DEAR PARENTS/CARERS:

School Development Day—Thank you to all parents for your support of the day for staff to participate in activities to improve the school. The staff worked collaboratively to analyse the data from this year’s NAPLAN testing. There was a robust discussion around the questions:

- What are we seeing in this data?
- Why are we seeing it?
- What do we need to do to drive further improvement in individual students & groups?

The NAPLAN evidence tells us that Craigie Heights PS students are performing extremely well across the board and this can be attributed to the high expectations staff have of your child and the capacity of this wonderful staff to maximise student learning. It is also clear to me that parents are keen to be involved in their child’s education, where possible, and this is another factor in this school’s success. As I walk around the classes in the mornings and see parents doing puzzles, hearing reading and generally being involved in the daily routine it tells me that children are well supported here. The next step for our community is to incorporate suggestions for further improvement into the new Business Plan.

The closer the dots are to the top right the better. This graph tells us that not only is achievement high for Craigie Heights students but great progress is being made from Yr 3-5 and a wonderful shift has occurred from 2014 to 2015.

Room 7 Assembly

Congratulations to Mrs Elmer and Mrs Watson for the wonderful assembly they prepared with the students from Room 7. Their skill level in narration and acting was terrific as they told us an Aboriginal Dreamtime story in a very meaningful way. The audience appreciation level was very high and I was really pleased to see the large number of parents who came and then enjoyed morning tea and a look around the class after the assembly.

Jen Graffin—Principal
SCHOOL NEWS:

HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS—WEEK 2  TERM 4

Congratulations to the following students:

**PP to Year 2:** Grace, Luca, Chelsea, Jack, Oscar, Teya, Lachlan, Shayla, Aaron, Mia, Reece, Shaleece

**Year 3 to Year 7:** Kiara, Seth, Jannika, Lucas, Andrea, Oshyn, Seth, Una, Jake, Toby, Aysha, Patrick

HARMONY AWARD WINNERS—WEEK 2  TERM 4

Congratulations to the following students:

**Year 2 Room 6:** Jesse  **Year 6 Room 15:** Abbigail

CRAIGIE HEIGHTS RECOMMENDED AUTHORS

Please take time to visit the library to see the fantastic work displayed by this week's authors:

- Room 2: Brody, Tarli & Jayden
- Room 4: Alex
- Room 5: Wyatt
- Room 6: Max
- Room 7: Jessica
- Room 10: Lily
- Room 11: Malakai
- Room 14: Toby
- Room 15: Amber D

CHILDREN NOT RETURNING IN 2016

If your child(ren) are **NOT RETURNING** to Craigie Heights Primary School in 2016 (other than those in Year 6), could you please inform the school office.

This information is important for planning and staffing for 2016.

Many thanks for your assistance with this matter.

SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Payment of Contributions or Incursions / Excursions can be made via internet banking, by cheque, cash or Eftpos. Please finalise payments at the front office between 8.00am and 3.30pm.

Thank you to those parents that have already made payment.

**Payee:** Craigie Heights Primary School  
**BSB:** 066 040  
**Account:** 1990 2511  
**Reference:** Child’s Name/s and Year or Room #  
**Description:** School Contributions / Incursion or Excursion Name

A receipt will be forwarded to you. If required you can contact the Registrar at Craigieheights.PS@education.wa.edu.au
A BIG thank you to Bunnings, Joondalup, particularly to Belinda the Activity Coordinator. Bunnings have donated lots of items to the school for our music classroom to help us to create music and sounds using different non-traditional musical instruments. Items donated include bins, buckets, hardwood, aluminum pipes, plastic plumbing pipes, garden rakes, tiles and corrugated buckets and sheets.

Students have already had some great and different ideas about how to create musical sounds using these items and I am sure they will be very well used by the music classes.

Everything was donated at no cost to the school which is great for our resources. Thank you to Bunnings for their support of the students’ education.

Laura Massey—Music Teacher

The school choir will be singing alongside 23 other schools in the Westcoast Songfest on Friday 6th November 2015. They have been rehearsing hard for what promises to be a great event. Admission to the HBF Arena Joondalup for the Songfest is by ticket only.

Addition Cross

Arrange the numbers 2 to 10 in the cross below so that the horizontal and vertical totals are equal to 32.

Name: ___________________ Room: ____

Place in safe box in the office by Tuesday 3rd November 2015
NUMERO WINNER

The Maths is Fun group regularly enter the Numero competition in the West Australian newspaper, as a part of the Year 5/6 Excellence: Be an Achiever Program.

Recently, Ryan was named a winner in the competition and he won a pack of Numero cards. Congratulations Ryan!

CHAPLAIN’S CHATTER

This term I have begun running a program with the Year 5/6 cohort based on the ABC program ‘Being Me’. The series, which has eight episodes, is a social and emotional wellbeing program which aims to help the students learn to know themselves, like themselves and be themselves.

The eight sessions cover Identity, Happy to be me, Belonging, Making Friends, Keeping Friends, Power and Responsibility, Changes, and Taking Risks. One of the subjects we talk about early in the program is Self-Talk. Self-talk is the voice in our mind which says things that we don’t necessarily say out loud. Often self-talk happens without us even realising it and can be a subtle running commentary going on in the background of our mind. But our self-talk can determine a lot of how we feel about who we are. The program suggests the first step is to become aware of what we are saying to ourselves (listen in on the conversation going on in our head). The second step is to question what we are saying to ourselves. Is it helpful? Is it realistic? If the answer to these questions is No, we can replace our thoughts with more helpful, realistic and positive thinking.

It might not seem like much, but self-talk is a really important part of our self-esteem and confidence. By working on getting more positive self-talk, you’re more likely to get things done and feel more in control of what’s happening in your life. As an adult I know this process is not easy but if our children can learn this when they are young it can help decrease the incidence of both anxiety and depression.

