

23 NOVEMBER 2020

Term 4 Week 7

- 16 December - Last day for students
- 17 & 18 December - Staff development days
- 29 January 2021—Students return for Term 1

Cromehurst News

Blue Class

Welcome Austin! This term we have a new member of Blue Class. Austin is a happy and social student who has settled well into his new school.

This term Blue Class have been visiting the zoo! Each week we take a virtual tour of the zoo and find two new animals. Blue Class have enjoyed exploring different habitats and finding out what each animal likes to eat. The students have made some fabulous artworks representing each of the animals we have investigated.

Blue Class have continued to work hard throughout this semester, particularly working towards achieving our IEP goals. The students have enjoyed joining with Rainbow Class to engage in PDHPE games and activities as well as maths groups each week. Zoe and Lilika have shown a particular interest in colouring in this term and Austin and Saskia enjoy playing on the sports equipment during their leisure time. Nevaeh, Josephine and Holly have really enjoyed using the water mat and other sensory toys whilst engaging in group play during PDHPE sessions. We are a busy bunch!

Rebecca and Susan



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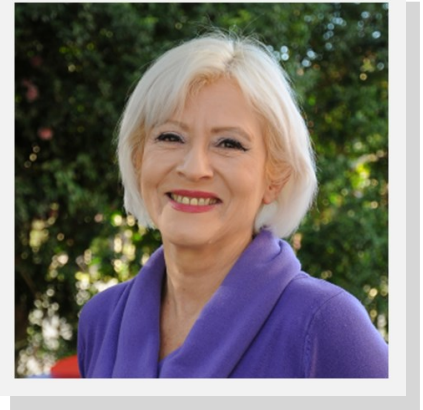
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Principal's Message

Welcome to week seven

We are fast approaching the end of what has been a challenging time for our school community. We have managed to continue our programs within tight COVID restrictions and although not operating as per usual we have continued to support our students to achieve their maximum outcomes within the restricted operational guidelines. As you know, our end of year graduation and awards dinner has had to be postponed due to the current restrictions and we are hopeful it can occur in 2021 (March). We will however celebrate the achievements of our year 12 graduates at a special assembly on Tuesday, 24 November with selected staff and the parents of our three graduates along with students from years ten and eleven. This will be the only end of year ceremony which parents can attend. We are hoping to film the Christmas concert and other awards ceremonies for sharing with families of each student's class. This requires permission from each student's family and a permission note was included in last week's newsletter for this purpose. I have included it again in this week's edition so please return the note to school on or before Wednesday, 2 December 2020.



We have almost completed our planning for 2021 classes. We have had two students' families decline placement which means that we have approximately four vacancies for next year. There is one more panel for placement in week eight so at this stage all classes are in draft form. Following the last placement panel notification, we will be able to finalise the classes for next year. Parents will be informed of their child's class late in week nine which will be subject to change depending upon acceptance of placement and in week ten student reports will be sent to parents. A reminder that the last two days of term four (17 & 18 December) are pupil free and school resumes for students on Friday, 29 January 2021.

I have had some very positive feedback from parents who engaged in the webinar conducted by the Family Planning Association on puberty, adolescence and supporting safe behaviours during this time. I am happy that families who participated found it useful and informative. I have now received information regarding some webinars conducted by ASPECT regarding a range of topics and issues. The details are provided below:

Aspect @nywhere: New & upcoming online autism practice events:

Ask Me Anything Q&A session coming up

Do you have a burning question about autism that you have always wanted to ask an Autistic person?

Are you a person who is discovering their diagnosis and want to learn more from Autistic leaders?

Join us for an AMA session Online where four of Aspect's Autistic experts will answer questions on their life experiences and their professional expertise

Session Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2020 from 12.30-1.15pm (AEDT)

Register & submit your questions at www.autismspectrum.org.au/workshops or contact Harriett Kerr-Dodd, Workshop Administrator for further information: mailto: aspectpractice@autismspectrum.org.au

Cost: FREE

New Webinars - November & December 2020

Aspect @nywhere autism practice webinar series

A series of practice-based webinars co-presented with practice specialists including Autistic experts. Each webinar is a short 30-minute presentation with a clear practical take away for families, educators and others who support Autistic people (visit <https://enews.autismspectrum.org.au/eventsandworkshopscalendar> for the full list of webinars).

1. Webinar Description: Structured Supports:

Providing structured and visually supported environments that are meaningful is an essential part of Aspect's support to individuals on the autism spectrum. This webinar will explore the key considerations when providing visual structure and how this can help increase understanding, independence and engagement, and reduce anxiety or confusion. The webinar is presented by Aspect's specialists in structured supports who have worked with Autistic people of all ages and abilities.

Session Date: Wednesday, 25 November 2020 at 12.30pm – 1.00pm (AEDT)

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2. **Webinar Description: Choice & Control**

Choice & Control: Choice & control is a popular mantra for disability services. This presentation reviews the context, research and theory of choice and explains how to assess, teach and implement choice as part of supporting people on the autism spectrum. This webinar is co-presented with Autistic Aspect staff.

Session Dates:

Wednesday, 2 December 2020 at 12.30pm – 1.00pm (AEDT); and repeated

Wednesday, 9 December 2020 at 12.30pm -1.00 pm (AEDT)

Cost: All webinars: \$10+ GST

Registration: All registrations can be made via the Autism Spectrum Australia website: www.autismspectrum.org.au/workshops or contact Harriett Kerr-Dodd, Workshop Administrator for further information: <mailto:aspectpractice@autismspectrum.org.au>.

