CROMER COURTESIES: Knock on the door and say, “Excuse me........” when you enter a room.

NOTES HOME: Nit notes (various classes); Year 6: Yearbook and Dinner Dance; 5Q note.

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|    | • Mufti Day to raise funds for the NSW Bush Fire Appeal  
   • Remembrance Day (in classrooms) | • Year 5 to NBSC Cromer Campus | • Year 5 Leadership Speeches | • School Spec Choir Rehearsal  
   • Year 1 Pittwater Coastal Ctr Excursion  
   • Band Recruitment Forms due back | • PSSA Summer Finals  
   • Lunch Boxes will be destroyed |
| W7 | Mon 18th November | Tues 19th November | Wed 20th November | Thurs 21st November | Fri 22nd November |
|    | • Year 1 Strings Parent Evening, 7pm, staff room | • Band Instrument Test  
   • Dance School Spec rehearsal  
   • K-6B class Variety Christmas party  
   • Snr Choir (hall) | • School Council Meeting, 7:30am, staff room  
   • Summer PSSA Reserve date |
| W8 | Mon 25th November | Tues 26th November | Wed 27th November | Thurs 28th November | Fri 29th November |
|    | • P & C Meeting, 7:30pm, staff room  
   • Year 6 Surf Ed excursion | • School Spec Dance rehearsal  
   • Scripture Christmas Assembly  
   • Instrumental Music Meeting, 9am, staff room | • School Spec Dance Rehearsal | • School Spectacular  
   • Saturday 30th: School Spectacular |
| W9 | Mon 2nd December | Tues 3rd December | Wed 4th December | Thurs 5th December | Fri 6th December |
|    | • Sydney FC visit | 3 - 6 Awards Assembly | • Kinder Graduation Assembly, 9:30-10:30am, hall  
   • Instrumental Social Evening, 3-5pm | • Year 1 Graduation Assembly, 9:30-10:30am, hall |

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Email: cromer-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Principal’s Email: maureen.t.gray@det.nsw.edu.au
Web: www.cromer-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Ph: 9971 0499  Fax: 9971 4635
Cromer Kids Club: 9971 2332
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

We are in the process of **beginning to draft classes for 2014**. We appreciate the advice we have received from parents with regard to any special circumstances or requests. Our enrolment numbers are changing daily as we have increased Kindergarten numbers and have had enquiries from parents of students coming from interstate and overseas who will be moving into our area during the summer holidays.

**Getting class formation correct is a far from easy task.** One thing that does impact is lack of advice about students or families who will not be with us in 2014 for a number of reasons. Naturally we are aware of our Year 6 students moving onto their secondary studies. However, as we do not have a crystal ball we would appreciate knowing in writing if children will be moving to other settings next year eg OC, Catholic or Independent schools.

There can also be unexpected moves associated with work and the sale of homes. Even if there is a possibility your family will be moving, we need your advice. This helps us greatly as our **enrolment numbers also drive our accommodation and staffing entitlements**. Getting it right is a challenge when we operate in the land of the ‘Great Unknown’.

Don’t forget we will be holding our **Mufti-Day for the Bush Fire Appeal on Monday 11th November**. Children are allowed to wear casual clothing and we would appreciate a **gold coin donation** for this privilege. The loss of homes and all personal items has been devastating for so many families throughout NSW especially in the Blue Mountains.

The amazing skill and dedication of the fire fighters and volunteers has been inspirational when one realises the intensity of the fires and their efforts to save lives and homes as well as contain fires. Families who have lost everything praise these brave men and women and appreciate their incredible fighting spirit and determination to keep their communities safe.

This is an opportunity for us all in a small way to give something to those who have lost so much. If parents would like to make a donation this will also be gratefully accepted and will be forwarded on as part of a donation from the Cromer Public school community.

Maureen Gray
Principal

URGENT FINANCIAL MESSAGE

**DO NOT DIRECT CREDIT INTO SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT**

Dear Parents/Carers,

As mentioned in previous newsletters, our school is one of 229 in NSW implementing new/more efficient computer programs across all areas (e.g. Finance, Administration) as part of LMBR (Learning Management Business Reform). The school's bank account which many of you have been using for EFT payments is **now closed**.

Please **DO NOT send any payments** (cash/chq/EFT) to school from **now until 18th November**.

A new bank account will be opened on the **18th November**, **however the facility for direct credits will not be available until some time in 2014**.

If you have any questions regarding payments please contact me on 9971 0499.

Jodie Sly
Relieving School Administration Manager

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

CLASS ORGANISATION 2014

Thank you to all those parents who submitted a comment or request for class placements for 2014. These are being reviewed and, where appropriate, actioned. A reminder that our time for accepting class placement requests **has now closed**.

STUDENTS LEAVING in 2013

Thank you to all those parents who have confirmed in writing that their child/children will not be attending Cromer Public next year. Your early notification will greatly assist with our planning of classes for 2014. If your child/children will not be attending Cromer next year, it would be greatly appreciated if you could put this **in writing to Nicole Herrmann or Julie Johnson** as soon as possible.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT

Parents and/or carers of Year 5 students who wish their children to be considered for placement in **Year 7 at a selective high school in 2015** must complete the Selective High School application form by the **18th November 2013**.
Please discuss your child’s interest in applying for Selective High School placement in 2015 with your child’s class teacher before applying.

