Harmony Day and Anti-Bullying Day

Our school was a sea of orange on Friday 21st as we celebrated Harmony Day, this is a day when we develop an understanding of diversity with our students with the message that everyone belongs. Australia is one of the most ethnically diverse societies in the world today, almost one in four Australian residents were born outside of Australia. These people came from over fifty countries.

Students experienced a variety of different activities which taught them about tolerance, acceptance, about difference and how being different from each other is good thing as we all have our own special talents. Our food would be boring if it only came from one part of the world! I enjoyed visiting classrooms to see and hear about the activities classes were working on together.

Classes also did work on the anti-bullying messages:

Safe schools- finding out your part in making a safe school.

Values- learning about the importance of teamwork and why it can make your school a safe and happy one.

Relationships - learning about friendship and getting along with others even if they are different.

The Safe Schools Hub has a parent section in it, the URL is http://safeschoolshub.edu.au/for-parents

You will find the Anti-Bullying Procedure which Education Committee worked on in 2013 which was ratified by Governing Council attached to this Newsletter, please take the opportunity to read it and talk with your child / ren about what it means to them in the school setting.
Parent Teacher Interviews

Many families have already taken the opportunity to make a time to come in and meet with their child’s teacher either this week or next week, it is a great time to share successes and concerns and open up good communication systems between home and school. Education is a partnership, when we all work together fantastic opportunities open up for children and their learning.

Supporting Annette Boughen

On behalf of the Crystal Brook Primary School Staff and students and community we send our condolences to Annette Boughen and her family on the passing of her father, Donald Watt last Sunday. Our thoughts are with them at this difficult time.

Welcome

Welcome to Luke Davis who will be replacing Davina Bellman for the remainder of the year in the Counsellor / Special Needs / Intervention and release time. Luke will begin on Friday of this week. In 2012-13 Luke was Principal at Port Germein Primary School and has been working at Pirie West Primary School this term. Luke is looking forward to meeting and working with the students, staff and the school community at Crystal Brook Primary School.

Anne Franks
Principal

HARMONY AND ANTI-BULLYING DAY AROUND THE SCHOOL

NO PHOTOS INCLUDED
EASTER RAFFLE
Raffle Books were sent home last week and are due back next **Monday 31st March.** Please get them in as soon as possible so our SRC Leaders can prepare for the draw at Assembly in Week 10. Thank you.

UNIFORMS
Orders can be placed at the front office at any time. Payment can be made by cash or cheque to the front office. Uniform Days for Term 2 are Week 3, 15th May, and Week 7, 12th June. These are subject to change if needed. If you have any queries, please contact me on 0438363123.

*Kathryn Hansen,*
*Parent Club Uniform Coordinator*

BOOK FAIR
On Monday 31st March the start of week 10, will be our Book Fair. This runs for the whole week. During this time students can buy books during the lunch breaks in the library and also at the end of the day. I will have the library opened from 3:30 – 4:00 pm each afternoon for parents/caregivers and grandparents to come in and browse. There are a number of new books available to purchase.

Please support this wonderful event as some proceeds go towards buying books for the library. I know I have some books to buy as my granddaughter loves them. They make great gifts for kids of all ages, even the unborn ones. Thanking you.

*Olga Smart*

RAINWATER TANK
The rainwater tank next to Room 4 which has a small leak in it, and it is surplus to our requirements. If anyone wishes to use it for another purpose, please come and see us in the Office. Thank you

COLOURING COMPETITION
All children will receive a Newspower/Staedtler Colouring Competition Entry Form today. Competition ends on the 16th April. **All entries must be dropped into the Crystal Brook Newsagency, NOT returned to School.** More information on the Notice Board.

