

A Successful School

Our Kindergarten Orientation went well last week with several very keen parents to have their children start school here at Como. Thank you to Mrs.Munro, Mrs.Hollowell, Mrs.Roffey, Mrs.Sier and Mrs.Harvey for their contribution on the day.



Quality Education

Parents of students in Years 3 and 5 will receive the NAPLAN results today for their child's performance in literacy and numeracy. Overall, Como Public School received results higher than national average in both of these areas.

Surf Safety

This Thursday the students will be receiving a talk from the Lifeguard Education Officer from the Sutherland Shire Council at our Assembly. The aim of this talk is to encourage our students to play a positive role in keeping our beaches fun and safe for everyone.

Lost Property

A reminder that by the end of this week, all items that have not been claimed from Lost Property will be donated to our 2nd Hand Clothing Pool or Stewart House.

Outstanding Speakers

Next Monday, our School Finalists will be participating in the Zone Public Speaking Finals at Bangor Public School. We wish Ashleigh, Camille and Zoe the very best of luck.

Theatre Performance

Years 2-6 will be attending a performance on Monday 28 September at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre. The Australian Theatre of the Deaf will be performing an exciting mimed theatrical. The total cost for this excursion is \$3.00. A permission note is attached.

Year 6 Farewell

All parents of Year 6 students are asked to bring in photographs of their child for a special presentation at the end of the year. We would like 10 photographs of each student ranging from birth up until the present time. Could you please ensure that each photograph or device has your child's name on it. These photographs will need to be handed in to me by the end of this term. They can be in digitise hard-copy, floppy disc, CD-Rom or USB memory chip.

Warm Regards,

Mrs.V.Pantelis
Principal (rel.)

Calendar of Events	
Date	Event
Monday 21 st September	Zone Public Speaking
Thursday 24 th September	Kindergarten 2010 Open Day Session
Friday 25 th September	Canteen Fun Lunch
Monday 28 th September	Excursion - Theatre of the Deaf – Years 2-6
Friday 2 nd October	Last day of Term 3
Sunday 11 th October	Como Craft & Antique Market
Monday 19 th October	Term 4 commences

AWARDS

Harmony Awards:

K/1 Madeline.
2/3 Dean.
4/5/6 Callum S.



Bronze

4/5/6 Annabelle.

Congratulations to all Award Recipients

Thank you once again to all of those families who donated books to the library in Book Week.

All of these books are now ready for borrowing and will be distributed to students during this Friday's library sessions.

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 Teacher/Librarian



OCTOBER MARKET NEWS

We are planning a school stall at the October markets on 11th selling pre-loved books and toys. Please have a hunt around at home for any unwanted and in good condition books and toys. Suitable items may be left at school in the week prior to the market. Your donations of books, toys and/or your time working on the stall at the markets is very much appreciated.

P&C Market Committee

15 September 2009

Theatrical Performance - 28 September 2009

Dear Parents of Years 2-6 students,

On Monday 28 September the students from Year 2 to Year 6 will be watching a theatrical performance conducted by the Australian Theatre of the Deaf at Sutherland Entertainment Centre.

Travel will be by train.

Children are required to wear full school uniform and should bring their recess and drink in a disposable bag. They will return to school by lunch time so normal classroom programs will continue for the remainder of the day.

Cost of the excursion is \$3.00 which includes the train fare. This amount should be included with the permission note below and returned to your child's teacher **by Friday 18th of September.**

Students should arrive at school at **8.30am** on Monday.

Mrs.Pantelis
Principal (rel.)

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Theatrical Performance 28 September 2009

I give my child/ren _____ of

Class _____ permission to participate in the excursion to Sutherland Entertainment Centre on Monday 28 September 2009.

I understand that travel will be by train and that the children will be accompanied by their teachers.

