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# **Enrolment Information**



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## **WELCOME**

On behalf of the Craigmore South Primary School Community, we would like to extend to you a very warm welcome.

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Kaurna people, the traditional custodians whose ancestral lands we gather on. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of the Kaurna people to country, and we respect and value their past, present, and ongoing connection to the land and cultural beliefs.

Craigmore South Primary School was founded in 1979 as a Reception to year 7 Primary School, and a Junior Primary was established at the beginning of 1987. The school has amalgamated and now operates as an R–6 school. We are part of the Uleybury Partnership, which encompasses 10 preschools and schools within the area.

The inclusive culture of the school is shaped by our five agreed key values; Respect, Collaboration, Integrity, Diversity and Responsibility with staff, students and the parent community working closely together to support each other through the enactment of these values.

At Craigmore South Primary School, we believe that it is extremely important to prepare students for the future and the skills they will need to be successful in an ever-changing world. Our staff focus on your child as an individual and recognise their strengths, experiences and needs. We invite you to work in partnership with us as we build on the foundations which you as parents/caregivers have established at home and work together to make your child's education an enriching and engaging experience.

A canteen is open five days a week with a range of delicious and nutritious options, and we offer Out of School Hours Care and Vacation Care Services.

There is a Preschool situated near the school and we work in collaboration to provide a seamless transition for you and your children.

Please refer to our website for further information. We look forward to working with you to provide the best possible educational experience for your child.

Bec Jamieson Principal Keith Hooker Deputy Principal Deb Young Learning Improvement and Wellbeing

## **ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL**

It is important that children attend school every day. However, this does not mean that you should send your child to school if he/she is unwell. If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school on 8255 6380 or 0447 062 849. You may also contact the teacher directly through the Seesaw App which is our main form of communication.

## **ACCIDENTS**

Try as we may, injuries or accidents will happen at school. During lunch and recess, there are a number of teachers on duty in the school playground area. Children hurt or sick should find the teacher on duty who will decide on the action required. The school has a sickroom and First Aid trained personnel.

When an illness or accident is of a type requiring medical attention or supervision beyond what the school can provide, contact with home or the listed emergency number is made. For serious accident cases an ambulance will be called.

## ADMISSION OF RECEPTION CHILDREN TO SCHOOL

The compulsory age at which children are expected to be enrolled in school remains at 6 years of age. From 2014, children who turn 6 on or after 1 May are able to start school on the first day of Term 1 of that year, and not wait until the following year. Alternatively, they may begin on their sixth birthday.

Once a child is enrolled at school, they are expected to attend every day. This includes children who start school when they are under six years of age.

Starting school is still determined by the date of a child's fifth birthday. Children who have a fifth birthday prior to the 1 May are able to begin school on the first day of Term 1 of that year. Children who have their fifth birthday on or after the 1 May will begin school on the first day of Term 1 in the following year.

This will change in 2024 with the commencement of the mid-year intake.

# **ASSEMBLIES**

Assemblies play an integral role in the school's cohesiveness.

Assemblies are an avenue for children to show and explain their work and they also enhance self confidence. Special Assemblies are also held to celebrate our successes - Book Week, Science Week etc. Parents may be invited for special events depending on restrictions at the time.

Awards that align with the school values, intervention programs, and principal awards are also handed out at every assembly.

## **ASSESSMENT and REPORTING**

Parent/Teacher interviews are held during Term 1 and then again in term 3. Reports go out to all parents at the end of Terms 2 and 4.

## **BICYCLES / SCOOTERS**

Students are encouraged to ride their bikes and scooters to school as this encourages independence. There is a secure cage that is provided for students to keep bikes in.

Students are to walk bikes and scooters in the school grounds. Bicycles, scooters or skateboards and the like are to be wheeled to and from the gate and bicycle lock up.

## **BOOK CLUB**

Children are able to buy books through this system at a very reasonable price. Approximately twice a term your child will bring home a catalogue and order form of the books that can be ordered. If you wish to purchase from the book club, return the forms, plus the correct amount of money, to the front office.

#### **CLASSES**

We have a canteen that is open 5 days a week with a menu that changes slightly each term. Parents are able to order lunches through the Qkr! App before 9:30 am. Special lunch orders occur each term which need to be ordered through the canteen.

## **CLASSES**

All year levels are taught in conventional classrooms with the composition of the classes being determined by the age and numbers of students at varying levels. A number of classes will be of a composite nature eg. R/1, Yrs 2/3 and Yrs 5/6.

## **CONCERTS/FUN FAIR**

A school concert is held every second year during term 4 at a convenient time and venue to allow all parents to attend. All classes participate and present an item at the concert.

On alternative years we hold a fun fair. All classes run a stall and students can participate in the games or purchase items.

## **CURRICULUM**

The school uses the Australian Curriculum to design learning sequences. The Australian Curriculum sets out, through content descriptions and achievement standards, what students should be taught and achieve as they progress through school. It includes learning areas, general capabilities and cross-curriculum priorities that together support 21st century learning.

The school provides a strong inclusive pedagogy in all 8 learning areas: English, Mathematics, HASS, Technology, Kaurna, Science, The Arts, Health and Physical Education.

Curriculum documentation and reviewing is an on-going professional activity at this school and consumes a major part of staff meetings and pupil free days.

## **CUSTODY ORDERS**

The school needs to be informed of any custody regulations governing a child in attendance. All information is confidential but needs to be brought to the school's attention, so that action can be taken if the need arises. Relevant information can be made on the Emergency/Information form. Documentation must be given to the school.

## **DAILY ROUTINE**

Students should not arrive at school before formal supervision at 8:35am

8.40 Classrooms open

8:50 – 8:55 Roll Call (Sign in at Front Office on arrival after 8.55am)

8:55 - 9:45 Lesson 1

9:45 – 10:35 Lesson 2

10:35 -11:25 Lesson 3

11:25 – 11:35 Eat lunch inside

11:35 – 12:05 Lunch play

12:05 - 12:55 Lesson 4

12:55 - 1:45 Lesson 5

1:45 - 2:05 Recess Play

2:05 - 2:10 Eat recess inside

2:10 - 3:00 Lesson 6

Children are dismissed at 3:00pm – the schoolyard is supervised for 15 minutes after the siren. The school offers no supervision beyond this time with the exception of those attending OHSC. It's imperative that students arrive on time so that school programmes are not interrupted. Children are not permitted to leave the school grounds during the school day.

# **EXTREME WEATHER POLICIES**

As the school is air-conditioned, students, irrespective of the temperature, will be dismissed at the normal time – 3.00pm every day, unless parents advise the school differently.

During periods of inclement weather, the children will be supervised indoors for recess and lunch times.

## **HOT WEATHER POLICY**

When the forecast temperature, for Adelaide, on the Bureau of Meteorology Website reaches 36 °C students remain indoors in designated areas.

# **HOT WEATHER POLICY: SPORT EVENTS**

All school organised sports events will be postponed if the days forecast temperature on the Bureau of Meteorology Website is 35C or above.

## **PARENTS:**

Are expected to supply their child with a sun safe school hat, clothing, and sunblock at SAPSASA and other District and school organised sporting events.

## STUDENTS:

Students are required to wear a sun safe school hat and suitable school uniform clothing when participating in all school and SAPSASA organised outside activities.

Failure to comply will automatically exclude the student from participation in the activity/event.

All students who do not meet the sun safe requirements are to sit out play times under the veranda near the canteen.

## LATENESS AND LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY

If students are late they are to go to the front office and sign in, collect a late slip and hand to the teacher as they enter the room.

Parents are asked to come to the front office to sign students out. The office administrator will call the classroom and have the child sent down to the office. Parents are not permitted to go to classes and collect children.

#### **FEES**

Apart from Education Department Grants, we rely on your support in the form of fees to assist in the purchasing of essential items in all the curriculum areas. The stationery component (books, pen etc) constitutes a mere 10% of the total fees.

An account for school fees will be sent home at the commencement of the school year. Please settle this account as soon as possible by paying at the front office. If you find it difficult to pay all at once, please contact the school because arrangements can be made to pay in instalments. Parents can also apply for the School Card Scheme. Forms will be sent home with the invoice at the beginning of the year. Applying for school card is now done on line. If you require support to do this please come into the office and see Sue.

## **GROUNDS**

The grounds of the school are considered to be community property. Their upkeep and maintenance has a direct effect on the general appearance of the area. Your input in the form of attendance at Working Bees would be welcomed.

A part-time grounds' person maintains grassed areas and garden beds. The grounds' committee undertakes developmental work. We would encourage all members of the school community to assist in the upkeep of the grounds.

