

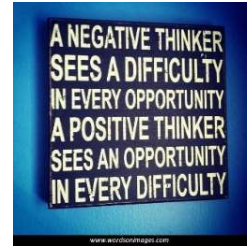


Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2, 10 May 2017

Crossways Calendar

Week 2	NAPLAN TESTING
Wed 28 June (Week 9)	SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
Tues 4 July	LAST DAY TERM 2
Monday 24 July	TERM 3 BEGINS
5 / 6 / 7 July	STAFF TRAINING



Principal's Word



My passion for Crossways is to be the "fire" in our community which radiates our school values and spirituality. Our values are: passion, love, forgiveness, success, empathy, respect, fairness and responsibility. I invite the community to consider joining our Crossways family by entrusting their children to our school. Our teachers are passionate and see their roles as a calling (from God) and not just a vocation. This is a blessing to our school and brings about the difference we offer as a

Christ - centered school in the community.

Relationship building is a priority at Crossways; as positive relations between staff, students and parents ultimately lead to improved communication, student engagement, achievement and success.

Learning is priority at school whether it is in a formal (school) or informal setting. Learning is something that impacts nearly every facet of your existence every day. You are constantly learning new things, or expanding on existing knowledge.

The Learning Pyramid indicates how students retain knowledge. We are offering differentiated programs which are either scaffolded or extended to the needs of our student cohort (from Reception to Year 10). **Learning and Attendance** go hand in hand and that is why I want to encourage all our students to attend school every day.

I would like to thank all the parents for attending our Parent Interviews last week. It is of vital importance to work together with our parents to ensure improved student engagement and achievement. Parents are very positive about the teaching and learning at Crossways!

Blessings

Francois Pienaar

Vital Information on Attendance and absenteeism

Compulsory school age is when children must be enrolled in and attend school, from when they turn 6 until they turn 16. Compulsory education age is when students aged 16 must be in an approved learning program until they turn 17.

Patterns of attendance and absence that are set up in the early years usually persist through education and life. Regular attendance at school is important to a child's learning and development.

Poor attendance may lead to **learning difficulties** because children who are frequently absent are likely to miss learning the basic skills needed for their future education.

It is important for us to work with parents to encourage student attendance and participation to:

- provide a safe, success orientated and caring environment
- provide relevant learning programs for all students
- maintain accurate records of attendance
- ensure non-attendance is followed up through early intervention
- develop strategies to resolve attendance difficulties.

I would like to encourage parents to support us in this regard because

Attendance, Learning and Success can only be achieved with regular attendance! - **Francois Pienaar**

CROSSWAYS MID YEAR RECEPTION INTAKE

Applications Now Open !

If your child turns 5 before 30 September 2017 they are eligible to begin Reception at the beginning of Term 3.

If any parents / caregivers have any concerns about their child's school readiness, please contact Francois Pienaar (Principal) or Georgia Lambeff (Reception Teacher) at the School on :-

86252873

Why Do Parents Choose an Independent School?

The research that ISCA undertook in 2007 and again in 2016 sought to explore what factors influence families in their decision to choose to enrol children in an Independent school. The research was particularly focused on identifying what families consider to be important when choosing a school for their children, the main reasons why families chose to enrol at an Independent school, what families want from the Independent school their children are currently enrolled in, whether parents would recommend Independent schools, and the importance of education as a national political issue.

Why Do Parents Choose an Independent School? Independent sector parents chose an Independent school for their children for a wide variety of reasons. However, the most commonly nominated reasons indicated that parents made a choice based on the desire to support a well-rounded school experience for their children.

The five most important reasons that parents chose an Independent school were:

- Educational excellence
- Supportive and caring environment
- Good teachers
- Student receives individual attention
- Good facilities.

Each of these reasons indicate the importance to parents of the school being a positive environment and a community in which students can develop academically and personally.

A significant number of parents also had religious reasons for choosing an Independent school. Almost one in five parents said that they chose an Independent school for the school's faith-based environment. Fourteen per cent of Independent school parents nominated the faith-based environment as being one of the three most important reasons they chose the school.

It is clear that parents want their school community to focus beyond simply academic results such as NAPLAN, ATAR or university entrance, but also to play a complementary role in their children's personal development, and provide skills that are important throughout life.

Health Workshops

Sexual Health is an important topic of the Australian Curriculum within the Health and Physical Education Learning Area. Students need to be aware and have an understanding of Sexual Health and therefore the school has organised for students to be a part of workshops on the topic.