I have enclosed \$ _____ (\$3.00 per child) to cover the cost of the excursion.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Guardian)

6. Wear a helmet and ride in a safe place away from the road



- Check that your child wears a bicycle helmet when playing or riding on wheels – bikes, foot scooters, rollerskates, skateboards or rollerblades. The helmet should be firmly buckled so it fits without wobbling or slipping to the sides. It must protect the forehead.
- Your child's helmet must comply with the Australian and New Zealand Standards (AS/NZ2063). It must be securely fitted and fastened on the rider's head.
- Although children quickly learn to pedal, steer and brake, they are not ready to ride with traffic on the road.
- Children under twelve and those adults accompanying them may ride on the footpath, unless there are signs specifically prohibiting cycling.
- When riding on the footpath, cyclists must keep to the left and give way to pedestrians. Children need to take special care at driveways as vehicles may be driving in or out. At intersections, children should dismount and wheel the bicycle across the road as a pedestrian, following the usual 'Stop! Look! Listen! Think!' procedure.
- Your child must wear a helmet when riding a bike in any public place – it's the law.

For a free copy of a poster outlining the correct fitting and fastening of a bicycle helmet, Stock No 4509 2026; or poster *Always wear your helmet when you ride or skate*, Stock No 4509 2306; or to order the

brochure *The law and safety advice for bicycles, foot scooters, skateboards and rollerblades* Stock No 4509 2307, contact the RTA.



For further enquiries www.rta.nsw.gov.au | 13 22 13

Move Ahead with Street Sense is a road safety education program delivered as part of the PDHPE program in all NSW primary schools



Nuclear Open Day

Saturday 19 September, 9am-4pm
New Illawarra Road, Lucas Heights.

Liquid nitrogen science show

Come along to the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation's (ANSTO) Open Day, with free activities for the whole family.

There'll be tours of the OPAL research reactor building and neutron guide hall (bookings essential), a kids' science show, face painting, bouncy boxing, horizontal bungy, sticky wall, tea cup ride, petting zoo, giveaways (temporary tattoos, balloons and sun visors) and information stalls from ANSTO and other community organisations.

Refreshments will be available at the [cafe](#) opposite the Visitors Centre.

Plus, don't miss out on "Cleaner energy options for our future" - a panel discussion chaired by Robyn Williams, with ANSTO Chairman Dr Ziggy Switkowski and other energy experts, happening between 11am-12.30pm.

Parking and transport

Car parking will be available on the day at the Ridge Sports Complex off New Illawarra Road (see location map below). Shuttle buses will run every 10 minutes between The Ridge and ANSTO.

Buses will also collect and drop off people from Sutherland Railway Station and Menai Marketplace approximately every half hour beginning at 8.30am.

To book a tour [register here](#). For more information call 9717 3111



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FUN LUNCH
Friday 25 September 2009

The canteen will be offering either a taco, juice and treat or two chicken wings and potato gems, juice and treat. Both lunches will be \$4.00.

Please return all orders and correct payment in an envelope and returned to the office no later than **Wednesday 23 September**.

The canteen will not be preparing any other lunch orders on this day but recess orders and all other items will be available.

Natalie Sier
Canteen Coordinator

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FUN LUNCH
Friday 25 September 2009

Name:

Class:

- Taco including taco mince / tomato / lettuce / grated cheese (please indicate if something is not to be included)
- OR (please tick)**
- Two chicken wings and potato gems
- Apple / Orange / Apple & Blackcurrant Juice (please circle)
- Extra taco \$1.50

Total included: \$.....

Keeping safe online

As a parent, there are several actions you can take to help keep your child safe online and not having a computer in your child's room may be an answer. Check out the latest Click ezine for advice on cyber safety and much more: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/click.

Junior Golf Holiday Camp

@The Ridge Golf Course

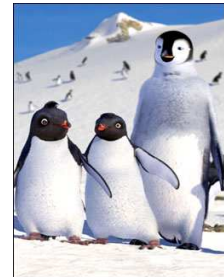
The Sutherland Shire Golf Academy is running a 3 day Junior Golf Camp from Wed 14th Oct to Fri 16th Oct 2009 for ages 7-15 yrs.

No golfing experience is required.

For bookings or enquiries please call 9541 4960 or visit our website www.ssga.net.au

The Point Preschool is hosting a 'Cinema Under the Stars' event showing the movie '**Happy Feet**' on
Saturday 19th September 2009.

Where: Oyster Bay Playing Fields-Como Rd Oyster Bay
Time: Meet at 6pm for 6.30pm screening
Entry: \$5 per person / \$20 per family
For details call: 9528 5003



COMO PUBLIC SCHOOL ABSENT NOTE

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

Date of Absence: _____ Reason: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian