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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Parade is every week on Thursday at 2:40pm

Special parades will be advised

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS
Spelling Workshop

Due to the limited number of parents who attended the Reading workshop, the spelling workshop has been postponed.

School review – opportunity to have your say

Our school is scheduled for a school review from 23rd to 25th Feb

The Department of Education, Training and Employment has introduced new school reviews for Queensland state schools in 2015.

The reviews replace the teaching and learning audits, and are designed to help schools continue to improve outcomes for students.

The reviews do not rate or compare schools but, rather, give schools independent and quality feedback to help them improve teaching and learning at the school.

As with the audits, all schools will have a review at least every four years. A final report will be made available to parents and the community via the school website.

As part of the review, the review team would like to hear from you, our school community, and I encourage anyone who is interested to have their say.

Your feedback is important and will help us continue to deliver a quality education for students.

If you are interested in speaking to the reviewers please contact the office to arrange a time.

If you would like more information about the review process please speak to our administration team.

Further information about the reviews is available from the department’s website at: education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-performance-assessment-framework

Red Hats - Prep Students Only
One of our safety measures to ensure prep students remain in SAFE areas is the wearing of a red hat. If staff see a red hat outside the prep areas, they know to act by taking them back. Parents of other year level students are asked to ensure that a hat (preferably a school hat) that is NOT RED is worn to school by those students.

School Resource Scheme 2015

All forms are to be completed by the 27th March with full payment to be eligible for the 10% discount.

Please contact the BSM if you would like to arrange alternative payments.

Road Safety

Parents are reminded that every time you wait on the opposite side of the road and let your child walk across the road, you are putting them in danger. We had a close call late last week simply because the child was excited to see Mum and didn’t look before crossing the road. Protect your children and walk to the school side of the road and walk them across.

Parent Workshops – Reading

Congratulations to those parents who attended the session last week. You are now certainly better positioned to help your child reach their potential in both of this important area of literacy. These workshops are held each term, so please watch out for the dates next term if you want to help make a difference with helping your child reaching their potential.

Jewellery

Parents are reminded to help the school by enforcing these expectations before they leave your home (especially the rubber band bracelets that seem to be the craze at the moment).

Boys and girls are permitted to wear a watch, plain bracelet and two pairs of sleeper earrings or two pairs of plain studs if these are necessary, one plain chain necklace and a plain ring. No other form of jewellery or adornment is to be worn.

Nose and other forms of face studs are not acceptable.

Make every day count in 2015

Make 2015 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school. Research shows that students who have good patterns of attendance are more likely to achieve at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons. Check out the new Every Day Counts videos live on DETE TV.

http://www.youtube.com/DETOQueensland
New Administration Procedures

You would have noticed the changes to the school entrance to the Admin Office this year. This will now allow parents/guardians to get copies of notes, complete forms and make payments without getting caught up in the hustle of the office.

Student Investiture Ceremony
### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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CURRICULUM UPDATE

Welcome back to a new year with new learning.

Don’t forget to request your child’s assessment tasks so you can support them at home.

You can now request your child’s assessment tasks for each term. The purpose of this is not to have your child memorise the test (as this would give a false indication of their understanding) but to allow you to complete similar problems at home to reinforce their learning. Please click Request Assessment Tasks to access this option.

Homework
Homework for Term 1 weeks 2-5 is due back Friday 27th February.

Please be aware that although homework is not compulsory it is imperative that children read every night to ensure success with reading.

The Importance of Reading

The first stage is birth through grade one. Studies show that a child develops 80% of the attitudes, values, fears, and loyalties that he will carry through life during this time. It is a tremendously important time in a person’s life. Also, it is the time of the greatest learning curve. A child is learning primary relationships, eating, balance [walking], language, and a hundred other foundational things. There is no reason why, when a person’s mind is so open to learning, that they should not be taught to read. Public schools try to teach children to read by the end of grade 3. Most children between the ages of 4 and 7 can learn to read very well and so ideally they should enter school already reading.

SCHOOL WEBSITE UPDATE

Our school curriculum plan is available on multiple pages of our school website for you to see the full extent of your child’s education. Visit the school website for any information or forms you require.

Curriculum – Teaching and Learning – Reading and Spelling tab
Powerpoints have been uploaded to help you work with your children on LEM Phonics and assist in your understanding of our school phonics program. These documents are locked for copyright reasons however the password for our school community to use is – Cranbrook

COMMUNICATION WITH HOME

In the next few weeks parents of students who receive a D, E or N in any assessment piece will receive notification of this to attempt to improve students learning prior to written reports being issued. If you do happen to receive this notification please contact the teacher and discuss any options you or the teacher may have to improve your child’s results. At Cranbrook State School we do believe that a quality education is best achieved by parents, teachers and students working together through positive, purposeful, and supportive relationships to develop a mindful, caring
Students working together through positive, respectful, and supportive relationships to develop a warm, caring, and compassionate school community.

