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TERM 1 - WEEK 1 NEWSLETTER

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Calendar – What’s On?

2009

Week 2

Mon 2 Feb – Wed 4 Feb	Kindergarten ‘Best Start’
Thur 5 Feb	Sem 1 Resource Pack Instalment Due Newsletter Day Kindergarten classes commence

Week 3

Mon 9 Feb	Text Book Sale
Tue 10 Feb	Steve’s Puppets
Wed 11 Feb	Swimming Carnival (Sans Souci) P&C Meeting 7.30pm
Thur 12 Feb	Restorative Practice Training and Parent Forum (evening) 7pm
Fri 13 Feb	Tennis commences Learn to Swim Classes (for Year 2) commences.

Mon 16 Feb	Canteen Opens Cronulla High School Staff and Students talk for Yr 4, 5 and 6 parents 6.30pm Multi-purpose Room
Thur 28 Feb	Sem 2 Resource Pack Instalment Due

Principal’s Report

Welcome back. The students all look wonderful in full school uniform. Welcome especially to our new students Ella, Tom, Blake, Elise, Jessica and Chantelle.

This year our newsletter will be sent home on Thursdays, generally each fortnight. We encourage as many families as possible to receive it by email. Simply email the school to request this if you would prefer an electronic copy to a hard copy (this practice will help support one of our 2009-2011 priorities of Ecological Sustainability). For the first half of Term 1 all families will receive a hard copy.

There are many notes being sent home today with this newsletter including the following: Annual Swimming Carnival (for all Yrs 3-6), Restorative Practices Worksop and Information Night, Code of Conduct for Parents, Short Walks Consent Form and Steve’s Puppets Consent. Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) will also receive a Camp Update.

A sheet has been included that explains the Semester 1 Resource Pack asking families to commit to paying regular instalments over the course of Term 1 and 2. Hopefully this will assist families manage the costs of planned excursions, performances, whole stage and whole school activities and other specific items. Providing payments are made on the dates that they are due children will be able to attend each of the activities as they occur. There are optional activities and programmes that apply to specific groups of children such Australasian University Competition, Dance, PSSA Sports and Band which will be an extra cost and so they have not been included in the Semester 1 Pack. I hope this new system will be helpful to parents.

Please read the important note about Canteen which has been sent home as a separate note.

Over the next few days Kindergarten students are completing their Best Start assessment. All Kindergarten will formally commence school on Thursday 5th February. We would really appreciate it if in the morning parents in the playground could at least stand towards the back of the assembly, or preferably clear the playground once the 8.50am bell goes so that the little ones can navigate their way to their classrooms.

Thanks for your support.

Greg Fitzgerald,

Principal



Staff Changes

Mrs Costanzo is on leave and will return at the the beginning of Term 2. Mrs Perusco is on leave for all of 2009.

Teaching Staff 2009

Mrs Buhagiar	K Blue	
Mrs Vecki	K Red	
Miss Braithwaite	K-1C (Mrs Costanzo returning in Term 2)	
Mrs Donohoe	1D	
Mrs Maggs	1-2M	
Mrs Walmsley/Mrs Phillips	2P	
Mrs Askew	3A	
Miss Bell	3-4B	
Mr Parr	4P	
Mrs Jervis	5J	
Mrs Wittey	5-6W	
Mr Jones	6J	
Mrs Martin	Teacher Librarian	
Mrs Weigand	Relief	(Specific Programs)
Mrs Mulcair	Relief	(Specific Programs)
Mrs Niall	Support	(Learning Assistance)

Congratulations

Congratulations to Huw D who has been elected by our students and staff to be a Student Leader for 2009. The other Leaders for 2009 are Ben (captain), Phoebe (Captain), Grace, Matthew, Rhiannan, Trent and Georgia. Today we had our first assembly in the Multi-purpose Room and our Leaders did a wonderful job. Thank you Mr Parr for being our guest and answering the questions in such an honest and entertaining way.

Restorative Practices Information Night

Thursdays 12th February 7pm

Please take the time to read the attached note regarding this Information Session for parents. This information session will be held in the Kindergarten Rooms (northern site) and will be facilitated by Terry O'Connell, a world-renowned expert in this field. Parents are encouraged strongly to attend. Students will participate in a hand-on workshop during the day and the 90 minute presentation is an introduction to this framework that provides children with practical strategies for restoring their friendships when they have encountered conflict.

Clothing Pool

This is just a reminder that the Clothing Pool is open on Monday and Thursday mornings from 8.30-9.00am. Thank you to the kind person who left the large bag of Cronulla South Public School uniform items anonymously at our school door. Your generosity is appreciated by others.

Parent Information – Meet our Teachers

Watch this space

When dates and times have been finalised we will advise you of these meetings in a separate note.

Band Information

Band rehearsal and lessons will recommence on Tuesday 3rd February at 8am for all band players from 2008. New members of the band will begin on Tuesday 10th February. Welcome back to what will be a great musical year. Having the Multi-purpose room available will greatly enhance our opportunities for practices and performances.

P&C Meeting

Wednesday 11th February – 7.30pm

All parents are welcome to attend in the Multi-Purpose Room

High School Information Meeting

Parents of students (and their children) from Years 4, 5 and 6 are welcome to attend this Information Session that will given by senior students from Cronulla High School along with their Principal, Mr Tony Ibrahim.

When: Monday 16th February @ 6.30pm in the Multi-purpose Room.

