

Excellence - Positivity - Community

We are all learning and achieving

Important Dates

9th Nov
Parent info session for 2018
instrumental students

10th Nov
Interschool Sport – Round 12

13th Nov
Senior Parade

14th Nov
P & C Meeting 5pm

20th Nov
Junior Parade

22nd Nov
Cultural Club Performance
P – 2 (9am)
3 – 6 (10am)

27th Nov
Senior Parade
Yr 4 Camp

28th Nov
Year 4 Camp

29th Nov
Year 4 Camp

30th Nov
Prep Graduation Day
9.15 to 10.45am

4th Dec
Academic & Industry Parades

5th Dec
Year 6 Graduation 9am
Year 6 Celebration evening

6th Dec
Prep – Yr 2 Christmas
pageant 9am

8 November 2017

Principal's Pen

Recent events – our busy school



Swimming has been completed for year three, the recent Junior music Showcase was very successful with a large parent audience, and there has been another round of excellent excursions in various year levels. Our school participated in the national event "Music – Count us in" last week, when we joined with more than 550 000 students across Australia who all sang the same song at the same time. The Senior Music Showcase annual concert was held on Tuesday night where it was a delight to see our students displaying their talents and progress. Thanks to all staff and parent helpers who have made these recent events a success.

P. & C. business

Note that the final P. & C. Association meeting for this year will be held on Tuesday 14th November at 5:00pm in the staffroom. All welcome – see you there! The Association is very grateful to our community for your ongoing support at meetings and in the various fundraising ventures. The loose change challenge exceeded expectations and we are excited about another round of Smencil sales later this term –always a very popular fundraiser.

Book Giveaway 2017

We are collecting books to add to our Book Giveaway for 2017. If you have children's books at home that you were given in 2016, or other unwanted kids' books, please consider returning these to school in the next week. We will then pass your gift forward to students in our Great November Book Giveaway. Thank you for your support of this worthwhile activity.



Enrolment for 2018 (196 places filled – only 4 left!)

Places for Prep in 2018 are filling fast. If you have younger children ready for Prep or know of other families with little ones ready for Prep next year, we would love to receive the enrolment paperwork now. There will also be some vacancies for enrolments in other year levels if there are local families you know of who are considering a new school at this time. Word is spreading about Crestmead State School, which is attracting attention in the community as a school of choice. Any assistance you can provide with recommending us to other family members, neighbours or friends in the local area is appreciated.



10 best phrases to teach resilience to your kids

1 <i>Goal</i> Humour <i>Phrase</i> "Come on, laugh it off!"	2 <i>Goal</i> Contain thinking, perfectionism and anxiety <i>Phrase</i> "Don't let this spoil everything"	3 <i>Goal</i> Distraction <i>Phrase</i> "Let's take a break"	4 <i>Goal</i> Handling worry and asking for help <i>Phrase</i> "Who have you spoken to about this?"	5 <i>Goal</i> Offering hope <i>Phrase</i> "I know it looks bad now but you will get through this"
6 <i>Goal</i> Positive reframing <i>Phrase</i> "What can you learn from this so it doesn't happen next time?"	7 <i>Goal</i> Acceptance <i>Phrase</i> "Don't worry - relax and see what happens!"	8 <i>Goal</i> Perspective <i>Phrase</i> "This isn't the end of the world"	9 <i>Goal</i> Flexible thinking <i>Phrase</i> "You could be right. But have you thought about ..."	10 <i>Goal</i> Taking action <i>Phrase</i> "What can we do about this?"

kidspot

Mandatory Student Protection Reporting

The community is reminded that all school staff under the ultimate accountability of the Principal, are legally required to report all instances of reported abuse, neglect, or sexualised misconduct involving children. The definition of such behaviours is very broad and may at times include reports of incidents between children. Parents are asked to understand that our legal obligation makes reporting of these matters to the Police and/or Child Safety compulsory and as such we are not prepared to compromise our employment in these circumstances. However, it should be noted that if a parent is willing and able to provide safety and support to the children involved we will always mention this and are reasonably confident the matter will not result in any unpleasant action. As I hope you can understand, reports of inappropriate behaviours between very young children in the junior school can present a grey area, however in these instances we will still report and let you know that we have been required to take this action. The Queensland Teachers' Union and Principals' Associations are currently seeking clarification around this issue from the Department of Education & Training in order to improve the situation by avoiding over-reporting.

