



# Como Public School Newsletter

*Quality education in a caring environment*

Week 1 Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2009 Term 3  
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**Dear Parents and Students,**

## **Welcome Back**

Welcome back to Term 3! Thank you to all who kept an eye on the school over the holiday period. It is anticipated that our new library will be constructed this term. If you get a chance, have a look at the proposed plan located outside the school office.

## **Quality Staff**

Mrs.Roffey and I attended a Connected Learning Conference during the school holidays and were able to conduct a session about this yesterday at our Staff Development Day. The teachers from Como buddied up with the staff from Kareela Public School for a technology session with Lena Arena, the Technology Consultant from the Department of Education. The teachers from Como also discussed the "School Communication Plan" and explored strategies on teaching gifted and talented students. I welcome any interested parent to view our Communication Plan from the front office if interested.

## **Valuable Programs**

Gymnastics will commence this Friday 31 July for all students who have paid and returned their permission note. Please ensure that students are dressed in their sport uniform on this day. French lessons will continue this term on Mondays. Mrs.Ashton, the French teacher, is very pleased with the progress of the students.

## **Classroom Supplies**

A reminder that all students need to bring to school classroom supplies such as glue sticks, pencils, erasers, etc. The school would also appreciate any of the following supplies that could be donated: boxes of tissues, paper, newspaper, egg cartons, shoe boxes and jars.

## **Premier's Adventure Challenge**

This Challenge involves each primary school student collecting their free Kids' Adventure Passport and each time a student attends a gallery or museum, they receive a sticker or stamp on their passport. Once three stamps or stickers have been collected, children will be awarded with an official Premier's Adventure Certificate to acknowledge their achievements. Detailed information on this initiative is attached.

## **Interrelate Family Centre**

Interrelate Family Centres (a not for profit organisation) is a recognised leader in relationship education, counselling and mediation. Interrelate is dedicated to providing professional, innovative and effective solutions to families and children. Enclosed is an outline of the courses available.

**Warm Regards,**

**Mrs.V.Pantelis**  
**Principal (rel.)**

## **STUDENT BANKING**

Don't forget student banking each Monday!

The Student Banking program helps your child learn the benefits of saving by allowing them to open and manage their own savings account at school. It's a practical way to introduce them to the advantages of saving and financial responsibility – skills that will help them for the rest of their lives. The school receives a small commission for each deposit.

Thank you to Mrs Burling for her continuing support of the Student Banking program.

Calendar of Events	
Date	Event
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	Gymnastics program begins – Years K-6
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	ICAS English Competition
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	Student Banking resumes
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	AASC Program resumes – Years 3-6
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	P&C Meeting 6.30pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> August	OC Placement Test 9am – 11.15am Gynea THS
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> August	AASC Program resumes – Years K-2
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	Como Craft & Antique Market
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	SSSMF Junior Choir Rehearsal & Matinee – Years 2/3
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	SSSMF Evening Concert 7pm – 9pm – Years 2/3

## SSSMF SUTHERLAND SHIRE SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL

This year our Junior Choir (2/3) concert is at 7pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August with a matinee dress rehearsal on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August at 1pm.

Tickets to attend the evening concert must be purchased through the school as seats may not be available at the door. Please complete the attached order form for Music Festival tickets and return to your child's teacher **by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August**. Any remaining tickets will then be returned to be sold by other schools.

Programs may also be pre purchased using the order form below

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## SSSMF SUTHERLAND SHIRE SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL

I would like to order tickets to the Sutherland Shire Schools Music Festival 2008.

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ tickets to the evening performance on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August.

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ tickets to the matinee performance on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August.

I would like a copy of the concert program @ \$5.00 each.

I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (@\$15 each) for a total of \_\_\_\_\_ tickets.

I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (@\$5 each) for a total of \_\_\_\_\_ programs.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## *Active After School Communities Program*

In Term 3 this program will run for seven weeks starting on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2009**. Your child will need to bring **sports shoes and a healthy afternoon snack** for the day they are participating in the program.

*'Parents and caregivers please note, in the absence of negligence on the part of its staff, the NSW Department of Education and Training does not pay any compensation to or medical expenses for students who are injured during school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity. Parents and caregivers are advised to assess the level and extent of their child's involvement in the Active After School Communities program when deciding whether additional insurance cover, above that provided by Medicare, is required. Private health insurance and personal accident insurance cover are available from health and general insurance providers.'*

### **Agreement:**

- I acknowledge and agree that the Centre's normal behaviour management and disciplinary procedures will apply and that the Supervising staff will apply these procedures during the conduct of the Activity.
  
- In the event of accident or illness and contact with me being impracticable or impossible, I authorize the supervisor to arrange whatever medical or surgical treatment a registered medical practitioner considers necessary. I will pay all medical and dental expenses incurred on behalf of my child.
  
- I have provided all information necessary for supervisors to plan safe and reasonable health care support for my child. This includes, if relevant, information about any activity modifications my child may require for medical reasons.
  
- I consent to my child's doctor or medical specialist being contacted by medical personnel in an emergency.
  
- The information given is accurate to the best of my knowledge.
  
- I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Active - after School Communities Program.
  
- I consent to the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) recording, reproducing and publishing images of the AASC program at work. The images may include photographic, video and audio representations of my child. The images may be reproduced and published by the ASC in ASC publications, posters, presentations, promotional broadcasts, promotional events, reports and ASC websites in any all media.
  
- I acknowledge and agree that the Centre collects personal information for the purposes of conducting the Activities, and that the Centre may provide this personal information to the ASC for the purposes of the ASC administering, evaluating and reporting on the Active After-School Communities Program.
  
- I give permission for my child to walk to Scylla Bay Oval to participate in sport activities during this program.

My child will be attending:

**Mondays → 3.25pm – 4.45pm**

3/4/5/6 Martial Arts.

**Wednesdays → 3.25pm – 4.45pm**

K-2 Circus Skills

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note that places are limited for this program.

**Please complete and return this form by Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2009.**