Term 1 Week 4

Important Dates

- 22 Feb—P&C Meeting
- 15-26 Feb—Swim Scheme
- 16 Mar—Charity Golf Day & Dinner
- 18 Mar—Primary Family Fun Day
- 25 Mar—Good Friday
- 28 Mar—Easter Monday
- 29 Mar—Year 7 Vaccinations
- 8 Apr—Last Day Term 1
- 26 Apr—Staff Developments Day
- 27 Apr—Students return
- 25 May—School Leavers Expo,

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Orange Class

Orange class has been very busy in the last 3 weeks. We have taken on many jobs around the school, refilling paper towels and delivering paper products; we have also been out doing our weekly shopping and other sports activities such as running, walking and yoga.

This term, our secondary classes are learning about Australia – History and Now. We have been looking at the location of our country, the Australian flag and singing our national anthem. We will be looking at some events in history such as the gold rush and the Aboriginal culture in Australia. Scott, Hannah, Nancy, Daniel, April and Kalim have been working hard, learning together, being friendly and being safe.

We look forward to an exciting term.

Yolanda and Nimali
Welcome to week 4.

Thank you to all of our parents who attended our information evening last Wednesday. We were very pleased that so many of our parents were able to attend to meet the staff and hear about our programs. Thank you also to the parents who donated books for our library which is in need of an influx of new material, we plan to continue to build our resources throughout the year. For those parents who were unable to attend or remain for the general information session regarding the NDIS, I have included a copy of the handout provided. I have also included information regarding Webinars which will also provide relevant information. Please take the time to access as much information as possible regarding this new system as it will change how families access support for their children and the more informed you are the smoother the transition will be.

Last Tuesday we had a visit from members of the Roseville Rotary Club who have funded and constructed our sensory garden which although not entirely complete is now in operation. Our students planted the first plants last week and have begun tending the garden, watering and weeding. All the plants are aromatic and many are edible. This is a lovely addition to our Kochia playground and a useful resource for our learning programs.

Our intensive swimming lessons begin this week which is always a popular two weeks for students. The program runs daily for both weeks and we notice the improvement in our students’ skills following the completion of the program. Please ensure that if your child requires swimming nappies that you provide an adequate supply for the program and be prepared for your children to be more tired than usual as they expend a lot of energy in the program.

The tender for leasing our pool was lodged and closed at the end of January. We are still awaiting notification that the process can proceed, information received from the Asset Management unit is that our tender is in a queue for processing with tenders from other schools but should be processed shortly. I will inform you as I receive further information.

Our annual golf day and dinner is fast approaching on 16 March, if you would like to attend either the golf day, dinner or both please register as soon as possible. I have included the invitation again in this week’s newsletter. The next meeting of the golf committee is this Tuesday night at 6.30pm at Roseville Golf Club, everyone is invited to these meetings and even if you are unable to assist in organising the event your ideas would be very welcome.

Regards.
Christine
Parent Information Evening

At our parent information evening last Wednesday, a selection of books was made available by Lindfield Bookshop for parents/carers to purchase for our school library.

As you can see from the photos, we were very lucky to receive quite a number of books. A big thank you to all of the parents/carers who so very kindly donated.

Thank You!
Sensory kitchen/garden opening

We are very happy to announce that our sensory/kitchen garden is now open.

A huge thank you goes out to the Rotary Club of Roseville Chase who donated and built the garden beds and pergola and organised the fencing, which was donated separately by Ian Robertson. A special thanks goes to Stephen Goldring for his commitment and patience overseeing the project.

Thank you to all the generous folk who bought palings at the Golf Night last year. These palings have made our garden a colourful and very attractive corner of our playground.

Another big thanks goes out to Sandra Mieszala, who helped us gain paving in our garden through her associations with Take 5 Magazine. At the end of last term, each of the students had their footprint imprinted into the paving around the garden, leaving a special mark of their attendance at Cromehurst in 2015.

The Live Life Well at School Team would like to also say a huge thank you to all the staff and families who have been so supportive of the project. We will value the space as an exciting new learning space for the Cromehurst students and hopefully one that can be enjoyed by the whole school community.