Jenny Palandri

CHAPLAIN’S CHAMPION:

Sophie, from Miss Leach’s pre-primary class, was named the Chaplain’s Champion at last Thursday’s assembly.

Sophie is a kind and gentle member of our school community, who always includes others and invites all students to play with her. Sophie comforts her class mates when they are upset. She also works very hard during class time. Sophie is a delight to have in our school. Congratulations Sophie—you are a star!
On Friday 23rd of October, the Year 6 students held a fund raiser to raise funds for a farewell gift to the school. From all accounts, it was a very successful day. All Year 6 students should be congratulated on the amazing job that they did. Besides raising a lot of funds for a farewell gift, it was a real life learning task for the students in the area of Enterprise. Students had to work in groups, develop ideas, plan their stall and promote it, before and during the event. On the day, they were very responsible and respectful, and had lots of fun.

The overall amount raised was $1097.45. Now the next task for students is to reflect on the day, explore the challenges and celebrate their achievements, and decide on the gift they will purchase for Craigie Heights Primary School.

A huge thank you goes out to all Year 6 parents, for the obvious support that they provided to their child, to make this event a success. Also to the P&C who donated chocolates and lucky dip prizes, as well as the loan of their fishing game equipment. Also, a big thanks to all students and staff for coming along to the event.

Mrs Amanda Robinson and Mrs Carissa Carroll—Year 6 Teachers
YEAR 6 GRADUATION:

Year 6 Graduation will be on Monday 14th December at 6.00pm. This is a very formal ceremony and students are required to wear school uniform, including their Year 6 shirt. This will be held in the school’s undercover area and will be followed by a supper. Invitations will be sent home in the near future.

One of the traditions that is a highlight of the evening, is a power point that has a current photo of each student, along with a baby/toddler photo. For this to happen we are requesting that students bring a baby/toddler photo to school. This can be handed to their classroom teacher. Please label with the child’s name and this photo will be returned once it has been scanned. As the production of the power point for graduation is a time consuming task, we ask that these photos be brought to school no later than Friday 30th October.

A fun graduation excursion is planned for Tuesday 15th December at the Great Escape. The cost will be $26 and will include entrance, all the activities, lunch and bus transport to and from Hillarys. This is a reward activity and as such only students who have demonstrated our expected behaviours including being an achiever, being safe, being respectful and being responsible, will be invited to attend. Forms for this event will be sent home later in the term.

Mrs Amanda Robinson

YEAR 6 TRANSITION:

For those students who have enrolled at Belridge Secondary College for 2016, there will be a half-day Orientation on Wednesday 4th November. These students will attend school as per normal on that day and will then travel to Belridge with Mrs Robinson on a bus provided by Belridge. A permission slip has been sent home and is required to be returned by 4th November. This is also a reminder that if you have not yet enrolled your child, this needs to be done.

A full-day Orientation for Belridge students will occur on Tuesday 8th December (Week 9). On this day, those students will go directly to Belridge Secondary College and will spend the whole day there, along with other new students.

Students that have been enrolled at other high schools will have their own orientation day and this will confirmed by your new school.

Mrs Amanda Robinson

2016 CAMP:

Forms were sent home at the beginning of this term for the 2016 Year 6 Camp. The camp will be in Week 8 of Term 1, 2016, a time of the year that should be perfect weather form such an event. Forms and the first payment of $150 is due by Week 8 of this term, so that numbers and interest can be gauged.

Mrs Amanda Robinson

P&C NEWS:

Our next meeting is Monday 2nd November at 6.30pm in the Staff Room. Meetings enable you to meet other parents from our school, be informed with what is happening at the school and have your say in our decision making processes, and what our goals should be!

We would love to see some new faces, and welcome anyone who would like to come along and see what we do!
Sustainability Committee- Denise Moore (Coordinator)

A busy bee is planned for **Saturday 28th November 9am to 12pm**. Please sign up and keep this date free. This will involve lifting logs into place to form the foundation of climbing structures. Members of the Fathering Project are encouraged to get involved.

The committee is seeking donations of materials, skills and resources to start the playable landscape at the southern end of the oval. If you are in the building industry, and have any contacts please let John McWilliams, School Gardener (Monday to Wednesday) or Denise Moore (Room 10) know. Materials need to be collected by 13th November. We are looking for logs of various sizes, log stepping stones, rocks, rope, concrete, excavation equipment and a large concrete pipe as a tunnel.

Keep an eye out for the playable landscape information board which will display the concept, designed by Melissa Shaw and a sign-up sheet for the busy bee. Your involvement is greatly appreciated by the staff and students at Craigie Heights Primary School.

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Book lists for 2016 are expected to go live on the internet next week (w/c 2nd November). Please check the school's website for more information, where a link will be published to help you with ordering online. Hard copies will be send home through distribution once they are received.
Community News:

Pabury Community Kindergarten is celebrating its 40th year of operation.

We would like to invite previous students, staff and families to join us on Saturday 21st November to celebrate from 10am—2.00pm.
Community News:

MULLALOO BEACH PRIMARY SCHOOL

2015 Colour Fête

SUNDAY NOV 15
11AM TO 4PM
WESTVIEW BLVD
MULLALOO

RIDES / FOOD STALLS / BOUNCY CASTLES / CHILL OUT ZONE / SCITECH / JEWELLERY / VINTAGE CLOTHING / SUPER HEROES FACE PAINTING / RAFFLES / LIVE ENTERTAINMENT ICE CREAM / 35+ STALLS / CUDDLY ANIMAL FARM & MORE

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Nicole Poppas (c) 2015