



The Gum Tree Newsletter

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Dates For Your Diary

Wed 6 Jun: Biggest Morning Tea
Wed 6 Jun: School Board Meeting
Fri 8 Jun: Pirate Day Friday
Mon 11 Jun: Queens Birthday Public Holiday



Dear Cranleigh Families,

As I write to you this fortnight we are in the middle of two short weeks due to significant public holidays and amongst these events, class teachers are in report-writing mode. We are excited to share with you the new report documents towards the end of the term, and look forward to hearing your feedback as to how these reports reflect the learning successes for your child.

Pragmatic Organisation Dynamic Display (PODD) professional learning. Last Friday and Saturday, saw seven committed Cranleigh staff attend the two day introductory workshop, hosted by Malkara Specialist School. This professional learning has generated much discussion around total communication environments and how, as a school, we can continue to look at using PODD. Watch this space!

Join me in welcoming Emmett Arnold to Cranleigh School. Emmett joins us in the preschool and we are thrilled to have him join this wonderful community.

Congratulations to Brooke on the birth of her son Ryder. Although we are yet to meet this stunning baby in person, Brooke shares many wonderful pictures to keep us updated.

Volunteers wanted! If you or someone you know, is interested in giving their time to working with our students, please get in touch with the front office, and your interest will be passed on to Caren Te Moananui. Caren is our executive teacher who coordinates visitors and volunteers to Cranleigh, and she would love to hear from you!

Wishing you all a fabulous fortnight.

Kylie

Biggest Morning Tea

Cranleigh Staff held their Biggest Morning Tea today, to fund raise for the Australian Cancer Council. A big thank you to Natalie, Brionie, Bev, Elissa and Robyn for providing a beautiful selection of sweet and savoury treats that were enjoyed by all during morning tea and lunch. The collection box is still available to make a donation for the rest of this week.



PIRATE DAY FRIDAY

Don't forget to dress up and bring your Gold Coin Donation this Friday!



Pirate Day Friday is a collaboration between The Kids' Cancer Project and The Adventurers, raising funds to support children's brain cancer research.
piratedayfriday.org.au



Class 6 JL News



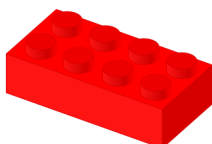
Term Two has been lots of fun in 6JL. We all look forward to Monday mornings in our school sensory gym as we all try to complete a couple of circuits of the activities.



On Wednesdays we share news with one another, taking turns and asking questions about our news items.



We have started to build Lego on Thursday afternoons. We are learning to follow procedures and work with a friend to build these awesome Lego kits that have recently arrived at school.



Achieving potential together

Yoga for Special Children

We all know how good Yoga is for the body, mind and spirit. Try healing special children's issues with this holistic approach. The sooner it is implemented the better, as Yoga gently works with the body on structural level; it helps to correct postural systemic irregularities. Internal organs are toned and rejuvenated, systems are purified of toxins and waste matter while brain cells are nourished and stimulated.

It is going to be fun stretching and twisting your body, being animals, reptiles, birds, trees and flowers!

Since Yoga works at different levels it has great potential as an effective therapy for chronic diseases and conditions that may not respond well to conventional treatment methods.

Benefits for Special Children:

- Tones specific muscles and nerve groups which benefit organs, endocrine glands mainly.
- As the practice is focussed, it develops concentration
- Breathing exercises provide nourishment for every cell in the body and has a powerful stabilizing effect on mind and emotions. It dissolves blocks and negative habit patterns.
- Deep relaxation makes life serene and harmonious, and softens inner tension which helps achieve an energetic buoyancy.
- A calm, focussed mind is developed, reducing hyperactivity.
- A step-by-step integrated system of Yoga poses helps develop cognitive and motor skills.
- It calms down the brain as well as stimulates the brain centres.
- It is a unified system for developing a balanced personality for Special Needs Children.



Special Yoga For Very Special Children

"As a special educator and a yoga practitioner my suggestion to parents is to see how it works wonders"

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