Application information is available on the Department’s internet at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.

Parents with internet access are requested to apply online. Online applications will be available from the 15th October to 18th November 2013. For parents without internet access a limited number of paper application forms are available from the School’s Administration office. Paper applications must be submitted to Mrs Gray by the 18th November 2013.

All students seeking Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2015 will be required to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 13th March 2014.

Applicants may apply for a total of four selective high schools. A complete list of selective high schools is available at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/schoolfind/types/shs_ahs_details.php.

Enquiries about application procedures should be directed to the High Performing Students Unit via email at ssu@det.nsw.edu.au or telephone on 1300 880 367. Enquiries relating to individual school matters should be directed to the schools concerned.

STUDENT AND STAFF SUCCESS

Year 5 Leadership
What a busy couple of weeks it has been for our Year 5 students! Many of the students have been busily campaigning for the 2014 Year 6 leadership positions. Congratulations to all the Year 5 students who nominated for these positions. Next week they will be presenting their leadership speeches to the students from Years 3-6. We wish them the very best of luck in the upcoming election process and look forward to welcoming the new leadership team into their positions later in the year.

Schools Spectacular
This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Schools Spectacular - one of Australia's most colourful and inspiring entertainment events. This world-class arena production will once again feature 3,600 students from 400 NSW public schools and showcase their talent and hard work in an epic production of music, song and dance that will captivate audiences of all ages. It is an iconic cultural event that incorporates students from diverse background and communities from across the state.

Congratulations to the 16 members of the Senior Dance Group and the Senior Choir as well as the 8 members of K6B who have been chosen to perform at this prestigious event. There are not too many schools that have three very talented groups of students and teachers perform at such an amazing spectacle. We wish these three groups the very best of luck with their performance at the Entertainment Centre on Friday 29th and Saturday 30th November. Tickets can be bought at: www.ticketmaster.com.au

Eagle Tag Gala Day
Well done to all the students who attended the Eagle Tag Gala Day on Thursday. Their sportsmanship and behaviour were excellent. Thank you to Mr Phil Mason, Mr Tim Shepherd, Miss Julia Waugh and Miss Kylie Nixon for training, accompanying and supporting our students throughout the day. Congratulations to the Junior Boys and Junior Girls teams who were awarded champions on the day! We are extremely proud of not only these two teams, but all the teams that participated on the day. A huge thanks must also go to all the parents who supported the students on the day. Your encouragement and support was greatly appreciated by not only the students but the staff as well.

MUFITI DAY
The school will be holding a gold coin donation MUFTI DAY on Monday 11th November. The monies raised will go to the NSW Bush Fire appeal to support schools in the recent fire destroyed areas. Please remind your child/children to wear appropriate footwear, sleeved shirts and a hat to protect them from the sun and bring a gold coin donation for this worthy cause.

SCHOOL BAND and STRINGS RECRUITMENT
The Music Committee is now seeking applications for new members to join the school's Band and Strings programs for 2014. We have a growing and successful band and string program which is overseen by talented and highly accredited conductors and run by a dedicated committee of volunteers, supported by both the school and the P&C.

A reminder that Band recruitment forms are due back to school by Thursday 14th November.

The Strings Information evening for interested current Year One parents (Year 2, 2014) will be held in the staff room on Wednesday 20th November from 7pm with Ms Nicole Herrmann and Mrs Crossing. Hope to see you there.
READING CHALLENGE
The NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge Preview app is a great way for students to find new books and track their progress in the challenge. It’s free to download. To download the app go to: http://apps.microsoft.com/windows/en-au/app/nsw-premiers-reading-challenge/7a451df8-214b-4cd7-92a9-f8a4ea6db78.

ART ABOUT AUSTRALIA
The Australia Day Council of NSW invites primary school children (K-6) to enter an artwork into the Aussie Art competition with a brief description of why ‘Australia is the best place in the world’ for a chance to win a P&O family cruise or a 16GB iPad 2. Enter the competition at: www.aussievault.com.au. The competition closes on Monday 17th February 2014.

Julie Johnson and Nicole Herrmann (rel)
Deputy Principals

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

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CHESS CLUB NEWS
On Thursday 12 students from Cromer Public represented the school at the Regional Chess Tournament held at Pittwater House. There were 54 teams entered in the tournament representing schools from across the Peninsula.

All the children represented the school honourably and performed to the best of their abilities. Congratulations to Cromer’s A team who finished in 5th place: Liam M, Zac F and Hugh R. Special mention to Tessa D who remained undefeated in her 7 matches. Well done to our other competitors: Callum E, Shawn H, Alex B, Alex G, Charlie R, Madeleine W, Kate S and Matthew W.

Thank you to Mrs Whiley, Mr Richardson, Mrs Sutton and Mrs Robertson for assisting with the supervision of the children.

