



News & Views

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to Elders past, present and future



3rd May, 2024 Term 2 Week 1

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For The Calendar...

Next Week

- Mon. 06 May [Flying Start begins!](#)
- Tue. 07 May PSSA Soccer Knockout @ Goulburn
- Wed. 08 May Gymnastics begins
- Thu. 09 May PSSA Touch Football Knockout @ Goulburn
- Fri. 10 May Mothers' Day Stall

Coming Up

- Tue. 14 May P&C meeting 6pm in the library
- Wed. 22 May Life Education Van visit
- Thu. 23 May Life Education Van visit
- Fri. 24 May Life Education Van visit
- Fri. 05 Jul Last day of Term 2

The amazing Flying Start program begins Monday 6th May from 9:30am – 11:00am.

All children who are beginning Kindergarten in 2025 are welcome to attend.



Archer and Spencer loved Flying Start last year and are thriving in Kindergarten this year.

Spotted...

- The Cramp family for baking some delicious caramel slice for the staff, thank you!
- Zoe and Allie for helping a friend get up and down the stairs.
- Xavier for sharing facts about walrus, including the fact that they have tusks, with his Kindy peers.
- Jimmy, Hunter E and Xavier for showing the class different ways they could see five in a five dice dot pattern.
- Rylan for giving Mrs Hayes an extra hand setting up for our Education Expo.
- Cross Country participants for their encouragement and support for each other.
- Students who assisted in the setting up and packing away of the Education Expo.
- Darcy for gifting Mr Whittington a delicious jar of freshly made pickles. Thanks, Darcy.
- Spencer for proudly showing Mr Whittington how neatly he is able to write his name.
- All the staff, Prefects and students, P&C representatives and external providers that contributed to a very successful Education Expo, thank you!



Good luck to Levi & Kai at South Coast rugby league trials today.



A New Term

A warm Term 2 welcome is extended to all returning students and our new families who have joined us at Crookwell Public School. I trust you all experienced an enjoyable autumn vacation and returned recharged and well prepared for the term ahead.

Families that may have a concern, a matter that needs clarification or a matter they would like to discuss, are encouraged to contact the school to ensure Crookwell Public School best meets the educational needs of its students. Please remember that a strong home/school partnership is essential if student learning outcomes are to be maximised.



Sashank, Taj and Riley are happy to be back at school for Term 2.



Kindergarten girls, Zahli, Penelope, Ava and Georgia happily reunite after the autumn break.



Isobel and Isabelle catch up with each other in the quad.



Autumn leaves are great fun, just ask Oliver, Michael, Isayah and Sid.



Year 5 boys, Caden, Kai and Levi are ready for an exciting Term 2.



Indi and Paige enjoy the playground together on the first day back.



We are so fortunate to have such beautiful school grounds, particularly this time of year.

Anzac Day 2024

On Thursday 25th April, a number of CPS students assembled at the Crookwell RSL to participate in the Anzac Day march. We also had some students represent our school at the Grabben Gullen service. All of these students represented our school with pride and were very respectful at both the march and services. Thank you to all of the students and their families for attending the service.



Our Prefects, Alvin, Indi, Georgina and Tommy were very proud to represent CPS as school leaders.



Sisters, Arlee and Billie-Joe marched together.



Sarah and Jock proudly wear the medals of their ancestors.



Vincent, Darcy, Jak and Billy understand the importance of marching on Anzac Day.



Alvin laid a wreath at the Grabben Gullen memorial service.



Our Prefects proudly lead the school down to the memorial ceremony on Anzac Day.

Primary Athletics Carnival 2024

It was a glorious day for our athletics carnival at the end of last term. Our primary students competed in 100m, 200m and 800m running events and it was amazing to see the effort and dedication of our students.

The second half of the day was dedicated to field events. Discus, shot put and long jump were all very competitive this year, with some very close measurements. We look forward to seeing how some of our students compete at the district carnival in Term 3.

Thank you to our wonderful P&C for their flexibility and organisation of the hot dog day, it certainly was a wonderful lunchtime treat. Thank you and congratulations to all students for their excellent displays of sportsmanship and encouragement. It was a very enjoyable end to the term!



The junior girls were full of excitement after their race.



Lane, Ed and Alvin thoroughly enjoyed their last primary school athletics carnival.



The hotly contested infants staff race was enjoyed by the spectators.



