



Como Public School

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Week 5

Newsletter

Term 2

Tuesday 26th May 2009

Dear Parents and Students,

Kindergarten Enrolments

Enrolments are now being accepted for Kindergarten 2010. If your child is eligible for enrolment, please collect an enrolment form from the School Office as soon as possible. Also, if you are aware of any family in the area who has not submitted an enrolment form, please urge them to do so at their earliest convenience. Alternatively, they can make an appointment to have an interview with the Principal.

Zone Cross Country

Zone Cross Country has been postponed to Monday 1 June due to the wet weather.

Special Visitor

Last Thursday the students enjoyed a special visit from an Aboriginal Elder who came and spoke to the children about Aboriginal Education. A special thank you to Mrs. Holmes for organising this.

Education Week

We would love to have you come and join us tomorrow as part of our Open Day from:

12:30pm – 1:00pm = Classroom Visit

1:00pm – 1:20pm = School performance under the COLA.

1:20 – 2:10pm = Picnic Lunch

2:10pm – 3:25pm = students resume back to class as normal.

We trust it will be an enjoyable day for all!

Head Lice

Head lice continue to be a problem amongst our students. In order to break the cycle of infestation it is necessary that all cases be treated effectively. Please check your children's hair and begin treatment immediately if there are any signs of nits (eggs) or live lice.

See further details in this newsletter.

New Website

Miss Johnston and Mrs Holmes have been educating the children about composting. There will now be a bin in the playground for children to add their compost materials to and a roster for all students to put a small amount of compost in the bin. The student teachers have also set up a website: <http://comops.edublogs.org>

The children cannot access this at school due to a block; however it can be accessed at home. The site has puzzles and information about what the children have been learning about the environment in class. Please have a look! Please note that the website has no photographs of any child who attends Como Public School.

Students using technology at home

Explain to your child that whatever they write represents them and they should always consider the repercussions of publishing information for the world to see.

* Mention that blogging shouldn't be used to write unkind things about any other person, but rather discuss what's going on, and other important issues in their lives.

* Put the computer in a central area of the home, not in a bedroom and monitor.

SMS Lingo

BBL Be Back Later

BFN Bye For Now

CUL8R See you later

F2F Face To Face

IOH I'm Out of Here

OMG Oh My God

POTS Plain Old Telephone Service

POS Parents are looking Over my Shoulder.

POTS Parents Over The Shoulder (My parents are watching, I can't really talk)

ROFL Rolling On The Floor, Laughing

TYT Take Your Time

YW You're Welcome

<p>Practical tips for kids dealing with an online bully</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tell the bully in simple terms to leave you alone. Tell them not to contact you again. Log off immediately and stay offline for at least 24 hours ▪ Do not reply to any future mail from the bully. Do not reply to taunts, emails or gossip written about you. By ignoring taunts, you take the power away from the harasser and refuse to play their game. You are now in charge ▪ Never give your password or logon details to anyone, even your best friends. It's really easy for someone to log on to your Facebook, Bebo or MySpace site and post any kind of rubbish if they know your password 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stay out of chat rooms where you don't feel comfortable ▪ Keep all harassing emails (and any replies you've made) as evidence ▪ If you feel you are in physical danger or if the bully has made physical threats against you, tell your parents immediately and they can decide if it's appropriate to contact authorities. <p>Warm Regards,</p> <p>Mrs.V.Pantelis Principal (rel.)</p>
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Calendar of Events	
Date	Event
Wednesday 27 th May	Como Public School Open Day
Monday 1 st June	Zone Cross Country
Tuesday 9 th June	P&C Meeting 6.30pm
Sunday 14 th June	Como Craft & Antique Market
Wednesday 24 th June	Worm Farm Workshop K-6
Tuesday 30 th June	Parent/Teacher interviews
Wednesday 1 st July	Composting Workshop K-6
Thursday 2 nd July	Public Speaking Finals
Tuesday 7 th July	P&C Meeting 6.30pm
Thursday 9 th July	Small Schools Athletics Carnival
Friday 10 th July	Last day of Term 2

AWARDS	
Harmony Awards:	
K/1	Sam
2/3	Dale
4/5/6	Lyndon
Bronze	
K/1	Ava, Audrey, Madison, Missi-Bella.
2/3	Christian.
Silver	
K/1	Audrey.
Congratulations to all Award Recipients	



21 May 2009
Aboriginal Elder
Annette Webb
speaking with the
students.



P&C NEWS

Dear Parents

There a number of 'Enjoy & Save' fundraising books (purchase price \$40.00) still outstanding. Could those families who have not yet returned their book **please send them to the office by this Friday.**

Thank you

CANTEEN NEWS

Hi Everyone

Canteen is now back in full swing. Now that winter is here don't forget the Pasta Bolognese Meal @ \$2.60. This term I will introduce Napolitana Ravioli to menu also @ \$2.60.

Just some reminders:

1. Please write on bags with pen as pencil is very hard to read.
2. Please send two (2) bags if ordering for recess and lunch.
3. If possible send in correct money.

Thank you for supporting your canteen.

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FREE WOMEN'S COURSES

Returning to work? Looking for a new career? Need new skills and confidence?

Loftus and Gymea TAFE campuses are offering a range of **FREE** courses for women next term.

Come along to the **Information Session:**

Tuesday 30th June 2009 at 10am

Gymea Campus

Cnr Hotham Rd and Kingsway, Gymea
Room AG17 (Block A)

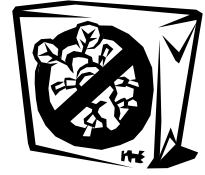
Inquiries: 9710 5004 or 9710 5881



HEAD LICE

Cases of headlice are still being reported by parents and we ask that everyone look for the following signs or symptoms that would indicate the presence of head lice and their eggs (nits):

- Child scratching his/her head excessively,
- Fine black powder or pale coloured material on pillow
- In the hair-signs of lice eggs (nits) – cream or coffee coloured specks attached to the hair close to the roots,
- Lice- small white or greyish parasites about the size of a pinhead usually found close to the scalp at the back of the head and behind the ears.



It is essential that everyone makes an effort to address this problem in order to break the cycle of reinfestation.

Products for treatment of head lice can be purchased at most chemists. Remove all nits (Try a fine tooth comb, however they may need to be removed by pulling from the hair between thumbnail and finger). It will take more than one attempt to remove all nits.

Children should be warned against exchanging hats/hair ties etc and long hair should be worn tied back.

For more information go to <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/environment/headlice/>



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Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

Date of Absence: _____ Reason: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian

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