

CROMER PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kindergarten Term 3 Newsletter

Tuesday 25 July 2023

Welcome back to Term 3 of Kindergarten at Cromer!

The Kindergarten Team hope you have all had a wonderful Winter's break, enjoying some down-time with your family and friends. We look forward to a great 10 weeks ahead......Term 3. We hope you enjoyed reading your child's first school report and meeting with your child's teacher at the end of Term 2. We are so proud of each student as they begin to master their new learning skills and continue to improve in all areas, each and every day!

Below are some important <u>Term 3</u> reminders and information regarding our routines and procedures for Term 3 Kindergarten at Cromer Public School

MORNING ROUTINE REMINDERS

To assist the children in becoming more independent and responsible for their belongings, they are asked to place their bags on assigned **hooks near their classroom**. They are then to leave the class area and play in the Kindergarten playground area until the bell rings at **8:50am**. A teacher is always on duty in this area from 8:20am. Only small 'handballs' are allowed on the playground before and after school due to the number of people and toddlers in the Kindergarten area.

NEW 'FLIP SPORT' GYMNASTICS PROGRAM

This term all Kindergarten students will be participating in a whole school Gymnastics program named: "Flip Sport". This is run by an external sports provider in the school Hall and is always lots of fun! Students will need to wear their **Sports Uniform each Monday** this term. This will be our new sports day for Term 3 and will begin on Monday Week 3.

FRUIT BREAK, RECESS AND LUNCH REMINDERS

Fruit break, recess and lunch is eaten with their class teacher for 10 minutes before going out to play. Again, eating a balanced healthy meal throughout the day is encouraged and we try to ensure that students save any treats until their lunch has been eaten. If you find that their food is being taken home, it may mean that they don't like it or the quantity is too much. All children will stay in the Kinder Playground for all of 1st lunch before playing in the rest of the school. Please remember to pack a water bottle.



CANTEEN

Students are able to order their lunch from the canteen throughout the year. These lunch orders are delivered to the classroom. In Term 3 students can buy food themselves from the **canteen at lunch time only**.

EARLY DEPARTURE/ LATE ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL REMINDERS

If you need to pick up your child early from school or are late arriving to class, you will need to obtain a *leave note from the front office*. This note is then handed to the class teacher by the office staff.

ABSENT NOTES

Absent notes for sickness or holidays etc need to be completed either **online via the Cromer Public School SENTRAL Parent Portal**, or in a written note/email and is to be submitted to the teacher within seven days. If your child is going to be away for more than 1 week of school you will need to get permission from the school through an **Extended Leave Form**, found on the Cromer Public School Website.

SECOND STEPS: WHOLE SCHOOL WELLBEING PROGRAM

We will continue to be engaging in our K-6 Wellbeing program throughout this term. This amazing program focuses on supporting children's social-emotional skill-building throughout the day. The **Website: www.secondsteps.org** is excellent!

HOMEWORK

Reading homework and reinforcement of classroom learning is of vital importance in Kindergarten. It sets the strong foundation of Literacy learning and development throughout the early years. Homework will continue this term as a Literacy-based activity. It consists of **1-2x Home Reading Books** that are read at home as well as a **Tricky Word** sheet. The **parent log book** should be filled out by you each time your child reads. Children will receive a gold sticker after 10 nights of reading. Children will bring home their book in a plastic envelope that needs to be returned **each Friday** and their book/s will be changed during class time when they are ready to move on.

Tricky Words are words that cannot easily be decoded and require children to memorise the

whole word. Coloured sheets with these words will be sent home in the homework pack. Teachers will continue to check and give a new set of words when these words have been memorised.

Fast Phonics (Pink Tile) and Maths Seeds are online programs that can also be done as homework at the students' own pace. A username and password has been provided by your teacher. Please let your child's teacher know if you have any login issues.



LIFE EDUCATION (Personal Development & Health)

This Term we will have a visit from the Life Education Van and 'Healthy Harrold' the giraffe. Each class will visit the van once over a 2 week period. The Kindergarten topic of learning is all about Friendship ~ keeping and making friends. Class visits are:

KE ~ Tues 22 August KGF ~ Thurs 31 August, and KP ~ Tues 29 August.

PARENT HELPERS

We always love parents as helpersthis will begin in Term 3 with the children now settled into school and their classroom routines. If you are interested in helping out in your child's class, please see the school Newsletter/ Website this week for more information. Each class teacher will liaise with their 'class parent' to organise parent helpers ~ as each class will be slightly different. This will begin from Week 4 in August.

CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE REMINDERS

Students, parents and siblings are **not** to be in any classroom without a classroom teacher. Please be respectful of class preparation and organisation time. Meetings between parents and teachers can always be organised at a mutually convenient time, before or after school.

TERM THREE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.....so far

18 July ~ Term 3 begins for all K-6 students!

31 July ~ 100 Days of Kindergarten at Cromer Public School!!! Celebration activities on 1 August (not dress up)....

31 July ~ Kindergarten Flip Sport gymnastics begins (wear sports uniform each MONDAY)

31 July - 4 August ~ <u>Education Week!</u> Come along to our **9am K-6 Book Character Parade** under the COLA, and then our Open Classrooms on <u>Wednesday 2 August</u>!

1 August ~ Kindergarten Aboriginal Education Workshop

- 8 August ~ K-2 Awards Assembly 2pm/ Author visit/ P&C Meeting 7pm all welcome!
- 14 August ~ Wellbeing Week! Fun whole school activities with our buddies and friends
- 18 August ~ National Day of Action against bullying and violence
- 21 August ~ K-6 Life Education Program begins with 'Healthy Harrod' van class visit
- 25 August ~ P&C Father's Day Stall from 9am (gifts \$5). More info to follow
- 1 September ~ P&C Father's Day Breakfast from 7:30am. More info to follow
- **5 September** ~ K-2 Awards Assembly 2pm/ P&C Meeting 7pm all welcome!
- 9 September ~ P&C Trivia Night (Saturday in the Hall). More info to follow
- **14 and 19 September** ~ Creative and Performing Arts Evening Showcase (Cromer's Bands, Choirs, Dance, Drama, Strings all perform). Our whole community is welcome! More info to follow
- 22 September ~ Last day of Term 3. Students begin their Spring break!! Happy Holidays... (2)

Please note ~ our school Website and SENTRAL Parent Portal is always a great source of information for the whole school and grade up to date information. Cromer Public School

We look forward to continuing our strong partnership with you and your child in the 2nd half of the year! Thank you and our kindest regards...

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Photos courtesy of our 'Cromer Public School Photo Shoot Day' during June 2023.