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Principal Update

TERM 4 WEEK 7 2022

MONDAY 21 Nov.

*Year 6 Fundraiser
(6M Teacher Carwash)

TUESDAY 22 Nov.

*Year 6 Fundraiser
(6S Teacher Carwash)

WEDNESDAY 23 Nov.

*School Spec Rehearsal

THURSDAY 24 Nov.

*School Spec Dress Rehearsal

FRIDAY 25 Nov.

* Last round of PSSA for 2022

*School Spec Matinee Performance

Dear Parents and Carers,

Kindergarten 2023 Orientation

Yesterday, our final Kindergarten Orientation session included Year 5 students warmly greeting their Kindy buddies and together participating in an outdoor yard games session. Parent and carers enjoyed morning tea whilst spending time at the following information stalls:

- School uniforms
- School canteen- what it offers and how to order
- Ways to keep up to date with school communication
- Before and After School and Vacation Care with TeamKids

We are looking forward to welcoming our 2023 Kindergarten families again on **Wednesday 1 February** when our 2023 Kindy students commence school.



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TERM 4 WEEK 8 2022

MONDAY 28 Nov.

TUESDAY 29 Nov.

*Performing Arts
Night

WEDNESDAY 30 Nov.

*Prefect Nominee
Speeches

THURSDAY 1 Dec.

*Prefect Elections

*Ms Burnet's
Retirement
Assembly - 9.30am in
the School Hall

FRIDAY 2 Dec.



Lest We Forget – Friday 11 November

Students from Years K-6 paused on Friday 11 November to remember and honour those who have served, died, and suffered in all wars and conflicts. Our Year 6 Student Leadership Team led the assembly, and we were reminded of the significance of the poppy and the 'Ode of Remembrance'. The students behaved impressively, participating respectfully and with great interest. Many thanks to Mrs Judd for her organisation of this important assembly.



COVID Update

NSW Health has recently advised that we are already starting to see a rise in COVID-19 transmissions within the community with a peak of cases expected in early December.

Please continue to:

- stay home if unwell and/or showing any symptoms
- use rapid antigen tests (RATs) when showing symptoms or exposed to COVID-19
- keep up-to-date with vaccinations, including COVID-19 booster shots if eligible
- report positive cases to Service NSW
- keep your child at home until symptoms are no longer present, if your child has tested positive (a negative RAT is not required) and
- inform the school if your child tests positive.



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TERM 4 WEEK 9 2022

MONDAY 5 Dec.

*House Captain
Nominee Speeches

TUESDAY 6 Dec.

*House Captain
Elections

WEDNESDAY 7 Dec.

THURSDAY 8 Dec.

FRIDAY 9 Dec.



At school, we will continue to maximise ventilation, use good hand hygiene practices, and will provide masks as required. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Year 6 Fun Day- A huge success!

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who organised engaging activities and stalls for all K-5 students last Tuesday 8 November. Our Year 6 students raised \$3160.00. All proceeds will go directly to the Year 6 Farewell.

Thank you to our canteen manager, Angela Pino for generously donating an additional \$140.00 towards the Year 6 farewell and to all our Year 6 families who assisted in the organisation of fun day activities and stalls.



Save the Date:



22/ 11: Performing Arts Night **(6:00pm start)**

1/12: Ms Burnet's Retirement Assembly **(9:30am)**

12/12: Years 3-6 Presentation Day Assembly **(9:30am-11:00am)**

12/12: K-2 Presentation Day Assembly **(11:30am-12:30pm)**



Kind regards,
Anastasia Galanos



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Early Stage 1 Update - KG

Literacy

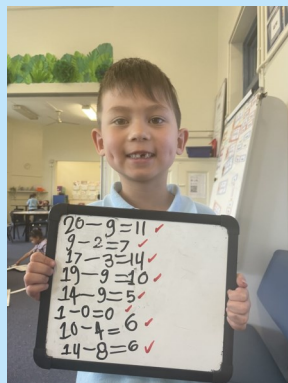
KG have been busy writing all about the weather this fortnight. This has included through daily writing in our class weather journal. After learning about different seasons, students have then been using drawing and quality talk to plan their ideas about what different types of weather looks and feels like as well as suitable activities and clothes. The quality of student writing has been so impressive - We are definitely almost ready for Year 1!

Numeracy

KG have been learning all about 3D shapes! Did you know that 3D shapes can be found all around us? Students investigated the properties different 3D shapes including their faces, edges and corners then tested which shapes would roll and which would slide. KG discovered that round and curved shapes are definitely best for rolling! KG have also been investigating data by creating their own weather graph that is added to each day. As you can see, we are so lucky to have had some sunny days this month!

Science

What better way to learn about the weather than to go outside! Last week KG engaged in a 'Spring Scavenger Hunt' and went outside to look for clues of the season. Students found green grass, flowers and insects that were all signs of spring! We also saw a butterfly, so of course we needed to make our own beautiful butterflies!



