



**SCHOOL VISION:** To inspire every student to achieve their personal best through learning, living and playing in harmony.

**EXPECTED BEHAVIOURS:**

★ Be Responsible ★ Be Safe ★ Be an Achiever ★ Be Respectful



**DEAR PARENTS / CARERS:**

Welcome back to all staff, students and their families and a special welcome to our new families and staff joining our school community in 2023. It was an extremely smooth start this morning as eager and smiling students found their way effortlessly to their new classrooms for 2023. Thank you for the extremely positive manner all parents and carers supported students to arrive at the classroom door ensuring the school was filled with the sounds of happy children.

Staff have been working very hard to ensure a smooth start to the year and I thank everyone in our school for the role they have played to prepare and welcome our students back to school.

It has been wonderful for all of our staff to reconnect with students and families today and we look forward to continuing the positive partnership we have with our school community.

Thank you everyone for a wonderful start to the year.

**Minister Visit**

Added to the organised chaos and excitement of the first day back at school was a visit from the Minister for Early Childhood Sabine Winton and our local member Caitlin Collins. Minister Winton in a new Ministerial portfolio met our School Board chair Alison O'Neill and P&C President Jodie Ross as well as a visit and play with the Kindergarten students with Mrs Zajitz-Ceravolo and Mrs Jenny Krouzecky. Our special visitors were met superbly by two of our new Student Councillors who were such a positive reflection of a Craigie Heights student. Thanks Sonny and Madison.

**Family Picnic**

Due to the impacts of COVID-19 over the past few years we have certainly felt the affects on our connection with the school community. It is wonderful that we start the school year without the restrictions that we all endured in past years. To support the connection amongst the school community we will be having a Welcome Back to School Family Picnic on Friday, 17 February from 4.30pm-6.00pm. We are excited to invite all families to bring their chairs, blankets and a picnic dinner to meet other families, staff, P&C members and our School Board. We will provide more information closer to the date, but hope you can join us.

**Reminders**

As we start the year it is always timely to remind parents and carers that classrooms are open in the mornings from 8.25am for students. The day starts at 8.40am and concludes at 3.00pm. We do ask that students and families leave the school grounds quickly and safely without playing on play equipment in the school and the oval. This ensures that students leave the grounds safely under parent or carer supervision. Thank you for your support and understanding.

**Newsletter  
Term 1**

**Wednesday  
1st February 2023**

Friday 3rd February  
Holiday Reading  
Challenge Due

Mon 13th/Tue 14th/ Thurs  
16th Parent Information  
Sessions

Friday 17th February  
Welcome BBQ  
4.30-6.00pm

Wed 22nd February  
School Board Meeting at  
2.45pm

27th Feb—10 March  
Beach Swimming  
Years 5 & 6

Friday 3rd March  
School Development Day  
&

Monday 6th March  
Labour Day Holiday  
No students to attend

Wed 15th March—  
Mon 27th March  
NAPLAN Years 3 & 5

Thur 30th & Fri 31st  
March  
School Photos

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OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE  
TELEPHONE: 0421 369 516



Telephone Number: 08 6206 2200 SMS Absentee - 0417 995 416  
Email: [Craigieheights.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Craigieheights.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

**The School Office is open 7.45am-3.30pm, Monday to Friday during the school term**

**Craigie Heights Dental  
Clinic -Tel: 9401 3731**

## PRINCIPAL Continued.....

### Communicating with staff

We encourage parents and carers to keep in contact with your child's teacher to ensure a positive partnership and connection over the course of the school year. We do ask parents and carers wishing to make an appointment with the teacher to contact the school office via :

[craigieheights.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:craigieheights.ps@education.wa.edu.au) or directly with your child's teacher where a suitable time can be organised to meet and discuss any queries or concerns you may have. Your child's teacher is always the first point of call for you and is only too willing to assist you. Please refrain from wanting a teachers attention at school drop off time as this is not an appropriate time as the teacher welcomes and prepares for students as well as the need confidentiality for any concerns. Teachers will regularly communicate with families via the class Connect page where information, news, updates and celebrations are shared. Thank you for partnering with us positively.

