CROMER COURTESIES: - Knock on the door and say, ‘Excuse me….’ when you enter a room.

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PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

ENDEAVOUR CONCERT
Last Friday, thirty five students from Senior Choir accompanied by Mrs Jillian Bradford and Mrs Esti Von Huben, travelled to the Sydney Opera House where they joined students from all over the State to perform in the Arts Unit’s Endeavour Choral Concert. Choir members formed part of the 700 strong combined choir.

Two different conductors rehearsed the performance choral pieces throughout the afternoon in readiness for the evening performance. Mrs Bradford was incredibly proud of our students and truly appreciated Mrs Von Huben’s support. Seeing students perform on the Opera House stage is wonderful. I know parents in the audience loved every minute of the evening. Well done, Senior Choir!

CAPA EVENINGS
Tonight will see the second performance of the Creative Arts Performing Arts Concert at Cromer Public School for 2015 “Get Ready For This”. These evenings showcase the dedicated efforts of students and their talented teachers in a range of performance areas. Whether students play an instrument, act, sing or dance dedication and commitment is required to achieve a standard of excellence. A number of our students have also performed in more than one group. All performers obviously enjoyed taking to the stage and giving of their best. The smiles on faces really say a great deal to me. Students are certainly proud of their achievements. Parent support via practice, costumes and make-up is truly appreciated.

I wish to acknowledge and thank:

- All student performers;
- CAPA Committee Co-ordinators - Nicole Herrmann and Judy Geeves;
- The CAPA Committee;
- CAPA Ministers - Lachlan P and Nina V H;
- Staff who provided production assistance, ticketing and supervision on the evenings;
- Ensemble, Band and Strings Conductors – Caroline Coram; Kelvin Anderson, Julian Baker and Karen Leimbach;
- Drama Group Teachers – Debbie Haddrick and Judy Geeves;
- Choral Directors – Jillian Bradford and Susie Witts, Accompanist – Mrs White; and
- Dance Teachers – Alison Quinn, Kate Murphy, Miss Vicki, Sharon Lawson, Leah Wood and Louise Jacob.

Maureen Gray
Principal

SCHOOL COUNCIL - VACANT PARENT POSITION

There is a position available on the Cromer Public School Council for a parent representative in 2016. The School Council meets twice a term and is a forum where parents, staff and the Principal come together to play a part in setting the school’s targets and directions and in preparing the school’s plan. The School Council also gives invaluable feedback on how well programs are working as well as raising ideas on how to improve on resourcing the school.

We are seeking expressions of interest from parents to fill this position on the Council. This is a 3 year tenure. The position will specifically involve responsibility for:

- Attending the meetings (Friday mornings from 7:30am – 8:45am)
- Providing recommendations to the Principal
- Supporting new or continuing projects

All interested applicants will need to provide a written document expressing their interest in the position (please see the attached nomination form). The documentation should be sent to either Mrs Maureen Gary via email (maureen.t.gray@det.nsw.edu.au) or dropped into the school office by the close of business Friday 20th November 2015.

Maureen Gray
Principal
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Class Organisation 2016
Thank you to all those parents who submitted a comment or request for class placements for 2016. These are being reviewed and, where, appropriate actioned. A reminder that our time for accepting class placement requests has now closed.

Late return to school in 2016
School resumes for Years 1 - 6 on Thursday 28th January 2016. If your child/children will not return to school on this date due to your family being on an extended holiday, it would be greatly appreciated if you could put this in writing to Nicole Herrmann or Julie Johnson before the end of the year. It is imperative that we know this information before the start of 2016, as it will impact on the number of classes we form at the beginning of the school year.

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 2016 Year 6 leadership positions. Congratulations to all the Year 5 students who nominated for these positions. 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.

Eagle Tag Gala Day
Well done to all the students who attended the Eagle Tag Gala Day last Thursday. Their sportsmanship and behaviour were excellent. Thank you to Mr Tim Shepherd, Mrs Alexis Shepherd, Miss Julia Waugh and Miss Pat Tizard for training, accompanying and supporting our students throughout the day. Congratulations to the Junior Girls A and B and the Senior Girls A teams who all made the semi finals last Thursday. We are extremely proud of not only these 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.

PSSA Grand Finals!!
Congratulations to all our PSSA Semi Finalists on their superb efforts last week. We wish the Senior Boys Eagle tag As and Bs and the Boys As Volleyball and Girls Volleyball teams the best of luck in the GRAND FINALS tomorrow (weather permitting).

