



# Neo-Ora

## Newsletter of *Croydon Park Public School*

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*All at CPPS value respect, responsibility, caring, fairness and cooperation.*

### Dates for Your Diary

- **29, 30, 31 October – 1, 2 November** – Life Education Van at CPPS
- **1 November** – Experiencing Kindergarten Program 9.30am -10.45am
- **8 November** – Experiencing Kindergarten Program 9.30am -10.45am
- **14 November** – 7pm P&C mtg.
- **29 November** – Musica Viva
- **11 December** – Presentation Day
- **17 December** – Year 6 Farewell
- **18 December** – School Picnic
- **19 December** – Students Last Day

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### Dear Parents and Carers

#### Number Crunchers, Golden Pi and Rubrics Cube Challenge

Congratulations Roy, John, Riley, Louis, Melody, Anna and Abi who overcame their nerves and proudly represented CPPS at the recent cluster finals held at Canterbury Girls HS. Our students competed confidently alongside students from McCallums Hill PS, Canterbury PS, Canterbury South PS and Canterbury Girls HS and finished extremely well. Louis was the winner of the number cruncher competition for Croydon Park. Roy was the cluster's overall Rubic's Cube champion in 38seconds. Well done to all students on bringing excellence to Mathematics!!!!!! Our finalists will now compete in the final challenge which will be held on 19 November at the Powerhouse Museum. Thank you also to Mrs Thomas who coordinated the challenge at CPPS.



### Staffing

A panel has been convened to select a new Assistant Principal (AP) for CPPS. Panel members include Mrs Denise Broadhead parent representative, Ms Nicole Cunningham community representative, Mr Stephen Costello staff representative, Mrs Marcia Tsirakidis, AP representative and myself, the panel convenor. Mr Diodati, who was our substantive AP has accepted a position as Deputy Principal at Carlingford North PS. Mrs Davida Thomas has done an outstanding job of relieving in the AP role during Mr Diodati's absence for the past two years. The panel will be meeting on Monday 29 October to discuss and cull applicants for interview. Successful applicants will be interviewed on Friday 2 November. The successful interviewee will be announced following a 10 day appeal period.

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## From the Principal's Desk co

### World Teachers' Day

In Australia, World Teachers' Day is celebrated on the last Friday in October each year. By recognising and celebrating World Teachers' Day we thank our teachers for their dedication in providing quality education for our students. Many of our parents showed their appreciation by holding an appreciation morning tea for staff at the beginning of the term. Indeed a magnificent spread of tasty treats and culinary delights were prepared and enjoyed by all.

I'd like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the outstanding teaching and non-teaching staff at CPPS, for their commitment to public education, their dedication to their students and the profession, their enthusiasm when trying new things and working towards change, their caring and passion for teaching, that in turn makes the vital difference to the development of each and every student in our care.



### Performing Arts Night

There was a fantastic turn out of parents and friends to support our students on our Performing Arts Evening on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. The performance was a great opportunity to see and hear all of our instrumental and musical programs perform as well as to show support for our talented students. Our students, while quite nervous about performing in front of such a large crowd showed their great love and enjoyment for music through their wonderful performances. \$271 was raised which will go towards the purchase of musical scores, music stands and instruments.

### Debating Gala Day

On Thursday 18 October a number of our students took part in a Debating Gala Day involving 18 schools across the Sydney Region. It was a great opportunity for our students to learn about and experience debating first hand using our video conferencing facilities. Six debates were held throughout the day. CPPS had 3 teams of first time debaters who were supported by members of this year's debating team.

Sasha thought it was a wonderful experience for all the kids that took part as they got to see what debating is really like.

Daniel thought it was really fun and that it was one of the best things he had done at the school.

Oliva thought it was nice to experience how you do debating.

Rose, who acted as a mentor to our students, thought that it was a wonderful experience and that the teams improved throughout the debates.

All the students involved expressed their huge thanks to Miss Arnold and Mr Grennan for their guidance and support.

