



IMPORTANT DATES 2016

March

Friday 4 th March	Yr 6 Water Safety Day Term 1 Maths Report Comment Published on Compass 4pm
Wednesday 9 th March	Yr 2 Travelling Kitchen Payment Due
Tuesday 15 th March	Whole school Cross Country (more information to follow)
Wednesday 16 th March	Yr 4 City Camp Deposit Due District Athletics Payment Due (selected students)
Thursday 17 th March	2H,2E,2C & 2W Travelling Kitchen Visit CEPS DISCO
Friday 18 th March	2L,2A,2B,2X Travelling Kitchen Visit
Monday 21 st March	Prep WOW Day
Wednesday 23 rd March	District Athletics (selected students) School Council Meeting, commencing 6:30pm
Thursday 24 th March	Last day of Term 1, 3:15pm dismissal

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Hi everyone

A fantastic announcement for the school community – following on from the *Notice of Election and Call for Nominations* for the 2016 School Council Election, I congratulate Melynda Morley, Trudi Lacey, Jodie Hale and Helen Callinan as parent members of the School Council. The DET (staff employee) positions will be announced soon following a ballot.

GOING GREEN @CEPS - EARTH HOUR 2016

The staff and students at Cranbourne East Primary School will be celebrating Earth Hour on Friday 18th of March. We will be participating in a range of activities to help us learn about the importance of sustainable energy and will be switching off our lights and devices for one hour. Our students will also be sharing and celebrating special places that they like to visit in the great outdoors.

We are looking forward to our upcoming DISCO on Thursday 17th March (see poster coming home today). This year the Student Representative Council has chosen the theme ***Crazy Tie or Disco clothes*** with a gold coin donation requested on entry to raise money for The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. The Prep/Year 1 disco will run from 5pm-6pm, Years 2/3 from 6:15pm-7:15pm and Years 4-6 from 7:30pm-8:30pm. Parents are asked to drop off and pick up at these times as the Disco is for students only.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind families that all students riding a bike or scooter to and from school must be wearing a helmet for their own safety. While the bike shed is locked throughout the day, we recommend all students secure their own bikes and scooters with a chain lock for added security and to prevent other students with the same or similar bikes/scooters from taking the wrong one accidentally.

A call for assistance – in our Library we currently have boxes of recently purchased books to support our students in their learning spaces. The books require covering and in order to do so we are inviting parents into the school to assist with this task. If you can offer any amount of time please contact the office and pass on your details and availability. Mrs Harding will be in contact soon after.

Our sustainable garden is in urgent need of parent support to assemble the garden bed kits and place soil into the beds. If any parents are free to assist with this task again you are invited to contact the office. All offers of help will be greatly appreciated. Our students will then be able to commence planting and cultivating.

Remember to read with your child every night!

Regards, Garry Rolfe and Staff

From the Welfare Officer

Friendships and stages

The people around us have a big impact on our lives, especially friends. Therefore, it's natural for parents to want to pay close attention to who their child is associating with. Just knowing what is normal age-related behaviour for kids and friendships can help relieve parents' concerns.

3-4 years (pre-schoolers): need familiar adults for security as they explore and play. For instance, they may often be reluctant to go to a friend's house alone. Pre-schoolers start to develop real friendships with other kids, but conflict is common, and they'll typically seek adult assistance to rectify the issues.

5-7 years: can manage feelings and social situations with greater independence; are more aware of other people's feelings; have improved skills for forming and maintaining friendships; start becoming self-conscious in social situations; and are aware of being accepted by 'the group'.

8-12 years (tweenies): not yet a teenager, but no longer a little child; less reliant on parents as more inclined to want to sleep over at a friend's house; becomes more aware of their body (especially due to puberty); far more aware of the influence of peers' opinions; gossiping about friends also increases; and they will likely have formed their 'in-group' of friends.

Summing up

Friends are an important part of your child's healthy development. Remember, only your child can pick their friends. You can create opportunities for them to spend time with certain kids (especially when they're younger), but your child will naturally be attracted to some kids over others. As long as they are safe, then it's important to allow and respect this, as forcing your opinion with friendships can lead them to rebel.

Article written by psychologist and father of two, Anthony Gunn. Anthony is the author of Raising Confident, Happy Children.