Creative and Performing Arts Evening
What a spectacular performance of talented staff and students occurred over Monday and will be happening again tonight, at our annual Creative and Performing Arts evening!! We were very proud of every student who performed and to see the enjoyment on their faces was exciting. Their dedication, commitment and enthusiasm not only over the performance evening, but week after week at their rehearsals have been exceptional. It was absolutely amazing to see over 300 students perform to the extremely high standard they did.

Evenings like this don’t happen without the hard work and dedication of our talented Cromer staff. A special thank you to all the staff who have coordinated and rehearsed their creative and performing arts group and worked with so many of the students to allow them the opportunity to shine. A huge thank you also to all the staff and parents who supported on the night, your teamwork and assistance was greatly appreciated. A special mention must also go to Ms Nicole Herrmann and Ms Judy Geeves for their amazing organisation and coordination of the event!

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 2016. 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.

The Band Information evening for interested current Year 2 parents (Year Three 2016) and new families will be held in the Hall on Wednesday 11th November from 6:00pm with Mrs Chaffer. 2016 programs and fees will be advised. Hope to see you there!

The Strings Information evening for interested current Year One parents (Year Two 2016) and new families will be held in the staff room on Wednesday 18th November from 6:30pm with Ms Nicole Herrmann. 2016 programs and fees will be advised. Hope to see you there!
K-2 Awards Assembly

As there are quite a number of K - 2 students who have collected awards to achieve Certificates of Excellence and/ or Cromer Banners, there will be a K - 2 Awards Assembly in **Week 8 on the 24th November**.

Preparing for High School

Sometimes parents think that when their child goes to high school they need to take a step back but teachers involved in the transition say it is more about a change of focus.

Here are some tips:

- In Year 5 start thinking about which high school your child should attend.
- Help them become more responsible by encouraging independence and responsibility.
- Get into a homework and study routine.
- Put their school timetable somewhere obvious – like the fridge door.
- Meet your child's high school Year 7 advisor and tell them if you have any concerns.
- Stay interested and involved in your child's high school life – they still need you.

There is a wonderful video from the School A to Z website featuring advice from teachers about how to make the move into high school less daunting. Click on the **WELLBEING** page and then the **Development title** on the left hand side of the page.


We hope you have a wonderful weekend with your family and friends.

_Nicole Herrmann and Julie Johnson_
Deputy Principals

Whooping cough information for schools

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
- Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on **1300 066 055** or visit the NSW Health website for [information for childcare and schools about whooping cough](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au).
PSSA RESULTS Round Semi Final

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“MOVEMBER”
One of our year 6 teachers, Mr Tasker, is growing a moustache in “Movember,” in support of men’s cancer research and men’s mental health. Mr Tasker’s family, as well as many others in the school community, has been personally affected by men’s cancer, so this is a cause very close to his heart. It would be wonderful if we could get behind him, and support him with donations in this worthwhile cause.

Please use this link [http://mobro.co/12360681](http://mobro.co/12360681) to go straight to Mr Tasker’s “Movember” page, where you can donate! Mr Tasker’s target is $1,000.00 – let’s help him get there!

BUS PASS INFORMATION
The School Opal card will officially launch its new online application for relevant parents and students travelling in the Opal public transport region on Monday 2nd November.

The application can be found at transportnsw.info/school-students

Just like current paper travel passes, the School Opal card gives eligible students free travel to and from school on school days.

The School Opal card makes travel simpler, because now students don’t need multiple application forms and passes if they use different transport operators within the Opal network.

Students with school travel passes this year will not need to apply for a School Opal card unless they are changing schools, their home address or moving from year 2 to 3 or year 6 to 7.

Those students who do not need to apply will have a School Opal card sent to your school for the beginning of the first term in 2016.

Please see the attached fact sheet for more information.

The Opal Team
Transport for NSW
What a week we had!!! Thank you to our wonderful volunteers who helped out last week and to all those that donated some amazing cakes etc. We could not have got through last week without you.

Birthday Cup Cake / 'Frog in a Pond' ordering
Don’t forget about our easy and convenient service. Available through Flexischools with 2 days notice. Cupcakes $12.00 per dozen decorated with icing and sprinkles or $7.00 for Frog in a Pond per 1/2 dozen. Delivered to your child’s classroom.

Crunch@Cromer

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

We have continued with Halloween this week as the children have really enjoyed the theme and we had lots more to do! In the kitchen we made caramel toffee apple eyes, choc waffle witches hats and pumpkin rice bubble treats. In the centre we continued with our ‘day of the dead’ colouring in as the children absolutely loved them and asked for them all week. We also made our own Halloween candles and spider webs prints using a golf ball and paint.