Halla making some excellent distance in long jump.



The boys take off for the 100m sprint.



Caden showing off some excellent discus technique.

Cross Country

Yesterday, primary students (and some Year 2s) travelled to the Crookwell Showground to compete in the Cross Country carnival. On arrival, students were put into their age groups and walked around the track to become familiar with the course.

Students turning 8, 9 or 10 ran 2 kilometres and those turning 11 or 12 ran a total of 3 kilometres. All students should be proud of the effort they put into their running. A huge congratulations goes to the students that qualified to attend the District Cross Country carnival in Goulburn in Week 3. The permission note for this will be sent home with qualifying students today. Thank you to the parents that attended the event and encouraged the students.



Jack, Charles and Jimmy are excited for their race.



Leo, Carter, Harrison, Benji and Killian huddle together to keep warm before their run.



Koa and Isla are ready for their cross country race.



The junior girls are nervous, but very happy before their race.



Charlie and Billy sprint to the finish in the closest race of the day. Charlie managed to hang on for first place. Great effort, boys!



Georgie still manages a smile after running 2kms!



Henry is a picture of concentration as he makes his way around the course.



Kelseyann gives a 'thumbs up' as she nears the finish line.



Killian leads Cristian and Billy as they round the bend at the Showground course.



The altitude and hills at Thalabah must help Jack with his impressive running ability!

2024 Open Day & Education Expo

On Wednesday we welcomed over 50 families to our school for our Open Day and Education Expo. Student-led tours were conducted by our Prefects from 12:00pm which finished at the hall with a beautiful performance by our GCOPs choir and dance groups. Educational displays filled the hall with some great information on our curriculum areas and school offerings, including stalls from our P&C, external providers, and community partners. Thank you to all who attended, we are delighted to see you so excited about learning!

The lucky door prize winners are:

- Oscar M - \$100 Uniform Voucher
- Jack B - \$20 Canteen Voucher
- Olivia S - Book & Game Pack
- Lyndsay S - Book & Game Pack
- Audrey S - Book & Game Pack



Our Prefects did a wonderful job welcoming visitors to our school and undertaking student-led tours.



We welcomed Sarah Power and her mother to our school, who has recently moved to Crockwell!



Kadie, Johnny & Rosie go on a school tour with Indi & Georgie.

Cross Country Age Champions 2024

This year's Cross Country carnival saw a large number of students competing for the opportunity to be age champion in their respected age groups.

Congratulations to:-

- 8/9 Year champions – Charlie and Kelseyann
- 10 Year champions – Jack B & Paige
- 11 Year champions – Jack F & Olivia S
- 12/13 Year champions – Ed and Indi

The Cross Country Age Champions will be presented with their medals at assembly next week.



A karate demonstration by our external provider, Crookwell Karate Dojo, enthused many guests.



1/2 Kangaroo participate in an obstacle course challenge during the Open Day.



Jack and Hunter enjoy their literacy and numeracy rotations.



Mr Smoother challenges 1/2 Emu with some STEM kits.

'Flying Start' Commences Monday 6th May

Crookwell Public School's 'Flying Start' program for children who are eligible to start Kindergarten in 2025 commences on Monday 6th May, 2024. The program runs from 9:30am until 11am in the Kindergarten room. Parents are encouraged to remain with their child/ren until they are settled. Children do not need to bring any resources, except a drink bottle and a piece of fruit. The 'Flying Start' program is provided without cost to participants.

Children, regardless of the school in which they are enrolling, are encouraged to participate. This is an ideal opportunity for pre-school children to experience the school environment and routine while developing friendships.

If you know of any children wishing to attend, please let them know of the details of the program or they may contact the school on 48 321 213 and speak with Mr Whittington.

Life Education Van

Life Education NSW will be visiting our school on Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th May 2024.

The cost is \$12.00 per student which includes the education session and student workbook.



As the Life Education program addresses many of the components and objectives within the NSW Personal Development, Health, Physical Education curriculum, students are encouraged to attend.