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Stage 1 Update - 1W

1W have been very lucky to welcome Ms Sungkar to our class. Ms Sungkar is from The University of Sydney and is completing her Bachelor of Teaching. She has been excited to practice new ways for teaching to the younger grades and we have all been enjoying her lessons. If you see Ms Sungkar in the playground, please say "Hi" and make her feel welcome.

Literacy

Year 1 have been learning about the skills of persuasion. When we try to persuade someone, we have to provide reasons why we believe the things we do. Why we should love spiders. Should we step on the ant? Or just why we think that certain book characters should react in certain ways. We have been enjoying the interesting discussions and we are always open to changing our minds but accepting when others don't agree with us.

Numeracy

Year 1 are always practicing efficient ways to add and subtract numbers and in 1W we work hard to recall our number facts quickly and accurately. When reading word problems, we must decide what strategy to use and solve the problem using pictures to help demonstrate our thinking. We have a new problem to solve everyday and all of us are getting better at determining what the problem is asking us to do.

Science

Year 1 have been learning about Our Living World. As a part of this unit, we have adopted some class pets! 3 stick insects. This unit teaches us about the external features of living things, what living things need to grow and survive, and how they change. We have also become experts at spotting very well camouflaged critters!



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Stage 2 Update - 4J

Literacy



4J has been learning about bees recently, inspired by the book *Flight of the Honey Bee*. We began by investigating descriptive language features in the text and planned the start of a story, poem or song about bees. Currently we have been using a variety of sources to research information about bees including their roles in the hive, how they create honey and their amazing internal compass based on the sun.

"I found it interesting that bees have 5 eyes that all of the bees in the hive are born from one queen bee." -Willow

For each source, students work in pairs or small groups to find interesting information about bees, comparing how facts are presented in different sources and debating which source is more valid or accurate. We have also been practising our unbelievably funny bee puns and jokes.

What do you call a clumsy bee? A fumble bee!

"There are about 50 000 females in a hive and all the males have to mate with the queen" -Kira



Numeracy

In Numeracy we have been revising multiplication and division strategies. We have discussed lots of interesting new ways to solve problems like the lattice strategy, the Japanese (or Chinese or Indian) line strategy as well as the area strategy, algorithm strategy and split strategy. 4J especially enjoyed short division which we learned for the first time.

"We have been learning different strategies including some strategies we have never seen before including lattice and Japanese strategy. These strategies are kind of hard, but we mostly mastered the easier strategies like split and algorithm." -Maeve and Emma



PDH

In personal development and health, 4J have been discussing child protection, life changes, resilience and positive environments over the last few weeks. This week we discussed taking responsibility for our actions. We shared our ideas on how our actions can positively or negatively affect ourselves and others.



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Stage 3 Update - 6S

Literacy

This week 6S have been learning about how to write informative texts. We have learnt how to identify good and bad texts and how to fix them. We have been focusing on topic specific language to help us create better informative texts, and have learned to identify opinion in a factual text. We have also been doing book club everyday. During book club, we work in groups. Each week, we set roles for each member of the group and read a certain amount of chapters or pages of our book, then come together to discuss it.

Numeracy

In maths we are practising our time, multiplication, prime and composite numbers, grid references and map skills to show how we use our number knowledge. As well as learning about square and triangular numbers, we made a model of how to figure out triangular numbers with counters. We then tried to find a way to explain how to find any number in the triangular number pattern.

Science

In science we have been learning about weather patterns and natural disasters. 6S have been doing some science experiments. Each group has created either a thermometer, anemometer or a barometer and over the past few weeks we have been recording data about the weather patterns. Our group made the thermometer. We made it using clay, a straw, rubbing alcohol, a small bottle and food dye. We have recorded some interesting results and have compared these temperatures both in and out of the classroom. We are then going to link this to our lessons on bushfires to find the connections.

Fun Day

Funday was held on the 8 of November. It was very successful and we raised over \$3000, which will go towards our year 6 farewell!!! There were 18 different stalls, each with different activities to enjoy. Some of the many stalls were Spectacular Sundaes, Cool Carnival games and Haunted maze. All of the stalls were very busy and earned lots of money. We were all very tired but very pleased with our efforts. –By Evie and Emmily



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Year 6 'Fun Day' Fundraiser

It's that time of the year again. Fun activities for everyone. Lollies and toys (as prizes) in every stall. Last week, the Year 6's raised up to \$3075 for their farewell party. It was a joyous occasion, and reminded us of previous years before covid. Many stalls were out there like: Bowling Alley; Spectacular Sundaes; Slimetastic; Fantastic Carnival Games and Slip n' Slide Soccer.

Children from all years queued at every and any stall they could go to. There was buzz at Slimetastic and Spectacular Sundaes. I myself experienced a delicious choc sundae from Spectacular Sundaes (It was 10/10).



