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Welcome to 2017.

We hope that the break has been full of adventure and that your child is excited about the year ahead at Cranbourne South Primary School. It is going to be another fun filled year of educational opportunities.

In 2017 the school values will be further explored with your children. The 4 values at CSPS are:

- **Positivity:** *I look on the bright side.*
- **Persistence:** *I am determined.*
- **Pride:** *I stand tall.*
- **Passion:** *I strive to achieve.*

Please read the following outline of our Term 1 program. This will assist in the transition and adjustment for your child.

Remember that the school's website and Tiqbiz are invaluable sources of information, including notices, newsletters and general information about what is occurring and celebrations of events.

<http://www.cranbournesouth.vic.edu.au/>

ENGLISH

This term we will be focusing on learning our sounds and letter names. The "Ready. Set. Go. Reading Program" will be conducted each morning and provide students with the foundations of reading skills. This program requires concentrated adult supervision. If you are able to come and work with a small group of children in the Foundation Learning Centre for the morning session please see your classroom teacher.

Please hear your child read every night and discuss the book with them, ask questions about the setting, characters and the plot. Lots of praise and enthusiasm for reading will help your child develop a love of books..

MATHEMATICS

This term we will be focusing on recognising numbers to 10.

Please encourage your child to extend their mathematics learning by involving them in shopping, cooking and talking about numbers.

Number usage and understanding is crucial to success. Constant practise of automatic recall of addition and subtraction facts are an ongoing necessity.

A terrific website to help with Mathematics learning is:

www.mathletics.com.au

Each student has their own logon for this website.

INQUIRY UNIT

This term we will be focusing on **Shaping Identity**

Students will consider what they like and learn ways of expressing themselves. They will set organisational goals for school and the classroom and set adventurous goals for the future .

HOME LEARNING:

In the Foundation Learning Centre Home Learning tasks will comprise of sharing take home books and learning some letters, sounds and words. Please see your classroom teacher if you have any queries. Home Learning may not start until later in term 1.



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Lively Learning Program timeslots

- Artistic Flair
Tuesday 12.00pm
- Physical Vibe
Tuesday 11.10am
- Cultural Fusion
Wednesday 1.50pm

Additional Program timeslots:

- Dance Fever
Friday 11.10am
- Google Studio
Wednesday 11.10am
- Library
Thursday 11.10am

Note: Please remember to bring a named, cloth bag for borrowing purposes



If you would like to help out with any of the school programs in anyway please don't hesitate to contact the class teacher or program leader. We would love to see you.

2017 DATES	
New Year's Day	Saturday, 1 January
Australia Day	Tuesday, 26 January
TERM 1	Tuesday, 31 January –Friday, 31 March
Labour Day	Monday, 13 March
Good Friday	Friday, 14 April
Easter Sunday	Saturday, 16 April
Easter Monday	Monday, 17 April
TERM 2	Tuesday 18 April - Friday, 30 June
ANZAC Day	Tuesday 25 April
Queen's Birthday	Monday, 12 June
TERM 3	Monday, 17 July - Friday, 22 September
TERM 4	Monday, 9 October - Friday, 22 December
Melbourne Cup	Tuesday, 7 November
Christmas Day	Monday 25 December
Boxing Day	Tuesday 26 December

About Me



My name is Karen Halket. I have worked at Cranbourne South Primary School since 1999.

I am a keen AFL supporter and follow the Pearcedale Football Netball Club in the local footy. This year we are fielding a women's team for the first time and I am looking forward to it. I am also an unashamed Collinwood supporter. GO PIES!!!

I have 4 children Rye, Ward, Blake and Gemma. I have 2

grand daughters Bethany and Charlotte.

I know the first term will be fantastic and I look forward to watching your child grow and learn at school throughout the year.

I am a Coeliac and can not eat wheat products. I am also highly allergic to oranges. I ask that if you wish to supply oranges for your child to eat at school to please cut them and bring in a plastic bag. Your child will take them outside to eat.

I am looking forward to working with you all in 2017. If families wish to contact me, please see below to make an appointment time. My door is always open.

Thank you for your continued support.

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