Please consider participating in one or all of these webinars as they provide useful information and links for families of students diagnosed on the autism spectrum.

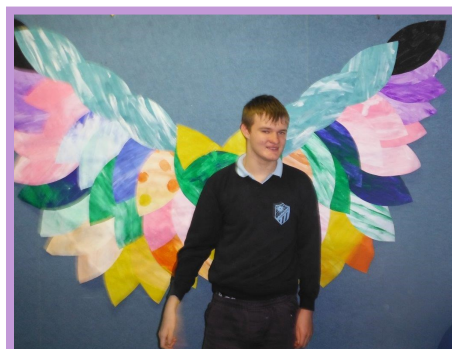
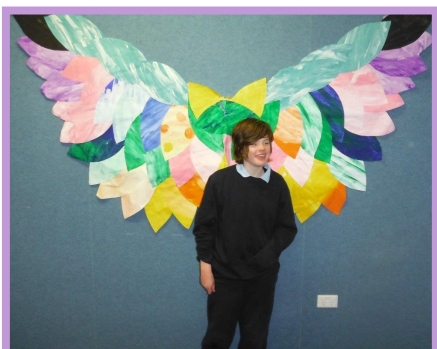
In addition, I have included a link to a new NDIS webpage in regard to accommodation and their service which matches NDIS participants to potential accommodation and vacancy rates. Please visit <https://www.ndis.gov.au/participants/housing-and-ndis/sda-vacancy-matching-platforms>.

Christine

This term the secondary students at Cromehurst have been studying and discussing 'Living and Non-Living Things'. They have made a variety of creative works in Art including leaf collages and paintings of different kinds of flora and fauna. They also created feathers by painting large sheets of paper in their class colours and then cutting them and constructing a large set of wings which they all took turns to stand in front of and pretend to fly in the front foyer of the school!

In Music, the primary and secondary classes have been preparing their 'Mini Christmas Concerts' that they will perform just in front of their peers during the last couple of weeks of school.

Primary students have continued their Art theme based on the book 'Red House, Blue House, Green House, Tree House'. This term they have created some very colourful pieces of work such as painted fruit collages, cut outs of dog faces and three dimensional bunches of balloons.



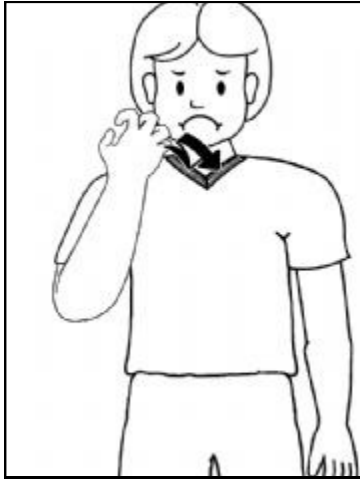
Art & Music (continued)



General News

Sign of the week

sorry



Shake clawed hand, palm facing you, across mouth twice.

sore/pain



With fingers spread, palm towards stomach, shake hand up and down quickly. Also signed at location of pain.

Nutrition Snippet

SAVVY SNACK SWAPS.



Swap cake for these healthy snacks:

- [Banana Bread](#)
- [Pumpkin and sweet potato scones](#)
- [Fruit loaf](#)

Check out our [interactive healthy swap guide](#) for more inspiration!

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 **Cancer Council**
Healthy Lunch Box

CROMEhurst SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 6
16-20 Nov 2020

Assembly Awards

Name	Class	Awarded For Learning Together
Xavier	Purple	Excellent writing his sentences
Aliya	Rainbow	Playing with her toy, watching and laughing/smiling during her fine motor skills
Isabella	Orange	Reading Level 4 Reading with confidence to the whole class
James	Aqua	Great dancing this week
Daniel L	Yellow	Great remembering and using Auslan signs. Marvellous memory recall
Hamish	Green	Fantastic participation in dance this week
Aayushi	Art	Fantastic application to her work in Art
Sofie	Music	Brilliant participation in her class Christmas song

Name	Class	Awarded For Being Friendly
Anita	Pink	Helping the primary students on the playground

Name	Class	Awarded For Being Friendly
Austin	Blue	For showing independence when transitioning around the school
Conor	White	Making fantastic choices and getting his 5 Lego stars
Jack	Red	For keeping his hands to himself on the playground



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Dear Parents,

As you are aware the requirements for safety under the Department's COVID guidelines mean that our annual Christmas concert cannot proceed in its usual format. We are still planning on having each class learn and perform an item for the concert with a limited student audience. We would like to film each class and provide a copy of each class' item to the parents of students in that class.

No names will be mentioned and this film will not be placed on our website or any other public domain, it will be sent directly to each student's family.

In order to proceed with this we will require your permission to film your child and for their class item to be sent to the parents of other students in your child's class. Please understand that if you do not provide permission then your child will be unable to be filmed during their class item. Please fill in the permission note below and return it to school on or before Wednesday 2 December 2020.

Yours sincerely

Christine Moulds
Principal

————— Please detach and return to school before Wednesday, 2 December 2020 —————

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Parent name: _____ Signature _____

Date: _____

- ☐ I **give** permission for my child to be included in the filming of their class item for the Christmas concert and for the class item to be shared with the parents in my child's class.
- ☐ I **do not give** permission for my child to be included in the filming of their class item for the Christmas concert and for the class item to be shared with the parents in my child's class.