### Student details

If there have been changes in family contact details including addresses and phone numbers, family court orders, medical issues, medication or changes in emergency contacts please advise the school administration staff in the office. This information is vital for the processes our staff adhere to, to keep all students safe at our school. Thank you for urgently attending to the update of critical information we require for students.

### Newsletter

Our newsletter will be a great source of information for parents and carers as we share our work and important readings on research of best practice we implement, policies and programs in our school. It will be also be a forum for sharing the successes of staff and students that occur over the year. We hope that the newsletter provides another important lens into the work of our staff, the quality of education provided and the manner we provide for all of our students. If you feel there is something you would like to know more about or would like to share the successes of your children in the wider community, please let us know and we can share this through our newsletter when appropriate. Newsletters will be sent via Connect on Wednesdays of every odd week of the term.

Thank you again to everyone for the wonderful start to the year. It has been an extremely positive beginning with a great vibe across the school made by the smiling and happy faces of our students. We look forward to a fantastic year of fun and exciting progress academically and socially from our students.

Go well everyone and go the Perth Scorchers!

Glen Bewick—Principal

## SCHOOL PAYMENTS

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

The Qkr! App enables you to make a secure payment using a smart phone or tablet using a credit/debit card. The App is available 24/7 and removes the need to return cash to the school.

In addition, a new flexible 'Product' has been added to the Qkr! App that allows you to make payment for past activities or odd amounts. You choose the amount to pay and add a comment to identify the payment. This enables you to adjust a payment to take into account money already paid to the school and held as 'unallocated credit'. No signature is required for this product, which is named 'Overdue Payments – Previous Years'.

Instructions on how to download the App are available here: [Qkr! App](#)

EFTPOS is available at the front office, however it is preferable to use Qkr! or direct deposit to:

Internet Banking (returning forms to front office):

**Payee:** Craigie Heights Primary School **BSB:** 066 040 **Account:** 1990 2511

**Reference:** Child's Name/s and Year or Room # and brief description

A receipt will only be issued for payments over \$50 unless requested. If required, you can contact the Manager Corporate Services at: [Craigieheights.PS@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Craigieheights.PS@education.wa.edu.au)



## DEPUTY REPORTS

### WELCOME TO NEW STAFF

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new staff joining us here at Craigie Heights Primary School:

Chloe Pegoraro— Year 4/5 Teacher (Room 11)

Holly Morrissey— Year 5 Teacher (Room 10)

Taryn Willock — Year 5 Teacher (Room 10)

### PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

The Parent Information Session is coming up in Week 3 (either Monday 13<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February). Each session will go for about 30 minutes. The parent/carer meetings are a chance for teachers to explain procedures, routines, curriculum, PBS and for parents to ask general questions. Please note that this is not a parent-teacher interview. Your class teacher will notify you, next week, when your session is. Please note that children supervision is a parent's responsibility before and after school.

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will occur in Week 9 on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March and Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March. Kapture Photography will come to the school to take photos and more information will be shared with students and their families in coming weeks.



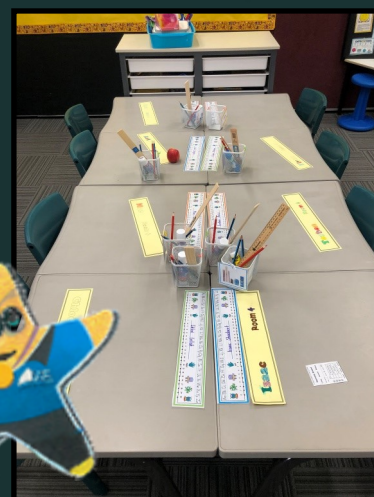
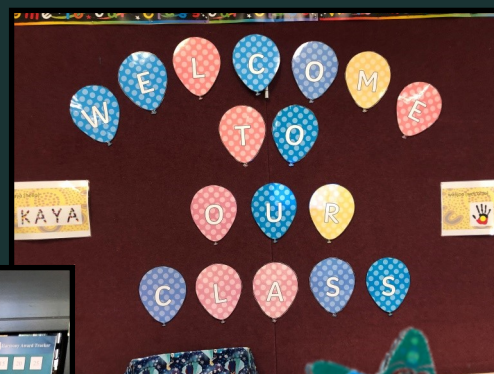
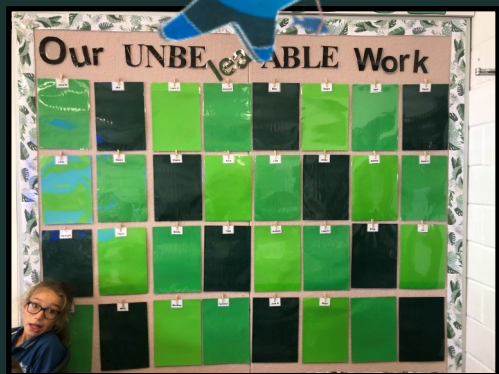
### STUDENT LEADERS