Please remember the school website is one of our major communication tools we are using to encourage community involvement at Cranbrook State School.

Tammy Haupt
A/Head of Curriculum

FROM THE MUSIC ROOM
CHOIR

Choir has started please check your rehearsal times and return your contracts to Ms Earle as soon as possible.

Senior Choir: Monday first break (Alto)

                   Wednesday first break (Soprano)

                   Every second Wednesday after lunch (2-3pm)

Junior Choir: Friday first break

                   Every other Wednesday after lunch (2-3pm)

If you haven't collected your contract, please collect one from Ms Earle.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Ms Hosking, the woodwind and brass teacher has been away sick but lessons should commence Wednesday Week 5.

Sarah Earle

Music Teacher

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

Resource Centre News

FIRST SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR FOR 2015: WEEK 8

WHEN: Buying days will be Wednesday 16th, Thursday 19th and Friday 20th March

TIME: Wed & Thurs. 8am-4pm

Friday 8am-9am (closes at 9am)

WHERE: Cranbrook Resource Centre
Mrs Shepherd & Mrs Davey
(Resource Centre Staff)

What Sort of Start is Your Child Getting?

Just a little bit late doesn’t seem much but....... 

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**Did you know your child’s best learning time is the start of the school day?**

**That’s when every minute counts the most!!**

**SCHOOL STARTS AT 8.50 AM**

Cranbrook State School

Ask us about help with getting your children to school everyday!!
Religious Instruction (RI/ Religious Education/ RE) will soon be starting again in some year levels. Those students in Years 2 – 6 who did RI last year and Year 1 students who have a Christian denomination indicated on their enrolment form will be automatically included. If your children are not already included and you would like them to participate, please contact the school to arrange inclusion.
like them to attend please send a note to the school office. If your children are included but you wish to withdraw them please send a note.

If you are a member of a local church and are interested in being a volunteer RE teacher we would love to hear from you. All materials are provided and training is available. Please contact the RE co-ordinator Adele Williams on 47754094 or leave a message at the school office.

FOR SALE

1 x ½ size ENRICO VIOLIN

1 x ½ size MONTANARI VIOLIN

Both with shoulder rest.

Perfect for beginners and in excellent condition. $140 each

Please contact 0421 045 588

COMMUNITY NEWS
Who is eligible to apply?
Individuals eligible to apply for a voucher are children and young people from the age of five and under the age of 18 who are residents of Queensland and:
- hold or whose parent, carer or guardian holds a Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- other children or young people identified by two referral agents.

Note: Limit of one voucher per child/youth person per calendar year. If a child received a voucher in Round 1 or 2, they are eligible for another voucher in Round 3.

If the membership/participation fees are more than $150, the parent/guardian is required to pay the difference. If the membership/participation fees are less than $150, the department will pay the balance. The balance is not redeemable for cash or as payment for individual items to participate in the activity (such as jerseys, boots etc.).

I have a QGrants account
Log into your QGrants account by clicking on the link on our website and enter required application information.

If you are eligible, a voucher with a unique reference number will be generated. The voucher will also be emailed to the email address you used to register.

SUPPORTING FAMILIES TO PARTICIPATE IN SPORT
Townsville PCYC has introduced a new program to support families to participate in sport and encourage inclusive communities.

PCYC Serpents Basketball are now looking for players that are interested in playing basketball in the local competition, especially in the following age groups:

Under 8 Boys/Girls
Under 10 Boys/Girls
Under 12 Boys/Girls

Townsville PCYC are able to assist with support to families with Registration and Game fees, as well as transport support to and from training and games.

The program is inclusive and therefore we encourage both indigenous and non-indigenous members to participate.

If you would like more information, please contact the Townsville PCYC on 47869000 or email
townsville@pcyc.org.au
ANNANDALE FALCONS FOOTBALL CLUB
Sign On NOW for soccer in 2015.
Places available in most age groups U5-U11
Contact Sandy at secretary@annandalefalcons.asn.au
Ph 0402 936 153 or visit our website for more information
www.annandalefalcons.asn.au

Marian Vixens Netball
WANT TO PLAY NETBALL
Are you turning 11, 12, 13 or 14 this year?
We have a team for you
We train on Monday Nights
We play on Wednesday Nights
At Murray Outdoor Netball Courts
Juniors $175
Plus $50 per family volunteer Levy
(Refunded at end of year after 8 hours volunteering of your time)
Contact: Deb Kealley 0407 242 200
Email: mariannetballclub@live.com.au

SAINTS EAGLES SOUTHS FOOTBALL CLUB INC.
Wanted: U11 boys (born 2004) to fill the last few places in a team at Saints Eagles Souths Football Club.
Training is on Thursdays 5-6pm at training fields on cnr Balls Lane and Marron Cres. Games start Sun 22nd Feb.
Call Kerry 0400 074 753 or email mail@sescf.com
SAINTS EAGLES SOUTHS FOOTBALL CLUB INC.
http://www.sescf.com
Find us on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn
United Suburbs Junior Rugby League Club is currently conducting sign on for new and past players.

