CROMER COURTESIES: “Please” and “May I please.....”

NOTES HOME: Year 1: tennis reminder; Year 5: Camp; and Year 6: Interrelate.
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Welcome back to the start of Semester 2 of the 2013 school year. I hope all Cromer families had an enjoyable time throughout the school holidays. It was wonderful to see such good weather. It was also good to see our students return looking well rested and glad to be seeing their classmates again. I am sure we are going to have a wonderful Term 3!

Class teachers have conducted Parent Teacher Interviews this week. I thank my teaching team K-6 for the time and effort that they have devoted to providing accurate information on student progress. Teachers also greatly appreciated the efforts many parents went to attend interviews. In my travels on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon and evening a number of parents also informed me how pleased they were about their child's progress and that their child's teacher was very supportive. This reinforces the importance of both home and school working closely together in the best interest of our students.

During the holidays students who sat for Selective High School placement earlier this year for Year 7 in 2014 received written advice of the outcome of the testing process. It is with great pleasure that I offer the entire school community's congratulations to Victoria K, Kate L, Ashleigh R and Lewis S for receiving offered places and the following students who were placed on reserve lists for placement Sophie B, Gabriel M and Julia Z. This is an outstanding achievement by these seven Year 6 students from Class 6K. We are very proud of each one of you!

Next Wednesday 24th July students in Year 4 who applied for Opportunity Class placement in 2014 will participate in the state-wide testing that will be held on this day. The twenty-eight students who have applied will be sitting for the test at Cromer Campus, Northern Beaches Secondary College, South Creek Rd, Cromer. It is the parents' responsibility to get their child to and from Cromer Campus.

It is absolutely vital that candidates get to Cromer Campus on time as testing will commence promptly at 9:00am and should conclude at 11:15am. We send our best wishes to Cromer's 28 Year 4 candidates. Good luck, boys and girls! It is important to advise us if you have not received your child's Test Centre Advice as each candidate has a special test number. If you do not have your child's advice, please contact the school on Monday and ask to speak to Mrs Karen Mitchell if you need assistance.

After today there are only ...

21 days to go until CROMER FAIR on Saturday 10th August.

Our P&C Fundraising Committee has been working tirelessly to make the Fair the best ever held at CPS. This will be a real community event where so much has been planned for both children and adults. I have been told by many people that they are looking forward to the fair and can't wait but as the countdown of days commences we are putting out a ...

CRY for VOLUNTEERS.

Some stalls just do not have enough helpers. It would be such a shame to not offer some stalls through lack of enough volunteers. If every family volunteered just one hour to help on the day this would make such a gigantic difference. Aussies are well known for being fantastic volunteers...please know we really do need you, both mums and dads! All monies raised will benefit the students K-6 of Cromer Public School. Volunteering one hour on 10th August is a great way to support your child's school. My last school's fete was a great success due to the incredible support of the parent community and I believe Cromer has the potential to surpass anything I've been involved in previously. Don't forget the wise Chinese proverb: “Many hands make light work!”

Today I have spent time with Senior Constable Jennings, Youth Liaison Officer Northern Beaches Local Area Command. She has been asked to visit all schools in the Local Command to raise a number of matters with school principals. The Police take all matters reported to them seriously and investigate matters thoroughly.

Last term there were reports of a van in the area driving around targeting children. Of the incidents that have been reported to Police, NONE of these incidents have involved any inappropriate conversations or any suggestion of touching or coercing children in any way. There have been a number of differing descriptions of vehicles given to Police and NONE of these vehicles have been linked to any offences.

Northern Beaches Police have received a number of phone calls from parents and members of the community concerned about these reports and the information being posted on social media sites. Of the incidents reported to Police, there have been NO incidents indicating that any offences have occurred.

Similarly, the rumour mill is in overdrive about Pol Air being in our area last night. Concern for the welfare of an older child had been raised with Police. There was NO Abduction, NO Dead Bodies. ALL is WELL. The child is fine.
Maureen Gray  
Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Welcome back to Term 3. We hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday. It's great to see so many smiling faces as we walk around the school. A special welcome to all our new families and members of staff. We're looking forward to another rewarding term for all our students.