Year 5, Year 3 & Year 2: Wednesday 22nd May (1.5 hour session for Year 5 and Year 3, 1 hour session for and Year 2)

Year 6, Kindergarten & Year 1: Thursday 23rd May (1.5 hour session for Year 6, 1 hour session for Kindergarten & Year 1)
Year 4: Friday 22nd May (1.5 hour session)

The topics this year are:

- K: Harold's Friendship
- Yr 1: Ready, Steady, Go!
- Yr 2: Growing Good Friends
- Yr 3: The Inside Story
- Yr 4: Friends and Feelings
- Yr 5: Decisions
- Yr 6: Relate Respect Connect

If you want more information on the session content, please contact the school on (02) 48 321 213 or you can visit the Life Education website at

<https://www.lifeeducation.org.au/parents/modules>

If you would like your child/children to participate in the program, please complete the permission form via School Bytes.

Life Education Merchandise For Sale

Merchandise is available via pre order only. If families would like to purchase merchandise, please visit their online shop <https://www.lifeeducation.org.au/shop/> and your child will receive their purchases during the Healthy Harold visit.

This Term It Is Winter Uniform

This term, students should be wearing their very smart looking and very comfortable winter school uniform. Please discourage your child from wearing jewellery and non-uniform items of clothing to school to encourage a sense of belonging and ownership and promote pride in self and school. Thank you in anticipation for your support.

If circumstances prevent you from providing your child/children with a winter uniform, please phone 48 321 213 and have a confidential discussion with Mr Whittington.

Every day counts!

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn Make friends Build skills through fun

education.nsw.gov.au NSW

How many days has your child missed this term?

Mothers' Day Stall

On Friday 10th May, a Mothers' Day Stall, selling a wide selection of items that would make ideal gifts for mothers, will be conducted in the school hall. Gifts range in price, but all will cost less than \$10.00. The purchases will be beautifully gift wrapped by an enthusiastic band of assistants, so don't forget your money for Mothers' Day gift shopping on Friday 10th May.

Students will take their carefully selected purchased gifts home on Friday afternoon, in readiness for Sunday's gift giving.

We welcome any parents who are able to assist on the stall. Stall helpers need to meet at the school hall at 9am on Friday 10th May, 2024. Please fill in the attached note on the permission note page further on in the newsletter.



Term 2 Class Captains Elected

Elections to decide on who would fill the role of class captain have been conducted, with the following students elected by their peers to this leadership position.

Class Captains for this term are:-

Year 1/2 Emu ~ Harper & Connor

Year 1/2 Kangaroo ~ Taylor & Archie

Year 1/2 Platypus ~ Claire & Arlo

Year 3/4 Echidna ~ Indi & Eli

Year 3/4 Koala ~ Paige & Billy W

Year 5 Kookaburra ~ Charlie & Jack

Year 6 Magpie ~ Lottie & Alfie

Congratulations, class captains!

Family members and friends, please join us at 12:15pm next Friday, 10th May, when Class Captains will be presented with their badges at the assembly.

2024 & 2025 Enrolment Information Required

Shortly, the school will be required to lodge with the Department of Education its anticipated numbers for 2024 and 2025. It is very important that the anticipated numbers closely match the actual enrolment numbers. We require your help to ensure that next year we can again get off to a good start with classes formed and teachers available and ready to start teaching on day one.

Therefore, if you know of any child who will be enrolling in Kindergarten next year, or the following year, would you please contact the school office on 48 321 213.

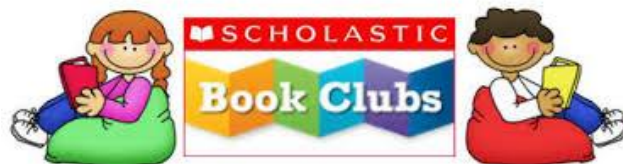
Please include every eligible child you believe will be enrolling at Crookwell Public School even if you think that someone else may also include the child you are thinking of. We would prefer to have student names duplicated than omitted from the list.

This information will also prove very useful when sending invitations to the 'Flying Start' program which helps to determine a child's level of readiness for school and will operate throughout Terms 2 and 3 of this year.

Book Club News

Issue 3 has been issued to all students. Orders need to be finalised by Friday 17th May. Cash orders can be sent to the office, online orders can be done via the Scholastic website.

If you have any questions, please call the school office on 48 321 213.



Aurora College: Intention to apply for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2025

Opportunity classes cater for academically gifted and talented students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the combined results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test and school assessments. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on **Thursday 1st August 2024**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2025, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from **Thursday 4th April 2024** at education.nsw.gov.au/oc

The application website opens on **Thursday 4th April 2024** and closes on **Monday 20th May 2024**. You must apply by the due date.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO AN OPPORTUNITY CLASS. TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE: education.nsw.gov.au/oc

Term 2 Sport- Gymnastics K-6

Mr Vaughn Edmonds will be returning to Crookwell Public School to continue to develop students' gymnastic abilities. The program will run in a similar fashion to previous years with Mr Edmonds working with the whole school in individual class blocks.