## **HEALTH SERVICE**

Health checks are available for students by either contacting the CYHS office on 8207 9000 or the school to gain further information. We particularly ask parents to have their children's vision and hearing checked, as these are critical for their ability to learn.

## **DENTAL CLINIC**

Each year the Australian Dental Foundation provides an onsite service for students. Information is sent home at the start of each year.

#### DOGS

For Health & Safety reasons, dogs are not allowed on the school grounds. Although the dog may be very friendly, a number of children are genuinely frightened by dogs.

## **DRESS CODE**

We request that children wear full school uniform with appropriate footwear to school so that they can be included in all aspects of the school curriculum.

Thongs, sleeveless/string tops are not appropriate or sun safe school wear. Make-up of any kind is not acceptable. Ear studs/sleepers are the only earrings considered safe for school.

## **EXCURSION and VISITORS**

Excursions are part of the total classroom programme and provide consolidation of concepts and skills, which apply to the curriculum.

As well as providing excursions, our school on occasions will host performances, thus broadening the child's experience. A consent form must be signed for each excursion. Information about excursions and performing artists are sent home when these occasions arise.

## **GOVERNING COUNCIL**

The Governing Council is a representative body of staff and parent and works for the welfare of the whole school community.

Any parent is eligible to be nominated at or prior to the Annual Meeting of Parents. School Councillors are elected at this meeting which is usually held at the beginning of the school year.

Governing Council meets twice a term at the school. All meetings are open so that any parent or teacher may attend as an observer. Dates are publicised in the Newsletter.

The composition of the Governing Council is as follows:

- A staff member elected annually by staff
- Principal as an ex-officio member
- Elected parents who serve a one or two year term

#### **HOMEWORK**

Homework is given at the discretion of the teachers according to the individual needs of the classes and students. It will often be work not completed during the day, or practice for work taught during the day.

# **LIBRARY**

The library carries a large selection of educational materials which children are encouraged to borrow. Children will go with their class each week to access reading material and the library is open to support students each play time.

#### **LOST PROPERTY**

In order to identify lost property, we ask all parents to ensure that any property that comes to school has your child's name clearly marked on each article. It may initially seem an onerous task, but it will be beneficial in the long term. Lost property is kept in the front office.

## **MEDICATION**

All medications are to be kept in the front office. If your child needs medication at school, please ensure the class teacher and front office are aware of the time and dose needed. All medications are to be in the original container with the pharmaceutical label clearly attached.

All medication must be accompanied by a medication authority form and all medical conditions must have an action plan.

## **NEWSLETTERS and NOTICES**

Newsletters containing relevant school information are sent home to your email and also uploaded to the school website three times each term or as required. Please ensure the school has your current email address; keep a lookout for the newsletter via your inbox. Complete and return any tear-off slips as soon as possible. Notifications will also go on Facebook.

## **PLAY EQUIPMENT**

Two areas are set aside for the students to play on - Junior Primary and Primary playgrounds.

Playground equipment is NOT to be used before staff are on duty or after school for safety reasons. All teachers are responsible during this period for the safety of students arriving or leaving the school grounds and not for supervising play areas.

## **POLICIES**

The school has a number of policies that guide decisions and achieve rational outcomes. These can be viewed on our website or collected from the front office. They include:

- Uniform
- Behaviour
- Attendance
- Anti-bullying
- Mobile Phone and Electronic Devices

## **SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

Official School Photographs – class and individual are taken once a year. Parents are not obliged to purchase any photographs. A newsletter detailing the date and time will be sent prior to the day.

#### **SMOKING**

Parents are reminded that all Education Department schools and their grounds are "NO SMOKING" areas.

## **SPORT TEAMS**

The school participates in SAPSASA (SA Primary Schools Amateur Sports Association) events including Summer & Winter Carnival. Information is given to appropriate age groups prior to any competitions/events.

## **SPORTS DAY**

The children are divided into four teams.

Turner -Green, Yorktown - Yellow, Gooronga - Blue and Mildera - Red

The day, although of a competitive nature, also contains a number of fun events. At the conclusion of the day the teams gather as a whole for the presentation of the Sports Trophy.

## WEBSITE / FACEBOOK

Craigmore South Primary School has an active website that is continuously updated and a Facebook page with news and updates from staff and leadership.

Please visit <a href="https://css.sa.edu.au/">https://css.sa.edu.au/</a> or like our page



## **SEESAW**

Our main form of communication between parents and teachers is through the Seesaw app. Further information on accessing this app is available from your classroom teacher.