Comleroy Road Chronicles







Principal's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to welcome our students, staff and school community back for another very busy term. It is hard to believe we have come to the last school term for the year. Term 4 is always a very exciting term with lots of wonderful learning opportunities for our students. Last week we had a very special visit from Mrs Chantal Mamo (Director, Educational Leadership Hawkesbury Principal Network) and Mr Tim McCallum (Executive Director, School Performance Regional North Performance Directorate) to Comleroy Road Public School. Our school leaders did a magnificent job of welcoming our special guests. Mrs Mamo & Mr McCallum were very impressed with our beautiful school and the great things that are happening at CRPS.

Following this special visit, we celebrated World Teacher's Day on Friday 28 October. Our amazing team of teachers at CRPS have navigated many challenges over the past couple of years. Putting students at the forefront, our teachers have continued to inspire, care for and grow our young people. We celebrate their achievements, pay tribute to their dedication and thank them for all that they have done, do and will do in the future!



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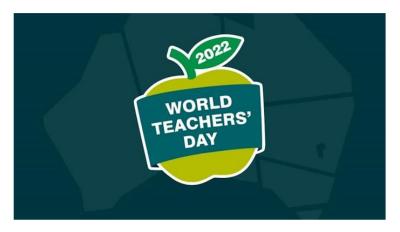
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K-2 Sydney Zoo Excursion

On Friday 14 October, K-2 students and their teachers had the wonderful opportunity of visiting Sydney Zoo as part of their Term 4 Science Unit 'Living Things'. This beautiful venue had so much to offer by way of educational experiences, up close encounters with some of the animals and lovely enclosures to look at. Students participated in classes where they had the opportunity to learn about the features, behaviours and habitats of a number of animals. We were so fortunate that the rain cleared up and we were able to enjoy the day. A special thank you goes to Mrs Gerisch who co-ordinated the excursion and the team of staff who accompanied the students. Students look forward to applying what they learnt in their science lessons this term.



Kindergarten Orientation & Parent Information Sessions

Over the last few weeks, we have had the absolute pleasure of welcoming our new 2023 Kindergarten students and their families to Comleroy Road Public School. The smiles on their faces have said it all and the children have loved their 'big school' experience thus far. We have enjoyed the opportunity to welcome and speak with parents/carers about their children and how we can best support them as they transition to primary school. Thank you, Mrs McGregor, for your wonderful organisation of this program. We appreciate the time and effort Miss Ryle, Mrs Read, Mrs Courtelis and their team of supporting teachers have dedicated to this program. It has truly made this such a successful experience for all.

Dental Clinic

Last week we welcomed the NSW Health Primary School Mobile Dental Program to Comleroy Road Public School. These wonderful health care professionals carried out many dental checkups on our students to ensure their teeth were in good health. Congratulations to all students who participated in the program for their bravery, manners and exemplary behaviour. They certainly made our school proud. We would like to extend a very big thank you to the dental team for their kindness, patience and care throughout the program.





Last day of Term 4 for students

We have been notified by the Department of Education that the last day of Term 4 this year is Friday 16th December. This is due to an additional Staff Development Day which has been announced by the Minister for Education for all NSW public schools. With this change we ask that you make alternative arrangements for your child on Monday 19th December. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this change of date, please contact the school on (02) 4576 1600.

Presentation Day

Our K-2 and 3-6 presentation day assemblies will take place on Tuesday 13 December. The 3-6 assembly will commence at 9.30am and the K-2 assembly will commence at 12.00 noon.

Second Hand Uniform Store

Our second-hand uniform store will now be open on Fridays! The uniform store will be open at the following times:

8:30 - 9:00am 2:30 - 3:00pm

We would like to extend a huge thank you to Silvia Peach & Yara Hanlon who have spent many hours cleaning, washing & organising the store in preparation for its re-opening. These lovely ladies will be you first point of call should you require assistance to purchase items.









Kiss & Drop Zone

After extensive consultation with Hawkesbury City Council, Comleroy Road Public School has been approved for a Kiss & Drop Zone at the front of the school. This has been quite a lengthy process and I would like to thank Kerrie Dalley (P&C President) for assisting with this. The following changes have been made to pick up and drop off arrangements:

- Morning & Afternoon all buses have been moved to pick up and drop students in the bus turning circle. Students catching the bus will enter and exit through the gates near the hall.
- **Morning** families who wish to use the indented lane at the front of the school to drop students off may do so, **ensuring regulations on attached brochure are followed**. Please drive around the bus loop to enter the indented lane safely.
- Afternoon afternoon pick up arrangements remain in place as per normal school routines. Students will continue to be dismissed from the same gates they have been all year. Please Note: The Kiss & Drop Zone is only in use in the mornings. Please do not park in this lane of an afternoon to ensure the safety of our students.

Installation of new external fencing & internal fencing

After extensive consultation with the Department of Education's Assets Team, Comleroy Road Public School has been approved for some internal fencing and an external security fence along the front of the school. This has been quite a lengthy process and one that has been underpinned by the need for student safety and school security. The front security fence will run from the neighbour's property next to the bus bay past the carpark. A black Diplomat fence will be installed along with multiple sets of gates for ease of access. This will aim to complement our school by providing a transparent effect keeping with the country feel of the school and enhance the greenery/gardens on the other side. As part of the installation process, the brick wall will be removed from the front entrance and signage will be installed on the new fence. Below is a map of where the external fence will be installed and a sample of the black Diplomat fencing. Should you have any concerns or questions, please contact the school and we will be happy to answer them.





P&C High Tea

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful P&C for hosting a beautiful high tea fundraiser last Saturday at the Crown Plaza. It was a gorgeous day with a fabulous turn out of ladies who contributed generously towards our school fundraising. Congratulations to the ladies who won prizes on the day, to our generous community members who donated prizes and to Louise Butlin for co-ordinating this special event.



Tell Them From Me Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

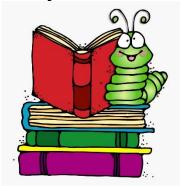
The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential.

The parent survey will be conducted until the 4 November 2022.

Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at: education.nsw.gov.au/ttfm. To access the survey for our school go to: http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/jzfn5

Library News



Thank you to all the students who have borrowed books regularly throughout the year. It is great to see that we have such avid readers at CRPS! Please note, the last week for borrowing this year will be WEEK 5. Please have all books returned as soon as possible between weeks 6-8. This will help us to complete our library administration tasks before the end of Term 4.

Selective High School Applications for 2024 (Year 5 2022)

If you are interested in applying for placement at a Selective HS for 2024, the online applications are open and close on 16 November 2022. You must apply before the closing date at: https://shsoc.education.nsw.gov.au/

You must submit only ONE application for each student. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 4 May 2023.

Kind regards,

Rachel Graham



October/November

Harley, Harlow, Noah, Alannah, Caitlyn, Finnan, Levi, Lucas, Nate, Lucas, Fletcher, Olivia, Christian, Ruby, Noah, Madden, Zachary, Cove, Ben, Cooper, Rachel Nash, Kyle, William, Kacy, Vivienne, Andre', Jake, Jaxon





SAFE: I make wise choices to ensure no harm comes to anyone.

RESPECTFUL: I appreciate everyone for who they are. I will use positive words and actions to ensure everyone feels accepted.

LEARNERS: I am always ready to do my best. Education is a life - long process. It gives me opportunities for life.

