



CRAIGMORE SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL Newsletter

Term 1 Issue 2
16th February 2018

Learners today, leaders tomorrow



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

There is a wonderful feeling when walking around the classrooms, students have settled into their new rooms and forming new friendship groups and getting to know their Teachers. Classes have been focussing on social skills , developing class rules , establishing a Growth Mindset and setting personal learning goals for themselves.

Our focus, with the support of the Kids Matter Framework is "Every Face has a Place", this statement and belief is supporting the importance of every child in our school and a sense of belonging. Have a look at some classroom doors and you will see their own representation of this. Over the next few weeks all students and staff will create a whole school art piece representing "Every Face has a Place".

This week, teachers have been busy meeting and planning together in their year level teams. Each team has one day out of the classroom to collaborate and plan together, ensuring that they are delivering high quality learning programs to meet the needs of our kids.

Next Tuesday, the school will be holding a Meet and Greet afternoon, this will give you the opportunity to walk around the school, have a look in classrooms and talk with teachers. There will be a free sausage sizzle available to all attending run by the Governing Council. We are encouraging families to bring a rug and have a small gathering on the Junior Primary oval to meet new families and have a general chat with others in the school community. The Annual General Meeting will take place from 5pm. We are encouraging as many people to be part of the Governing Council, the more the merrier. Come along and find out how you can support the school.

On a safety note , please ensure you are not using the staff car park to drop and pick up your children. There is a disabled parking spot in the staff park for parents that need this. We understand that the parking situation is difficult, however the safety of our students and families are paramount. Parents can access this park before 8 am and after 4pm for the OSHC ONLY.

Thank you.

Diary dates

February

February 20th
Meet & Greet
3:45

AGM
5.00

February 27th
Special Lunch

February 28th
Year 6 & 7
Aquatic Camp
Port Vincent

March

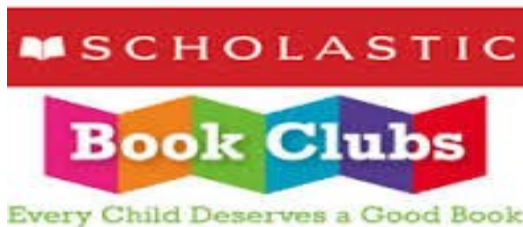
March 12th
Public Holiday
Adelaide Cup

March 21st
Harmony Day
Anti Bullying Day
Pancake Day

March 30th
Good Friday

April

April 2nd
Easter Monday



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From the Finance Office

Material & Service Fees

The M&S Fees for 2018 have been set at \$235.00 per student. The Invoices have been posted home along with the School Card Application which can also be applied for online. If you think you may qualify for the School Card, please fill in the application form and send back to the Admin Office ASAP. REMEMBER: School Card Applications must be lodged **every** year and at **every** school your children attend or you will not qualify and will be liable for the M&S Fees.

****Please note—If applying online, only one application for the whole family needs to be done.**

All fees must be finalised by April 13th.

Exemption From Attendance

Often we have parents/guardians approach teachers during the year about taking their children out of school for a period of time for such things as a family holiday or family commitments. The process for such a request is as follows:

*Parents/guardians must complete an **Exemption** form for periods of absence of 3 days or longer which is forwarded to the Principal. Exemption forms are available from the Front Office on request.*

These need to be returned to the school a fortnight before the intended exemption, or even earlier if possible, to enable them to be processed. These processes are all departmental requirements which schools are required to implement as part of the DECD Attendance Policy.

Medication & Health Care Plans

If you have a child who requires medication at school you will need to provide a **Health Care Plan** and a **Medication Authority** to administer the medication, signed by the doctor. Plans are only valid for 12 months. Each year you will be required to get an updated plan for your child. This is a DECD requirement. All medication must be given to the school in the packaging it was dispensed in with the chemist label attached. Medication can not be shared between family members.



Craigmore South Primary School has their own Facebook page which we use for all our reminders. Just search for Craigmore South Primary School and click 'like'. This is another way you will be able to keep up to date with all events.

Please download our CSPS Skoolbag App to stay up to date instantly with news and notifications.

Skoolbag 

Canteen News

Special lunch forms will be out this week for Tuesday February 27th.

Pancake Day Wednesday 21st March together with Harmony Day. Donations of pancake mix (shake bottle) jams, whipped cream etc would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support. All money raised will go to charity.

Details will be out shortly for Excursion Packs for Clipsal.

Thank you.

Fiona Coleman

Canteen Manager

Attendance Matters

Why do I hear so much about attendance?

Regular attendance at school is important *to the learning and wellbeing of students*. Of course, students sometimes cannot attend school due to a variety of reasons including illness, but did you know these facts about attendance?

10 days per term is considered by DECD as chronic absence

5 days per term is considered by DECD as habitual absence

What does this mean for my child?

Students who do not attend school on a regular basis;

- Miss important information and instructions
- Tend to worry and stress about school and are more likely to fall behind
- Spend more time catching up
- Miss out on learning opportunities and fun events
- Are less likely to feel like they belong and have a place in the school community
- Lose friendships
- Find school increasingly difficult

I think my child may be missing too much school. How can I check?

1 day per fortnight = 1 ½ years of missed school across R-12

1 day per week = More than 2 ½ years of missed school across R-12

2 days per week = 5 years of missed school across R-12

What about being late?

10 minutes late per day = ½ school year missed across R-12

20 minutes later per day = 1 year of school missed across R-12

Reminder – Lessons begins at 9am and students can arrive at school from 8.40am

How can I get support?

If you feel that you would like to talk to someone about getting your child to school on time and regularly, please contact leadership for a meeting.

Krystal Keogh

Assistant Principal—Wellbeing



QKR Payment APP for all school payments

At Craigmores South Primary School we are constantly striving to help our students and families. One way we are achieving this is staying up to date with technology. Our school has in place the QKR APP. What does this mean for our families?

Canteen—All lunch orders can be paid for using the QKR APP. A busy morning in the family environment can cause stress for parents. Trying to get to the supermarket to purchase lunch items before school, because you need to use your EFTPOS card. In the ever increasing cashless society you can order and pay for a lunch order using the QKR APP in the comfort of your own home (and in your PJ's)

School Fees, excursions, sport events, and uniform can all be paid for using the QKR APP. With the increasing commitments of family life technology has become a part of daily living. Families are stretching their time to the limits. At Craigmores South Primary School we listen to our school community. Families who are already using the QKR APP are expressing their delight at its ease and convenience. We welcome all families to download the QKR APP and give it a try. We are sure that once you have tried it , you too will love its convenience. Please call into the Front Office if you need a hand to download the QKR APP.



WHAT'S NEW IN THE WELLBEING HUB?

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Staff

Our names are Kelly and Olivia, we are the new Social Work students at Craigmore South Primary School. We work in partnership with NACYS in the Family Learning Network to provide support to young people and their families.

A social workers role in a school setting: our role as Student Social Workers in a school setting is to help promote positive behaviours, promote the wellbeing and rights of children, link school to needed services and resources, assist children in achieving their full potential, early intervention and facilitate a school environment that supports students and their abilities.

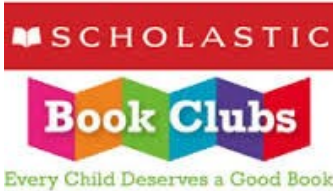
We can be found in the Wellbeing Hub in the school. We will be at Craigmore South for two terms, from Monday to Friday 8:30-4:30.

A bit about us!

Olivia: my favourite food is chocolate chip cookies, my hobbies include going to the river and I have lots of animals that I love including chickens, an alpaca, 2 cats and a hairless dog.

Kelly: I come from a big family, I have a five month old Cavalier puppy, my favourite food is spaghetti and I like to catch up with my friends and watch movies in my spare time.

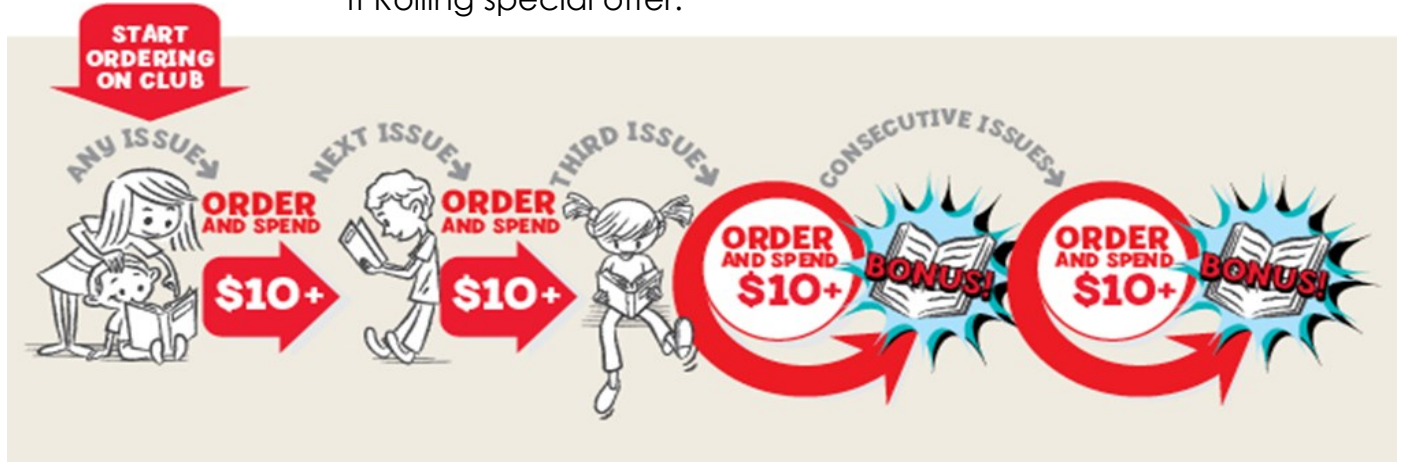




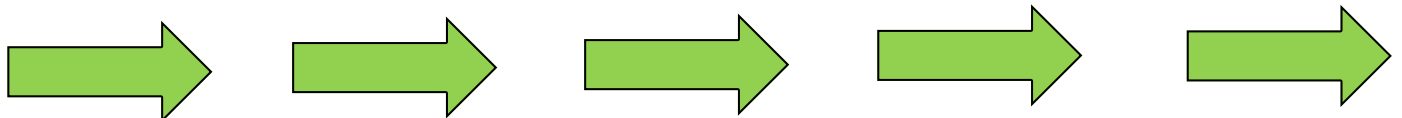
LOOP is the easiest way for parents to order and pay for Book Club.

Now is the perfect time to get in the LOOP! Just order your child's books online at : scholastic.com.au

We're offering parents who use LOOP the opportunity to keep the reading momentum rolling throughout the school year with a Keep it Rolling special offer.



Plus, our **LOOP** parents will receive plenty of additional Bonus Book opportunities throughout the school year—don't miss out!



Elizabeth Catholic Parish Sacramental Program 2018

"An inclusive Eucharistic Community in the Catholic Tradition united in Jesus reaching out to all"

ELIZABETH CATHOLIC PARISH JOURNEY IN FAITH

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Dear Parent's/Caregivers,

The Elizabeth Catholic Parish will start it's yearly Sacrament Program in a couple of weeks.

We are inviting all parents/caregivers whose children are 7 years old (age of reason)and over, baptised in a Catholic church and who are interested in enrolling their children in this program to attend a Parent Information Day on Friday- 16th February 2018 at St Thomas More Church at 5:30pm-6:30pm.

Fr Patrick Woods (Parish Priest), the Assistant Principal of Religious Identity & Mission (APRIMs) – from 3 different Catholic Schools (Catherine McAuley, St Mary Magdalene and St Thomas More Primary), the Director of Spirituality at St Columba and the Sacrament Program Co-ordinator will be welcoming you on that day.

All information that parents and candidates need to know about this program will be discussed and all inquiries will be answered.

For more inquiries about this program please contact:

Edna Dumbrell
Sacramental Co-Ordinator
Elizabeth Catholic Parish
Ph: 0415 369 179

Get ready for a Super Savers adventure with School Banking.

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This year in School Banking, your child will join the Dollarmites on a Super Savers adventure, developing strong savings skills.

School Banking encourages children to learn the value of saving and rewards those who demonstrate a regular savings behaviour.

New Super Savers reward items.

Introducing an exciting new range of reward items with two released every term.

Available in Term 1:

- Twister Power Handball
- Secret Scratch Notepad.

Your child can redeem one of these rewards, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.



Remember, with the CommBank Youth app, it's easy for your child to monitor the Dollarmites tokens they earn when making School Banking deposits and track their savings. Available to download from the App Store on any iOS9+ device.



A chance to win a family trip to Hawaii.



Students who truly are Super Savers will have the chance to win a family trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, staying 7 nights at the Sheraton Waikiki Resort, plus AU\$2,000 spending money.

To enter, students simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3 2018, and they will automatically enter the Super Savers Grand Prize Competition.

To find out more about School Banking, or explore fun activity sheets for your child, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Things you should know: The 'Super Savers Grand Prize Competition' (Promotion) is conducted by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (ABN 48 123 123 124) of Level 3C, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. The Promotion starts at 9am AEST on 22/01/18 and closes at 11:59pm AEST on 28/09/18. Entry is open to Australian residents aged 4-13 years only who have made 15 separate School Banking deposits into their CommBank 'Youthsaver' account during the Promotion period. Eligible entrants will be automatically entered into the draw. Maximum 1 entry/person. The first eligible entry randomly drawn will win a trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, USA for two adults and up to three children (aged 17 years and under), including 7 nights accommodation and \$2,000 AUD spending money, valued at \$17,666 AUD. Terms and conditions apply. The draw will take place at 12pm AEST on 10/10/18 at the address above. The winner will be notified by telephone and email, and will be published online at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and in The Australian on 17/10/18. Winner must claim the prize by 5pm AEST on 15/01/19 or the prize will be redrawn. The prize will be awarded to the winner's nominated parent or guardian. Conditions apply to accepting the prize. Full terms and conditions available from commbank.com.au/schoolbanking Authorised under NSW Permit No: LTPS/17/16318, ACT Permit No: ACT TP 17/01969 and SA Permit No: T17/1878.