



3 May 2023

P.S.S.A. WINTER REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

Dear Parents and Carers

Your child has been selected to play in a school representative team for Rugby League to compete against other schools in the Manly Primary Schools Sports Association Winter competition commencing on **Friday 12 May 2023**. It is an honour to represent the school and it is the school's expectation that students will show exemplary behaviour whilst travelling to and from the venues. A high standard of sportsmanship is also expected while competing. Students will be expected to wear the school's designated team uniform, **including a school hat**.

All students will be travelling by bus to one of the following venues: Millers Reserve, David Thomas Reserve, John Fisher Park, Nolans Reserve. The cost for the buses will be \$153.00 for the full 10 week competition.

We regard Friday afternoon PSSA as an opportunity for the students to participate in exercise and enjoy competition against neighbouring schools in a friendly spirit. Whilst adults are always welcome to encourage and applaud good play, we would respectfully like to remind all coaches and spectators that it is not acceptable to coach from the sidelines.

All permission notes need to be signed and returned to the school office by **3pm Thursday 11 May** or students will not be able to participate in PSSA. PSSA fees need to be paid by 26 May and can be paid on the Schoolbytes payment portal.

Unfortunately, students whose permission notes (due 11 May) and fees (due 26 May) haven't been received by the above dates, will not be able to be a member of the designated PSSA team.

Please note, it's not possible to give refunds for washed out matches.

Regards

Matt Richards
PSSA Coordinator

Julie Johnson
Principal

Winter PSSA Training Days and Times			
Rugby League	Miss Bayliss	Friday 8:00am	St Matthew's Reserve
Netball	Mrs Pervan	Friday 8:00am	School Oval
Boys Soccer	Miss Waugh	Friday 8:00am	St Matthew's Reserve
Girls Soccer	Miss Jackson	Friday 8:00am	St Matthew's Reserve

Concussion Clearance

The Australian Medical Association recommends students being symptom free of concussion for 14 days before returning to sport.

- If your child sustains a concussion, or experiences any concussion symptoms, in the 14 day period prior to the event commencing, you must report this to team officials, and a medical clearance is required in order for your child/ward to participate in the event.
- Medical clearances need to be passed onto the coach of the team prior to your child returning to playing the sport.

Important information

In the event of injury, no personal injury insurance cover is provided by the NSW Department of Education for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity. The Department's public liability cover is fault-based and limited to breaches by the Department of its duty of care to students that may result in claims for compensation.

Parents/Carers are advised to assess the level and extent of their child's involvement in the sport program offered by the school, school sport zone, region and state school sport Associations when deciding whether additional insurance cover is required prior to their child's involvement in the program. Personal accident insurance cover is available through normal retail outlets.

Parents/Carers who have private ambulance cover need to check whether that cover extends to interstate travel and make additional arrangements, as considered appropriate.

The NSW Supplementary Sporting Injury Benefits Scheme, funded by the NSW Government, provides limited cover for serious injury resulting in the permanent loss of a prescribed faculty or the loss of use of certain prescribed parts of the body.

The Supplementary Scheme does not cover medical costs or dental costs. Further information can be obtained from <https://www.icare.nsw.gov.au/injured-or-ill-people/sporting-injuries/payments/#gref>. Further information regarding student accident insurance and private health cover is provided at: <https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/file/1449>.

P.S.S.A. REPRESENTATIVE TEAM – Permission note returned to office by 11 May and payment by 26 May 2023

I give permission for my child _____ of class _____ to participate in Winter P.S.S.A. Rugby League School Sport during Terms 2 and 3 2023.

Miss Bayliss will be the staff member supporting and coaching the team. The weekly games will be held at Nolans Reserve.

I understand that the children will be travelling by bus to and from the different venues. We agree to abide by the Code of Fair Play and Good Conduct (attached). I will make payment of \$153.00 for the cost of the bus by 26 May on the schoolbytes payment portal.

I also give permission for my child to participate in sport at St Matthew's Farm Reserve should my child's team be rostered to have a "BYE".

In the event of my child missing their regular bus home from school, I give permission for them to travel by alternative means. Please provide details overleaf.

I acknowledge that this event/activity is required to be held in accordance with any current NSW Health COVID-19 Public Health Orders and the NSW Department of Education's policies and procedures. I acknowledge and accept that there is a risk that my child may be exposed to COVID-19 whilst attending and participating at this event. I confirm that my child will not attend if displaying any symptoms of illness, and/or if directed to isolate under public health orders.

Parent/Guardian's signature Date

MEDICAL INFORMATION

I wish to advise my child's coach that he/she has the following medical condition:

☐ My child has an ASCIA / ASTHMA plan

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER

I acknowledge that it's my responsibility to notify the school and/or Sports Coach if my child's medical circumstances change.