House Points and Rubbish Free lunch

We are having Rubbish Free Lunch times again, this term at CEPS and have been rewarding many students with house points for bringing rubbish free lunch boxes to school on Tuesdays. Waste-free lunches benefit the environment by reducing packaging waste, which in turn reduces energy and resource use. Waste-free lunches tend to result in reduced litter around our school and they encourage healthy eating. Often, highly processed foods are packaged while unprocessed snacks, such as fruit and vegetables, are not.

Rubbish Free Lunchbox tips :

Instead of putting your child's sandwich in disposable cling wrap or plastic sandwich bag, place it in a snug-fitting reusable container.

Instead of packing small yoghurt containers for your child, put yoghurt in a small reusable container, filled at home from a bulk container.

Annie Sleeman and Mareta Singleton

Mathletics News

Over the past two weeks a total of 327 bronze Mathletics certificates were achieved and 45 silver certificates. Congratulations to the following students for earning gold certificates:

Year 1 – Sirnan, Joe, Trishul

Year 3 – Jeffrey

Year 4 – Kye

Year 6 – Siya

Don't forget to log into Mathletics at home:

www.mathletics.com

Library News

Scholastic Book Club

Issue 2

Loop orders can be completed until **Wednesday 9th March, 9am.**

Use this Link: www.scholastic.com.au/loop

Cash orders due back by **Tuesday 8th March, 4pm.**

From the Office

Payment for Camps / Excursions / Activities

There is a great deal of behind the scenes preparation and organisation that goes into camps, excursions and activities offered to students by the school. Student permission forms and payments are crucial to this process, therefore it is important that parents are aware of cut off dates and secure a place for students wishing to attend by making payment and returning permission forms by due dates. The school sends a text message to Adult A of your child's enrolment details as a courtesy reminder two days prior to cut off dates. If Adult A's mobile number has changed please notify the office. Failure to make payment by due dates may result in non-attendance.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum. CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

Application forms are available from the school office.

If you have submitted an application form without a copy of your Health Care Card, **please send a copy of your card to the office** so that the application can be processed.

Applications close on the 3rd June, 2016.



Shining Star Awards for 29th February – 4th March 2016



Year	Shining Star Student	Award	Year	Shining Star Student	Award
Prep	Rooke B	For showing determination to complete tasks.	Year 3	Mai E	For her enthusiasm and participation during the athletics carnival.
	Ebony M	For trying really hard with her writing.		Ansh P	For his awesome 3D sculpture in Maths.
	Tharun K	For enthusiastically contributing ideas to class discussions.		Ben K	For encouraging his friends during the athletics day.
	Shaan A	For being a great helper around the learning space.		Sahas A	For encouraging and cheering others during Athletics Carnival.
	Samarth P	For demonstrating that he can order his numbers from 1-10 during his train activity.		Daniel R	For his brilliant efforts in writing this week! Keep up the great work Daniel!
	Landon S	For trying his best when participating in Maths activities.		Ethan C	For displaying great sportsmanship by encouraging his peers on Athletics Day!
	Haris G	For showing enthusiasm in all he does.		Destiny C	For trying your best in all events on Athletics Day!
	Karthik P	For being a fantastic helper during pack up time!		Matthew A	For his willingness to help others with anything when they're having difficulty themselves.
	Aaliya P	For being a good friend to others.		Dylan M	For fabulous questioning during class discussions.
Year 1	Oliver R	For his amazing contributions during our word building session in writing.	Year 4	Victoria M	For displaying good sportsmanship and honesty at Athletics. Well done Victoria!
	Imogen W	For happily entering the learning space in the morning.		Sharnei V	For being an incredible support assistant this week at house athletics.
	Sirat B	For fabulous writing about a prince and princess.		Abel H	For always trying his best!
	Zaina A	For doing a wonderful job whilst reading to her buddy during Sustained Reading.		Will B	For growing in confidence and improving his learning.
	Indiana T	For a fantastic start to home reading in Term 1. Keep up the great work!		Jannat G	For putting in her best efforts during our Maths project.
	Fatima H	For settling in well at CEPS.		Jasmine S	For consistently doing 5 star work.
	Ekamreet K	For her persistence and effort during numeracy activities this week.		Emma C	For trying her best in all events during athletics day.
	Declan E	For writing an excellent recount about a time he played at a park.		Ella B	For her participation and sportsmanship at Year 4 athletics day.
Anandita M	For a great start at CEPS! Welcome!	Year 5	Roaman A	For beautifully presented homework.	
Year 2	Tahlia McN	For showing great relationships out in the yard and making new friends.	Year 5	Jannah A	For sharing her writing piece during whole group time. Awesome job!
	Mia F	For always coming to school with a smile and positive attitude.		Lavante F	For working hard throughout all aspects of her learning. Well-done Lavante!
	Nav S	For his fantastic efforts on showing the place value of different numbers using Think Boards. Well done!		Hayden S	For showing great enthusiasm in his reading and when sharing his writing during our literacy sessions.
	Kendra P	For showing some great Place Value thinking on her thinkboard.		Hansana R	For creating and calculating challenging BODMAS equations, well done Hansana.
	Amelia S	For being a kind and considerate member of our Learning Space and always willing to help		Isula H	For challenging himself during math workshops this week, well done Isula.
	Caleb M	For always being a respectful and responsible member of 2HE.		Hanna T	For her excellent work in completing her maths project on angles!
	Tristan A	For creating a fantastic acrostic poem about himself.		Sadul W	For his sensational sizzling starts in narrative writing this week. Well done Sadul!
	Makenna R	For doing a fantastic job at reading the calendar every morning!		Year 6	Joel McK
		Year 6	Florena R	For being a respectful and kind buddy.	
			Sahithi B	For completing 5 star work in all areas of her learning.	
			Tyreese S	For a great attitude towards all learning tasks.	
			Bailey L	For fantastic poem writing this week!	
			Estelle C	For demonstrating superb expression in her voice when reading aloud.	
			Davante M	For showing enthusiasm and determination to complete 5 star work with his inquiry project, All About Me.	



