



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Coming Events - Also posted on Compass

February	March
Wednesday 21 st February School Council Meeting 7:00pm	Friday 22 nd March Responsible Pet Program visit to Foundation

SWPBS Goal (for next week)

All settings

Value of Respect

We use peoples preferred names and pronouns

COVIDSafe Plan

The school adheres to the stringent COVIDSafe Plan and COVIDSafe principles: Infection prevention and control - practice good hand hygiene (hygiene stations set up throughout the school), social distancing and staying home if unwell, air purifiers are used in all areas and maximising ventilation.

Principal's Report

Today is a Great Day to Learn Something New

Hi Everyone

Welcome back

On behalf of our School Council and all staff, welcome back to school. I extend a special welcome to new families to the school and to our Foundation (Prep) students who are commencing their journey of education at Cranbourne East Primary School. I trust that our families have taken the time to enjoy a restful and relaxed break.

Bollywood at Cranbourne East Primary School

On Thursday and Friday as part of our Start Up Program, students participated in a Bollywood workshop learning dance and interesting facts such as the popularity of Bollywood movies and wearing of the traditional Saree. Thank you to Mrs Wright who took the opportunity to dress in a Saree. It was terrific to see our students participate with so much enthusiasm. Congratulations to all of our students especially Year 6 students who showed great enjoyment and eagerness to perform.

Family Picnic

Thank you to all of our families who joined us today for our school community picnic. It was wonderful to see so many families come to the school and enjoy the picnic.

We need you at school every day and on time at school to commence your learning (every day counts)

The wider school community, parents and students need to fully understand the impact of missing school days (unless students are ill, attending appointments or family matters). If a student has a day off, once a fortnight, this would add up to 20 days in a school year (approximately 40 weeks in a school year). 20 days is the same as missing a tenth of a school year.

The 'fallout' of poor attendance is very real. These students will be at risk of not achieving their potential and therefore limit their life choices. Also, other real consequences are:

- Social isolation
- May place themselves at risk of harm while absent
- Could get too easily involved in socially unacceptable activities
- Will have gaps in their learning of knowledge and basic concepts
- Students may feel insecure in the school environment
- More likely to leave school early
- Be over-represented in the juvenile justice system
- Be the victims of bullying and harassment.

When you consider all the above, schools, parents and the wider community need to work in partnership with each other to ensure students enjoy school success and as an outcome more enriching life choices.

Some Benefits of Regular School Attendance

For Students:

- The development of skills and attitudes such as self-discipline, punctuality, and being organised will optimise life choices
- Regular attendance leads to making friends and learning how to maintain relationships over a length of time
- Regular attendance leads to learning social skills necessary to live and work with others
- It's safer at school than on the street
- The more students attend, the more they will learn and the more they will like school.

For the Community:

- Young people are the next generation of community leaders and community citizens
- Community agencies can work in partnership with schools towards the shared goal of developing future community leaders and citizens
- Young people who attend school regularly are more likely to be safe
- Young people who attend school regularly are less likely to be involved in crime
- The more students attend, the more they learn and the more likely they are to make a positive contribution to society.

Remember

- Students need to attend school regularly to make the most of educational opportunities.
- There is a direct link between school attendance and achievement later in life.
- Poor patterns of attendance in the early years lead to poor patterns of attendance throughout the school years.
- Poor attendance makes it difficult for children to form positive relationships with their peers.
- When young people are in school every day, they are safer and less likely to be victims of crime or become involved in crime.

School Policies

Did you know along with our school Statement of Values the following school policies can be found on our school website:

School Privacy Policy	Cash Handling Policy	Duty of Care Policy	Inclusion and Diversity Policy
Administration of Medication Policy	Class Placement Policy	Electronic Funds Policy	Mobile Device Policy
Anaphylaxis Policy	Communication with School Staff Policy	First Aid Policy	Parent Payment Policy
Attendance Policy	Complaints Policy	Fundraising Policy	Personal Property Policy
Bullying Prevention Policy	Digital Learning Policy	Health Care Needs Policy	Photography, Filming and Recording Students Policy

Camps and Excursions Policy	Dogs at School Policy	Homework Policy	Respect for School Staff Policy
School Purchasing card Policy	Student Dress Code Policy	Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy	SunSmart Policy
Time in Lieu Policy	Visitors Policy	Volunteers Policy	Yard Duty and Supervision Policy

Parents and Carers are welcome to view the policies listed on the website and feel free to provide feedback on policies.

School Review

All schools must participate in a school review every four years. The school review informs the development of the school's four year School Strategic Plan (SSP). The school review also provides assurance of ongoing compliance with the Minimum Standard related to curriculum and student learning. Our school is participating in a school review during Term 2.

The first component of the review is the pre-review self-evaluation (PRSE) where schools review their data and other evidence to form a collective view of current practice and areas for improvement. The focus is student voice, agency and leadership and curriculum content and teaching practice.

This is followed by a review conducted by a panel, utilising the expertise of challenge partners and convened by an independent school reviewer. The panel consists of:

- Core Review Panel: Principal, Senior Education Improvement Leader, Reviewer and School Council President.
- Challenge Partners (2) who add value to the review and bring educational and community expertise.
- School Community Members: Students, parents and staff.

Concurrent with this panel process, the school reviewer undertakes an assessment of the school's compliance with the Minimum Standards for Curriculum and Student Learning. A pre review meeting occurs followed by validation day and two fieldwork days including classroom observations. Following a final school panel meeting a school report is prepared to assist in developing key directions for the new school strategic plan.

Before and After School Supervision

Student safety is our highest priority and the safe and appropriate supervision of students is an important element of our duty of care to students. Part of this duty is ensuring parents and students are aware of our student supervision arrangements before and after school.

Before school: School grounds are supervised from 8:45am.

After school: School grounds are supervised until 3:30pm.

Students on school grounds outside these times will **not** be supervised (unless they are attending a before or after school care program or supervised extracurricular activity). Parents/carers are requested to ensure that students do not attend school outside of these supervised times unless they are attending before or after school care, or a pre-arranged supervised activity.

Families are encouraged to contact Camp Australia for more information about the before and after school care facilities available to our school community or the school if you would like any further information about our student supervision arrangements.

Our school's Yard Duty and Supervision Policy is available on the school website. This policy includes the school's student supervision arrangements across the school day, including before and after school.

Helmets

A special message to parents and students about the importance of wearing a helmet whenever riding a bike or scooter to and from school and at any other time when riding. I congratulate the students who wear a safety helmet when riding and I will be on the lookout next week with SWPBS sticker rewards for students who are wearing helmets when riding.

Hats (don't forget to wear a hat)

It is vital our students wear an approved school hat each day on the way to school, during the recess and lunch breaks, during outdoor activities and on the way home from school to ensure protection from the harmful effects of the sun.

Please ensure your child reads every day including on weekends

Kind regards

Garry Rolfe
Principal



STUDENT BIRTHDAYS
THIS WEEK.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO YOU!

Tamatoa S	Prep M
Zoya L	Prep M
Aanya B	1A
Shivansh S	1B
Simran B	1S
Summer G	1L
Anoop K	3K
Arnav P	3O
Ericksen S	4P
Kavya H	4W
Oliver S	4S
Brayden N	5M
Dwayne V	5M
Riley B	5T
Tanvi B	6W
Xavier B	6N