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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held on October 21, 2011

Dear Stockholder:

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting) of News Corporation (the Company) will be held on October 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time) at the Zanuck Theatre at Fox Studios, 10201 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90035.

A shuttle service will be available to take you to the Annual Meeting from Century Park West Parking Structure, 2030 Century Park West, Los Angeles, California 90067, where complimentary parking for the Annual Meeting will be provided. Parking will not be available at Fox Studios. Please see the map and instructions in Appendix A for parking information and other logistical details. We suggest arriving at least 45 minutes early to allow sufficient time to park, take the shuttle provided by the Company to the meeting site and complete the admission process. You will not be able to enter the Annual Meeting except by the shuttle service provided by the Company.

At the Annual Meeting, stockholders will be asked to:

- elect the 15 Directors identified in this proxy statement to the Board of Directors;
- ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012;
- consider an advisory vote to approve executive compensation;
- consider an advisory vote on the frequency of holding future advisory votes on executive compensation; and
- consider any other business properly brought before the Annual Meeting and any adjournment thereof.

The foregoing items of business are more fully described in the proxy statement accompanying this Notice. **While all of the Company's stockholders and all holders of CHESSE Depositary Interests exchangeable for shares of the Company's common stock are invited to attend the Annual Meeting, only stockholders of record of the Company's Class B Common Stock at the close of business on August 22, 2011 are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting and any adjournment thereof. Holders of the Company's Class A Common Stock are not entitled to vote on the matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof.**

It is important that your shares of the Company's Class B Common Stock be represented and voted at the Annual Meeting. If you are a holder of shares of Class B Common Stock, you may vote those shares by telephone or the Internet by following the instructions on the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials or in the 2011 proxy statement, or if you requested a paper proxy card, you may submit your vote by mail if you prefer. If you attend the Annual Meeting, you may vote your shares in person. Please review the instructions on the proxy card or the information forwarded by your broker, bank or other nominee regarding the voting instructions. You may vote your shares of Class B Common Stock in person even if you previously submitted a proxy. Please note, however, that if your shares of Class B Common Stock are held of record by a broker, bank or other nominee and you wish to vote in person at the Annual Meeting, you must obtain a proxy issued in your name from such broker, bank or other nominee. **Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we**

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urge you to vote your shares of Class B Common Stock by telephone or the Internet or, if you requested a paper proxy card, by completing and returning the proxy card as promptly as possible, prior to the Annual Meeting to ensure that your shares will be represented at the Annual Meeting if you are unable to attend.

If you are planning to attend the Annual Meeting in person, you will be asked to register before entering the Annual Meeting. **You must request an admission ticket in advance and your request must be received by October 17, 2011. All attendees will be required to present the admission ticket and a government-issued photo identification (e.g., driver's license or passport) to enter the Annual Meeting. You may request an admission ticket by:**

if you are a stockholder of record, visiting www.newscoorpannualmeeting.com/2011 and following the instructions provided; sending an e-mail to the Corporate Secretary at 2011AnnualMeeting@newscoor.com providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below; calling the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7000; sending a fax to the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7217 providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below; or sending a request by mail to the Corporate Secretary at News Corporation, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036 providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below.

If you are a stockholder of record, your ownership of the Company's common stock will be verified against the list of stockholders of record as of August 22, 2011 prior to your being issued an admission ticket. **If you are not a stockholder of record and hold your shares of common stock in street name, i.e., your shares of common stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you will need to send a request for an admission ticket either by e-mail, fax or regular mail along with proof of beneficial ownership as of August 22, 2011, such as an account statement or letter from your broker, bank or nominee indicating that you were the beneficial owner of the shares on August 22, 2011, and a copy of the voting instruction card provided by your broker, bank or nominee, or similar evidence of ownership.** Requests for admission tickets will be processed in the order in which they are received and must be received by October 17, 2011.