Parent/Guardian's signatureDate

Parent/Carer Acknowledgment and Consent

- I have read the information provided and I hereby consent to my child/ward participating in this event.
- I acknowledge that this event/activity is required to be held in accordance with any current NSW Health COVID-19 Public Health Orders and the NSW Department of Education's policies and procedures.
- I acknowledge and accept that there is a risk that my child may be exposed to COVID-19 whilst attending and participating at this event.
- I confirm that my child will not attend if displaying symptoms of illness, and/or if directed to isolate under public health orders.
- I acknowledge that my child will be under the duty of care of the supervising teacher during the event.
- I acknowledge that if my child seriously contravenes behavioural expectations, they may be immediately excluded from the team. Should this eventuate, I accept full responsibility for my child upon notification of their exclusion by the team manager including the cost return transport and accommodation.
- In the event of any accident or illness, I authorise the obtaining, on my behalf, of an ambulance and any such medical assistance that my child/ward may require. I accept full responsibility for expenses incurred.
- I acknowledge that if my child sustains a concussion, or experiences any concussion symptoms, in the 14-day period prior to the event commencing, I am required to report this to team officials. I further acknowledge that, should this occur, my child will only be permitted to participate in the event if a medical clearance is provided.
- I affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, my child has no medical condition or injury that places them at risk by participating in this sport activity.
- I can confirm that I understand that, in the event of injury, no personal injury insurance cover is provided by the NSW Department of Education for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity.
- I acknowledge that the information provided is being obtained for the purpose of ascertaining relevant medical information, requirements and other health care related needs about my child/ward who is currently enrolled at the school and who may participate in school excursions, sporting activities or other educational or school activities conducted by or in conjunction with Cromer Public School.

Parent / Guardian name: _____ Date: _____

Rugby League Consent
Australian Rugby League Football

Australian football / rugby league and rugby union are collision sports.

I understand that:

- For my child to play **Australian rugby league football** as part of the representative school sport program, they have undertaken an appropriate skill training program resulting in suitable experience to play this sport at representative level.
- The wearing of a correctly-fitted mouthguard is mandatory in all games and training sessions.
- While efforts are made to minimise the possibility of injury, there will remain some degree of risk inherent in participation in this collision sport.

Parent or Carer's name: _____

SIGNED: _____

Date: _____

Under no circumstances should my child be allowed to play in the following positions:

Parent or Caregivers Name: _____

(Please Print)

Signature: _____

Date: _____

ALTERNATIVE TRAVEL PLAN

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

It could happen throughout the PSSA season that the **sports buses** return late to school. Therefore, your child may miss their school bus or may not have arrived back at school to be picked up at the normal time.

Please acknowledge that you have discussed a contingency plan with your child in the event of this happening by indicating below how your child will get home.

I have discussed a contingency plan with my child _____ of class _____ regarding travel arrangements if the PSSA buses return late to school on Fridays.

My child:

- ☐ Will ride their bicycle home.
- ☐ Will walk home.
- ☐ Will come to the office to call a parent, and wait until a parent arrives.
- ☐ Will walk home with a friend.
- ☐ Will go home with another adult (please indicate who) _____
- ☐ Will be attending After School Care
- ☐ Other: Please specify: _____

NB: If you have a child in K-2 please ensure that they also have a contingency plan if their older sibling(s) are late on a Friday afternoon.

I have discussed a contingency plan with my child's siblings _____

of class/es _____ regarding travel arrangements if the PSSA buses return

late to school on Fridays.

Parent/Guardian's signature Date

CROMER PUBLIC SCHOOL SPORT

Code adopted from NSW Primary Schools Sport Association Guidelines

PLAYER'S CODE

1. Play for the fun of it.
2. Compete by the rules and always abide by the referee's, umpire's or judge's decisions.
3. Control your temper. Make no criticism either by word or gesture.
4. Work equally hard for yourself and your team - your team's performance will benefit and so will your own.
5. Be willing to train and prepare for the game. Preparation helps prevent injury and increases the level of enjoyment.
6. Play only when you are fully fit. To play with an injury will handicap your team and may expose you to the risk of serious, lifelong injury.
7. Be a good sport. Encourage fellow team members.
8. At all times, cooperate with your coach, teammates and opponents - without them you do not have a competition.
9. Remember the goals of the game are to have fun and improve your skills. Be modest in success and generous in defeat.
10. Wear your team uniform proudly.
11. Treat all players as you would like to be treated.

SPECTATOR'S CODE

1. Remember that students play organised sport for their own enjoyment. They are not there to entertain you, and they are NOT miniature professional athletes.
2. Respect the official's decisions.
3. Be on your best behaviour. Do not indulge in physical or verbal abuse of players, coaches, officials or other spectators.
4. Applaud good play by your own team and the opposing team.
5. Show respect for your opponents. Without them there would be no game.
6. Never ridicule a player for making a mistake or losing a competition.
7. Do not encourage or condone the use of violence in any form.
8. Encourage players to always play according to the rules.

PARENT'S CODE

1. Do not force an unwilling child to participate in sport.
2. Remember your children are involved in organised school sports for enjoyment and fulfilment; not yours.
3. Encourage your child to always play by the rules.
4. Teach your child that honest effort is as important as winning so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
5. Encourage your child to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship. Never ridicule your child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
6. Remember that children learn best by example. Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposing team.
7. Do not publicly question the official's judgment and never their honesty.
8. Applaud the contribution and commitment of teacher-coaches. They give up their time and resources to provide sporting activities for your child.

Child's signature.....

Date.....

Parent/Guardian's signature Date