CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Absence Hotline - 4726 1260

If students are absent please ring this number and leave a message detailing:

Child's name, Class and reason for absence.

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1 Days to End of Year

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

2014

Thank you to those parents who have put in requests for class changes. A reminder to all parents that the decision around these requests are done in the week before school starts so new enrolments can be considered.
Staffing Changes

I would like to thank the following staff for their contribution in continuing the improvement of student outcomes at Cranbrook during 2013.

- Mr Ben Malpas - Year 7 Teacher
- Miss Vanessa Ashe – Year 7 Teacher
- Mrs Jess Church – Year 7 Teacher
- Mr Graeme Bonato – Year 5 Teacher
- Mrs Angela Ten Lohuis – Prep Teacher
- Mrs Leanne Fiamingo – Year 1 & 5 Teacher
- Mr Aidan Myles – Year 2 Teacher
- Mrs Kate Hancock – Guidance Officer

All of these staff are moving on to new schools or new adventures and I wish them luck in their future endeavours.

Other changes are:

- Ms Christine Greenslade – Year 5 and LOTE Teacher - is taking leave for 2014 and her contribution to Japanese will be missed.
- Ms Nicole Bartels – Year 5/6/7 Teacher - is on maternity leave until Term 4 as her new bundle of joy is due soon.
- Ms Merran Matheson – Deputy Principal - is taking 9 months leave to explore other career options after successfully completing her law degree.

Retirements

Mrs Margaret Peasley – is on extended leave and is not expected to return. Margaret’s contribution to Cranbrook State School has been exceptional over the years in many areas of education including student leadership, curriculum and gifted and talented education. She joined our school as a classroom teacher and then Margaret was appointed to the position of Head of Curriculum and was one of the first appointments in the state. We wish Margaret all the best in her future endeavours and thank her for the significant influence she has made to Cranbrook including the positive influences on students and staff.

New Appointments and Returning from leave

We welcome the following staff who will join the Cranbrook Team in 2014:
BYOI PROGRAM FOR 2014

Cranbrook School will not be offering the option of purchasing an iPad "tuff" case through the school. Parents are requested to source their own case for their child's iPad if they wish for the device to be protected.

The iPad will be the only BYO device acceptable at this time for the P-3 BYO program. Unfortunately the availability of apps for Android devices is currently too limited for us to include them in the BYO program.

2014 Stationery Requirements

All 2014 stationery requirements forms are available on the Cranbrook website - www.cranbrooss.eq.edu.au

CRANBROOK SCHOOL POOL PARTY

Everyone Welcome (P - 7)

Where: Kirwan Aquatic Centre
When: Thursday, 12th December
Time: 6:00 to 9:00pm
Cost: $5.00/student
Parents & Toddlers Free
Spelling Updates

On behalf of the Cranbrook SS Spelling Committee I would like to express our appreciation to all parents/carers for their support of our ‘Whole school’ spelling program. This year we have implemented the teaching of LEM as our preferred method for teaching and learning how to spell. This has supported every child in learning to spell words at their level. This year has seen all staff undertake 3 days of professional development and conduct 2 Parent Information Sessions.

Next year will see our school consolidate the amazing progress achieved in 2013. The kids have worked tirelessly this year and definitely deserve a well-earned break.

Happy holidays
Damien Pressley

P & C NEWS

The next general meeting for the P&C will be on Monday, 17th February 2014. All welcome.

Have you considered becoming a member of the P&C in 2014? By joining your P&C you can add your voice to what’s happening around the school. All positions need to be filled again for the 2014 school year. Positions are: President, Vice President, Minutes Secretary, Treasurer, Correspondence Secretary, Grants Officer, P&C Qld Representative, Fundraising Co-Ordinator and Fete Co-ordinator. As well as these roles we also would love as many parents as possible to join the P&C. By joining the P&C you are entitled to vote at meetings and have your say on agenda items at each meeting. As well as the meetings, there is also heaps of opportunity during the year to assist in the many fundraising events the P&C run. The AGM will be on Monday 17th March 2014 at 7pm in the staffroom so please consider joining the P&C for 2014, the more members we get for the year, the more we can achieve for the school and our children.

STATIONERY PACKS – Reminder that the stationery packs are available for collection NOW. Please call Parkside News on 4773 2004 prior to collecting your pack/s to ensure they will be ready for you when you arrive. When collecting your pack/s please ensure you check the contents and see the staff at the newsagent if you have any queries while you are there.

PARKSIDE NEWS
PARKSIDE SHOPPING CENTRE
2nd HAND UNIFORMS – Do you have uniforms you no longer require? Are you leaving Cranbrook this year? or would you like to save some money and purchase some second hand uniforms? A Cranbrook parent has kindly offered her services to run a second hand uniform service on behalf of the P&C for the families at Cranbrook State School. So if you are leaving, graduating or have outgrown your uniforms please consider donating them to the second hand uniform service. The organiser of this service is Kelly and she can be contacted on email colandkelly1@bigpond.com. At the moment there will be no physical second hand shop established, but may be in the future if there is plenty of support for it. All requests will be processed via email until we have enough interest. We are asking families that are interested in donating uniforms to please leave the uniforms in the office in a bag marked with KELLY – 2nd HAND UNIFORMS so Kelly can collect them and sort ready for orders she receives. If you are chasing second hand uniforms please contact Kelly on the email above and let her know what you are after and once the stock comes in from families she will liaise with families regarding payment and collection of the uniforms and hope to fill everyone’s needs at the same time saving them a bit of money. Uniforms will be priced as per their condition ranging from approx. $3 to $10. Any funds raised in the sale of the second hand uniforms will be passed onto the P&C to support the school in their many ventures throughout the year. Kelly has already had a request for size 10 shirts, so start cleaning out the cupboards and considering donating or purchasing second hand uniforms, it will save you some money and also help out other families in the process.

Here is a list of some of the uniforms that have come in ready to sell to families, please contact Kelly if you are interested:

3 x size 14 shorts
10 x size 6 shorts in 2 different lengths
1 x size 14 shirt
1 x size 6 shirt

Your donation of your second hand uniforms would be greatly appreciated - we have a few people asking for size 6, 8 and 10 shirts and any skirts or skorts, please donate any uniforms regardless of condition. Please leave any donated uniforms at the office for collection by KELLY.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Lost 3/12/12 - Dr Who Tardis Beach towel, left in senior boys toilets after swimming lesson, contact 0407133819 if found.

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Regards,

Julie Kipping – 2103 President