Seating at the Annual Meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. (Pacific Time). Prior to entering the Annual Meeting, all bags will be subject to search and all persons may be subject to a metal detector and/or hand wand search. Cameras, recording devices and other electronic devices will not be permitted at the Annual Meeting. The security procedures may require additional time, so please plan accordingly. We suggest arriving at least 45 minutes early to the Annual Meeting. **If you do not provide an admission ticket and government-issued photo identification or do not comply with the other registration and security procedures described above, you will not be admitted to the Annual Meeting.**

The Annual Meeting will be audiocast live on the Internet at www.newscoor.com.

In accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, instead of mailing a printed copy of the Company's proxy statement, annual report and other materials (the proxy materials) relating to the Annual Meeting to stockholders, the Company may furnish proxy materials to stockholders on the Internet by mailing a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the Notice of Internet Availability) to inform stockholders when the materials are available on the Internet. If you receive the Notice of Internet Availability by mail, you will not receive a printed copy of the proxy materials unless you specifically request one. Instead, the

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Notice of Internet Availability will instruct you on how you may access and review all of the Company's proxy materials and the Company's annual report, as well as how to submit your proxy, over the Internet. If you receive a Notice of Internet Availability and would still like to receive a printed copy of the Company's proxy materials, including a proxy card or voting instruction card, you should follow the instructions for requesting these materials included in the Notice of Internet Availability.

If you would like to register to receive materials relating to next year's annual meeting of stockholders electronically instead of by mail, please go to www.newscorp.com/investor/ElectronicDelivery.html and follow the instructions to enroll. We highly recommend that you consider electronic delivery of these documents as it helps lower the Company's costs and reduce the amount of paper mailed to your home.

Laura A. Cleveland

Corporate Secretary

New York, New York

September 2, 2011

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YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY SHARES OF THE COMPANY S CLASS B COMMON STOCK YOU OWN AS OF THE RECORD DATE, PLEASE VOTE YOUR SHARES BY TELEPHONE OR INTERNET, OR IF YOU HAVE REQUESTED A PAPER PROXY CARD, BY COMPLETING, SIGNING AND DATING THE PROXY CARD AND RETURNING IT IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED, WHICH IS ADDRESSED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE AND NEEDS NO POSTAGE IF MAILED IN THE UNITED STATES. IN ORDER TO AVOID THE ADDITIONAL EXPENSE TO THE COMPANY OF FURTHER SOLICITATION, THE COMPANY ASKS YOUR COOPERATION IN PROMPTLY SUBMITTING YOUR VOTE BY TELEPHONE, INTERNET OR PROXY CARD.

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1211 Avenue of the Americas

New York, New York, 10036

PROXY STATEMENT

Annual Meeting of Stockholders October 21, 2011

GENERAL

Persons Making the Solicitation

This proxy statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation by the Board of Directors (the **Board**) of News Corporation (the **Company**) of proxies for use at an Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the **Annual Meeting**) to be held on October 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time) at the Zanuck Theatre at Fox Studios, 10201 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90035 and at any adjournment thereof.

A shuttle service will be available to take you to the Annual Meeting from Century Park West Parking Structure, 2030 Century Park West, Los Angeles, California 90067, where complimentary parking for the Annual Meeting will be provided. Parking will not be available at Fox Studios. Please see the map and instructions in Appendix A for parking information and other logistical details. We suggest arriving at least 45 minutes early to allow sufficient time to park, take the shuttle provided by the Company to the meeting site and complete the admission process. You will not be able to enter the Annual Meeting except by the shuttle service provided by the Company.

This proxy statement is first being mailed to stockholders on or about September 2, 2011. You are requested to submit your proxy in order to ensure that your shares are represented at the Annual Meeting.

The expense of soliciting proxies will be borne by the Company. Proxies will be solicited principally through the use of the mail, but Directors, officers and regular employees of the Company may solicit proxies personally, by telephone or special letter without any additional compensation. Also, the Company will reimburse banks, brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for any reasonable expenses in forwarding proxy materials to beneficial owners.

Outstanding Shares

The Company has two classes of common stock, Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (**Class A Common Stock**), and Class B Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (**Class B Common Stock**, and together with the Class A Common Stock, the **Common Stock**). Holders of Class B Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Holders of Class A Common Stock are not entitled to vote on the matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting. All references to **you**, **your**, **yours** or other words of similar import in this proxy statement refer to holders of Class B Common Stock.

