

20 MARCH 2023

Term 1 Week 9

- 21 March - Year 7 Vaccinations
- 22 March - Harmony Day
- 6 April - Last day of Term 1
- 24 April - Staff Development Day
- 25 April - ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- 26 April - Students return for Term 2

Cromehurst News

Principal's Message

Welcome to week nine.

Last week's intense heatwave was uncomfortable for students and staff alike. I would like to reassure parents that when we have extreme weather we do not take the students outside during break times, but they have recess and lunch inside as they do if it is raining. This is also the case when the air quality is considered unsafe due to bushfire smoke. We were fortunate to be able to conduct our whole school Aboriginal culture assembly as the weather on Wednesday morning was not too hot. It was a very successful and enjoyable interactive event in which all classes participated. Photos of this event are included later in the newsletter.



This week is Harmony Week which celebrates Australia's cultural diversity and includes the United Nations' International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination. The ongoing theme 'everyone belongs' promotes respect for everyone from all cultural backgrounds and encourages inclusion. This includes the ongoing custodians of the land on which we live, to those who have come from the many countries around the world. We will be holding a special whole school Harmony Week assembly this Wednesday and we ask, if possible, that you dress your child in clothing that reflects their cultural background. If that is not possible provide clothing item(s) that are orange which is the official colour for Harmony Week.

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Principal's Message (continued)

Every school is required to have a school based policy to support the Department's policy. Cromehurst School is committed to supporting and managing students' use of digital devices and online services. At all times Cromehurst staff promote the learning, safety and wellbeing of students and the management of any risk of harm and distraction from the use of digital technology devices. Cromehurst School supports the learning of primary and secondary students with moderate and severe intellectual disabilities. Many of our students have secondary disabilities and rely on augmentative devices in order to communicate. Digital technology is becoming an important tool to enhance the learning of our students and prepare them for life beyond school

Use of digital devices outside of the restriction guidelines will be in consultation with families and staff and documented within the student's Individual Educational Program. Reasons for granting exemption to the policy for wellbeing or reasonable adjustment include the following:

- Use of a digital device for communication purposes.
- Use of digital devices as part of a documented Behaviour Support Plan.
- Use of digital devices as a calming strategy for students experiencing anxiety.

In regard to students' personal devices, as per the Department's policy, all care will be taken however the school is not responsible for any damages that occur to a student's personal device which occurs at school.

Finally, a reminder that vaccinations for year seven students are scheduled to occur tomorrow Tuesday, 21 March. Parental consent is required before the date in order for the vaccination to proceed and from this year is provided online. If you have not already provided consent for this please visit <https://nswhealth.service-now.com/school>, you will need:

- your Service NSW log-in details, or to [create an account with ServiceNSW](#) if you don't already have one;
- Medicare details for parents/carers and your child.

Christine

Purple Class

The Puzzling Purple Poll

Q: Pick 4 preferred programs of people in Purple Class?

A: Music, Yoga, Art and DT (Design & Technology)

Q: What's the preferred food prepared by Purple people?

A: Canteen sandwiches, especially with lots of grated carrot!

Q: What pivotal area have ALL Purple pupils positively performed in during Term 1?

A: communication COMMunication COMMUNICATION

Q: What is the most protracted word you can produce with the primary letters of pseudonyms of persons in Purple?
SSSAAMLJCR

A: Ooooh that's a hard one!?!

What a positive and productive period for the Phenomenal Purple Pupils!

Every student is working hard towards their current ITP goals and enjoying fun and interesting lessons throughout the week. The Thursday work experience program with mixed secondary groups has been a highlight.

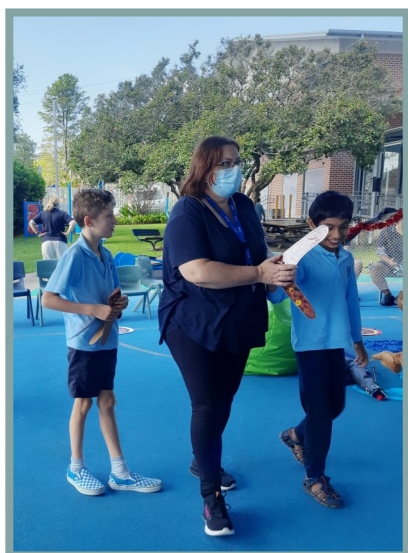
We feel excited about what these amazing students will continue to achieve in Term 2!

