CROMER COURTESIES: - Putting a hand up when you would like to speak and waiting until the teacher has finished speaking before you put your hand up.

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PRINCIPALS REPORT

What a fantastic achievement took place last weekend with our Training and Intermediate Bands achieving Gold Awards and our Senior Band a Silver Award at the UNSW School Bands Competition. Our musicians and their parents were thrilled with the results.

Many parents have praised Mrs Nancy Chaffer for her non-stop support of the Band Program. Mrs Chaffer is an organiser extraordinaire and her passion and commitment certainly make a difference. Also, this school is blessed to have the truly wonderful Mr Kelvin Anderson as our Band Conductor. Mr Anderson’s expertise and special ability to not only nurture a love of music but develop a student’s talent is next to none. Every band member I am sure knows how lucky they are to have him teaching them. Well done, all Band Members!

Monday night saw the culmination of a great deal of hard work by Senior Choir members as they participated in the Argyile Concert of the NSW Public Schools Choral Concert Series at the Sydney Opera House. Choir members have benefitted significantly from Music Specialist, Mrs Jill Bradford’s dedicated support and choral expertise. As I collected my ticket at the Box Office on Monday night and said my name and school a member of the Arts Unit told me “We just love Cromer!” This can be attributed to the standard of training our choir members achieve under Mrs Bradford’s direction over a significant number of years. Well done to all!

We have kept in touch with Year 5 whilst on their two night excursion to Bathurst and Hill End. Year 5 has been fantastic! Parents you certainly should be proud of your children. Mrs Judy Farr was singing everyone’s praises when we spoke on Thursday afternoon. The buses were on their way back from Hill End and I am sure there will be some interesting gold panning stories about their adventures in the gold fields.

Special thanks must go to Mrs Judy Farr for her superb organisation and to the teachers of Year 5 who supported students over their action packed 3 days and 2 nights: Ms Amy Bauer, Ms Caroline Coram, Ms Kate Murphy, Ms Alison Quinn and Mr Ben Tasker. Each teacher has really enjoyed having this special time with their students. Great work, Year 5 – K-6B, 5C, 5F, 5M, 5Q and 5T!

Also, this week we have seen our Boys Cricketers under Mr Ben Tasker’s coaching participate in a Gala Day and Rugby League players with Mr Tim Shepherd take to the field on Thursday with great enthusiasm. Mr Shepherd and Mr Tasker are wonderful coaches. Many thanks to DP Julie Johnson for her support of both groups this week.

At this week’s Parents & Citizens Association Meeting, a number of members raised concerns about traffic in the vicinity of the school at drop off and pick up times. This is an on-going problem that faces nearly every school in Australia as drivers (normally parents) break road rules and place not only their own children but other students and their parents at risk of injury. No school or school community wants to see serious injury or a fatality occur as a way of bringing about change. Our concerns have been relayed to the Traffic Committee of Warringah Council. Council is endeavouring to employ more rangers to patrol schools and fines will be issued to those drivers who park in drop off zones, double park and let children out, U-turn, park illegally across neighbours’ driveways and the list goes on. If you drive your child/children to school please exercise extreme care in the vicinity of the school and consider other pedestrians and drivers’ safety as well as your own precious children’s. We appeal regularly for parent co-operation on this vital matter but it seems the message is not sinking in. Please, please be responsible and considerate of everyone’s safety.

At the P&C Meeting, the Uniform Shop, the Canteen Committee, the Band Committee, Cromer Kids Club and the Fundraising Committee all gave comprehensive reports of their activities. We thank everyone associated with these Sub-Committees for their marvellous work on behalf of the entire school community.

P&C has decided to introduce a new event for Dads into its calendar this year. P&C will be hosting a Father’s Day Breakfast at school on Friday, 5th September 7.30am-8.30am. This will be at no cost to families for the breakfast. Dads and father figures, we realise you do not get as many opportunities to come to school to see your children’s classrooms so we wanted to do something just for you prior to Father’s Day. We also realise some Dads due to work commitments may not be able to attend so Grandpa or an Uncle are welcome to stand in for a Dad. The school and P&C wanted Dads and their children attending Cromer PS to have brekkie and then go to visit classrooms so children can read to Dad and/or show their room and where they play. Dads and kids are also invited to visit the Library as it is Book Week and the Book Fair will still be available for any interested families. We hope dads will be able to get away by 9.00am so they will not have to take too much time out of their work day.

It is important that the RSVP for the Father’s Day Breakfast is returned to school by Friday, 29th August preferably to your oldest child’s teacher to ensure adequate catering can be organised for this special event. We certainly will look forward to meeting Dads/Father Figures on Friday, 5th September.

Maureen Gray
Principal
DEPUTY PRINCIPALS REPORT

BAND CONGRATULATIONS!

We wish to congratulate Mrs Nancy Chaffer, Mr Kelvin Anderson and the Training, Intermediate and Senior Band students on their wonderful achievements at the NSW University Festival on Sunday!

Our Cromer students showed exemplary behaviour throughout the long day and were thrilled to walk away with 2 Gold and 1 Silver medal! Well done everyone!!!

CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS PERFORMANCE EVENING

Our annual Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) Evening will take place on Thursday, 28th August from 6pm at Pittwater High School.

Details with ticketing information will be sent by email next week.

A note will be sent to all CAPA students on Monday with more details of the night ahead!

2015 KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM AND ENROLMENT

It's that time of the year again when we begin our Kindergarten Orientation to School program for next year's students and their families! If you have a child attending school next year, now is the time to enrol them as our Transition program will be starting soon! Ms Nicole Herrmann will be visiting the local Pre Schools next week with Transition Posters to be displayed for reminders.

Our Kindergarten Information Evening for 2015 parents will be held in the school hall on Wednesday 17th September from 7pm – 8pm. All welcome! More information will follow in subsequent Newsletters.

YEAR 5 CAMP!

Welcome home Year 5 students and staff!!!

There will be many great camp stories around the dinner table tonight as Year 5 return safely home from their 3 day camp to Bathurst. We truly thank Mrs Judy Farr, Miss Caroline Coram, Miss Alison Quinn, Mr Ben Tasker, Miss Kate Murphy and Miss Amy Bauer ~ our amazing Year 5 Team, for their enthusiasm and commitment to providing such a terrific opportunity to our students. I'm sure they will all sleep well tonight!

PARKING REMINDER AROUND SCHOOL ZONES

A reminder to our large Cromer community to please show respect to our local neighbours as you park your cars before and at the end of the school day. Please be aware of driveways, no parking signs, bus zones and our Kiss and Drop zone!

We receive daily phone calls from concerned citizens in regard to child safety and reckless parking/driving! PLEASE TAKE CARE IN YOUR CAR AROUND OUR SCHOOL!

CLASS PARENT MEETING

Our termly Class Parent Meeting will take place in the staffroom from 9am on Wednesday 13th August (Week 5). The up and coming school calendar and P&C events will be on the agenda. All welcome for a cuppa and a chat.

Kindest regards,

Julie Johnson and Nicole Herrmann
Deputy Principals
FROM THE OFFICE….

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Statements were posted last week for outstanding invoices. There was a letter attached explaining fees including band and strings. These programs have two conductor payments for the year, one for each semester. This was explained at the beginning of the year when families joined the programmes.

The administration staff are happy to assist with information to be clarified or queries relating to the statements, if they are treated and spoken to with respect. Unfortunately, there have been some parents who have been quite aggressive in relation to these enquiries.

If your child did not attend the swimming carnival, please write this on the statement, the charge will be cancelled.

A small group of parents received statements with invoices for children that left Cromer Public School at the end of last year. Unfortunately when the new finance system changed over at the end of 2013, we were not given complete instructions on how to remove the financial transactions for these students. They are not included on our class rolls, therefore we did not know about this anomaly until statements were sent. Please contact the office; the information will be removed from your account.

Jodie Sly
Relieving School Administration Manager
# PARENT/GRANDPARENT READING HELPERS

Throughout the school we have a number of students who have been targeted as requiring extra support to progress with their literacy skills. To give these students the best opportunity to move forward with their reading we desperately need volunteers to work with them one on one. If you are able to spare 30-40 minutes a morning or afternoon we would love to hear from you. We would also love to hear from any aunts, uncles, grandparents or friends who might be able to spare some time. Each student will be working on a structured individualised program and you will receive training in how to support them.

If you would like to help out with these programs, or if you have any questions, please contact me via the school email (cromer-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) or by phone on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday (99710499).

Thank you for your assistance.

**Mrs Katie Woodley**
Learning and Support Teacher

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# MS READATHON

All Cromer students are encouraged to participate in the MS Readathon during the month of August. There are a number of students and staff members at Cromer who have relatives struggling with MS. There are registration forms in the library. Information is available at the link below:


**Debbie Haddrick**
Teacher Librarian
KIDS CLUB NEWS

Website: www.ooshnb.com.au Centre No: 9971 2332 or Office: 9984 8089 Email: manager@ooshnb.com.au

We have had “Music” week at Kids Club this week. In the kitchen the children have made puff pastry music notes, M&M cupcakes, banana bread (bananas in pyjamas) and tea cups (I’m a little teapot). The staff did music trivia before our afternoon tea as well as playing musical statues and musical chairs. We also had a colouring in competition with a music theme throughout the week.

On Wednesday, Dana attended a training session for Inclusion Support, which is an agency that helps to create an inclusive environment for all children and families and assists services to support the inclusion of a child or children with ongoing high support needs. It was a very informative session.

Have a great weekend!

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our annual K-6 athletics carnival is coming up on Thursday 14th August. Details informing families of costs involved and times have been sent home.

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP ON THE DAY, PLEASE SPEAK TO MISS NIXON.

Due to time constraints, the decision has been made that all 8 year olds (in years 2 and 3) will not run in the 800m and 200m.

8 year olds are in the Junior category and will have to compete against 9 & 10 years for a position at Zone. Exemptions will be made only if outstanding Little Athletics records have been made. In this case, please notify Miss Nixon or Mrs Riddington by Thursday please.

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K - 2 will be at the Carnival from approximately 10am to 1pm.

Kylie Nixon
Athletics Carnival Coordinator
**BOOK WEEK**

This year Cromer Public School will be celebrating Book Week in Week 8 and we are looking forward to an exciting celebration. The students have been studying the Short Listed Books in class and are looking forward to the announcement of the winners.

On the 2nd and 3rd of September, illustrator Sarah Davis will visit the school to discuss her work with the students. The cost of her visit is $3.75 per child, this was listed on the statement of account posted last week. The book fair will arrive in the library on **TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER** and books will be on sale from the Tuesday afternoon. On Wednesday 3rd eight of our library monitors will accompany me to a literary lunch in the great hall of St Patrick’s Manly. And finally, the most exciting event of all, our annual book parade will take place on Thursday 4th September from 9:15 to 10:30am. Get those costumes ready!

Debbie Haddrick  
Teacher Librarian

**LOST PROPERTY**

We have a large amount of lost property again. There are 4 plastic tubs outside the canteen that are overflowing with jumpers, lunch boxes and drink bottles. Please ask your children to check for any items that they may have lost.

There is a box of various items that was left in the hall after the “Frozen” movie at the end of Term 2. These items can be collected from the front office.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

2014 Entertainment books are here! Entertainment books are excited to announce that this year there is **one big Sydney Edition**, incorporating Sydney and Sydney North into one book!

One BIG Sydney and Sydney North Edition with **200+ extra offers to choose from** and significant extra value for you on both sides of the bridge! This year, the Sydney and Sydney North Entertainment™ Edition includes over $20,000 worth of offers for just $70. $14 of your purchase will help with fundraising!

Choose from the traditional **Entertainment™ Book** or the NEW **Entertainment™ Digital Membership**, which puts the value of the Book into your smartphone.

Purchase your Entertainment™ Membership from **Cromer Public School** and support their fund-raising efforts this year. You can flick through the Virtual Book to see more [here](http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/about/Tell-me-More/Sydney-and-Sydney-North#FLICKBOOK).


Jen Webster

**CLOTHING APPEAL**

Stewart House bags have been distributed. Our scheduled collection date for the Stewart House Clothing appeal is **FRIDAY 22ND AUGUST**. Please could we have all donations at school before this date.

Thank you
Father’s Day Breakfast

We would like to invite all the Dads and Father figures to come and enjoy a special breakfast with their children at Cromer Public School.

Date: Friday, 5th September
Time: 7.30am - 8.30am
Venue: Start at the Canteen for some breakfast
Breakfast: BLTs, fruit, tea & coffee

Enjoy some time looking around the school and finding out what exciting things the children do at Cromer. You can also pop in and find out what happens at our Book Fair in the library.

For catering purposes, please RSVP by Friday, 29th August and return to your class teacher. Only one reply per family is required (please print).

I, __________________________ will be attending the Father’s Day Breakfast with
Child(ren) __________________________ Class _________
______________________________ Class _________
______________________________ Class _________

Signed __________________________
Cromer Book Fair 2014

2/9/14 - 8/9/14

In the School Library

Come along and have a look. You can choose to buy a book for your family or to donate to the school. All purchases help our school library.
Chess Stimulates Minds

Teaching chess to children has many advantages – it promotes memory development, planning, imagination and logical thinking.

Our Tuesday Cromer Chess Club meets at first half lunch every Tuesday in Mrs Peisley’s Year 1 classroom. We are fortunate to have secured professional coach George Winter to guide our club. George has played competitive chess for 45 years and has experience coaching the primary school age group.

Classes begin with an interactive lesson. Students are then given the opportunity to play games against each other in a fun environment, putting newly learned strategies into action, and receiving personal feedback from the coach.

There will be a Cromer Chess Challenge Tournament in Week 9 in our school hall where they can put it all into action. Students from this competition are then chosen to represent Cromer at a regional Chess Tournament to be held at Pittwater House in Term 4.

Term 3 Fee: $40 (50% sibling discount)

Name of Student: ____________________________ Class: ________________

Knows how the chessmen move and capture? Yes □ No □

Name of Sibling: ____________________________ Class: ________________

Knows how the chessmen move and capture? Yes □ No □

Would like to participate in Cromer Chess Club, Term 3.

Signed: ____________________________ (Parent/Caregiver) Date: __________

Your contact details would assist Cromer Chess Club. Contact is by Group Bcc email.

Parent/Caregiver Name: ____________________________

Phone: ____________________________

Email Address: ____________________________

Please return slip with payment (Payable to Cromer P.S.) for each child to the School Office.

Payment for the term is required by second week of play to ease admin for volunteer parents.

Coordinators Cromer Chess Club
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• teach your child to deal with conflict?

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VENUE: Chatswood Community Health Centre
57 Hercules St, Chatswood
DATES: Wednesday 13th August - Wednesday 10th September (5 wks)
TIME: 7.00pm - 9.30pm
COST: $165pp ($140 concession)

PLEASE PHONE 9887 5830 TO BOOK YOUR PLACE IN THIS COURSE

The 5 session course will be facilitated by a qualified Parent Educator from
Child and Adolescent Parenting, Northern Sydney Local Health District.

NSW Health
Northern Sydney
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