



Next meeting:
Wednesday 19th
March
3:15 pm in the
Library

Assembly Awards

Term I

Week 7

Congratulations to the following students who received a Merit Award at Week 7's assembly:

Yellow Cottage: Aurora - For amazing application in numeracy.

Green Cottage: Roebby - For consistent high effort and always paying attention in class. Well done Roebby!

Blue Cottage: Victoria - For being an inquisitive learner by spending time at home researching an inspirational person called Malala Yousafzai.

Principal's Award: Vinci - For assisting our new students to settle in and learn The Crossmaglen Way.



Calendar Term I 2025

TERM I

Week 7

Friday 14th March

Kids in the Kitchen

Week 8

Monday 17th March

School Sport- Gymnastics at Springloaded

Wednesday 19th March

P&C Meeting 3:15 pm in Library

Friday 21st March

Kids in the Kitchen

HARMONY DAY - Mufti Day (wear ORANGE)

Week 9 - Thinking Skills Week

Monday 24th March

School Sport- Gymnastics at Springloaded

Wednesday 26th March

School Photos

Friday 28th March

Kids in the Kitchen

Week 10

Friday 4th April

Kids in the Kitchen

Week 11

Thursday 10th April

Sharing Assembly and Easter Hat Parade

Friday 11th April

Last day of Term I

P&C Lunch Order Day



**SCHOOL PHOTOS
NEW DATE:
Wednesday 26th
March**

A note from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

We are grateful to be back at school with our students, to observe everyone reconnecting with their friends and learning. We hope you all managed to stay safe and that your homes and properties avoided damage from the impact of Tropical Cyclone Alfred. Our thoughts are with the many families and schools who have not been as fortunate.

Three-Way Meetings: Many thanks to those parents and carers who attended meetings last week with their child and an even bigger shout out to those who rescheduled for this week. These are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your child's learning and identify next steps and learning goals. Please contact the school to arrange a meeting, if you have not yet done so.

NAPLAN Assessments: Our Year 3 and 5 students took part in their first NAPLAN assessments yesterday with both Writing and Reading assessments. NAPLAN assessments will continue next week, with Conventions of Language (spelling, punctuation and grammar) on Monday and Numeracy on Tuesday. If your child is in Years 3 or 5, please ensure they are in school on these days.



Harmony Day: Crossmaglen PS will celebrate this special day next Friday, 21 March. Harmony Day is part of Harmony Week, which celebrates Australia's amazing cultural diversity. The theme for 2025 is "Harmony- we all have a role to play!".



Harmony Day is a day to promote respect, understanding, and a sense of belonging for all Australians. It's also a day to reflect on the importance of combating racism. This will be a **Mufti-Day** and we would like students and staff, if possible, to **wear something orange** and **bring in a gold coin** which will be donated to The Refugee Council of Australia. As Harmony Day falls on a Friday, students will be cooking some delicious multicultural food for Kids in the Kitchen.



Newcastle Permanent Primary School Football Gala Day:

Students in Years 3-6 will be taking part in an opportunity to experience the uniting power of football with the Newcastle Permanent Primary School Gala Day later this month in Coffs Harbour. This event is for schools across the mid and north coast of NSW and will involve half a day of non-competitive football (soccer), with boys and girls teams. More information to follow.

P & C news: The next P & C meeting will be next Wednesday 19 March at 3.15 - all welcome. There are many fundraising events to be discussed, including our upcoming Easter Raffle, for which we are requesting donations. Information about this is on page 5 of this newsletter. Crossmaglen P & C will now also be running the BBQ every second month at 'Coffee and Cars' at Bonville Service Station, alternating months with Bonville Public School's P & C. This event takes place on the last Sunday of the month and our first BBQ will be Sunday 30 March, which will be run by Glen, Sheridan B., Codi and myself. We will also be running the upcoming election BBQ at Bonville Hall (date not yet set), please let us know if you can help.

Have a great week.

Kris

Kristina Stewart

P&C Committee 2025

President: Jimmy Johnston

- Parent of Elise and Angus

Treasurer: Hester Bushell

- Parent of Aurora

Secretary: Sheridan Blayney

- Parent of Neve



Yesterday we caught the bus
and we saw Scrap Boy.
We learnt about the Grubby bus
and we named a worm and we
learnt about recycling. We had
heaps of fun. The end.

Aurora



Yesterday we went to the Botanical
Gardens. We met Scrap Boy and we
named a worm and we sat on the
grass and he sang us a song. We
had lunch and we looked at the
flowers.

