# Stage 3 Newsletter

## Term 3

#### STAGE 3 – YEARS 5 & 6

**CROMER PUBLIC SCHOOL** 

#### Welcome

Welcome to the start of Term 3. We hope you had a restful holiday and are all ready for an exciting term of learning.

#### Reading

Please ensure your child is reading silently for at least 20 minutes each night. They need to record their reading in their Stile reading log.

#### Writing

Students will be writing imaginative, persuasive and informative texts. This will include reviewing structure, vocabulary and punctuation. Our focus this term will be on context in the writing and how it shapes the authors choices.

#### **Speaking and Listening**

Students will be developing skills and techniques to express and share ideas fluently, coherently and cohesively in small group and whole-class discussions.

#### **Mathematics**

Students will be learning about the topics of addition, subtraction, patterns, algebra, multiplication, division, chance, data, time, fractions and position.

#### **PDHPE**

Year 6 Students will need to wear their sports uniforms for PE lessons on Wednesday. Year 5 students will be participating in Dance Sport lessons learning movement skills on Thursdays. In PDH, students will plan and practise responses, behaviours and actions to protect themselves and promote positive choices. Focus areas include drug education, healthy eating, road safety, bullying and safe and unsafe situations. Our Emotional Wellbeing Program: Second Steps will be continued to taught this term. We will also be participating in Life Education later in the Term. 'Amazing Me' will be a program that will be held both as a parent evening session and as two in class sessions.

#### Sport

Students will participate in PSSA or Home Sport on Fridays.

#### History

Students will learn about Australia becoming a federated nation as we look at our democratic government system. They will learn about famous Australians who have been influential in Australia's development and work on their research skills. This unit will be supported with our trip to Canberra in the middle of term.

#### **Creative and Performing arts**

Students will continue to have weekly music lessons with Mrs Bradford or Mr O'Brien. Year 6 will be developing drama skills while working towards the school play performance in week 10.

#### Homework

Homework continues to be on Stile and Maths Plus Mentals. It will consist of reading, spelling and other activities. There will also be activities to support our K-6 emotional wellbeing program: Second Steps. Our homework serves as a daily review of the learning which has taken place in the classroom. Homework allows students to develop their independent working skills and revise their learning.

#### Stationery

Please check that hats and jumpers are clearly labelled. Students may need to restock pencil cases with HB pencils, glue sticks, ruler, eraser, sharpener, scissors, highlighters red pens, blue pens. All students require their own headphones.

#### Communicating and reporting

We will be working with your child on their personalised learning goals this term. Teachers are available to meet with parents at a mutually convenient time if requested. Please contact the school if you would like to arrange a meeting.

#### Camp

The information for camp was distributed via email this week. Please fill in the online questionnaire so that we have your contact, medical, dietary and other information as soon as possible. If you have have any questions concerning camp, please email the school and we will address your questions in our zoom Question and Answer Time on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. See the information email for the zoom link.

#### Amazing me

Amazing Me specialises in providing primary aged children, parents, and educators with positive and empowering information. Amazing Me presents programs to thousands of children and adults every year and has done so for over 30 years.

Amazing Me reinforces the important message of respecting others and appreciating that we are all incredibly unique, diverse and AMAZING! The presenter, Rowena Thomas, is a primary school teacher and her strengths lie in facilitating an inspiring and informative program that aims to strengthen family relationships.

'Bodies, Babies and Puberty'

Topics for this program include: The correct names of genitals, child safety with a brief focus on consent and having a safety network, reproduction, pregnancy and birth. What is puberty? Why do we need to go through puberty? When does it start? How long does it take?

Year: Year 5 and 6 with parents/carers Date: Thursday 1st September Location: The school hall Time: 6pm-7:15pm Who: Children must be accompanied by a parent(s)/carer(s) Cost: \$33 per family including GST

There will also be two in class sessions with the educator to further explore these topics.

#### Dates

21st July – Year 5 Dance Sport Confidence 10 week program commences (each Thursday, wear PE uniform)
2nd August - Author Visit, The School will also be taking a 60th School Anniversary photo on this day.
15th - 17th August - Year 5 Camp to Canberra (two nights) - note has been emailed to parents.
16th August - Awards Assembly
22 - 24th August - Year 6 Camp to Canberra (two nights) - note has been emailed to parents.
24th August - Zone Athletics Carnival
25th August - Book Character Parade and Zone Athletics Carnival (continued)
26th August - Father's Day stall (TBC)
29th August - Wellbeing week begins
30th August - 60th Anniversary event/assembly (TBC)
31st August - In class session of Amazing me for Year 5 part 1
1st September - ICAS Mathematics and 'Amazing Me' Evening Session for parents and children.

2nd September - Father's Day Breakfast (TBC)
5<sup>th</sup> September - Year 6 amazing me in class session part 1
12<sup>th</sup> September - Year 6 amazing me in class session part 2
13<sup>th</sup> September - Life education (6M)
14<sup>th</sup> September - Life education (6G)
15<sup>th</sup> September - Life education (6L)
19th September - Life education (5M) and Year 5 Amazing Me in class session part 2
20th September - Life education (5S and 5W) and The School Play evening performance (Year 6)
22nd September - Dance Sport Gala evening (Year 5)

#### **Useful Websites**

http://www.cromer-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/ School Website http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/ - General school & homework information http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx - Cybersmart information http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au – Student portal https://stileapp.com/login - Stile login https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html Premiers reading challenge

### **CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES**

5M	5W	<b>5</b> \$
Monday:	Monday:	Monday:
Music	Music, library	Music, library
Tuesday:	Thursday:	Thursday:
Library	PE, Dance Sport	PE, Dance Sport
Thursday:	Friday:	Friday:
PE, Dance Sport	PSSA/Sport: Please wear sport uniform	PSSA/Sport: Please wear sport uniform
Friday:		
PSSA/Sport: Please wear sport uniform		

6M	<u>6L</u>	<b>6G</b>
Tuesday:	Tuesday:	Tuesday:
Library	Library	Library
Wednesday:	Wednesday:	Wednesday:
Music, Grade PE: Please wear	Grade PE: Please wear sport	Grade PE: Please wear sport
sport uniform	uniform, music	uniform, music
Friday:	Friday:	Friday:
PSSA/Sport: Please wear sport	PSSA/Sport: Please wear sport	PSSA/Sport: Please wear sport
uniform	uniform	uniform

We are very excited about the programs and adventures awaiting us and look forward to an exciting and engaging term ahead.