The Company's shares are also traded on the Australian Stock Exchange in the form of CHESS Depository Interests (**CDIs**). CDIs are exchangeable, at the option of the holder, into shares of either Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock, whichever is applicable, at the rate of one CDI per one such share of Common Stock.

Record Date

Only holders of record of shares of Class B Common Stock at the close of business on August 22, 2011 (the **Record Date**) are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponement

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thereof. **Holders of Class A Common Stock are not entitled to vote on the matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting.** As of the Record Date, there were 798,520,953 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding held by approximately 1,259 holders of record. Each share of Class B Common Stock is entitled to one vote per share on all matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting. A list of the stockholders of record as of the Record Date will be available at the Annual Meeting and at the Company's principal executive offices during the ten (10) days prior to the Annual Meeting.

If your shares of Class B Common Stock are registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., you are a stockholder of record, and these proxy materials are being sent directly to you from the Company. As the stockholder of record, you have the right to grant your voting proxy directly to the Company or to vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

If your shares of Class B Common Stock are held in street name, meaning your shares of Class B Common Stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are the beneficial owner of these shares and these proxy materials are being forwarded to you by your broker, bank or nominee, who is considered the stockholder of record with respect to such shares. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker, bank or nominee on how to vote and you will receive instructions from your broker, bank or other nominee describing how to vote your shares of Class B Common Stock. However, since you are not the stockholder of record, you may not vote these shares of Class B Common Stock in person at the Annual Meeting unless you obtain a signed proxy from the stockholder of record (i.e., your broker, bank or nominee) giving you the right to vote such shares.

Holders of CDIs exchangeable for Class B Common Stock (Class B CDIs) have a right to direct CHESSE Depository Nominees Pty Ltd. (CDN), the legal holder of the CDIs, on how it should vote with respect to the proposals described in this proxy statement.

Internet Availability of Proxy Materials

In accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), instead of mailing a printed copy of the Company's proxy statement, annual report and other materials (the proxy materials) relating to the Annual Meeting to stockholders, the Company may furnish proxy materials to stockholders on the Internet by providing a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the Notice of Internet Availability) to inform stockholders when the materials are available on the Internet. If you receive the Notice of Internet Availability by mail, you will not receive a printed copy of the proxy materials unless you specifically request one. Instead, the Notice of Internet Availability will instruct you on how you may access and review all of the Company's proxy materials, as well as how to submit your proxy, over the Internet. If you receive a Notice of Internet Availability and would still like to receive a printed copy of the Company's proxy materials, including a proxy card or voting instruction card, you should follow the instructions for requesting these materials included in the Notice of Internet Availability.

The Company intends to commence distribution of the Notice of Internet Availability to stockholders on or about September 2, 2011.

The Company will first make available the proxy solicitation materials at www.proxyvote.com on or about September 2, 2011 to all stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. You may also request a printed copy of the proxy solicitation materials by any of the following methods: via Internet at www.proxyvote.com; by telephone at 1-800-579-1639; or by sending an e-mail to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. Our 2011 annual report to stockholders will be made available at the same time and by the same methods.

If you are a CDI holder, you may also request a printed copy of the proxy solicitation materials and our 2011 annual report to stockholders by any of the following methods: via Internet at www.investorvote.com.au; or by telephone at 1300-652-536 (within Australia) or 613-9415-4883 (outside of Australia).

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Only one copy of this proxy statement is being delivered to multiple stockholders sharing an address unless the stockholders have notified the Company of their desire to receive multiple copies of the proxy statement. The Company will promptly deliver, upon oral or written request, a separate copy of the proxy statement to any stockholder residing at a shared address to which only one copy was mailed. Requests for additional copies of the proxy statement for the current year or future years should be directed to the Corporate Secretary at News Corporation, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036. Alternatively, additional copies of this proxy statement may be requested via Internet at www.proxyvote.com, by telephone at 1-800-579-1639, or by sending an email to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. Stockholders of record residing at the same address and currently receiving multiple copies of the proxy statement may contact the Corporate Secretary to request that only a single copy of the proxy statement be mailed in the future.