HANPEN

BOTANICAL GARDENS



Yesterday we went to
the BOTANICAL GARDENS
AND we met SCRAP BOY AND
we went BACK ON the bus
AND we went to SPRING
LOADED.

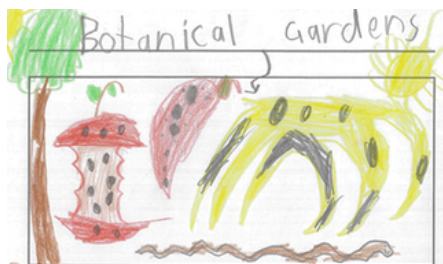
Archie

Yellow Cottage with Ms Wilson

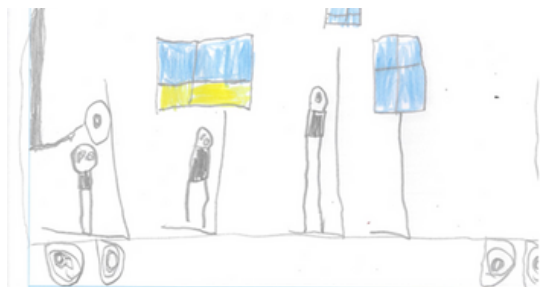
LAUREN



Yesterday we went
on the bus and we
saw Scrap Boy and
we had lunch and
then we went to
Spring Loaded. Scrap
Boy told us about
the Grubby bus ket.



Yesterday we caught
the bus to the Botanic
Gardens. We met Scrap
Boy. He sang songs
and planted seeds for
us. We played the
game "Hot or Not" We
also saw the "Grubby
Buket." Henry



I liked the bus.

I liked the bus.

Angus

Years 3-6 with Mrs Wain

Over the past couple of weeks, Year 3-6 students have been building momentum on their group projects to tackle waste at our school. Their projects include:

- *educating students and staff about placing waste in the correct bins
- *creating advertising which promotes ways to reduce waste or encourage correct recycling practices to inform our school community through the newsletter and Facebook
- *making beeswax wraps for all students
- *creating a competition between the classrooms to encourage less waste in lunch boxes
- *creating signage for all our bins to remind students, staff and visitors what things we can place in each bin.

The students' passions are driving these initiatives, so stay tuned and look out for their words of wisdom in newsletters and on Facebook.

In addition to these projects, these students are also entering an art competition, with artwork made completely from waste materials. Please support their requests to bring a range of objects (which must be waste) from home. The greatest need for their artwork, is a range of plastic bottle tops in a variety of colours and sizes. We would be very grateful if you could all collect any bottle tops (non-alcoholic) from containers to bring to school.



Use beeswax wraps for a fresh, healthy and plastic-free way to bring your lunch to school!

From Luna,



We need to stop using plastic bottles

We need to stop buying plastic bottles, and I actually have good reasons, trust me!

Firstly, it costs way too much money, seriously you could save a grand per year just by filling up a reusable water bottle with tap or tank water. Now I know we all love money, but there are more reasons.

Plastic bottles also happen to be really bad for the environment, actually plastic bottles are a big contribution to ocean pollution and it's really bad for marine life. I know I'm supposed to say "in conclusion" now but if you're reading this then I think you get the point.

-Sofia



Cancer
Trust

Coffs Coast/Clarence Cando Cancer Trust are hosting their 15th Annual Charity Swim on Saturday 22nd March 2025 at Coffs Harbour Memorial Pool.

Crossmaglen P.S will be nominating a team along side other local schools. Our team of selected swimmers will swim as many laps (relay style) in a 30 minute block on the day. Each member of our team will need to swim at least one 50m lap. Teams can be made up of adults and students. Please contact the school if you would like to take part yourself, or to nominate your child to take part. Our session will be from 9.00-9.30am.

The aim is for the combined total of all teams entered to swim a total of 394 laps (the equivalent distance of the Rottnest Channel Swim in WA). Our participation fee has been generously covered by local businesses but donations to the charity can be made on the day. It is not a competitive day. It is a community day, giving our students and staff the opportunity to give back to the community and an opportunity to showcase our beautiful school.

P & C Easter Raffle

The P&C are running an Easter Raffle again this year.
Tickets will be sent home early next week.

We are looking for Donations of:
Easter Eggs
Baskets to make up multiple prizes
Bunny (the stuffed kind)
Easter craft items etc.

The more donations we receive, the more prize we will have.