Live Life Well Team
## Assembly Awards

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<td>Conor</td>
<td>Rainbow</td>
<td>Working hard on his numbers to 10</td>
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<td>Tara</td>
<td>Purple</td>
<td>Working with Shuaib to play memory</td>
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<td>Sofie &amp; Rachael</td>
<td>Blue</td>
<td>Settling in to Blue Class</td>
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<td>Jack W</td>
<td>White</td>
<td>Participating in morning exercise</td>
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<td>Noah</td>
<td>Red</td>
<td>Keeping his hat on for longer periods at play time</td>
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<td>Claudia</td>
<td>Yellow</td>
<td>Doing great desk work and completing her work skills</td>
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<td>Guy</td>
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<td>Excellent staying safe by walking with the group</td>
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<td>Pink</td>
<td>Listening and following direction in group activities</td>
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<td>Scott</td>
<td>Orange</td>
<td>Playing together with friends on playground</td>
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<td>James</td>
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<td>Joining the class when the bell rings</td>
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<td>Zac M</td>
<td>Music</td>
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<td>Guy</td>
<td>Art</td>
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<td>Principal</td>
<td>Oliver &amp; Hannah</td>
<td>For working together to deliver paper products across the school</td>
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## PBEL

Positive Behaviour Engaging Learning

## Stars of the Week

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

This week our students of the week are:

Anita—Being Friendly

Amelia—Being Safe
The first meeting of the P&C will be held at 7pm on Monday, 22 February in the staff room at school. Nibbles will be provided.

We'd love to see as many people as possible join the discussion as we plan the focus and events for the year ahead and hear more about developments at the school. There was fantastic information at the parent information night in fostering more opportunities for parents to meet and share their trials/tribulations/wins and we'd love to have your input to help make this happen. We are all on interesting pathways with our families and all have busy lives but often being able to share the journey with people who understand can make us all stronger.

The agenda for the meeting is set out below - if you have any questions or would like to make any comments please let us know at cromehurstpandc@gmail.com

Look forward to seeing you next Monday night!

CROMEHURST SCHOOL P&C

Agenda—Term 1

7pm—Monday, 22 February 2016
in the Cromehurst staff room

1. Welcome by president - Peter Taylor-Hill
2. Previous minutes
3. Apologies
4. Secretary’s report (correspondence) - Anthony Moran
5. Treasurer’s report - Karen Hickmott
6. Principal’s report - Christine Moulds/Janice Crocker
7. Activities/focus for the year
   a. Class parents
   b. Possible community building activities
      i. Bunnings BBQ
      ii. Movie night
      iii. Disco
      iv. Family picnic
      v. Seminars/talks
      vi. Mothers’/Fathers’ day stalls
   c. Voluntary contributions
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8. General business
   a. Constitution
   b. Swimming pool update
   c. OOSH & vacation care - survey results
   d. Other business.
GOLF DAY & DINNER

A big Thank You to the families who have sent in Gardening goods for our 1st week of collecting for our “Themed” Hampers to sell at the Silent Auction. We really appreciate your help to raise money for the Cromehurst School and Cottage. Please continue to support us over the next two weeks to make our hampers a success.

OUR THEMES

Week 2. Monday 15th – Friday 19 Feb

Pamper Hamper – products such as facial wipes, cleansing lotion, body lotion, sunscreen, hand cream, moisturising cream etc.

Week 3 Monday – 22nd – Friday 26th Feb.

A Tea and Coffee Hamper – products such as an assortment of teas, jars of coffee, packets of coffee beans, vouchers for coffee, new coffee mugs, biscuits to have with coffee.

All donations will be greatly appreciated – even unwanted Christmas gifts can be used. Please give generously and send to school via your child, or leave at the office.

Any queries contact Jill Henriks Phone: 04190 15 721

or email: cromehurstgolf@gmail.com

Golf Day Committee
YOU'RE INVITED TO THE 21ST ANNUAL
Cromehurst
CHARITY GOLF DAY AND DINNER
WEDNESDAY MARCH 16TH, 2016
ROSEVILLE GOLF CLUB, 4 LINKS AVE ROSEVILLE

Start the day with a BBQ lunch followed by 18 holes of Ambrose format golf on a superb course. Wind down at the end of play with a cold refreshment, pre dinner canapes and entertainment in the bar, followed by dinner, entertainment and auctions in the function room.