Voting and Submission of Proxies

The persons named on the proxy card and on the Company's voting website at www.proxyvote.com (the proxy holders) have been designated by the Board to vote the shares represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting. The proxy holders are officers of the Company. They will vote the shares represented by each valid and timely received proxy in accordance with the stockholder's instructions, or if no instructions are specified, the shares represented by the proxy will be voted FOR Proposals 1, 2 and 3 and, with respect to Proposal 4, for holding an advisory vote on executive compensation every ONE year in accordance with the recommendations of the Board as described in this proxy statement. If any other matter properly comes before the Annual Meeting, the proxy holders will vote on that matter in their discretion.

If you are a holder of Class B Common Stock, telephone and Internet voting is available 24 hours a day through 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the day before the meeting date or the applicable cut-off date. If you are located in the United States or Canada and are a stockholder of record, you can vote your shares by calling toll-free 1-800-690-6903. Whether you are a stockholder of record or a beneficial owner, you can also vote your shares by Internet at www.proxyvote.com. Both the telephone and Internet voting systems have easy to follow instructions on how you may vote your shares and allow you to confirm that the system has properly recorded your vote. If you are voting your shares by telephone or Internet, you should have in hand when you call or access the website, as applicable, the Notice of Internet Availability or the proxy card or voting instruction card (for those holders who have received, by request, a hard copy of the proxy card or voting instruction card). If you vote by telephone or Internet, you do not need to return your proxy card to the Company. A telephone or Internet proxy must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the day before the meeting date or the applicable cut-off date.

If you have received, by request, a hard copy of the proxy card or voting instruction card, and wish to submit your proxy by mail, you must complete, sign and date the proxy card or voting instruction card and return it in the envelope provided so that it is received prior to the Annual Meeting.

If you hold Class B CDIs, Internet voting is available 24 hours a day through 5:00 p.m. (Australian Eastern Time) on October 19, 2011. You may vote your CDIs by Internet at www.investorvote.com.au. The Internet system has easy to follow instructions on how you may vote your CDIs and allows you to confirm that the system has properly recorded your vote. If you vote your CDIs by Internet, you should have in hand when you access the website the Notice of Internet Availability or the voting instruction card (for those CDI holders who have received, by request, a hard copy of the voting instruction card). If you vote your CDIs by Internet, you do not need to return your voting instruction form to the Company. If you have received, by request, a hard copy of the voting instruction card, and wish to submit your vote by mail, you should complete and return the voting instruction card to CDN by 5:00 p.m. (Australian Eastern Time) on October 19, 2011.

While the Company encourages holders of Class B Common Stock to vote by proxy, you also have the option of voting your shares of Class B Common Stock in person at the Annual Meeting. If your shares of Class B Common Stock are registered directly in your name with the Company's transfer agent, you are considered the

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stockholder of record with respect to such shares of Class B Common Stock and you have the right to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person, subject to compliance with the procedures described below. If your shares of Class B Common Stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are the beneficial owner of such shares. As such, in order to attend the Annual Meeting or vote in person, you must obtain and provide when you request an admission ticket a properly executed proxy from the stockholder of record (i.e., your broker, bank or other nominee) giving you the right to vote the shares of Class B Common Stock.

Revocation of Proxies

A proxy may be changed or revoked by a stockholder at any time prior to the voting at the Annual Meeting:

- if you are a holder of record of Class B Common Stock, by notifying in writing our Corporate Secretary, Laura A. Cleveland, at News Corporation, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036;
- by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person (your attendance at the Annual Meeting will not by itself revoke your proxy);
- by submitting a later-dated proxy card;
- if you voted by telephone or Internet, by voting a second time by telephone or Internet; or
- if you have instructed a broker, bank or other nominee to vote your shares, by following the directions received from your broker, bank or other nominee to change those instructions.

Class B CDI holders may change prior voting instructions by submitting a later-dated CDI voting instruction form before 5:00 p.m. (Australian Eastern Time) on October 19, 2011. Revocation of prior voting instructions must be submitted in writing and received before 5:00 p.m. (Australian Eastern Time) on October 19, 2011.