We'd like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Gabrielle Connor (Carroll) back to Cromer on 2L after her leave, to Mrs Nancy Chaffer who will now be teaching 6K and to Mrs Sharon McEvoy who will undertake the teacher mentor role, which Mrs Chaffer was doing, for the rest of the year.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent teacher interviews were held on Tuesday 16th July and Thursday 18th July. It was great to see so many parents take the opportunity to meet with teachers over these two nights to discuss their child’s academic progress and ways of assisting them to further reach their goals.

We’d like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank all our colleagues who made themselves available to meet with parents not only on Tuesday 16th July and Thursday 18th July from 3 – 7pm but also at other nominated times throughout the week. The Cromer community is very appreciative of your dedication and professionalism, as we are.

MUFTI DAY – NO SCHOOL UNIFORM

On Tuesday 23rd July the school will be holding a mufti day. Students are to come to school wearing sensible shoes and sun safe clothing on this day and DON’T forget a hat.

Instead of a gold coin donation we are asking for the students to bring in a donation of a jar of lollies or a bag of lollies to assist with stocking up the tombola stall at the Cromer Fair on Saturday 10th August.

If you haven’t already volunteered to assist on your class’s stall for an hour or so at the CROMER FAIR (10am – 4pm), please speak with your child’s class parent co-ordinator. The more volunteers, the greater the FAIR!

2014 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS – All enrolments needed by 30th August

We are continuing to accept enrolments for 2014 Kindergarten students. If you have a sibling who will be starting with us next year, could you please assist the school by collecting an enrolment form from the Administration office or downloading a form at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/languagesupport/documents/enrol/application.php and returning it as soon as possible. We can also email you a copy of the form.

The Local Area Command has asked if we will also pass the following information onto parents for their consideration:

- NSW Police and Rotary International are sponsoring two parent presentations by The Cyber Safety Lady – Leonie Smith who is a Cyber Safety Advocate. Bookings essential on stockg@warringah.nsw.gov.au (A recent presentation by Leonie Smith was very well received at Freshwater Campus of NBSC)
- Tuesday, 30th July – St Rose Catholic School Wheeler Heights.
- Tuesday, 20th August – Covenant Christian School Belrose.

Presentations will include:

- Updates on the latest in apps and platforms
- Safe search settings
- Dangerous apps and blogging sites
- What is cyber bullying?
- Common traps for young people
- Q&A discussion on communication strategies

In closing, I would like all parents to be aware that Mr David Pickering Principal of Cromer Campus, Northern Beaches Secondary College will be the Guest Speaker at Cromer P&C Association Meeting to be held on Tuesday morning 6th August at 9am in the hall. I would ask if you have children currently in Year 4 or 5 that you come along to hear about some of the exciting things that your local comprehensive high school can offer students entering the secondary system in the very near future. Mr Pickering is a past parent of this school and can be justly proud of a number of fine programs that are in place for children commencing Year 7 with Cromer Campus.

Maureen Gray  
Principal
This early identification of sibling enrolments assists us greatly with our forward planning for our Kinder Transition to School Program which will begin early next term.

**EDUCATION WEEK - Monday 29th July – Friday 2nd August**

Education week will be celebrated during the week from **29th July to 2nd August**. Education Week showcases the achievements of our inspirational teachers, staff and students. Parents are invited to attend and participate in the school's annual K-6 Athletics Carnival to be held at Narrabeen Sports Academy on **Tuesday 30th July**. Parents are also invited to Open Classrooms at the school on **Wednesday 31st August from 9:15am – 10:15am**.

Regards,

Julie Johnson and Nicole Herrmann (rel)
Deputy Principals

**CANTEEN NEWS**

Welcome back to Term 3. Canteen is up and running already.

**TROLLEY TUESDAY** - will commence on **23rd July (Week 2)**.

**VOLUNTEERS** – We ALWAYS need new volunteers. If you have some time to spare on any day please come and see us. Students are always excited to see their mum or dad here. We always have a good day and now with a new coffee machine, a free lunch and a volunteer voucher there are so many incentives to lure you in! Come down and see any of the team members and check out the roster.

