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15th May 2025

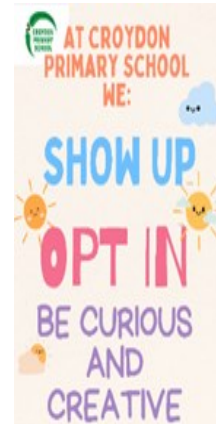
GREEN & GOLD

Calendar Dates to Remember

TERM 2 DATES

16th May Walk to School Day
16th Interschool Sports Ainslie Parklands (Away)
20th May District Cross Country (selected students)
23rd May Interschool Sports Marlborough (Home)
30th May **Assembly 3.00pm**
30th May Interschool Sport Mullum (Away)
30th May Responsible Pet Ownership Day (Prep)
3rd June Division Cross Country (selected students)

6th June **Curriculum Day (No school)**
9th June King's Birthday
19th June Stand Up—student session
2nd July Parent Teacher interviews
4th July—LAST DAY OF TERM
Assembly 2.00pm Finish at 2.30pm



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

ELECTION DAY

The month started incredibly well with a huge turnout for our election stalls. It certainly helped that it was a beautiful sunny day. Our Cake and Craft stall made \$2368. An incredible effort! The most ever. Chaplaincy Sausage Sizzle took \$3,380.52, less expenses of \$832.00, giving a profit of \$2,548.52. A very successful day all round.

Thank you to everyone who donated goods on the day and to the volunteers that were on the stall. The day always has an incredible community feel and I loved catching up with many past families and students, including a number voting for the very first time.

PAST STUDENT SIMON ZA THANG

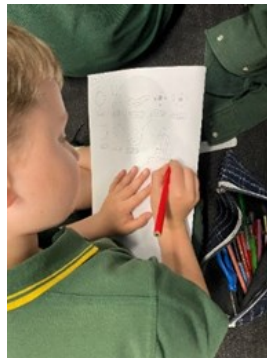
One of the past students I spoke to on the day was Simon Za Thang. He is doing incredibly well as a professional boxer and is about to challenge for the Australian title.

We wish him well on June 21.

MURRUNDINDI

It was wonderful to have Murrundindi in the school last week. He was able to link the students learning in Year 1/2 to their mixing and making. I was unaware of how the Wurundjeri used carbon in their cooking just as we use bi carb soda to make things rise. He also provided Lemon Myrtle leaves for them to cook with. Year 3/4 students had the opportunity to ask questions about Murrundindi's ancestors and discovered many interesting facts including how they used Mountain Pepper Tree leaves to relieve toothaches. The 3/4 students tested their boomerang throwing skills, felt the healing vibrations through the floor as Murrundindi played the Yidaki and learnt to use indigenous symbols to represent their family.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Year 5/6 wrote some wonderful stories using traditional illustrations with the support of Murrundindi's knowledge.

Last week was the Preps first excursion. We always go to Healesville Sanctuary with a guided tour from Murrundindi. We certainly learn a lot more than the other schools we see just racing around the place. I was so proud of how our Preps conducted themselves during the day. Their quiet, calm manner saw them rewarded with the lyrebird walking along the log within 20 cm of them all, the platypus swimming around for all of us to see and a swan chasing us to protect her nest! Luckily, she was in the water and we were on the bridge. We are so incredibly lucky to have him so connected to our school.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

PREP ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are open for prep next year and I have been conducting regular tours. Kerri and I took 5 families around on Saturday morning. We started this some years ago to support working families and it proves valuable. Please remember to put in your form if you have a sibling coming and remind any friends and family you have. Enrolments close on 25th July.

SECONDARY PLACEMENTS

I have completed the enrolments for Year 6 students to Secondary School this week. This process still sits with all primary schools. We notify students of the outcome on 1st of July.

NAPLAN

We received our preliminary results from NAPLAN last week. These results show us all areas except writing. They give us our student results, but no comparison to other schools or the state as yet. We saw an excellent improvement in year 3 Numeracy that had been a focus for the junior school. This was just reward for our hard work. We also had no student in 'needs additional support' in Year 5 Reading, a trend that has continued since the change to the new timing of NAPLAN. This is an outstanding result given so many children do not have English as their first language.

OPEN AFTERNOON

Yesterday we had our Education Week open. Parents visited classrooms from 2.30 – 4.00 and 5.30 – 6.30. Thank you to all of the parents that took part. It is very important for our students to see your interest. Thank you to all staff for setting up interesting activities in the classrooms and for giving up your time.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Due to ill health, holidays and lack of volunteers the Lions club is unable to run breakfast club until June 5TH.

We apologise for the inconvenience.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SOMERS CAMP

The 6 students who went to Somers had a wonderful time, ably supported by Cameron Ross. Many skills are developed across the 10 days and hopefully friendships that support their transition to Secondary school.