### Planning for 2013

In preparation for the 2013 school year we would like to know of families intending to **travel overseas** and who plan to return **after school starts next year**. Also, families who are **leaving the school**, will need to notify the school as soon as possible. This can be done by letting class teachers or office staff know **in writing** or by completing the relevant form included in Neo Ora this week.

### Selective High School Packages

The application forms for Year 7 entry into Selective High School in 2013 are now available. Families of Year 5 students who wish to receive a paper application package should complete the request form recently sent home with students and return it to school by 16 November 2012. Applications may also be completed online. The Selective High School Test will be held on Thursday 14 March 2013.

*As always, warmest regards*  
*Sandra Angel*

**Leaving Croydon Park Public School  
at the end of 2012  
Returning late to school in 2013**

My son/daughter

\_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_

**Will be late returning** to Croydon Park Public School

in 2013 His/her late return date is \_\_\_\_\_

The reason for his/her late return is

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Carer

OR

My son/daughter

\_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_

**Will not be returning** to Croydon Park Public School

in 2012 and will require a transfer certificate to

\_\_\_\_\_.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Carer

**Playgroup is back!**

We have had our first meeting of playgroup this term and the kids are having fun! We had nine children join us at our first session this term so there is plenty of room for others to come along!

We are meeting every Friday morning from 9-10 in the new school hall. All siblings of CPPS students are welcome and there is no cost involved. Hope to see you there!

If you would like any further information please contact Nicole on [nicoleyade@live.com.au](mailto:nicoleyade@live.com.au) or ring 0432 469 144.



*Co-operation – Pride – Success*

***Celebrate With Us***

*Well done to all our students who received awards!!!*

**Term 4 Week 1**

- 2/3M Jirah
- 3V Reilly, Mathew
- 3/4T Karen, Daniel, Connor
- 4A Natalie, Robert
- 4F Christina, Alyssa
- 5/6C John, Kevin
- 5/6H Georgia, Aadil
- 5/6R Evie, Shaiden

**Term 4 Week 2**

- KB Reem, Serina, Stephanie, Michael
- KM Ireland, Alexander
- KR Alyssa, Asher
- 1/2VH Caitlin, Atreiiu
- 2G Angelin, Jack, Peter, Ngia
- 2/3M Harim, Olivia
- 3V Feau, Reilly
- 3/4T Maria-Rosa, Samantha, Melody
- 4A Issac, Hannah
- 4F Olivia, Hannah
- 5/6C Amand, Bill
- 5/6H Bassam, Moony
- 5/6R Finley, Anthony



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# Sport News

19/10/12 CPPS v

## Softball

Senior Girls	win 11-5
Senior Boys	win 23-1
Junior Girls	win 19-13
Best and Fairest	Hannah
Junior Boys	win 6-3
Best and Fairest	Niko



## Cricket

Junior Cricket	win 106-45
Best and Fairest	Jordan & Connor
Senior Cricket	win
Best and Fairest	Kosta & Jordan



# HAPPY HALLOWEEN

You are invited to a party were hoping to thrill, chill and even scare you so please come

**When:** Saturday 27th Oct. 6.30pm

**Where:** Croydon Park Ex-Serviceman's Club  
55 Seymour Street,  
Croydon Park 97970449

**Why:** Halloween & fun what else

**Dress:** Fancy Dress (get into the spirit)

There will be Finger Food, Music  
& a fantastic night, heaps of prizes for  
best dressed & scariest costume all for  
\$15 Adults \$10 kids over 12  
FREE for kids under 12



Everyone aged K – 6, you're invited to join in the fun at:

## Croydon Park P.S AFL After-School Centre

Croydon Park P.S., Georges River Rd., Croydon Park

**Wednesday, 31st October - December 5th  
from 3:15-4:15pm**

The cost of \$45 includes:

6 Week Auskick program

Fully Trained and Qualified Level 1 Coaches  
AFL Auskick Pack- includes footy, cap, water bottle, CD-ROM and much more

### TO REGISTER

[www.aflauskick.com.au](http://www.aflauskick.com.au) > enter postcode >  
Select 'Croydon Park P.S AFL Auskick Centre  
– After School'

### ENQUIRIES

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on 0401 819 660