**NEW ITEMS** – Canteen will be offering plenty of new goodies again this term. We’ve kicked off already with our new “Cheesy Twista Pasta” – delicious Napolitana sauce on a bed of twista pasta and topped with yummy grated cheese, and best of all it’s prepared right here in the Canteen! Check all the new items on [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au).

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Laura & The Canteen Team

**LUNCH BOX IDEAS**

**Snack:** half a corn on the cob (pre-cooked and wrapped).

**Lunch:** ham, mustard and tomato sandwich, with fruit in season and water.

**PARLIAMENT PATTER**

We would like to welcome you all to Semester Two. We hope you all had a great holiday. As captains and Vice-Captains we have been asked to write a short paragraph for the weekly to inform you on what is happening in school. Each week we will write about either a grade, staff or parliament. We will also have a weekly reminder - here is one for this week: Winter PSSA starts this Friday.

Thank you.

Gabe M and Ella C
School Captains for 2013

**BOUNCE BACK SERVICE - closing on 23rd July**

We have been advised that the Bounce Back service will no longer be operating from Tuesday 23rd July 2013. This is because the service does not comply with ringtone based SMS services. The company that operates this service on our behalf is investigating alternatives for us to use.
LIBRARY NEWS

MS Readathon
This term our school is encouraging Cromer students to participate in the MS Readathon. By participating the students have the opportunity to enjoy reading a large variety of books, help people who are suffering from Multiple Sclerosis and receive rewards for themselves and the school. You can sign up for the readathon at the link below: http://www.msreadathon.org.au/

Returning Books
Students are encouraged to keep their library books in a safe place and exchange them regularly. A number of Cromer library books have been returned to municipal libraries in error. These libraries will not post the books back to us. Please be sure to check books when returning them to other libraries.

The Library Blog
The latest edition of the library blog can be accessed from the school website or at the link below: http://cromerlibrary.blogspot.com.au/
Debbie Haddrick
Teacher Librarian
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The Team at Cromer Kids Club!

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CYBER SAFETY

CyberSafety and Digital Citizenship - A Guide for Parents - Bookmark this page!

As your child spends more time online, it is important to understand how to help them stay safe and responsible. You don't have to be a computer whiz. The great news is there is help out there! Learn about CyberSafety and Digital Citizenship at the Department of Education and Communities website: www.digitalcitizenship.nsw.edu.au. On this site you will find interesting facts, tips and interactive activities to support you and your child.

Happy and Safe Searching!

Patricia Tizard

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ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

2013/2014 Entertainment Books are now available - a sample is available at the office

The Entertainment™ Book features many of the area’s best restaurants, cafes, hotel accommodation, attractions, and activities for families … all with valuable 25% to 50% off or 2 for 1 offers. The Entertainment™ Book costs $65 and contains $15,000 in valuable offers that you can use all year – from now until 1st June 2014!

Please contact Jen Webster by email jen_webster@optusnet.com.au or phone/text on 0412 438 133. Alternatively, you can place your order online at www.entertainmentbook.com.au/.

Jen Webster

NEWS FROM OUR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS

COME PLAY OUR GAME AT NARRABEEN SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL - 31 July 2013

Please see the following flyer detailing an afternoon of activity in AFL, Rugby Union/League, Touch football, Dance, Basketball, Netball, Soccer and Tennis which will be held at Narrabeen Sports High School on Wednesday 31st July from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm. Activities will be targeted for students in Years 5, 6, 7 and 8.
ADVERTISING IN COMMUNITY NEWS

We are now accepting business card sized advertisements in our Community News section. Cost will be $110 per semester and must be pre-paid by EFT, cash, cheque or credit card.

Please email the ad to: cromer-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

Please contact the school office on 9971 0499 should you have any further queries.
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Manly Warringah
Basketball
Association

New Potter Basketball
League starting soon in
August running till Decem-
ber for all primary school age students.

They are also running a year 1/2 league; a year 3/4
league; a Girls League; Pinkball; and a year 5/6 league.

Enter as a team or as an individual.

Pink Ball term three
Starts July 27th (2.30-3.30pm) till September 7th an ex-
citing new girls only Basketball training for primary school
girls continues with our top level female coaches at
NBISC.

Refer to www.manlybasketball.com.au for forms and
costs.