Our Sustainability Garden is growing very well. The rain has definitely helped the plants and we are hoping to use some of the vegetables soon in our kitchen. The children are enjoying taking care of the plants and watching them grow. Parents, just a reminder to please make sure your child has a hat and drink bottle with them at all times. We know some of the children leave their hats in the classroom for the following day, so please pack a spare (doesn't have to be a school one).

Next week our theme is going to be Science. This has been asked for by lots of the children as they want to experiment with a wide range of materials.

Have a great weekend!
Kids Club Staff

PCS NEWS
Cromer Public School

School Council Nomination

Maximum 1 A4 page

Name: ___________________________ Contact Details: _______________________

Experience / Qualifications: _____________________________________________

Personal Statement: (could include current or past school involvement)
Transport for NSW

Fact sheet: The School Opal card

Who’s eligible?
To be eligible for a School Opal card, students need to be NSW residents and may need to live a minimum distance away from their school:
- Years K-2 (infants) there’s no minimum distance.
- Years 3-6 (Primary) 1.6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking or further.
- Years 7-12 (Secondary) 2.0km straight line distance or 2.9km walking or further.

Students completing secondary studies at TAFE, boarding school students and students temporarily in Australia may also be eligible for a School Opal card. The eligibility criteria for these students is available at transportnsw.info/school-students.

A School Opal card is provided to eligible students who need to travel within the Opal network. Paper travel passes are issued to eligible students who need to travel outside the Opal network.

Who needs to apply?
Most students or parents won’t need to apply for the School Opal card. The School Opal card will be sent to a student’s school automatically at the beginning of the new school year in 2016.

However, a new application is required if:
- The student is just starting school or has not had a pass for travel before.
- The student is progressing from Year 2 to 3, or Year 6 to 7.
- The student is changing schools, including going between primary and secondary school.
- The student’s personal details have changed (e.g. address).

Applications must be made by a parent or guardian for children aged 15 years and under. Applications must be made by the student if aged 16 years or older.

How to apply
Step 1 Complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students.
Step 2 Print, sign and submit the form to the school for endorsement.
Step 3 The school will then forward the application to Transport for NSW for processing. Once approved, Transport for NSW sends the School Opal card to the home address given in the application.

The application may take several weeks and the applicant’s email address is required.

If the student doesn’t qualify for free travel
They may be eligible for a Term Bus Pass which offers travel on buses between home and school at a discounted rate for the whole school term.

Apply at transportnsw.info/school-students.

Find out more
For more information on the School Opal card and the School Student Travel Scheme (SSTS), please visit transportnsw.info/school-students.

NSW Government Transport for NSW
Please note that the advertisements appearing in this newsletter do not necessarily carry the endorsement of Cromer Public School. The credentials of advertisers have NOT been checked by the school. For reasons of child protection, interested parents are strongly advised to closely check the credentials of any person or group advertising activities that would directly involve the participation of their children (e.g. camps, coaching, classes etc.)

PASSIONATE ABOUT INTERIORS?
Come and join us for a free information session and let us show you how you can turn your passion into a career: Day and evening classes, LISTE FEE-HELP available.

Contact us: 02 9437 1902
sydneysdesignschool.com.au

Lifeline Northern Beaches Giant Book Fair: 20th to 22nd November 2015
Venue: Balgowlah Boys Campus
Cnr Sydney Rd & Maretimo St
Balgowlah

Dates/Times: Friday 20th November 4 pm – 9 pm
Saturday 21st November 9 am – 5 pm
Sunday 22nd November 9 am – 2pm

Please note we accept Visa & Mastercard and also have EFTPOS facility available (Entry by gold coin donation very much appreciated)
Collaroy Turtles Learn to Swim Program  

Registration : 29 November 2015  
Where : Collaroy Rockpool  
Cost : $25.00  
Season starts : 7 December 2015  

Our aim is to provide lessons to families in our community who are unable to afford the cost of swim lessons, new arrivals from overseas, children and adults who cannot swim. 

For further information  
Tanya Carmont  
President, Water Skills for Life Inc.  
Collaroy Turtles Water Safety Swim Program  
0438 828 725  
www.waterskillsforlife.org.au  

It’s not too late to join Nippers…  

Registrations are still being accepted at North Steyne Nippers for all children aged 5-13 years for the 2015-2016 season. The emphasis is on FUN and education and includes activities such as beach sprints and flag races, wading, swimming, board paddling and other novelty events. Everyone is encouraged to join in and have a go. A Surf Education program is also included to raise surf awareness and help keep our children safe on the beach. 

We also are very interested in hearing from runners or swimmers who would like to compete at carnivals this season and offer dedicated competition training for both beach and water competitors. 

For more information please call Jodie Frazer on 0411 261 455 or go to our website for more information to enroll:  
www.northsteyneslsc.com.au