Attending the Annual Meeting in Person

While all of the Company's stockholders and all holders of CDIs exchangeable for shares of Common Stock are invited to attend the Annual Meeting, only holders of Class B Common Stock are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. As discussed above, if your shares of Class B Common Stock are registered directly in your name with the Company's transfer agent, you are considered the stockholder of record with respect to such shares of Class B Common Stock and you have the right to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person, subject to compliance with the procedures described below. If your shares of Class B Common Stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are the beneficial owner of such shares. As such, in order to attend the Annual Meeting or vote in person, you must obtain and present at the time of admission a properly executed proxy from the stockholder of record giving you the right to vote the shares of Class B Common Stock.

If you are planning to attend the Annual Meeting in person, you will be asked to register prior to entering the Annual Meeting. **You must request an admission ticket in advance and your request must be received by October 17, 2011. All attendees will be required to present the admission ticket and a government-issued photo identification (e.g., driver's license or passport) to enter the Annual Meeting. You may request an admission ticket by:**

- if you are a stockholder of record, visiting www.newscorannualmeeting.com/2011 and following the instructions provided;
- sending an e-mail to the Corporate Secretary at 2011AnnualMeeting@newscorp.com providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below;
- calling the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7000;
- sending a fax to the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7217 providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below; or

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If you are a stockholder of record, your ownership of Common Stock will be verified against the list of stockholders of record as of the Record Date prior to being issued an admission ticket. **If you are not a stockholder of record and hold your shares of Common Stock in street name, i.e., your shares of Common Stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you will need to send a request for an admission ticket either by e-mail, fax or regular mail along with proof of beneficial ownership as of the Record Date, such as an account statement or letter from your broker, bank or nominee indicating that you were the beneficial owner of the shares on the Record Date, and a copy of the voting instruction card provided by your broker, bank or nominee, or similar evidence of ownership.** Requests for admission tickets will be processed in the order in which they are received and must be received by October 17, 2011.

Seating at the Annual Meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. (Pacific Time). Prior to entering the Annual Meeting, all bags will be subject to search and all persons may be subject to a metal detector and/or hand wand search. Cameras, recording devices and other electronic devices will not be permitted at the Annual Meeting. The security procedures may require additional time, so please plan accordingly. We suggest arriving at least 45 minutes early to the Annual Meeting. **If you do not provide an admission ticket and government-issued photo identification or do not comply with the other registration and security procedures described above, you will not be admitted to the Annual Meeting.**

If you require any special accommodations at the Annual Meeting due to a disability, please contact the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7000 or send an email to 2011AnnualMeeting@newscorp.com and identify your specific need no later than October 17, 2011.

The Annual Meeting will be audiocast live on the Internet at www.newscorp.com.

Required Vote

Quorum. In order for the Company to conduct the Annual Meeting, a majority of the holders of Class B Common Stock outstanding as of the Record Date must be present in person or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum at the Annual Meeting. A broker non-vote occurs when you do not give your broker or nominee instructions on how to vote your shares of Class B Common Stock. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we urge you to vote your shares of Class B Common Stock by submitting your proxy by telephone or the Internet or, if you requested a hard copy of the proxy card or voting instruction card, by completing and returning the proxy card or voting instruction card as promptly as possible in the accompanying postage-paid envelope prior to the Annual Meeting to ensure that your shares of Class B Common Stock will be represented at the Annual Meeting if you are unable to attend and so that the Company will know as soon as possible that enough votes will be present for the Annual Meeting to be held.

Election of Directors. In an uncontested election, each Director shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast. This means that the number of votes cast for a Director's election exceeds the number of votes cast against that Director's election. A properly executed proxy marked ABSTAIN with respect to the election of one or more Directors or shares held by a broker for which voting instructions have not been given will not be counted as a vote cast either for or against with respect to the Director or Directors indicated. If you do not instruct your broker, bank or other nominee how to vote in the election of Directors, no votes will be cast on your behalf. In a contested election where the number of nominees for Director exceeds the number of Directors to be elected, each Director shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast.

