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A special Principal's Award has been presented to Matt Harris.

On the recent Senior excursion to Melbourne Museum, Matthew noticed that a small boy of about 5 from another school was standing alone in a corner crying. Matthew let his supervising teacher know, and as it turned out, the boy had been separated from his class and was very upset and scared. Thanks to Matthew's eagle eyes and quick, sensible thinking, we were able to reunite him with his group without any harm being done.

Well done Matthew on your awareness, concern and thoughtful actions.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Thank you to all of the families who participated in parent / teacher conferences last Tuesday evening. The teachers were thrilled that so many families turned up and showed interest in their child/ren's learning.

Parent Opinion Survey

A big thank you to those randomly selected families who took the time to complete the survey and to return it to school. All surveys that were returned have been sent off for scoring and analysis. We look forward to receiving the results and sharing them with you.

Busy, Busy, Busy

Lots of things have been happening in and around the school over the past fortnight or so ...



Thank you to Sarah Richardson, Vicky Furness, Melissa Hee, Suzanne and Sean Nealon for all your help over the last few weeks with covering books for the library. We really appreciate all the time you have put in. The sooner the books are covered the sooner they go out into the classes for the students to enjoy.



Our grade 5 / 6 students had a wonderful day at the Museum.



Grade 3 / 4 students participated in a Rail Safety incursion.



All classes across the school partook in St John's First Aid lessons.

Planning for 2017

Planning for the 2017 school year is already underway.

Staff have been looking at our curriculum and the incursions and excursions that are available that will best support the teaching and learning program. Our swimming and camping programs are being worked on and there have been many discussions about staffing.

Please notify the General Office at your earliest convenience if your child(ren) will be transferring from Cranbourne Park Primary School at the end of this year. Please note, this does not include current year 6 students.

If you have a student commencing school, either as a Foundation (prep) student or at another year level, please ensure that enrolment procedures are completed as soon as possible.

Cybersafety

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800



Many children and young people are clearly entrenched in an online world. But how risky is it? According to the ACMA's Click and Connect study, children demonstrate a good general knowledge about online behaviours that might be considered 'risky'. Yet in spite of this, some young people still engage in risky behaviour, and some perceive these behaviours are common across their peer groups.

[The Cybersmart Online Helpline](#), provided by Kids Helpline in partnership with the ACMA, is one option which provides free, confidential online counselling for children and young people. Web counselling lets children and young people connect one-on-one, in real time, with a Kids Helpline counsellor, over the web.

Kids Helpline also offers private and confidential telephone and email counselling 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Be Smart When You Participate in Social Networking

Social networking sites like Facebook, Twitter and YouTube can be a great way to keep in touch, share stories and information, and to connect with others. They enable users to set up profiles, join groups and share news and information including video, images, music and text with family, friends or anyone from around the world.

As with off-line communities, some social media users can act anti-socially and show disrespect for their online community with little consideration of the social and potentially legal implications. Issues like bullying and harassment, unwanted or inappropriate contact, uploading of inappropriate or offensive content and identity theft occur in social networking services every day.

To help you, and others, enjoy your time online:

- Use the privacy settings—limit who can access your profile or join the groups you set up.
- Keep your private information private. Think carefully before disclosing personal details such as your phone number and personal email address—even if only friends can access your profile.
- Think before you post any content, video, images or text, online. You can put it up, but you can't necessarily take it down. Ask before posting images or stories about others. What you see as harmless fun may be embarrassing and humiliating for them.
- Don't project an undesirable self-image. Posting provocative pictures or evidence of a partying behaviour will create a digital reputation that could be used against you now or later. It may also invite unwanted contact.
- Choose your online friends wisely. Others' inappropriate views and behaviours can reflect badly on you. The number of friends you have in your contact list is not a reflection of how popular you are.
- Communicate with others as you would do offline, with courtesy and respect. Just because you're online doesn't mean you're not responsible for your actions.

- If you think someone is being bullied or harassed online, speak out. Let others know if their behaviour isn't appropriate.

<http://www.cybersmart.gov.au>

Smoking

From 13 April 2015, smoking is banned within four metres of an entrance to all primary and secondary schools in Victoria, and within the school grounds, under an amendment to the *Tobacco Act 1987*.

The smoking ban applies to:

- anyone present on school premises during and after school hours including students, teachers, contractors, parents/guardians or the wider community, such as sporting groups.
- all activities that take place on school premises including pre-schools, kindergartens, outside school hours care, cultural, sporting or recreational activities and school fetes.

	Register and come along to Breakfast Club.	
Every school day		
8:15a.m. – 8:50 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.		

<p>Parkers Supported Playgroup</p> <p>Monday 9.30a.m. – 11.00a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.</p> <p>All ages welcome. Come along, It's free!</p>	
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For all your Before School Care and After School Care needs.

Dates to Remember:

August 29th
August 30th

Grade 1 / 2 Safety Village excursion
Grade 3 / 4 Excursion to Taskworks