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Performing Arts Mr Beach	Arianna S 3Y	For being polite and showing excellent manners in Performing Arts.	Mrs Simmonds	Hadiya R 3B	For sharing information and stories from her holidays.
Performing Arts Ms Purvis	Jorden K 4P	For his excellent thinking about music note values and for performing a creative syncopated rhythm pattern.	Mrs Price	Brayden P 3F	For being respectful to his teachers and peers during PE.
PE Mr Carey	Mahsa N 4T	For an excellent bike ed lesson where she learnt to ride by herself for the first time.	Mrs Warren	Will B 4M	For being a great helper.
PE Mr Shaw	Alkay C 1E	For an outstanding effort with his individual and partner balances this week in P.E.	Mrs Harding	Bahar H 4A	For a fantastic job reading Cat in the Hat to me.
PE Ms Woods	Isabella S 3A	For showing great initiative with encouraging others and excellent teamwork in P.E	Mrs Kamini	Flourish A 5R	For sharing her ideas in classroom discussions.
ICT Mr Ross	Devan M 2E	For helping his classmates when logging onto computers.	Ms Charalambous	Hashan C 6C	For amazing work.
ICT Mrs Wahid	Hadee K 2H	For his great work manipulating a photo of himself in Paint.	Ms Naismith	Melissa M 1A	For being a good friend.
Visual Arts Ms Lloyd	Jonathan S 6E	For successfully creating a mood for his painting by adding expressive lines in a range of colours.	Ms Hudson	Imaya R 3G	For her great effort in spelling.
Visual Arts Ms Medwin	Navpreet S 2W	For taking his time when creating his colour wheel umbrella in Art.	Ms Backhaus	Devon L-F 6E	For always showing respect to his peers.
Science Ms Singleton	Sebastian B Prep T	For always following instructions and doing 5 star work.	Mrs Rento	Claire S 1S	For being a great helper and friend to her peers.
Science Ms Medwin	Jorden K 4P	For his great ideas for saving energy in Science.	Mrs Little	Zeal F 1L	For working hard with a positive attitude.
Literacy Support	Kyle S 2H	Fantastic effort made with both accuracy and fluency in his reading.	Mrs Mathai	Vanessa T 1M	For her beautiful writing.
ESL	Gunika 3R	For always demonstrating a polite and respectful attitude towards teachers and students.	Mrs Hill	Izaiah M 2B	For showing respect by using his manners.
Auslan	Elhamm Z Prep F	For showing his confidence with Auslan numbers and greeting signs.	Ms Burgess	Bella W 4R	For being a super creative writer.



FREE Children's Dental Treatment

Have you received yours yet?



By now you should have received your letter of eligibility from the government about the child dental benefits schedule. If you have a child aged between 2 and 17 (inclusive) and receive benefits such as family tax benefit A, you may be eligible. Monash Health Dental Services is pleased to offer bulk billing for all eligible children that qualify for the Child Dental Benefits Scheme.

No additional charges apply once you have reached your cap.

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