Marielinda & Roland Winter
Coordinators of the Cromer Chess Club
Please feel free to contact us via email with any questions regarding our chess club: Marilinda@iprimus.com.au

CANTEEN NEWS

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Laura & The Canteen Team

LOST LUNCH BOXES AND LOST PROPERTY
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PRIMARY ETHICS

Our Primary Ethics classes are now up and running for Years 1-2 and Years 5-6. Our volunteer teachers have been delighted with their students’ enthusiasm during their classes and are enjoying providing the platform for respectful discussion on subjects such as ‘Is it morally right to kill animals for food?’ (Years 5-6) and ’Are reasons important?’ (Years 1-2).

In order to accommodate more students in 2014, we need more volunteer teachers. If you are interested in becoming an Ethics teacher, please go to www.primaryethics.com.au or contact Kirsty for further information.

Our class lists for 2014 are now at capacity. If you have any questions or are interested in your child being placed on the wait list, please contact the Ethics Coordinator, Kirsty Gardner, at ethics.cromer@gmail.com.

ART BLOG

Our Cromer Website has an Art Blog! You can find the link on the home page labelled “Library and Art Blogs” or on the Visual Arts page.

Kylie Nixon

THE P&C NEEDS A NEW TREASURER

Sadly, it’s the last year for our fabulous P&C Treasurer, Anne. We are keen to find someone interested in taking on this role so that Anne has time to do a handover before she goes.

The P&C uses online banking which means that most communication, outside of actual P&C meetings, can be done online. The Treasurer is part of the P&C Executive, alongside the President, Vice-President and Secretary. Duties include overseeing the finances, paying invoices, recurring payments, approving funding requests and monitoring workers compensation / insurance. Knowledge of Excel is helpful and general understanding of financial operations would be good but not essential. Common sense is a great skill!

The time commitment is less than an hour per week (apart from meeting attendance). If you would like to find out more, please contact Anne on 0401 990 877 or email annebastock@gmail.com.
KIDS CLUB NEWS

This week at Kids Club we had a Melbourne Cup theme where we made ladies racing day hats and tea cups for cooking. We also designed our own Jockey silks and had races in the playground.

I thought I would add a photo from our Healthy Brain week which happened in week 2.

Ali, who is the ambassador for the centre of Brain Research and Health Brain / Positive Ageing came into the centre for an afternoon of fun games and activities outside. The children really enjoyed the afternoon and we raised some money for the campaign.

You can make donations to support our efforts towards Brain Research and Health Brain / Positive Ageing Week. Visit Ali’s Fundraising Page: http://www.everydayhero.com.au/ali_cavill

Have a great weekend.

The Team at Cromer Kids Club!
www.ooshnb.com.au

HEALTHY LIVING TIP

The simplest way...

...to add fruit at brekky

This delish recipe will give your kids a great start to their day! It contains one serve of fruit.

**Ingredients**
- 2 eggs
- 1 tbsp honey
- 2 1/2 cups low fat milk
- 3 ripe bananas, sliced
- 2 cups self-raising flour
- 2 tbsp sugar
- 2 tsp margarine, melted
- 3 medium apples, peeled, cored and grated

**Method**
In a large bowl beat eggs, margarine + milk. In a separate bowl mix flour and sugar, stir into wet mixture until smooth. Heat oil in a pan over medium heat. Add 2-3 tbsp of mixture, flip when bubbles appear and cook until golden. Serve with banana and drizzled honey. Makes 10.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

YEAR 6 YEARBOOK SPONSORSHIP

The Year 6 Yearbook is produced each year as a memento for our wonderful Year 6 students. It showcases all the wonderful activities they participate in throughout the year and includes photos from their time at Cromer. In order to reduce the cost to students we would like to offer local businesses and families the opportunity to sponsor the Yearbook. For a donation of $100 your logo (or family name) will appear in our weekly newsletter in Term 4 and be included on the first page of our Year 6 Yearbook. If you are interested please contact Sigrid M (Year 6 Yearbook coordinator) on 0413 451 451 or at sigi@mmconsult.com.au.
We are now accepting business card sized advertisements in our Community News section for Term 4. Cost is $55 per term and must be pre-paid by cash, cheque or credit card.
Bear Cottage Christmas Wrapping Station
– Volunteers Needed

Bear Cottage is a children’s hospice in Manly caring for children with terminal illnesses. Each year we hold a Christmas Wrapping Station at Warringah Mall to help raise funds so that we can continue to offer this invaluable support.

This is a really fun event to be involved with. If you are able to volunteer an hour or so of your time this Christmas to support these special children and their families, we’d love you hear from you.

For details, please contact Bronwen Simmons on 9976 8304 or bronwen.simmons@health.nsw.gov.au.

Thank you so much for your support!

Parenting Programs

Places are still available for the following courses:

**WHAT'S ON IN TERM 4 - COURSES/WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS**

**Tuning in to Kids Course**  (3-10yrs)
Help your child develop emotional intelligence, manage emotions & deal with conflict.
Chatswood 5wks/2.5hrs (7/11 - 5/12, 7.00-9.30pm)

**Resilient Kids Workshop**
Strategies to accept & express feelings, develop optimistic thinking & coping skills
Chatswood (13/11, 7.00-9.30pm)