Thank you to everyone in this very busy time. We have had a lot of things on and the support we are getting from the community is great. The students have been getting some wonderful experiences both in school and out of school, and the smiles on their faces show the enjoyment they are having learning.

Firstly our Cubs Kindy Transitioning program has started and we have seen a lot of the new faces that will be starting next year. They have been having a fun time doing activities and seeing what big school is all about. If you have a child starting Kindy next year or know of children who might be starting next year, please let the parents know about our program.

On that Thursday we also had our Senior girls Rugby League side represent the Penrith District at the Legends State finals day. The girls did an amazing job. They first defeated Bourke 22-8, then had a close loss to the finalists Cherrybrook 12-10, and finally won the last game 18-8. In the end they just missed out on a semi final spot by 2 points. The girls were also lucky enough to be part of an article by the Daily Telegraph.

The next day we had our Junior Rugby League team play Hassall Grove at St Marys Stadium. It was a hard fought game and in the end we went away 24-18 winners. Well done on a great season. Next week many of those students will be representing the school at the Royce Simmons finals day. We wish them all the best for the day.

Our dancers opened up the Blacktown Music Festival with a bang. They were the first school act on the night and they looked a professional as ever. I even overheard a parent from another school say “why don’t we have graceful dances like that at our school”. It was a hectic night but the kids were really well behaved and a big thank you must go to Mrs May and Miss Haller for all their hard work. Thank you to all the parents that were able to get their students to the hall in the dreadful traffic.
2015 was the year that Crawford had to run the District Athletics Carnival. Thank you to Mr Lowing and the team of teachers that persevered through the horrendous weather conditions. Although not all the events could be finished, the teachers did a great job in reorganising 19 schools and getting a lot caught up on the Tuesday.

We had to postpone the K-2 Athletics carnival and this will be held next week on Thursday 10 September.

Yesterday we had an unbelievable turnout of parents to our ‘Read with you Family and Friends’ initiative for Literacy and Numeracy week. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend and support the love of reading. We had mums, dads, grandmas, teachers and students reading to each other.

This week we have seen our very talented students make sculptures as part of the Crawibold Exhibition. Some of these were absolutely amazing. The Stage 3 Willy Wonka Sculptures gave me a stomach ache just looking at how much chocolate and lollies were used. Each stage took on their own interpretation of the brief and came up with different ways of representing things.

This Sunday we will be having Optus Rock Corps bring 60-80 volunteers. They will be fixing things around the school, repainting some playground games on the concrete, tidying up gardens and painting walls. This is a wonderful initiative and we are very thankful to all the volunteers who will be assisting on the day.

I was truly impressed by the professionalism the students showed when we had our once a term Emergency Drill. I can honestly say that it was the best display of calm in what can be a distressing practice for some students. They walked brilliantly to the evacuation area, sat down and waited for instructions. We never tell the students it is a drill or when it is happening and they just got on with the job.

Tomorrow is Footy Colours Day. Students are asked to dress in their favourite sporting team colours or in mufti and supply a gold coin donation. All money raised will go towards the Fight Cancer Foundation.

Only 2 weeks left of term, wow! We still have the Kindy Farm Excursion, Royce Simmons finals, Regional Athletics Carnival, Stage 3 Milo Cricket, Stage 3 Camp, PBL Reward Day and PBL morning tea.

Richard Ford
Principal
Every week from Thursday 20 August, 2015  
(Term 3 Week 6)  
**Time:** 9:10am—11:00am  
**Place:** Crawford school hall.

- Crawford Cubs is a weekly transition to school playgroup held at Crawford Public School.  
- This is a great opportunity for your child to play with others while developing school readiness skills and becoming familiar with our school environment.  
- It is also a great chance for you to meet other families and receive insightful information from early childhood and primary teachers as well as health professionals.