We are proud to announce our Year 6 Leaders for various roles below:

AV Monitors	AV Monitors to be announced.
Choir Captains	Choir Captains to be announced.
Faction Captains	<b>Kaarda</b> Harvey, Riley & Alysha <b>Kwilena</b> Connor, Ethan & Sienna <b>Yongah</b> Keshi, Ella & Ashton
Senior Library Monitors	Senior Library Monitors to be announced.
PATHs Rangers	Evan, Summer, Indi & Lily
Student Councillors	Emily, Madison, Nikola, Sienna, Elias, David, Sonny & Zaden
Student Reconciliation Leaders	Joshua, Luke, Lily, Isla, Jake, Sonny, Harvey, Sienna & Mitchell



# Craigie Heights 2023



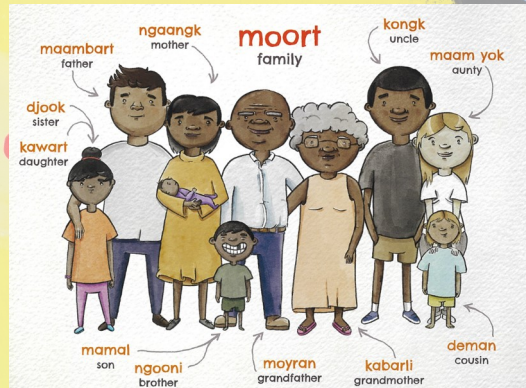


# Noongar Corner

Kaya koolangka (children) and moort (families), this year we are pleased to continue sharing our Noongar Word of the week. This term the theme will be moort (family). If you are interested in pronouncing the words correctly scan the QR code provided.

**Week 1: moort (family)**

**Week 2: ngangk (mother)**



## 6 Noongar Seasons—Bunuru

The Noongar Season 'Bunuru' is represented by the colour orange and is the hottest time of the year.

Bunuru is the hottest time of the year with little to no rain. Hot easterly winds continue with a cooling sea breeze most afternoons – if you're close to the coast. Traditionally this was, and still is, a great time for living and fishing by the coast, rivers and estuaries. Because of this, freshwater foods and seafood made up major parts of the Noongar people's diet during Bunuru.

Bunuru is also a time of the white flowers with lots of white flowering gums in full bloom, including jarrah, marri and ghost gums.

Another striking flower to look out for is the female zamia (*Macrozamia riedlei*). Being much larger than its male counterpart, the huge cones emerge from the centre of the plant with masses of a cotton wool like substance. As the hot and dry weather continues, the seed cones change from green to bright red, indicating they're ripening and becoming more attractive to animals, particularly the emu, that will eat the toxic fleshy outer layer.