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Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. Ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012 requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting to be voted FOR the proposal. Abstentions and broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome of the votes cast on this proposal.

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation. We will consider this proposal to be approved, on an advisory basis, if this proposal receives the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting to be voted FOR the proposal. Abstentions and shares held by a broker for which voting instructions have not been given will not be counted as a vote cast either for or against executive compensation.

Advisory Vote on Frequency of Future Advisory Votes on Executive Compensation. The frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation (e.g., once every ONE, TWO or THREE years) receiving the greatest number of votes cast at the Annual Meeting shall be considered the frequency recommended by stockholders. Abstentions and shares held by a broker for which voting instructions have not been given will not be counted as a vote cast for any frequency.

Other Items. Under the Company's Amended and Restated By-laws (the By-laws) and the NASDAQ Stock Market (NASDAQ) listing rules, approval of each other proposal to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting to be voted FOR the proposal. A properly executed proxy marked ABSTAIN with respect to any proposal and broker non-votes will not be counted as a vote cast FOR or AGAINST that proposal.

All shares of Class B Common Stock represented by properly executed proxies, which are returned and not revoked, will be voted in accordance with your instructions. If no instructions are provided in a properly executed proxy, the number of shares of Class B Common Stock represented by such proxy will be voted:

FOR the election of each of the Director nominees;

FOR the ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012;

FOR, on an advisory basis, the approval of executive compensation; on an advisory basis, for the option of every ONE year, as the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation; and

in accordance with the holder of the proxy's discretion as to any other matters raised at the Annual Meeting. The Company has received notice from a stockholder of an intent to propose a resolution at the Annual Meeting requesting that the Board require the Chair of the Board to be an independent member of the Board. We have actively engaged in a good faith discussion with the proponent to address its concerns. In the event such proposal is presented properly at the Annual Meeting, the named proxies will have discretionary voting authority with respect to the proposal and intend to exercise such discretion to vote AGAINST such proposal.

A representative of Computershare Trust Company, N.A. has been appointed to act as inspector of election for the Annual Meeting and will tabulate the votes.

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The following table lists the nominees for election as Directors under Proposal 1. Kenneth E. Cowley AO and Thomas J. Perkins, currently Directors, have not been nominated for re-election to the Board. Each Director is to hold office until the next annual meeting or until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified. If, for any reason, any of the Director nominees become unavailable for election, the proxy holders may exercise discretion to vote for a substitute nominee proposed by the Board. The information with respect to principal occupation or employment, other affiliations and business experience was furnished to the Company by the respective Director nominee. The ages shown are as of July 31, 2011. Each of the Director nominees has indicated that he or she will be able to serve if elected and has agreed to do so.

Name and Age	Business Experience and Directorships	Director Since
<p><i>K. Rupert Murdoch AC</i></p> <p>(80)</p>	<p>K. Rupert Murdoch AC has been Chief Executive Officer of the Company since 1979 and its Chairman since 1991. Mr. K.R. Murdoch served as a Director of British Sky Broadcasting plc (BSKyB) from 1990 to 2007, as a Director of Gemstar-TV Guide International Inc. (Gemstar-TV Guide) from 2001 to 2008 and as a Director of The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (DIRECTV) from 2003 to 2008. Mr. K.R. Murdoch is the father of Messrs. J.R. Murdoch and L.K. Murdoch.</p> <p>Mr. K. R. Murdoch has been the driving force behind the evolution of the Company from the single, family-owned Australian newspaper he took over in 1953 to the global public media company it is today. Mr. K.R. Murdoch brings to the Board invaluable knowledge and expertise regarding the Company s history and provides strong operational leadership and broad strategic vision for the Company s future.</p>	<p>1979</p>
<p><i>José María Aznar</i></p> <p>(58)</p>	<p>José María Aznar has been a Director of the Company since 2006. Mr. Aznar has been the President of the Foundation for Social Studies and Analysis since 1989. Mr. Aznar has been a Distinguished Scholar at the Edmund A. Walsh School of Georgetown University since 2004. Mr. Aznar is the Honoric President of the Partido Popular of Spain and served as its Executive President from 1990 to 2004. Mr. Aznar was a member of The State Council of Spain from 2005 to 2006. Mr. Aznar served as the President of Spain from the 1996 to 2004.</p> <p>Mr. Aznar, with his extensive background, including serving as President of Spain, brings knowledge, expertise and an international perspective to the Board, providing valuable insight into political and governmental matters throughout the world, with a unique and deep knowledge with respect to several countries in which the Company operates.</p>	<p>2006</p>