SILENT AUCTIONS
A great range of experiences and items to bid on throughout the evening.

RAFFLES
Available to buy on the course and during the dinner.

WINE TASTINGS
A lovely selection of Glandore Wines will be available on 2 holes.

LIVE AUCTIONS
Bid on exciting items such as experiences, memorabilia, sporting events and more...

A FUN FILLED EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT

The Cromehurst Foundation

This is a registered charity providing essential facilities, resources and programs for children and adults with an intellectual disability, including those with high support needs who attend or have previously attended Cromehurst Special School. One of the essential facilities is an independent living skills program conducted in The Cottage. There is no government funding for past and present students of Cromehurst Special School who live in The Cottage during the week and learn many of the skills essential for daily living, such as cooking, cleaning and shopping as a complement to their school programs. The Foundation keeps The Cottage running as well as supporting Cromehurst Special School.
ABOUT CROMEHURST AND HOW YOUR SPONSORSHIP WILL HELP

Cromehurst Special School
supports students with moderate and severe intellectual and physical disabilities. Our principle aim at Cromehurst is to develop student independence through the delivery of the K-12 curriculum, enabling students to be valued members of their community.

www.cromehurst-s.schools.nsw.edu.au

YOUR DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIP WILL SUPPORT THE CROMEHURST LIVING SKILLS COTTAGE AND THE SCHOOLS INDIVIDUALISED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS.

HOW YOU CAN SPONSOR THIS EVENT -

GOLD SPONSOR $3,000
Includes golf, light lunch, pre-dinner canapes and dinner for 8 people and 4 golf carts. Golf course signage, preferential seating at the dinner and sponsorship acknowledgement throughout the event.

SILVER SPONSOR $1,500
Includes golf, light lunch, pre-dinner canapes and dinner for 4 people and 2 golf carts. Golf course signage, preferential seating at the dinner and sponsorship acknowledgement throughout the event.

4 PERSON TEAM $800
Includes golf, light lunch, pre-dinner canapes and dinner for 4 people.

INDIVIDUAL GOLF/DINNER $200pp
Individuals are welcome to join us for golf, light lunch, pre-dinner canapes and dinner.

INDIVIDUAL DINNER $100pp
Includes pre-dinner canapes and dinner, participate in live and silent auctions, raffles, and entertainment.

AUCTION ITEMS FOR THE CHARITY DINNER WOULD BE APPRECIATED
If you have any donations please email cromehurstgolf@gmail.com

HOW TO REGISTER YOUR SPONSORSHIP -

All registrations can be made online through Trybooking. See below for details.

1. Go to www.trybooking.com/170618
2. Click on 'continue booking'
3. Follow the online prompts to complete the registration and payment

If you experience any problems, please email your concerns to cromehurstgolf@gmail.com

Limited spaces, so book fast! We look forward to seeing you there!
Every Australian Counts: NDIS Information Forums

WE’RE HITTING THE ROAD!
Join us for free NDIS info sessions

Join Every Australian Counts for a free NDIS Information Forum in the NSW regions where the NDIS is rolling out from July 2016.

Event locations

  Campbelltown Catholic Club – 20-22 Camden Road
  Campbelltown, NSW 2560

People with disability, families and carers guide: The rollout of the National Disability Insurance Scheme in NSW

This guide will help you find out when you can access the NDIS.

- It covers three simple steps you can follow to find out when you will likely have access to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).
- It also includes details of where you can find further information to start preparing for the NDIS.

Step 1. Find out if you may be eligible for the NDIS

☑ You are under 65 years of age at the time of application

☑ You are an Australian citizen or resident, or permanent visa holder

☑ You meet the disability or early intervention requirements

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) is the agency responsible for implementing the NDIS and determining your eligibility for access to the NDIS. No one will be disadvantaged in the move to the NDIS. People who had been receiving specialist disability support, but aren’t eligible for the NDIS, will maintain the same outcomes they received before.

Am I eligible for the NDIS? To check your eligibility for the NDIS, refer to the NDIS website www.ndis.gov.au/ndis-access-checklist
Step 2. Find out when your area will be able to access the NDIS

When you are able to access the NDIS depends on three things: 1) where you live 2) what supports, if any, you currently receive 3) your need for support, if you don't currently receive any.