On the 17th of June (Wednesday Week 7) the students in Year 8-10 will be split into single gender groups and will be involved in a Sexual Health Workshop and White Ribbon Workshop. The Sexual Health Workshop will be run by Youth Health Co-ordinators from Community Health and the White Ribbon Workshop will be led by Crossways' staff Amy Norsworthy and Kerry Taylor. We strongly encourage all students to be involved in both workshops.

Amy Norsworthy

EFTPOS SERVICES AT SCHOOL

Great News!!

Crossways now have Eftpos services in the Front Office for payment of School Fees / Credit on Accounts for Canteen and Camps / Uniforms sales etc.

**EFTPOS
AVAILABLE
HERE**

UNIFORM / ATTENDANCE

SLEEP / DIET

Welcome back to Term 2 families!
I hope the time spent with your children was enjoyable and you all had a safe and happy Easter!

A few important points for Term 2:

School Uniforms:

Please ensure your child is dressed in the appropriate uniform. The winter uniforms should now be worn as the weather has cooled down! The office staff will be happy to help sort out new uniforms if required.

Attendance:

It was great to see so many students receive attendance awards at our Celebration Of Learning held on the last day of school. Attending school regularly and on time is so important to each child's education and their self-esteem.

The importance of sleep:

All students should be getting between 8-10 hours of uninterrupted sleep each school night to ensure they are at their best for learning each day.

Children should not have devices in their rooms that could keep them awake after bedtime or wake them up!

I've found 'tired students' a very common occurrence on a daily basis, this has a huge impact on afternoon subjects, often resulting in very little being achieved.

Have you noticed your child's report card grades looking low in certain subjects? This could be due to subjects being timetabled to the afternoon and students being too tired to work.

Please help your child by making sure they have a good bedtime routine! There is heaps of useful information on the internet to help guide you 😊

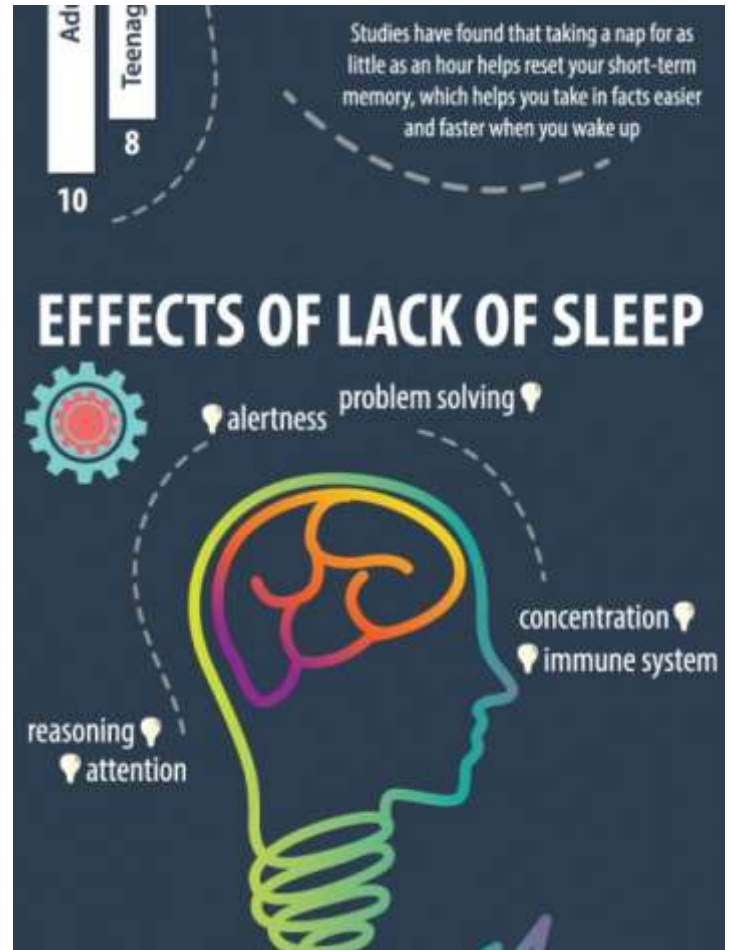
Nutrition:

What we put into our bodies goes hand in hand with sleep! If we do not feed our bodies with wholesome, nutritious food regularly we cannot expect our bodies to perform to their maximum potential!

Challenge: Try to limit packaged food to only 1 a day and fill your child's lunch box with fruit, salad and meat rolls or wraps, home baked muffins or cakes, yoghurt and chopped veggies with dip, crackers and cheese!

A lunch box that is filled with these types of foods will keep your child focused for longer! I dare you to give it a try!!!!