Looking for boys and girls wanting to play rugby League from age 6 and up. Our home grounds are at Victoria Park in South Townsville.

If your son or daughter is interested in playing please contact Tracey at president@unitedsuburbs.com.au.

Anne Street Gospel Chapel Rally For Grades 2-6

Held every 2nd Thursday starting Thursday February 5, 6:15-8:15pm at 12-14 Anne Street, Gulliver. Children sing songs, learn about God, eat dinner and have fun!! $2 per child to help cover dinner and activity costs.

Activities this term:

5th February Games          19th February Craft
5th Minute to Win it         19th March Junior Master Chef

For all inquiries please contact Fiona on 0437 268 616
REGIONAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE 2015

FAMILY MEMBERS
TOWNSVILLE | SATURDAY 2ND MAY 2015

This is a must attend conference for family members (including family members who are also educators or therapists) interested in learning the latest information about educating a child or young adult with Down syndrome.

Johs us for exciting and motivating presentations from Queensland’s most experienced and informative speakers in the area of working with students with special needs. Together they will share their insights and ideas to help you expand your understanding and provide you with tools, tips, and resources that you can incorporate into your own educational context.

“...This conference is highly recommended. It has re-ignited my passion for my son’s education.”

“Very worthwhile! The presenters were fantastic and the information was relevant and practical. I have come out re-energised and enthusiastic.”

“...A ‘must do’. So informative and very inspirational as a parent first and a kindergarten teacher second. Can’t wait to go again!”

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
Family members of a student with Down syndrome (including family members who are also educators or therapists) who are dedicated to increasing the academic potential of their student will benefit from the 2015 Education Conference. Attendees will network together in an enthusiastic atmosphere to share this enjoyable and informative event.

The content of this course is identical to the education course for educators. Certificates of Attendance with CFD hours will be provided.

VENUE
Mercure Townsville, Woolcock Street, Townsville

DATE & TIME
Saturday 2nd May 2015
9.00am to 3.30pm
Registration from 8.30am

COST
DSAQ 2014/15 Members
$150.00 per person
DSAQ 2014/15 Non Members
$175.00 per person

www.dsaq.org.au | Phone 3356 66 55

REGISTER NOW
Please note that minimum numbers are required for this event to go ahead.
Are you in the early days of the journey with your child with a disability?
Are you still finding your way in the disability system?
Does your child have:
Special needs?  Cerebral palsy?  Down syndrome?  Fragile X syndrome?
A moderate or greater vision or hearing impairment (including deaf blindness)?
Or one of a range of other conditions?

You can attend a FREE one-day workshop especially designed for you. The Better Start Early Days workshops are for parents who have a child in the early years before school. These workshops are for people who receive, or might be eligible for, Better Start or NDIS funding.

- learn more about the services and supports available to you and your child
- understand how Better Start or NDIS funding works
- meet other parents who have similar experiences to you
- build confidence and develop positive strategies

**Workshops Near You**

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<td>Celebré Dr, Andergrove, 4740</td>
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Lunch and Morning Tea provided as well as Child Minding.

**Register Now**
To find out more about the workshops contact:
Parent Connect: 07 4759 2037, 07 4759 2008 or parentconnect@cootharinga.org.au
Or visit our website: [betterstartearlydays.net.au](http://betterstartearlydays.net.au)

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**COME AND PLAY BASKETBALL**

Cannons Basketball Club train at Cranbrook's Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.

- **Tuesday:** Under 10 (07 & '06)
- **Wednesday:** Under 8 (09 & '08)

Girls 3:30 - 4:30  Boys 4:30 - 5:30

Starts Tuesday 10 Feb.  Games are played on Saturday mornings.

For more information contact Mr Johnson or Brenda (0408150365).
CIRCUIT & BOXERCISE CLASSES FOR LADIES & TEENAGE GIRLS
IN A FUN, FRIENDLY AND SOCIAL ATMOSPHERE

When: Thursday 5.30 p.m. (Circuit)
      Saturday 8.30 a.m. (Boxercise & Abs)
      Sunday 4.30 p.m. (Circuit)

Cost: Ladies - $10
      Girls 13-18 years - $5

Place: Cranbrook State School Under Cover Area, Albert Street

Contact: Rita Green 0400 879194 for more details

Lower intensity and alternative exercises offered

FOOTBALL 2015
MUMS' CLASSES - $10  (BABYSITTER PROVIDED)

BOOT CAMP - $10

PHONE ANDRE - 0428 526902 - FOR MORE DETAILS

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