



PARENT UPDATE

3rd August 2021

Dear families,

Please see some reminders about this week and future events here at Cranbourne Park. There are also some general reminders about school.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Later today, teachers will connect with families for parent teacher interviews. These interviews are a great opportunity for teachers to share the progress of the students and set some future learning goals with parents. I strongly encourage all parents to engage with these phone calls and discuss the success of your child. (It has been widely proven that parent engagement underpins children's cognitive learning impacts directly the nature of the school experience.) The calls coming from the school will be via blocked numbers, please accept the call.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS – GRADES 3-6

Friday 20th August is scheduled for school athletics from 9am to 1:30pm. Students in grades 3-6 will participate in a variety of events to determine which students will go on to District athletics later in September. Students are encouraged to dress in their house colour and enjoy the sessions run by Mr Pearce on the oval.

Parents and family members are most welcome to attend – at this stage you will need to stay on the Tucker Street or Clarendon Street boundary and not enter the oval. If restrictions are lifted and visitors can come on-site we will advise accordingly.

FATHER'S DAY STALL

Friday 3rd September has been scheduled for the Father's Day stall. Students will have the opportunity to purchase their father, grandfather, special person in their life a gift. Mrs Shields is busy preparing the gifts for students and an information flyer will be sent out in the newsletter.

SCHOOL PLANNING

The principal team have started planning for 2022 and, with the leadership team, we have set the direction of the writing curriculum for the next two years. Throughout the second half of the year teachers will participate in professional development on the implementation of the writing program for next year. As the year rolls on we will continue to critically review our curriculum to ensure the programs provided are based on best practice and in line with current knowledge. If parents have any feedback regarding the curriculum we would love to hear it.

2022 ENROLMENTS

We have continued to see an influx of enrolments for 2022. If you have a new student starting at school next year and have not completed the online enrolment application, please do so. Places for Preps are filling fast and with more than 40 already enrolled the school will need to begin workforce planning. Similarly, if you have a student leaving at the end of the year, we would appreciate knowing early so again we can best plan for 2022.

ROAD SAFETY

Recently the school has become quite alarmed at the unsafe road practices seen before and after school. Parents and students are reminded of the following

- **Seatbelts** are required by law to be worn. Unfortunately we have seen multiple students standing up in the back seat, sitting in the front seat without the appropriate booster seat, or simply not wearing a seatbelt. This practice places them in a dangerous position in the event of an accident.
- **Crossing the road.** The school has a number of pedestrian crossings to provide a safe passage across the roads. Parents should not be encouraging students to run across the road to their cars rather than moving up to the pedestrian crossing. There have been 3 near misses this year, 3 too many. As a parent watching this continue to occur I am shocked and disappointed in the attitude towards road safety.
- **Parking.** Parents are again reminded that parking in the school driveways, on the nature strip and up on the kerb is not safe practice. Younger children can easily be missed in these big cars parking there and again, poses a safety concern. Again, last week there was a near miss in the afternoon when a small child walked behind the car who had parked up the crossover at the school driveway.

LUNCH ORDERS

A reminder that lunch orders have moved to Fridays this term. Students are not to bring orders in on Tuesdays. The lunch order form is available on the website.

UNIFORM REMINDER

A majority of students have readily complied with school uniform policy. Just to remind parents:

- **Jumpers are bottle green only.** Black hoodies and jumpers are not accepted. Students may wear a black coat if going outside at recess and lunch however these are not to be worn in the classroom.
- **Pants are bottle green or black only.** These plain coloured pants are the only acceptable pants.
- Items such as necklaces, bracelets, smart watches are not to be worn during the school day.

The school can support families who need uniform assistance. Please contact Chris in the office.

Regards,

Ross Carlson
Principal