Terena Evans, Middle School Curriculum Coordinator



5 Reasons SLEEP is IMPORTANT

Stabilises Blood Sugar Levels

Reduces Stress Levels

Builds your Muscles

Makes you feel happier

Weight Loss

MOVE
love
EAT

Working Together Towards a Brighter Future 

CANTEEN SPECIAL



STICKY PORK RIBS WITH RICE

\$3 (1 Rib)

\$5 (2 Ribs)

RECIPE OF THE WEEK!

Easy Fried Rice

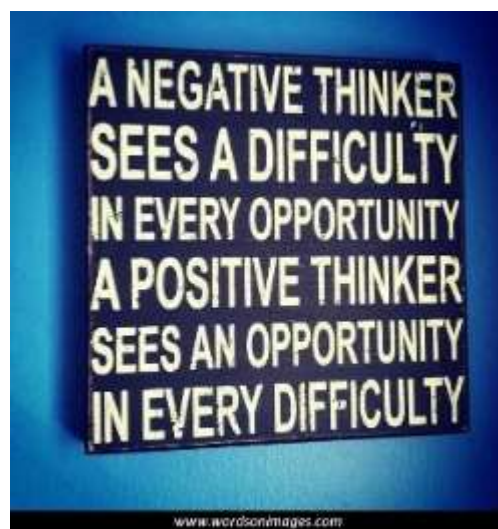


2 tablespoons oil, 150g bacon, about 20 small green prawns, 3 lightly whisked eggs, 4 cups cooked long-grain rice, 1 small red capsicum diced, 300g fresh or frozen peas, 1 cup bean sprouts, 1.5 tablespoons soy sauce, 2 spring onions thinly sliced.

Stir fry the bacon and prawns for 1 minute in oil. Reduce heat and pour the whisked eggs and stir until eggs broken up and set.

Add remaining ingredients and stir fry for 2-3 minutes.

Great leftover school lunch dish.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

PLAYGROUP



Playgroup is held every Friday morning
at Crossways Lutheran School

From 10am - 12noon



CEDUNA SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

NEXT OPEN

MONDAY 8th of MAY 2017


TO

FRIDAY 12th of MAY 2017

PLEASE CALL MOBILE: 0434 601 394

BETWEEN 8.30AM-4.30PM DURING THIS WEEK ONLY

FOR ENQUIRES & APPOINTMENTS

Working Together Towards a Brighter Future 

Minya Bubs Parent Group



Save the Children and Ngura Yodurim Children and Family Centre

Invite you and your child to

'Minya Bubs'

FREE young Nungu parent group

WEDNESDAYS: 12.30pm-2.30pm

Fun, Art & Craft Activities and Storybookens

Free information from guest speakers about:

- Child development
- Attachment
- Budgeting
- Nutrition
- Menstruation
- Looking after your self
- Family & Relationships

Transport Available

Free Crèche Provided

Free Lunch Provided

A great way to spend some time with other young Nungu families.

Ngura Yodurim Children and Family Centre

Kelly St Ceduna

For further information please contact:

Dorina Taylor 8625 3550 or Janah Colbung 8625 2294



Save the Children.

Funded under a grant from the Australian Government

Save the Children acknowledges the traditional owners of every shire throughout Australia and their continuing connection to their land and community. We pay our respects to them and their culture, and to all the past and present.



MyTime

supporting parents of children with disabilities

ARE YOU A PARENT OR CARER OF CHILD/REN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS?

MyTime is a **FREE** Program for mums, dads, grandparents and anyone caring for a child up to the age of 16 with a disability, chronic medical condition or developmental delay. The Program provides carers "Time out" – relax and socialise sharing ideas with others in similar situations, fun activities include massage, manicures, craft and more.

Ceduna MyTime Group

Monday May 8th

Cuppa and Chat

Transport Available if required

Time: 12.30pm-2.30pm

Venue: Ngura Yodurim Children and Family Centre

For more information please contact:

Facilitator: Rebbecca Braendler

86262155

OR

Manager: Virginia Fusco

8159 9474

FREE CRÈCHE

Available for children 0 – 5 years



Government of South Australia
S.A. 1313

Women's and Children's Health Network



Play 2 Learn

A good beginning for every child


CROSSWAYS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Smith Road, Ceduna, SA 5690

Free supported Playgroup for you and your child.

Play2learn incorporates early childhood learning through play and family support for parents facilitated by both qualified Early Childhood Educator's and Family Support Staff.


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 **Save the Children**
Australia

 **CROSSWAYS**
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For 0-5 year olds

10am – 12pm

**Free healthy
snacks for your
child**

**Friday
Morning during
school term**

**Transport Available.
Please call to
arrange**

For further information or
parenting support please
contact; (08) 86253550
(Petrina Mahar - ECE)