All students in Aqua Class have returned to school eager to learn and to try new activities.

We are learning about people who help us in the community and we have been learning about firemen for the past 2 weeks.

We have made fire engines and cellophane fire and are finishing our fire fighters to add to our room collage. We have been reading and listening to "fire" stories and writing sentences about what firemen do. Everyone knows the sequence of "stop, drop and roll" if their clothes are burning and to "get down low and go, go, go" if there is smoke in the room.

We are all looking forward to seeing the firemen and the fire engine when they visit Cromehurst tomorrow.

Our favourite activity has been making fire engine biscuits as the photos show.

Everyone enjoys our Friday cooking sessions and we are making mini pizzas this term. Some are learning to cut the ham and tomatoes and open the pineapple tin and drain the juice. We are all practising using tongs to pick up the food to put on our pizzas.

It's good to have Liz back and we look forward to a busy and exciting term. Claire
Welcome to week 3

It was good to see some new parents at the P and C meeting last Monday night and to hear more about the “Cottage” and also other upcoming P and C events. There was a flyer given out at the meeting explaining more about how this living skills program works and this is available at the school in case you were not able to attend the meeting. I have also spoken to Sue who currently manages the cottage and our staff and she will be discussing a clearer process for more of our students to utilise the “Cottage”.

Since I have been in the acting principal’s position I have been able to oversee the continuation of the last stages of our building works and the unpacking of resources. Although our library is still waiting on shelving, resources from there are able to be used. We are close to organising the sensory room and are just waiting on Christine’s final approval to attach some big items on the walls. A bubbler is being installed this week on Nelson playground and we will be putting up communication boards on the playgrounds and our PBEL signage around the school. The students have been watching the levelling of the playground on Kochia which I am told will be finished within the next two weeks. After this we will be able to design a new playground with suitable equipment for the primary students.

We are fortunate to have many support programs running very successfully at Cromehurst: The Willoughby “Buddies” will be coming to our school this week and this valuable integration program will begin for the second semester. Special Olympics began again last week with a new instructor, Jamie Morriss. More information on this primary program with photos will be in the newsletter in a couple of week’s time. Line Dancing with Terri started back in week one and is enjoyed by the entire school together. The senior students have begun an aqua aerobics program on Tuesdays and I watched the students respond very positively in their first session. Senior Community Access groups began successfully last week with groups bushwalking, bowling, travel training, and leisure activities being some the activities.

We will all be pleased to see the return of our Principal next week and I want to thank all the wonderful staff for their support while I was relieving principal. What a great team we have working together to support our students. I was able to see things from a slightly different perspective and felt honoured to be leading such a great school. I am better able to appreciate all of the work that Christine puts in and hope that I can help her more effectively in some of the areas. I am also looking forward to returning to teaching Red class. Thanks again to Kari and Kerri for continuing with and enhancing the programs for this class and all the secondary students.

Regards,
Janice Crocker (Acting Principal)
Don’t Forget

School Photos will be taken on the 11th August. All orders need to be in before the day.

Please make sure your child is dressed in school uniform
Family Planning NSW is excited to announce a forum for parents and carers of people with intellectual disability

Find out how to support your family member’s personal development and sexuality in a positive way.

- Experienced presenters to answer your questions
- Choose from six interactive workshops
- Meet other parents and carers
- Resource bag included
- Family Planning NSW bookshop open

**Date:** Saturday 6 September 2014

**Time:** 1.00pm - 5.00pm

**Venue:** Family Planning NSW
328-336 Liverpool Road
Ashfield NSW 2131

**Cost:** $50 per person
Includes afternoon tea

The forum will include presentations on:
- Disability and sexuality
- Preparing for puberty
- Relationships and dating
- Supporting positive and safe sexual expression
- Tips for talking about sex and answering tricky questions
- Sexual health
- Books, DVDs and resources

Attend two interactive workshops of your choice including:

- **Dating and Intimate Relationships.** Liz Dore, Relationships and Private Stuff
- **Puberty and Boys.** Matthew Parsons, Family Planning NSW
- **Becoming a Wonderful Woman.** Rosalie Power, Family Planning NSW
- **Friendships and Relationships.** Liz Dore, Relationships and Private Stuff
- **Sex, Safe and Fun.** Ee-Lin Chang, Family Planning NSW
- **Sex Services for People with Disability.** Saul Isbister, Touching Base Inc.

See our website for more information about the workshops

**Who should attend?**
Parents, foster parents, relatives and other unpaid carers of people with disability are welcome. The forum will address sexuality issues across the lifespan including childhood, adolescence and adulthood.
### Awards

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### PBEL Stars

To create a consistent whole school approach for safe and effective learning*

Our students continue to develop social skills linked to our expectations of “Be Safe” “Be Friendly” and “Learn Together”.

This week our students of the week are:

Daniel – Learning together
Jodi– Learning together
Events for your Diary

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

29th July—Fire truck Visit
4th August—Police Visit
11th August—School Photos
22nd August—Daffodil Day—Wear Yellow
10th September—Vaccinations
19th September—Last day of Term

6th October—Public Holiday
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