Principal Champion Awards

Senior: Zoran 3.1, Apajok 3.4, Nigel 3.4, Tristan 3.5, River 3.8, Bayden 4.1, Kazey 4.3, Levi 4.4, Turin 4.5, Toby 4.6, Lincon 4.7, Ebony 4.7, Taitoa 5.1, Mitchwendel 5.1, Alezis 5.3, Kara 5.4, Tina 5.5, Jayden 5.6, Lucas 5.7, Isabel 6.2, RJ 6.4, Candice 6.5, Ashley 6.6, Atarina 6.6

Junior: Michael P.1, Nico P.2, Nevaeh P.3, Annabelle P.4, Raphael P.7, Ayden P.8, Wynonna 1.1, Hayden 1.2, Jolene 1.3, Seth 1.4, Portia 1.4, Foxx 1.7, Cassidy 1.8, Creed 2.2, Harley 2.3, Claire 2.4, Triston 2.5, Johnwilson 2.6, Maddison 2.7, Jackson 2.8

Term dates

This term is ten weeks long. We break up for the Summer holidays on **Friday December 8th** and school resumes in term one 2018 on Monday 22nd January. Please see the calendar with this newsletter of other upcoming events.

Kind regards to you all,

Principal Ward

Same day SMS Absent Message

We hope you are finding our same day SMS absent message a positive addition to our school processes. Thank you to all of you that respond to absentees by this way. We have noted that we seem to be receiving pictures as a return message. Unfortunately the system is unable to receive these so we are missing out on your message.

Music Notes

Junior Showcase

Congratulations to our Prep Choir, Grade 1&2 Choir and Junior String Ensemble for your wonderful performances at Junior Showcase last week.

Instrumental Music 2018

In 2018 we will be expanding the instrumental music program. In the past the Strings program has been available to students from year 3 to year 6, and the Band program has been available to students from year 4 to year 6. In 2018 this will change.

All year 2's will have the opportunity to trial playing the violin with Mr Fodor. After that trial period, some students will be offered the opportunity to continue learning. Who is chosen to continue will depend on a lot of factors, including aptitude and dedication. This trial period will take place in term 1.

Also in first term of 2018, some year three students will be invited to try out for the band program with Mrs Chivers. The instruments on offer for these students will be flutes, clarinets, trumpets and trombones. We have made a significant investment into this expansion, by purchasing special lightweight, plastic flutes, trumpets and trombones to get the younger, smaller children started. The selected students will be contacted early in 2018 to begin testing for the instruments.

If you have any further queries please come along to the Instrumental information afternoon on Thursday afternoon 9th November at 3.15PM in the Music Room.

The advertisement features the Scholastic logo at the top, followed by the text 'Book Club LOOP for Parents'. Below this, it explains that LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club's Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents. It provides the website www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP for ordering and payment by credit card. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'GET IT ON Google play' and 'Download on the App Store'.

Report Card Distribution

In December, report cards will be emailed out to parents. If you haven't advised us of your email address please contact our Admin team now.

Excursions

Excursion	Date of	Cost	Deposit Due	Balance Due
Year 6 <u>Wet'N'Wild</u>	Thursday 7 th December	\$32 If valid pass – only \$14 for bus		10 th November
Year 6 Disco	Tuesday 5 th of December	\$23		10 th November
Selected CCC Music Students	Thursday 9 th of November	\$7.50		27 th October

Applying / picking up Park Ridge Transit school bus passes for 2018.

All students with no change of school or home address details will have a new bus pass printed automatically and they will be available for collection from the Park Ridge Transit office between 9th January 2018 to 20th January 2018. Once the first day of school arrives no passes will be available for collection as they will be sorted and sent out with the school bus drivers.

New applications for the 2018 school year are now being accepted at the Park Ridge office. Please call Park Ridge Transit on 3802 1233 or email info@busqld.com.au if you have questions regarding bus passes or bus routes.

¡Hola! and ¡Gracias! for a truly fantástico year at Crestmead!

Years 5 and 6 have come such a long way since their introduction to the Spanish language at the beginning of 2017. Together we have explored so many topics...

From greetings, colours, numbers and animals, to school subjects, likes and dislikes... Our students created their

Crestmead Spanish *Pasaportes* to display their personal details in *Español!*



The days of the week, timetables, hobbies, chores, and weekly activities were the focus in Term 2, culminating in a reading and writing test. Then we made mini

piñatas!

