issued to those families randomly selected by the computer. Survey responses are anonymous and are due back by Friday 2 August. If you receive a survey please take a few minutes to complete it and return it to school by the due date so your opinions can be counted. Many thanks.

**Discussing Issues With Teachers**
Please remember to make an appointment to see teachers if you have a concern or query. Cranbourne Park is very proud of the “Open Door” policy that has been created so that parents and students feel welcome at the school. This “Open Door Policy” allows parents to remain in contact with what is happening in the school and encourages important communication links between home and school to be maintained.

Even though the school has an “Open Door” policy, it is important for parents to remember that it is necessary for an appointment to be made if you wish to talk to your child’s teacher. Often parents will wish to talk to teachers immediately before school or directly after school. These are usually very busy times for teachers as they are finalizing work for students or getting things ready for the next day. Immediately after school teachers often have important staff or planning meetings that they must attend.

To ensure that your concern is dealt with in a thorough and appropriate way it is vital that an appointment is made. By doing this you ensure that the teacher is able to set aside an appropriate amount of time to speak to you and give you the time they wish without having to rush off to a prior commitment.

The appointment can be made by ringing the school, or making the appointment with the teacher directly to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet.

Sometimes a teacher may be free to speak to you at the time that you approach them to make the interview. If the teacher is able to speak to you at this time, this should not be interpreted as the teacher being unconcerned or uninterested in your concern; it is just that they have committed themselves to another task at that time.
**Tissues**
At the beginning of each school year, every student is requested to supply a large box of tissues. Many students are yet to bring their box of tissues to school. If you have not yet provided the box of tissues, it would be appreciated if you could do so at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

**Medical and Emergency Contact Information**
It is vitally important for the health and safety of all students that parents are vigilant in keeping the school informed of any changes to the medical condition of their children and of any changes to phone numbers, addresses, emergency contact details etc. If you have recently moved house or changed phone numbers, please notify the school at your earliest convenience. Similarly, please ensure that your emergency contacts have been updated if required. If you have any questions about who you have listed as emergency contacts for your child/ren, please contact Chris in the General Office and she will be able to provide you with details of the listed emergency contacts for your child/ren. Thank you.

**Headlice**
Thank you to all of those members of our school community who have continued to be vigilant in regularly checking (and treating when required!) their children’s hair for head lice. Head lice have been around for many thousands of years and continue to be a frustrating annoyance that we have to deal with. Anyone can get head lice and given the chance head lice move from head to head without discrimination. People get head lice from direct hair to hair contact with another person who has head lice. This can happen when people play, cuddle or work closely together.

Products that are used to treat head lice belong in one of the following categories depending upon the active compound they contain:

- Pyrethrins
- Synthetic pyrethoids (permethrin, bioallethrin)
- Organophosphates (malathion or malathion)
- Herbal - with or without natural (non-chemical) pyrethins.

Insecticide resistance is common, so after treatment you must test to see if lice are dead. **If the lice are not dead, the treatment has not worked and the lice are resistant to the product and all products containing the same active compound.**

There is no product available that guarantees prevention of head lice. Using the conditioner and comb method once a week will help you to detect any head lice early and minimize the problem. Tying back long hair can also help to prevent the spread of head lice and many people have great success with herbal deterrents.

**Uniform Compliance**
It is a condition of enrolment at our school that students wear school uniform as detailed in our “Student Dress Code” policy. The school uniform consists of a bottle green or white polo shirt, black or bottle green shorts or tracksuit pants and bottle green windcheaters or bomber jackets.

Each week at assembly we have lucky dips for uniform compliance. If a student's name is pulled from the box, their teacher will indicate to them (with either a thumbs up or a thumbs down sign) whether or not they are complying with the student dress code. Those students who are complying with the dress code will be invited onto the stage to select a prize from the “Lucky Dip Box”.

UV Protection Update – SunSmart’s Winter Vitamin D Message
With lower UV levels in the winter months it is important to have some exposure to the sun’s UV to maintain adequate levels of vitamin D. It is recommended that faces, arms and hands (or equivalent area of skin) be exposed to the sun for two to three hours per week. Children and adults with naturally very dark skin may need three to six times this exposure amount.
Vitamin D is essential for general health and wellbeing; in particular, it develops and maintains healthy bones, muscles and teeth. Vitamin D is naturally created by the body when skin is exposed to direct sun (UV).
Low UV levels (1 or 2) do not normally require sun protection measures. High UV levels (3 and above) require sun protection measures, as the sun’s UV can damage skin and eyes and lead to skin cancer.
In Victoria from May to August, average UV levels are low and generally below three. Sun protection is not required (unless you are outside for extended periods, in alpine areas or near highly reflective surfaces such as snow).
From September, UV levels start to rise again, so it is once more time to use sun protection measures.

KidsMatter - Every Face Has a Place
Last term every class created a display that illustrated that “Every Face Has a Place” at Cranbourne Park. Here are photographs of the displays created by P04 and P06.
CLASSROOM HELPERS

The Classroom Helpers Group had their first meeting on Monday 3rd June where we had a very productive session completing Lego men for the school’s Kids Matter Program.

We will be holding our next meeting on Monday 22nd July at 2:30pm to 3:15pm in the staffroom.

Anyone who is free at this time and would like to join us is more than welcome to come along.

We look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting.

Karen Middlebrook

Social Skill: *Telling someone to stop annoying you.*

All students, will at some stage have to deal with being annoyed by others in some way.

When this occurs it is important to stay cool, stand tall, look at the person, use their name and tell them in a firm voice to stop. Don’t get angry, don’t argue with or annoy them back, don’t smile or use a whingeing tone of voice.

Remember - *Stay cool, stand tall and tell them to stop.*
Dates to remember:
July 26th
July 30th
August 2nd
August 19th

Hot Food orders due back – no late orders can be accepted.
Book Club closes
Crazy Camel orders due
Student Free Day

MALAY FAMILY DAY CARE
Before & After School Care
Babies from 6 months old
Enquiries ring 0430 719 811
31 Taylor Street
Cranbourne
Hello Parents!

Some of the students at our school are involved South Metro Showtime, which is a stage show performed by a cast of over 110 scouts and guides from around Melbourne! The show is coming up in August at the Alexander Theatre in Monash University, Clayton and is a great afternoon or evening out for the whole family, with a show filled with music, fun and laughter.

Join us in our 32nd season at the Funny Farm where we see how the world shaped up after surviving the Mayan 'End of the world' in 2012, we visit the Funny Farm for a good old fashioned Hoe Down! The fun continues as we look at an alternate take on the classic Snow White, step back in time to the 1920’s and discover El Dorado - the ancient city of Gold!

Adults tickets are $21 and concession tickets are $16 with eight shows between August 16th to 24th there's bound to be a time to treat the whole family and to see youth members build skills and confidence!

Visit www.southmetroshowtime.org for more details and booking information, or alternatively contact Andy at marketing@southmetroshowtime.org for any queries

We can't wait to entertain you in August!

Would $500 assist you with education costs?

You could receive up to $500 to help pay for educational costs including text books, computers, excursions and swimming lessons.

Saver Plus is delivered by the Brotherhood of St Laurence in your local area and is looking for new participants.

You may be eligible if you or your partner:
• have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
• are at least 18 years old
• have some regular income from work
• have a child at school, or attend accredited vocational training yourself

To find out more contact Karmen Dayal
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