These sessions will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays for all students Kindergarten to Year 6. This program will begin in Week 2 of Term 2 and will continue for the duration of the term. The school will heavily subsidise this program, bringing the cost down to \$10.00 per student. This will cover your child for the entire program.

Please note: Children are unable to attend this program until their permission note and money have been completed.

Yours in Public Education,

Michael Whittington

Principal

Jade Bell

Assistant Principal

Sarah Whittington

Assistant Principal

Erin Thorpe

Relieving Assistant Principal

Kirstie O'Neill

Assistant Principal, Curriculum & Instruction

P&C News

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th May at 6pm in the school library. All welcome!

Canteen

The canteen is open on **Wednesdays**. The future operation of the canteen relies entirely on volunteers. We would love to be open again on Fridays, but at this stage, we simply do not have enough volunteers for this to happen.

We understand a lot of parents work or have younger children and we will try to be flexible as any help, even if only one day a term, will be greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions about what you can do to help, please contact the school on 48321213.

For new parents, we always partner you up with another parent who has previously helped in the canteen and we always try to make everything as easy as possible. Most of the food is prepared and just needs to be reheated, with salads, sandwiches/wraps made fresh on the day. Canteen volunteers also take recess and lunch orders and serve students.

Make sure you join the "Crookwell Public School Canteen-Food For Thought" Facebook group to stay up to date with all canteen news.

Community Announcements

The inclusion of any announcement does not constitute or imply endorsement, sponsorship or recommendation thereof by Crookwell Public School.

THE 2024
Luke McCue
MEMORIAL APPRENTICESHIP KICKSTART


The Luke McCue Memorial Apprenticeship Kickstart has been set up by the Crookwell Car Club in memory of Luke, who was a valued member of the club.

The Crookwell Car Club is offering a **grant of \$1000** to assist a local apprentice with the purchase of essential items needed to pursue their chosen trade.

The grant is open to **residents of the Uppler Lachlan Shire** region from Year 1 to Year 4 of their apprenticeship. Preference will be given to those working towards automotive qualifications, but other trades will also be considered.

Guidelines and application forms are available by emailing any of the following: ironminercruisers@yahoo.com, wayne@studio4signs.com.au or daphil@activ8.net.au

Applications close on Friday, May 24 with the presentation to the successful applicant to take place at the Crookwell Car Club's annual meeting in July.





CLEANERS WANTED

Joss Facility Management provides cleaning services to local Schools and other sites in this area. We are looking for local people to assist us in maintaining these sites by joining our Company as a Cleaner.

A Joss cleaner's role includes: Cleaning, stocking and supplying designated facility areas (dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc)

Joss Facility Management provide staff with a uniform, training and a supportive work environment.

APPLY NOW:



We invite you to register your interest in working with Joss by sending an email to careers@jossgroup.com.au or call 02 6051 1900.

Joss welcome you to visit our website www.jossgroup.com.au for further information on our Company. We look forward to welcoming some new faces to our team.



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Flying Start 2024

CROOKWELL PUBLIC SCHOOL *invites...*

Students, who will turn 5 years old by 31st July 2025 and are considering Kindergarten enrolment next year, to join us for a 'Flying Start'.

2024 Flying Start Dates

9:30am - 11:00am, Every Monday for two terms

Term 2	Term 3
Monday 6th May	Monday 29th July
Monday 13th May	Monday 5th August
Monday 20th May	Monday 12th August
Monday 27th May	Monday 19th August
Monday 3rd June	Monday 26th August
Monday 10th June No Flying Start (King's Birthday)	Monday 2nd September
Monday 17th June	Monday 9th September
Monday 24th June	Monday 16th September
Monday 1st July	Monday 23rd September



The highly successful Flying Start program is designed to create friendships, build confidence, extend social skills and develop academic competencies.

Come along to experience how Crookwell Public School can support you and your child with a positive foundation for their schooling.



Enquiries...

Mr Michael Whittington, Principal
0248321213

crookwell-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

**All children and parents are welcome
No pre-enrolment or fees**