The second half of the year began with everyday objects in the classroom, and moved on to talking about future careers. Students were tested with a speaking and listening exam, focussing on the phrase "In the future, I want

to be..."



As a new teacher here at Crestmead State School, I have

had a

maravilloso time getting to know the staff and students. However, the time has come for me to say goodbye as the school's LOTE teacher, and move on to other things.

It is with mixed feelings that I say **¡MUCHAS GRACIAS Y ADIOS!** for now...

Please welcome Señor Dean Culell as the new Spanish teacher for 2018!



¡Saludos y abrazos!

Señor Alex Cuttriss



SCHOOL ZONE



Flashing lights now active at Crestmead State School

This week, flashing light school zone signs are to be installed on Augusta Street.

Crestmead State School was nominated to receive these new signs as part of a Queensland Government commitment to improve school road safety.

You will notice that the new signs look similar to standard school zone signs with the addition of a red flashing ring around the speed limit as well as two flashing yellow lights at the top of the sign. The installation of flashing light school zone signs is proven to improve visibility of school zones, serving as an active reminder for motorists to slow down.

So next time you're dropping off or picking up your child, keep an eye out for the new signs and make sure you stick to the signed speed limit.



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**CRESTMEAD STATE SCHOOL
P&C ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER**



November 8th, 2017

Website: www.crestmeadss.eq.edu.au Email: pandc@crestmeadss.eq.edu.au

P&C NEWS!!!

Loose Change Challenge!!

Wow what an amazing effort Crestmead S.S. put in for our Loose Change Challenge. Across just 3 weeks together we managed to raise \$2898.25. We also collected 48+ gold coins from the Crestmead Caltex which will bring in another \$48+ dollars. We had some very competitive students and classes this year, but our overall winner was Prep 2. They took the lead early and worked hard collecting those coins to make sure they came out on top at the end. Prep 2 raised a whopping \$320.80!!!! They have won themselves a pizza party!

A big thank you to all who donated coins to our challenge and thank you for making it such an enormous success. 😊

Tuckshop News

Tuckshop staff would appreciate if students would be careful when filling out their orders. We are finding a large amount of scribbled on paper bags are being left all over the bench and ground. If this continues we may need to look at charging for these bags, and we don't want to do that. Lets keep our space beautiful and our wastages small 😊

Graduation Signature Items

2017

Graduation Signature items.

3-day Stall

Tuckshop Undercover Area

Wednesday Nov 15th – Friday Nov 17th

8:30 – 9:30am

Balls \$10 each

Owl and Bear \$15 each

Sold from the tuckshop Nov 20th – Dec 4th

Crestmead S.S. P&C Association Fundraiser



IMPORTANT DATES

Nov 14th – P&C Meeting

Nov 13th 14th – Smencil stall, hand ball sale!

Nov 15th – 17th – Year 6 Graduation signature items sale.

Nov 28th – Last Healthy Eating Day for 2017

Crestmead State School's most popular fundraiser is back!!

SMENCIL STALL

In week 7 the Crestmead S.S. P&C Association will be bringing back the always popular Smencil Stall but with a difference. Along with our regulars this year's stall includes Smens, Smickers and 'Sketch N Sniff' crayon sets.

**When: Monday Nov 13th & Tuesday Nov 14th
8:15 - 9:30am**

Where: Tuckshop undercover area.

What: Single lead Smencils - \$2

Tsum Tsum Single Smens - \$3.50

Tsum Tsum 3pack lead Smencils - \$5

10pack Coloured Smencils - \$15 (*pre-orders taken on the day*)

4pack Glitter Gel Smens - \$10

5pack Sketch and Sniff Glitter Crayons - \$8

Smickers pack (36 stickers/pack) - \$3

Smencil's



Crestmead Handballs \$3
MONDAY Nov 13th & TUESDAY Nov 14th
DM: Y!!!

'The purpose of a school is to help a family educate a child'

Dr Don Edgar

HANDBALL SALE

TWO DAYS ONLY

**When: Mon 13th & Tues 14th
Nov**

**Where: Tuckshop
Undercover area**

How much: \$3

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

GET IN NOW FOR NEW UNIFORMS

Bookings essential.

All students needing new uniforms next year will need to book in to the uniform shop for a fitting now!!.

This can be done by going online at www.alintaapparel.com.au and following the links to the appointment section.

Slots will open as needed, but if you need a different time please email the shop at crestmead@alinta.com.au and a staff member will be happy to organise a time to suit you!



Action in the Vege Garden