**K-2 Athletics Carnival-NEW DATE.**  
The K-2 Athletics Carnival will now be held on **Thursday 10 September (weather permitting).** In the event, of wet weather please check our Crawford School App, Facebook and our school website for any updates.  

K-2 Athletics Carnival Organisers  
Miss Buttigieg and Miss Allen

**TERM CALENDAR - WEEKS 8-10**

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Congratulations to the following students who received their PBL badges during our last assembly for being a safe, respectful learner.

KA  Lexine, Sadie, Twyla, Jason and Dylan (White)
KF  Megan, Jasper and Tanisha (White)
K/1H  Crystal, Nevaeh and Ben (White) Xyler (Green)
1/2A  Garv (Maroon)
1/2D  Mia (Maroon)
1/2M  Sierra and Samir (White) Kodi, Josh and Lual (Maroon)
1/2P  Keira (Green), Rami (Maroon)
1/2T  Aya (White), Majok and Ashlee (Green)
1/2V  Riley and Marcellus (Maroon)
3/4B  Brock (Green), Bree-Anna (Bronze), Tilarah (Silver)
3/4L  Jake (Bronze)
5/6T  Keanu (Green), Byron (Gold)

Crawford is taking part once again in the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion.

**It's simple to participate!** From **Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September 2015**, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. You will receive one sticker for every $10 spent. Place the stickers on a sticker sheet and drop in the collection box at school.

At the end of the promotion we are able to exchange the stickers for free teaching resources that will assist children with their learning. The more we collect, the more resources we will earn.

Miss Buttigieg

The office is in need of any outgrown or unwanted white polo shirts and school shorts, tracksuit pants and jumpers/jackets (especially small sizes 4-10).

If you can assist us by donating any items of school clothing it would be greatly appreciated.
With a little over two weeks to go before the end of the term, we have a number of exciting excursions and school events to look forward to.

We will be attending an excursion to Featherdale Wildlife Park with Stage 1, competing in the athletics carnival, learning some valuable social skills and life skills and getting ready for Father’s Day.

Please remember to label jackets and jumpers so they are returned to the right person. Please also check your child’s bag each afternoon for important notes and information that is regularly sent home and remember to promptly send in notes explaining why students have been away from school.

Take care, and I hope to see you all very soon at upcoming school events!

Miss Vaoga
Classroom Teacher – K/2V
Our school contributions for 2015 are now overdue.

$20.00 per student or $35 per family

Teachers are collecting money in the classrooms or the contributions can be given directly to the office.

These funds are collected from all families and form a vital part of our school budget. In order to provide for the quality and variety of opportunities at Crawford we need families to continue to support the Contribution Scheme.

We thank our families for their support.
NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK
To coincide with National Science Week, students and staff at Crawford Public School were privy to a visit from Fizzics Education on Tuesday 18 August. Fizzics Education performed their ‘Big Science Big Fun’ show and demonstrated some interesting experiments relating to electricity, sound, light, air, fire, gravity and colour. Students were able to hypothesise and were provided with expert explanations as to why certain phenomena occur. Students had a fun afternoon learning about science! Thank you Fizzics Education.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS
The school’s front office will be attended Monday - Friday from 8:30am - 3:15pm.

NO SMOKING
The school premises is a Non Smoking Area
Thank you for your cooperation.
Special Swimming Scheme

The Department of Education organises Special “Learn to Swim” classes for NSW Public School students. We have been allocated 60 places for the 30 November - 11 December (Term 4, Weeks 9 and 10) at Emerton Leisure Centre. This is an excellent opportunity for students who are not proficient swimmers to gain competence and confidence with swimming. Our school is giving priority to non-swimmers in Years 2 students only. Notes have been distributed and additional notes are available from the office. Please return your note and payments to your classroom teacher ASAP. Places will be filled on a first come first served basis.

Miss Butttigieg and Mr Atfield
Swimming Scheme Coordinators
How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

For Android users:
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.
1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:
1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.