Dear Parents,

PJ’s Day

Come dressed in your PJ’s on Wednesday 11th March (this Wednesday) to support Toormi Thunder, our local team competing in the Kokoda Challenge at the Gold Coast in July this year. Please bring a gold coin to support the cause. A pancake brekkie will be provided between 8.30 and 9am.

Harmony Day/Anti-Bullying Day 20th March

Harmony Day (21st March) celebrates Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. In 2015 we celebrate 15 amazing years of Harmony Day! Students are being asked to wear orange on Friday 20th March to show support for this fantastic event.

The fifth National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence will be held on Friday, 20 March 2015. This annual day provides a focus for all schools to say Bullying. No Way! and to strengthen their existing everyday messages that bullying and violence at school are not okay at any time.

We will also be celebrating Harmony Day on the 20th March with a special multi-cultural lunch that the children will prepare and eat together.

Trailer needed 24th March

On Tuesday 24th of March Amanda Lockman will be employed by the school to begin cleaning up the gully area so that it can be used by students and teachers. The first stage of the clean-up requires the removal of what remains of the fire pile. We are looking for a trailer that we can use on the day to do one or two trips to the Eichmann’s property. Please contact the school if you have a registered trailer that we could use. Any ideas on how the gully area could be improved for student and teacher use would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Pete if you have an ideas or would be keen to help with the transformation of this part of the playground.

Cascade Environmental Education Centre Camp 4th, 5th and 6th May

Plans for our whole school camp to Cascade Environmental Education Centre at the beginning of Term 2 are being finalised. An information pack and permission note will be sent home this week. At this stage Kelly Stoner, Pauline Ford, Michele Bake, Lara Lawson and Jamie-Lee Elms will be attending the camp to ensure that our youngest students are supported on their first school camp. It promises to be a great trip.

Waste Reduction Focus

Mrs Peart has purchased some new recycling/rubbish bins in an attempt to reduce our school’s overall waste. In class students discussed the need to place their rubbish into the appropriate bins which are now colour coded. Red = Rubbish, Green = Food Scraps (Green Waste), Yellow = Recyclables.

The class also discussed ways to minimise excessive packaging for their lunches so don’t be surprised if students question the amount of packaging or suggest more environmentally friendly alternatives for their lunch boxes.

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Movement and Learning

Last week I attended 3 days of excellent professional learning, one of which focussed on the benefits of movement in maths learning. I am pleased to announce that Pauline will begin a movement and learning program with the students at school on Tuesday mornings.

Attention Knitters

Mrs Peart will be teaching students how to knit for the next 4 Fridays. If you have the skills, are willing to help, and are available from 2-3pm on Fridays, please feel free to attend. Your support would be fantastic! Thank you Nanny Jude for your assistance last Friday.

Thanks to Sharni Marshall

I’d like to take this opportunity to thank Sharni Marshall for all of the time she continues to volunteer to our school. Sharni is studying education at Southern Cross University and has been a huge help in the classroom on Wednesdays.

Skyler’s Birthday

This Sunday Skyler will be celebrating her birthday, have a wonderful day celebrating Skyler and happy birthday from all of Crossmaglen Public School family.

Have a great week everyone!
Pete Rundle

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S & K HORSE CONNECTIONS RIDING SCHOOL

We are now taking bookings for 2015

Specialising in nervous beginners
Teaching confidence and horse riding skills
All day school holiday program (lots of fun)
Pony Parties
Led pony rides (for the little ones)
30 min – 45min and 60min lessons available
PH 0481296798 or 0438377858 (Boambee, Coffs)

School Vision Statement

At Crossmaglen Public School we nurture, nourish and stimulate the individual learning, creativity and holistic development of students. This is achieved through the passionate and dynamic delivery of quality education by staff in partnership with families and the school community.