The map below shows when the NDIS will be available in your area.

From 1 July 2016
You will be able to access the NDIS from 1 July 2016, if you live in the following districts:
- Central Coast
- Hunter New England
- Nepean Blue Mountains
- Northern Sydney
- South Western Sydney
- Southern NSW
- Western Sydney

From 1 July 2017
You will be able to access the NDIS from 1 July 2017, if you live in the following districts:
- Illawarra Shoalhaven
- Mid North Coast
- Murrumbidgee
- Northern NSW
- South Eastern Sydney
- Sydney
- Western NSW
- Far West

For more information on when the NDIS will be available in your area refer to the fact sheet on the rollout in your local area.

How do I check what area I'm in?
If you aren't sure what area you live in, refer to:
- www.ndis.nsw.gov.au
- The list of LGAs and areas at the back of this guide.
Step 3. What supports do you currently receive?

To help people in NSW access the NDIS, we have grouped the types of support people currently receive into three categories. Clients will be able to access the NDIS within their local area, and respective year, according to the client group they are part of.

People currently receiving specialist disability supports
Includes people living in supported accommodation, accessing a community access service such as a day program, or case management service.

The majority will be able to access the NDIS in the first six months of each of the two year rollout periods. They will not need to apply for access to the NDIS, but will go through a simplified access process.

People who access specialist disability supports from time-to-time, or for a short amount of time each week
Includes people who access respite or a community care program.

Will be able to access the NDIS throughout each of the two year rollout periods. People receiving respite services will go through a simplified access process. People receiving community care services will be supported to apply for access to the NDIS.

New participants
People who do not currently receive specialist disability supports from the NSW Government.

Will have the opportunity to access the scheme when it starts in their local area, if they are in immediate need of assistance, and do not currently have support.

From 1 July 2018, all eligible people with disability, living in NSW will be able to access the NDIS.

How do I check what supports I currently receive?
If you aren't sure what types of supports you currently receive ask your support worker or service provider.
Next steps

- Confirm when the NDIS will be available in your local area via the NSW NDIS website www.ndis.nsw.gov.au.
- Confirm if you may be eligible via the national NDIS website www.ndis.gov.au.
- Ask your current provider to make sure your information is up to date, ahead of planning discussions with the National Disability Insurance Agency (if you currently receive supports).
- Visit the My Choice Matters website www.mychoicematters.org.au or speak to a family member or carer for help in working out your goals.
- If you currently receive disability supports you will be contacted before the rollout in your area.

Families and carers are important partners in the NDIS rollout

We know that families and carers are important partners in the support of people with disability.

The NSW Government is committed to keeping you involved and informed as we roll out the NDIS.

You can use this guide to work with the person you care for to help them prepare for the NDIS.

Checklist for families and carers

- Confirm that the person you care for may be eligible for the NDIS via the NDIS website www.ndis.gov.au.
- Use this guide to talk through the rollout of the NDIS with the person you care for.
- Contact local support services such as My Choice Matters www.mychoicematters.org.au to start preparing.

LIFE DOMAINS

1. Daily Life

2. Where I live

3. Relationships

4. Health and wellbeing

5. Learning

6. Work

7. Social and community activities

8. Choice and control over my life
Elements to the Plan

Participant statement is comprised of the first three sections:

Part 1  About me
Part 2  My Goals
Part 3  My Supports

Budget will fund the *reasonable and necessary* supports that help people do the things they need to do.

It will not pay for day to day costs that would be paid for by the family – rent, food, theatre tickets etc.
Pre planning for short and long term goals. Write things down in a diary.

New language

NOT I need a break I want respite

BUT from the child, “I want to get out for the weekend away from my parents” or “I want to meet with my mates” or “I want to make new friends”
Roles to Support You

- NDIS Facilitator
- Early Linkers
- Ability Linkers
- Community Connectors
New Terms to align with Life Domains.

- Continuing Education - Lifelong Learning
- Vocational Education

- Leisure/recreation - Social and Community, Relationships, Daily Living

- Personal Management - Choice and control Daily Living Home

- Transport and Mobility - Health and Wellbeing