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SRC – FREE DRESS DAY

Thank you to everyone who was involved in the Free Dress day. We raised \$238. This will go towards the adoption of an endangered Quoll for the school.

Eastern quolls, once found all over Australia's southeast, disappeared from the mainland 60 years ago – and even where they remain in Tasmania, their numbers are declining. By symbolically adopting an eastern quoll, we are helping turn their story around. We'll be a part of rewilding endeavours to reintroduce the eastern quoll to the NSW South Coast. This is the first step in re-establishing them on the mainland, helping boost their chances of survival in the long-term. And for each eastern quoll we assist, we'll be helping hundreds of other native species too.

Our Quoll toy is currently out of stock, but will be sent shortly. We will also receive WWF booklet, adoption certificate and sticker.



INTERESTING FACTS

A pineapple is a berry.

Hot water freezes quicker than cold water.

Our bodies grow 20 times bigger from birth, our eyes grow 3.25 times bigger.

Kind Regards
Julie Gilbert

COMMUNITY NEWS

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

Mondays 8.30am-9.15am



NO Breakfast Club

**Breakfast Club with
be closed until the
5th June**



**MANY HAPPY RETURNS TO STUDENTS HAVING
THEIR BIRTHDAY FROM**

8th May– 28th May

**Elsa B, Johnny, Peter, Lincoln, Jovi, Elliot, Bem W, Paul
Lukas. and Jai**



LUNCH ORDERS—EVERY WEDNESDAY

Lunch orders can be ordered online for lunch on Wednesdays. Please register your child at Flexischools.com.au. The lunches are made by Balanced Living Catering.

Orders need to be submitted by 8.00am on Wednesday morning.

PARENTS CLUB NEWS

A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who so generously contributed sweet treats, beautiful crafts and volunteer muscle to our Election Day Cake and Craft Stall.

We had a wonderful selection of goods on offer and were able to raise just over \$2300 which is an amazing achievement by our school community. Well done and thanks to everyone who worked behind the scenes to make it such a success.



Term 2 Week 4 School Newsletter

Hello Croydon, Primary School families,

These past two weeks the children have been engaging in creative and physical activities based on their own suggestions. During week 3, we had a mothers/ special person week. This is where the children suggested ideas of things they could create for our mums/special person. Some of the creative ideas the children came up with were to make a cup, decorating biscuits, making cards, creating a hat, and making a love heart pillow. These were all fun to create and tested our ability to improvise when some items didn't arrive in time or wouldn't work as we had planned. Alex had also organised for the children to decorate their own pot plant and then place a cut off from our herbs growing in our kitchen.

I hope that everyone who received these gifts enjoyed seeing all the hard work the children put into them, I know my mum loved her pillow I made her!

During week 4 the children chose to have a very active week with a sports theme. Some of the sports requested includes Basketball, Netball, Soccer, Football and Down ball. As we needed to create a few of these activities to be able to run inside we changed the plan of the activity and made playdough basketballs, decorating our football teams' jerseys, and painting sports balls using a straw to blow paint onto the paper.

We have taken this time to also learn more about our Charity we have chosen for this term, Maneki Neko Cat Rescue. We have learnt that Maneki Neko is a Japanese symbol of success, prosperity, good health and happiness. This organisation also promotes fostering cats into happy homes which can help them until they find their forever home.



Lost

Beloved monkey soft toy of Edwards in Prep has gone missing. Monkey is named would dearly love to be returned.

Lost Property

We have a huge amount of lost clothing in the sick bay, without names. If your child is missing a Bomber jacket or Jumper please come and have a look. Just a reminder to please name your child's clothing.

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OUR SERVICES

Therapy can assist with a wide range of concerns. Here are some areas where attending sessions with one of our clinicians might benefit your child.



COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Therapy can help children learn to communicate their thoughts and feelings more clearly, leading to better relationships with peers and family members.



EMOTIONAL REGULATION

Sessions provide a safe space for children to express their feelings, helping them understand and manage their emotions more effectively.



INCREASE RESILIENCE

Through therapy, children can learn resilience, enabling them to bounce back from setbacks and challenges more successfully.



UNDERSTANDING TRAUMA

For children who have experienced trauma, therapy can assist with processing their experiences and reducing associated fears or anxiety.

WE CARE ABOUT YOUR KIDS

- We prioritise a child-centered approach, focusing on creating a safe and nurturing environment where children feel comfortable to express themselves and explore their feelings.
- Our psychologists are highly trained and qualified to work with children, registered with AHPRA and hold a current WWCC.
- Our team is dedicated to promoting the overall well-being and development of your child, addressing emotional, social, and behavioral challenges to help them thrive both inside and outside of school.



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