Times are a Changing

Friday was Kylie’s last day at Cromehurst before she takes maternity leave for the remainder of the year. Everyone in Orange Class has enjoyed bump watch and we all can’t wait to meet the baby which is due in early June.

Business as usual in Orange class who have been coping very well with the gradual transition over the last couple of weeks. Tahani has been working with the class in Art this year and is excited about her new roll as Orange Class teacher. All the students are engaging in our new Yoga program and love our weekly cooking sessions. We will be learning about mini beasts this term and engaging in lots of community access to help prepare us for our transition to our new premises in Ronald Street Hornsby.

Amy is enjoying learning about different insects and particularly enjoys the creative aspects of these lessons. She has done some fantastic drawing.

Bennie has continued to enjoy the Willoughby Buddies program and swimming this term.

Hamish was doing some fantastic climbing and using equipment in the park during community access, he is also starting to talk more in class to communicate with staff and his classmates.

Pulasthi is accessing the computer to learn to type and search for information on the internet under supervision.

Edward is engaging with his Willoughby Buddies much more enthusiastically this term and is excited about starting to visit the shops during community access to buy food for the class cooking program.

Tahani, Kylie, Sue

Cromehurst School 2013 - Orange Class
The countdown for our moving days has begun in earnest with less than three weeks to go before May 30 and 31. Last week we sent home a range of social stories and a countdown calendar for families to use at home to prepare their child. We also showed the students the relevant social stories at our assembly last Wednesday afternoon and I am pleased to say they all responded well. A copy of the calendar is on our new website which can be accessed using the old address of www.cromehurst-schools.nsw.edu.au and the social stories will be uploaded as well over the next few days. They can be found by clicking on the Relocation Rebuild tab at the top of the page. Our website is still undergoing construction and we are regularly uploading content. If you would like something to be included which is not there please let us know as ultimately we would like our website to be a useful resource to our school community.

Last week I sent a note home regarding the arrangements for students on May 30 and 31st when staff will be setting up our new school at Ronald Street. This will be a very hectic two days with removalists and staff traveling between two sites. I ask that you return the notification slip to inform us of whether or not you are able to make alternative arrangements for your children on those days. Students who come to school will be supervised with casual staff and I need to determine the number of staff required as well as conduct a range of risk assessments and organise appropriate student groupings and supervision areas. If this information can be returned to me by this Wednesday, May 15 it would be appreciated.

Last Friday was Kylie Wilson’s last day at Cromehurst until she returns from maternity leave. Orange class farewelled Kylie with a class party which doubled as a welcome party for Tahani Edris who has been working in Orange class over the last two weeks. Orange class is our featured class this week and I am sure the great gains they have made so far this year will continue with Tahani and Sue Vale. Next Tuesday, 14 May at 11:30 we are having a visit from the local fire brigade to talk to our students about fire safety. There will also be some demonstrations with the fire hose (always a show stopper) and there is usually an opportunity for some students to climb in the fire truck. We always enjoy these visits and the firemen who talk to our students are wonderful. Thank you to Lani McAree for organising it.

Please also remember to save the date for the Post School Expo on 22 May, 12pm-6pm at The Concourse, Pavilion room, 409 Victoria Ave Chatswood. It is a great opportunity for families to see what options and service providers are available to support their children when they leave school.

I look forward to the challenges of the next few weeks and am confident we can all work together to make the transition as seamless and stress free for everyone as possible.  Christine
Packing has begun in earnest as we begin to prepare to move to our temporary school at Ronald Street. We have also begun to prepare the students for this change through a range of social stories that were sent home last week along with our special “countdown calendar”. The stories will be read at school and a feature on each assembly until we go.

In addition to this we have created a large number of PBEL posters with photos of students engaged in behaviours which reflect our expectations of “Be Safe” “Be Friendly” “Learn Together” and have posted them around the school where they can be seen each day. During the two moving days these posters will be taken down and relocated to Ronald Street to reinforce that we are still Cromehurst School and to provide some familiarity for our students. Asset Management Unit will also be painting our new classroom doors in our class colours to assist students to identify their classrooms.

If you can think of any other way in which we can assist your child with this transition please let us know as we are committed to making this as stress free as possible for students and their families.
Great reasons to be active for children and parents

⇒ boosts confidence
⇒ improves fitness
⇒ makes bones and muscles stronger
⇒ improves posture
⇒ helps maintain a healthy weight
⇒ lowers the risk of heart disease
⇒ reduces stress
⇒ improves sleep
⇒ reduces the risk of cancer
⇒ improves self confidence
⇒ teaches you new skills
⇒ develops better motor skills
⇒ makes a person happier with their body
⇒ lower risk of disease including heart disease and cancer later in life.

Cottage

A new supervisor has been appointed to start on Tuesday 11th June.

Her name is Sue Thomas and she is enthusiastic to be starting her new job. She is very experienced and has worked in special schools and care houses teaching living skills.

She hopes to come and meet our students in the next few weeks.

For any queries, please phone Merren Carter on 9416 5452

Cromehurst P&C Meeting

7.00pm Monday 27th May, 2013

This will be our last P&C meeting in the old Cromehurst buildings.

All welcome.

Gail Falkingham P&C President
gail.falkingham@bigpond.com

Is Dried fruit OK For Crunch & Sip

Although fresh fruit is the best choice, a small amount of dried fruit (eg sultanas or apricots) is an acceptable Crunch & Sip option

Dried fruit tends to cling to the teeth, so is best eaten with a meal or when a toothbrush is handy.

Note fruit straps, bars or rolls are NOT permitted as they contain large amounts of sugar.
## Awards

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**save the date**

Post School Options Expo for students with a disability is back for 2013.

**Wednesday 22nd May 2013**

The Concourse Chatswood

More details will be coming in early April 2013.
Events for your Diary

(Please note: Newly added events will be in **bold**)

**30th & 31st May**—Moving Day (Please keep students home if possible)

**3rd June**—1st Day at Ronald Street

10th June Public Holiday

20th June—Immunisation Yr 7 Boys & Girls Yr 9 Boys

28th June—Last Day of Term

**15th July**—Staff Development Day

**16th July**—Students Return

**13th Aug**—Immunisation Yr 7 Boys & Girls

**20th June**—Immunisation Yr 7 Boys & Girls Yr 9 Boys

**28th June**—Last Day of Term

15th July—Staff Development Day

16th July—Students Return

13th Aug—Immunisation Yr 7 Boys & Girls

6th Nov—Immunisation Yr 7 Boys & Girls Yr 9 Boys

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The temporary relocation of Cromehurst School to Hornsby South Public School.

Please contact Christine Watts, Student Services Coordinator, Northern Sydney Region.

**Telephone:** 9987 3900

**Mobile:** 0439907146

**email:** christine.watts@det.nsw.edu.au

Christine is available to work with us on any issues that are concerning the Cromehurst school community in relation to our temporary relocation.