Hello!

Welcome back to another busy term in the Senior Learning Community!

This term there are so many exciting things happening, we can hardly contain ourselves! From Lightning Premiership to Graduation and heaps of others in-between, it’s a great time to be a Senior!

**READING GROUPS**

Students are continuing to work in Reading Groups aimed at their point of need. Students have been working through developing reading and comprehension skills such as summarising, finding the main idea, identifying fact and opinion as well as participating in more creative learning experiences such as designing postcards to encourage the public to practise conservation. These activities all contribute to the development and enhancement of students’ reading ability.

**Maths Groups**

Last term students covered a range of topics and concepts in Maths Groups, such as Measurement, Statistics and Probability, Transformation and Symmetry. Students completed a range of activities and mini-projects in which they demonstrated their knowledge and ability.

This term, students will be investigating Symmetry and Tessellation, Fractions, Volume and Capacity and Problem Solving skills. Learning experiences will be targeted to students’ areas of need and will be a variety of interactive, hands-on activities as well as focussed learning experiences.

Students continue to move between groups as their needs and abilities change, and this ensures that students are experiencing learning tasks that are challenging and extend their learning.
This term we have an exciting new program running across the whole school—Dance Fever! This great program encourages co-operation, communication and enhances the social skills of all participants. It is a fabulous opportunity and Cranbourne Primary School are extremely lucky to have been able to secure this opportunity. Dance Fever will occur every Monday for the remainder of the term.

Commencing on Friday 25th October, the Year 6 students will also be starting their Graduation dance lessons. This has become a tradition at Cranbourne P.S and we are excited to continue this tradition in 2013.

Dates To Remember:

Monday 21st October: Curriculum Day
Thursday 24th October: Last day for Graduation Bear/Ball payment ($14.00)
Friday 25th October: CPS House Sports
Monday 28th October: CPS Walkathon
Wednesday 30th October: Cranbourne Primary School Carnival

Monday 4th November: Last day for Graduation ticket purchase ($15 each).
Tuesday 5th November: Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Thursday 21st November: Lightning Premiership
Monday 16th December: Year 6 Graduation
Tuesday 17th December: School Concert
Physical education is a vital and integral part of a child’s development. In Years 5/6 the children participate in a wide range of individual and group games, sports and recreational activities. We promote 100% participation with the aim of developing sporting skills and positive social attitudes. By developing physical skills children gain self-awareness and confidence, which will help them make the most of life’s opportunities.

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**Personal Development**

In Personal Development during Term 4 the students in the Senior Learning Community will be running games from the local community and have been designing rules and advertising the carnival. Students will have the opportunity to participate in the carnival as well as run their game on October the 30th.

In the second half of Term 4 the students will be learning about self esteem and how to believe in themselves. They will have the opportunity to create an act or make a presentation to the rest of the Senior Learning Community. This activity is designed to enable students to work on something that they can achieve and feel good about themselves. We will be looking at perseverance, confidence and how to present to an audience of their peers.

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