Sally, Aimee, Sonja, Jennifer, Ashlee, Cooper, Lucy, Millie, Rachel and Sofie.



Aboriginal Cultural Assembly

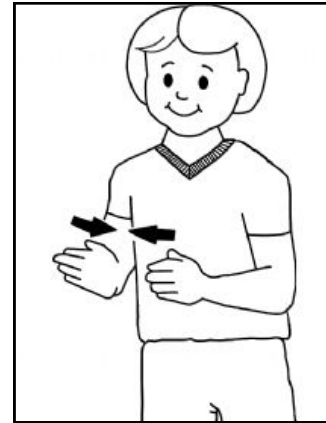
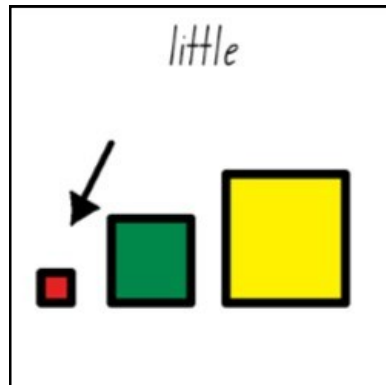
Last Wednesday the whole school participated in an Aboriginal Cultural assembly. It was an interactive event enjoyed by all. Here are some photos of the day.



General News

Signs of the Week

Small/little



With both hands flat, fingers pointing away from body, start with hands at body width apart and move hands towards each other.

Live Life Well @ School



It's Ride2School Day

- Participate by riding, walking, scooting or skating to school on Friday 24th March 2023.
- Find fun resources and more information on how to get involved under rides & Events at www.bicyclenetwork.com.au



CROMEHURST SCHOOL

Term 1 Week 8

13-17 Mar 2023

Assembly Awards

Name	Class	Awarded For Learning Together
Hudson	Aqua	Independently reading his level reader
Liam	Orange	For using his words to communicate and for requesting the toilet
Josephine	Rainbow	Great standing in her new standing frame
DeAngelo	White	Doing his best in Yoga
Vladimir	Green	Trying his best during our desk work sessions
Jessica Y	Blue	Excellent focus during work skills and individual work
Zoe	Music	Great effort in the primary music class
Ryan M	Music	Great effort in the senior music class

Name	Class	Awarded For Being Friendly
Danny	Yellow	Using the iPad to communicate during play time
Oliver	Pink	Greeting his friends in morning circle and being friendly

Name	Class	Awarded For Being Safe
Jack	Red	By adapting to change in the classroom

HARMONY DAY **Wednesday 22 March 2023**

Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. The aim of the day is to engage the students in recognising cultural and religious diversity in Australian society and to foster a sense of belonging for everyone, no matter their religious or cultural background.

To celebrate Harmony Day this year, the students and teachers at Cromehurst will hold a special assembly during which we will sing Harmony Day songs and display the colourful lanterns the students have created in their art lessons.

Where possible we would ask that staff and students come to school wearing their national dress or incorporating orange coloured clothing with their school uniform.

Thank you for your assistance in making this a memorable celebration for the students of Cromehurst School.



EVERYONE BELONGS
www.harmony.gov.au





Are you ready to take your next step?

Drop-in to our centre and meet the Northcott crew to find out how we can support you to build new skills and become work ready. **Let's see what you can do.**

CHECK OUT OUR SERVICES IN ACTION

- ✓ Vocational Skills including NEXT program funded by Citi Foundation - for ages 17-24
- ✓ Skills 4 Life - for ages 14-17
- ✓ Everyday Life Skills - for over 18s

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- ◆ **Participate** in activities and get a feel for the skills you will learn and develop
- ◆ **Get to know** your strengths and how they can be used to gain independence or get a job
- ◆ **Explore** your goals for the coming year with our coordinators' support
- ◆ **Meet** the Northcott team and make new friends who are also on their journey to independence/job-seeking

Hornsby



Wednesday 22 March. 10.30am - 4.30pm
(make sure you book your spot in one of our interactive sessions)



Shop 3/2 William Street, Hornsby
For parking options, check out the [registration link](#)



Due to physical distancing restrictions, **registrations are essential.** Register here or scan the QR code with your phone
[Register Now](#)