Funday went on for hours. Maybe an exaggeration? Ok, it went on for 2 hours. In that time I saw kids' faces stuffed with lollies and little gadgets sticking out of their pockets. I bet you many poor parents had to deal with the sugar rush effect later on (I did this once to my parents, sorry Mum)!

I can definitely agree that Funday was a blast. I wish I could repeat the experience again.

- Alexis C



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Library Update

Your library books are getting homesick, please return them to the library so that they can be reunited with their shelves!

The library will be closed in weeks 9 and 10 for stocktake. Week 7 will be the last week that students will be able to borrow from the library. Please ensure that your child returns their library books by the end of Week 8. I've included the library timetable below.

Doris Hoang

Teacher Librarian

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
3J	2T	1/2H	1W
4B	4J	3H	KM
2M	3/4I	5C	KG
5B	1R		
6M	6S		



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Sport Update

PSSA T-Ball and Softball - Term 4 Weeks 4 & 5

Junior Boys T-Ball

Game no.	Round	Opposing School	Score	Players of the Week
3	12	Croydon PS	14-21 Croydon Win	Alex So
4	13	Five Dock PS	28-8 Croydon Park Win	Matthew Korazija

Junior Girls T-Ball

Game no.	Round	Opposing School	Score	Players of the Week
3	12	Croydon PS	18-24 Croydon Win	Lucija Xavier
4	13	Five Dock PS	23-16 Croydon Park Win	Lale Dincer

Senior Boys Softball

Game no.	Round	Opposing School	Score	Player of the Week
3	12	Croydon PS	10-9 Croydon Park Win	Ewen Reynolds
4	13	Five Dock PS	18-9 Croydon Park Win	Adrian Pino



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Sport Update

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Senior Girls Softball

Game no.	Round	Opposing School	Score	Player of the Week
3	12	Croydon PS	1-3 Croydon Win	Hannah Weise
4	13	Five Dock PS	9-7 Croydon Park Win	Jessica Spratt

PSSA Cricket - Term 4 Weeks 4 & 5

Junior Cricket

Game no.	Round	Opposing School	Score	Player of the Week
3	12	Croydon	91 - 79.5 (CPPS win)	Alexander Vlahomitros
4	13	Summer Hill	75 - 132.5 (SHPS win)	Husna

Senior Cricket

Game no.	Round	Opposing School	Score	Player of the Week
3	12	Croydon	98.5 - 96 (CPPS win)	Saikrishna
4	13	Summer Hill	97 - 74.5 (CPPS win)	Jonty



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Yard Games

In Term 3 and 4 Croydon Park Public School's Sport House and Vice Captains have been organising and supervising new Yard Games on the playground at lunch times.

Yard Games are separated into K-2 and 3-6. On the playground we wear our coloured vests with pride while monitoring students playing. We have been rewarding behaviour by giving house points for being respectful with the equipment, playing fairly, sharing, packing away equipment and being safe.



As house captains and vice captains we have noticed changes in the behaviour of students playing with Yard Games. We now see students sharing, communicating, playing cooperatively and helping leaders pack away games.

Yard Games have helped us learn how to problem solve, work together as a team and understand and enjoy our responsibilities as leaders this year.

-Written by 2022 House and Vice Sport Captains
(Amirah, Edlyn, Alexis C, Dylan, Vincenzo, Sophie, Lina, Zoe T, Lennox, Matthew, George, Mansur, Perri, Adrian, Ivy and Eva)



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BRONZE AWARDS

Olivia 1W
Anaïs J KM
Georgina G KM
Leila T KG
Nasia T 1W
Misha E KG
Magalie M KG
Lucas K KG
Mateo V KG
Rafael V KG
Moala F 3/4I
Mahe B 4B
Max J 4B
Kira L 4J

SILVER AWARDS

Stevie P KM
Rollyn S 4B
Kira L 4J
Isabelle T 4J
Luca M 4J
Fosch I 3H

GOLD AWARDS

Omar A 1R
Gabriella S 1/2H
Quinn M 2T
Kayla T 1W
Anthony K 4J
Emilia B 4J
Marie V 4J
Shaniyah A 4B
Alia B 3H
Angus P 3H
Husna A 3J
Beni H 3J

Croydon Park Crest Awards



We are Safe, We are Learners, We are Respectful

Who's responsible? We are!

Each fortnight this term, the students and teachers are focusing on one of our school's expectations in a shared space of the school. Teachers will be on the lookout for students following our school expectations to be awarded 'Do It Right' tokens and Croydon Park Crests. Remember

PBL Expectation for Term 4 Weeks 5 & 6

We are **RESPECTFUL** during school assemblies

- Sit comfortably facing the front
- Listen to the person talking
- Enter and exit in an orderly manner
- Follow speaker instructions

Blue Level- All students begin here

5 Croydon Park Crests = 1 Bronze Award

1 Bronze Award + 5 more Croydon Park Crests = 1 Silver
award

1 Silver award + 5 Croydon Park Crests = 1 Gold Award