SAPSASA SWIMMING
Congratulations to Emily Smart, Ellen Crisp, Aynsley Samuel, Adam Jackson, Lucy O’Dea, Jordyn Nicolson and Emily Samuel on making the SAPSASA Swimming Team. They represented North Eastern region at the SAPSASA Swimming Championships in Adelaide on Friday 21st March. An extra congratulations to Emily Smart who was lucky enough to win a Gold Medal in the Open Medley Relay (swimming breaststroke)! Well done Emily!
Cricket
Congratulations to Jed Bowyer, Patrick O’Dea, Leo Coates and Hayden Hooper who were successful in being selected to represent North Eastern at the Cricket State Carnival to be held in Adelaide from 3rd-6th November.

Tennis
Tennis Trials have been held and Crystal Brook Primary School students have done extremely well! Congratulations to Cooper Hayes, Adam Jackson, William Crouch, Cameron Ferme, and Lachie Hansen who have been selected in the North Eastern SAPSASA Tennis Team for 2014, and to Kate Venning and Ben Smart who have been invited to attend the final Trial in Term 3 for possible entry into the team.

Netball
We still have 6 girls who need to return their consent forms to participate in SAPSASA Netball Trials. Please get them returned to me at the Office ASAP, as girls will not be able to attend without this returned form.

Netball Trials will be held on Thursday 10th April (Week 11) at Jamestown Netball Courts (Big Shed). Matches will begin at 9.30am. A squad will be selected from the programmed matches. These girls will then play a further few quarters so that the squad can be reduced. A second trial will be held in Week 1 of Term 2 to finalise the squad. Only students in Year 6 or 7 who play netball are eligible to trial. A canteen will run on the day, and a canteen form has been sent home yesterday with your child. If you would like to order please return your form to the Office and I will fax off. NO MONEY is to come through us, payment is to be made on the day at Jamestown.

Football
Trials will be held on Thursday 10th April at Jamestown Football Oval. SAPSASA Football Trial Information and Consent forms were sent home last week with boys who had put their name down to Trial. Only year 6 and 7 boys are eligible. Please come dressed in team uniform or training attire that you would wear to your weekly training session. Team jumpers/colours will be provided on the day. A canteen will run on the day, and a canteen form has been sent home yesterday with your child. If you would like to order please return your form to the Office and I will fax off. NO MONEY is to come through us, payment is to be made on the day at Jamestown.

As we have such a large number of students attending both the Netball and Football Trials we have decided to take the School bus. The bus will leave CBPS at 8.45am, so children will need to be at school by 8.35am, and will return in plenty of time for the end of school. Please let me know at the Office by text, phone or email if you intend to take your own child so we don’t leave without anyone! We will assume if we don’t hear from you your child will be on the bus.

Cross Country
The District Cross Country trials will be Term2, week 4, Tuesday 20th May 2014, at Wilmington Primary School. Cost of entry is $1.00 to be paid on the day. If your child is interested in attending this trial, they must come to the Front Office to put their name down, and they will be given an information sheet. They will need to select which Division they are entering, as any child wishing to represent our District in Adelaide needs to enter Division 1 and be available to compete in Adelaide on Thursday 5th June at Oakbank Race Course. First event starts at 10am and last finishes at 2.30pm. You need to be able to find your own way to Oakbank and back. I will need final names by Friday 11th April, Week 11 to get them to organisers in time.

Soccer
If your child is interested in trialling for North Eastern SAPSASA Soccer, they will need to come to the Office before Friday 11th April, Week 11 and put their name down. They will then be given an information sheet. North Eastern SAPSASA Soccer Trials are to be held on Monday 5th May and Thursday 15th May at Gladstone High School from 4pm - 5.30pm. Students in Year 6 & 7, boys and girls, are welcome to try out for the North Eastern SAPSASA district teams. If selected, the student must be available to play in Adelaide from 23rd - 27th June. Games are at Barratt Reserve, West Beach, opposite Adelaide Shores Holiday Park. Steve Garden will be the coach and following the selection of the team, there will be trainings to attend. Students who are selected will need to organise their own transport and accommodation for the week in Adelaide.

Jacqui Head