## Physical Education Lessons: What to Wear/Bring

A warm welcome to Physical Education for 2023. In PE we look forward to developing each student's physical literacy and life skills (through a sport context), like their team work, cooperation, leadership, problem solving, conflict resolution skills and much more. We aspire to do this through engaging, motivating and fun learning experiences. Our PE program is composed of your child's weekly PE lesson but also many other opportunities like Swimming Lessons, Faction Events (Cross Country and Athletics Carnival), Winter Sport (Year 6's and some lucky Year 5s), Sporting Schools and much more. To help your child achieve to their potential in their weekly PE class you can support them by:

- Being aware what day they have their lesson.
- Ensuring they wear sneakers/running shoes on that day, please avoid sandals and other shoes as it limits their movement and ability to access the lessons.
- Students wear their Faction shirts, they earn Harmony points for doing so and it creates a bond with their Faction team mates.
- They have their hat, water bottle, any medication (eg ventolin) if required and sunscreen.
- If your child isn't able to participate in their PE lesson you can send a note or email to let me know.

Thanks and I look forward to an exciting and successful 2023 with your child/ren and your family.



## Term 1 2023: Extra Curricular Opportunities

This term we will be offering the following, so stay tuned on how to get involved:

- Running Club - Wednesday and Friday mornings commencing Week 3.
- Sporting Schools Tennis Lessons.
- Beach Swimming for Year 5 and 6 students (week 5 and 6).
- Your Move National Ride to School Day - Friday 24th March.

## Faction Captains

We are pleased to announce and introduce your Faction Captains for 2023.

Kaarda Faction Captains: (left to right) Alysha, Harvey and Riley

Kwilena Faction Captains: (left to right) Connor, Ethan and Sienna

Yongah Faction Captains: (left to right) Ashton, Ella and Keshi



These amazing leaders will be helping and supporting you through setting up/packing away equipment for your lessons and recess/lunch play, coaching at Running Club, Faction and Inter-School training/events and being great role models. We thank them in advance for their efforts and commitment.



# School Parking

## School Road Safety Awareness



## Expected behaviours when parking

### Do

- ★ Obey all street signs
- ★ Be courteous
- ★ Ask for permission to park on someone's verge
- ★ Park further away and walk
- ★ Leave car at home if possible

### Do not

- ★ Park in the Kiss & Drive (stay in your car)
- ★ Block driveways
- ★ Park/stop on footpaths
- ★ Park/stop on verges without permission
- ★ Park/stop within 10m of an intersection
- ★ Park facing against the flow of traffic
- ★ Double park

## Expected behaviours of school drivers

- ★ Always be aware of children and their unpredictable movements.
- ★ Adhere, at all times, to the 40km per hour speed limit around the school.
- ★ Parents/carers are not permitted to enter the staff carpark unless they are visiting the dentist or have a current ACROD sticker.
- ★ U turns on Spinaway Street are very dangerous. As you leave the Kiss & Drive area, continue up Spinaway Street.
- ★ Allow enough time to get your child to and from school safely.
- ★ Try to use nearby parking facilities such as the church car park or parks, then walk a short distance to school.
- ★ Plan your trip so you arrive on the school side of the road.

## Parking Availability

- ★ Carpark outside the Early Childhood Area
- ★ Along the oval on Spinaway Street (designated bays)
- ★ Craigie Baptist Church (please be respectful)



## Parking on Verges

Consent must be obtained from the owner or occupier of land (or property) before a person may drive, park, or stand a vehicle on the road verge adjacent to that land. If consent has not been provided by the owners or occupier, they may report details of the offending vehicle to the City of Joondalup Rangers.



## Kiss & Drive

Kiss & Drive zones allow parents/carers to pick up and drop off children close to the main school entrance. These areas are not to be used for parking. Children are to exit their cars on the kerb side. The Kiss & Drive zones enable the traffic to flow smoothly.



## Parking Problems

The City of Joondalup's Ranger Service are more than happy to help with any parking and safety concerns.

For advice or help please contact the City Rangers on 1300 655 860.



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## Bike Safety

It is fantastic that so many of our families choose to walk or ride their bike/scooter to school. Although the bike racks are locked during the day, there are periods of time when they are open. We strongly advise families to add to the security by using a lock to secure their bikes and scooters to the railings. Students need to walk their bicycles and scooters onto and off the school grounds. This is for the safety of both the pedestrians and the bicycle/scooter users.

It is vital that students wear a helmet. One of our expected behaviours at Craigie Heights is to wear a helmet when on a bike/scooter.