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Natalie Bancroft (31)	Natalie Bancroft has been a Director of the Company since 2007. Ms. Bancroft is a professionally trained opera singer, has studied journalism and is a graduate of L Institut de Ribaupierre in Lausanne, Switzerland. In connection with the Company's acquisition of Dow Jones & Company, Inc. (Dow Jones), Ms. Bancroft was appointed as a Director pursuant to the terms of an agreement whereby the Company agreed to elect a member of the Bancroft family or another mutually agreed upon individual to the Board. Ms. Bancroft has a culturally diverse background, having lived across Europe. She also speaks several languages fluently. Ms. Bancroft's youth, female perspective and international education and experience add valuable diversity and perspective to the deliberations of the Board.	2007
Peter L. Barnes (68)	See Certain Relationships and Related-Party Transactions for additional information. Peter L. Barnes has been a Director of the Company since 2004 and is a member of the Audit Committee. Mr. Barnes has been a Director of Ansell Limited since 2001 and its Chairman since 2005. Mr. Barnes has been a Director of Metcash Limited since 1999, serving as its Chairman since 2010. Mr. Barnes served in various senior management positions in the United States, the United Kingdom and Asia at Philip Morris International Inc. from 1971 to 1998, including as President of Philip Morris Asia Inc. Mr. Barnes brings to the Board the leadership, operational and financial skills gained in his several roles at Philip Morris, as well as through his service as a Director at a number of private and public companies, including his service as Chairman of several of these companies.	2004
James W. Breyer (50)	James W. Breyer has been a Partner of Accel Partners, a venture capital firm, since 1987 and is the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Breyer Capital, a global diversified investment firm. Mr. Breyer has been a Director of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. since 2001 and currently serves as its Presiding Director. Since 2009, Mr. Breyer has served as a Director of Dell Inc. where he is the Chairman of its Finance Committee. Mr. Breyer serves as a Director of several privately-held companies including Facebook, Brightcove and Legendary Pictures and served as a Director of Marvel Entertainment, Inc. from 2006 to 2009 and a Director of RealNetworks, Inc. from 1995 to 2008. As a Partner at a leading venture capital firm and an investor in a diverse portfolio of companies, including numerous consumer Internet, media, and technology companies, Mr. Breyer has significant experience in strategic planning and investment management. His entrepreneurial vision, investment expertise and in-depth knowledge of new and existing technologies offer valuable insight into industries relevant to the Company's business operations.	

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Chase Carey (57)	Chase Carey has been the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company and Deputy Chairman of the Board since July 2009. Mr. Carey previously served the Company in numerous roles beginning in 1988, including as Co-Chief Operating Officer from 1996 to 2002, as a consultant from 2002 to 2003 and as a Director from 1996 to 2007. Mr. Carey has served as the Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Sky Deutschland AG, a German pay-television operator and affiliate of the Company, since July 2010. Mr. Carey served as a President and Chief Executive Officer of DIRECTV from 2003 to 2009 and as a Director of DIRECTV from 2003 to June 2010. Mr. Carey also served as a Director of BSKyB from 2003 to 2008, as a Director of Gateway, Inc. from 1996 to 2006 and as a Director of Yell Finance B.V. from 2004 to 2007.	2009
	As the Company's President, Chief Operating Officer and Deputy Chairman, Mr. Carey is a key member of the Company's management team. He has a broad and deep understanding of the Company and its operations, having served in a variety of leadership positions within the Company and with its affiliates for over 21 years. Mr. Carey brings valuable executive leadership experience to the Board, as well as unparalleled expertise in the media and satellite television industries. He also brings his experience of having served on the boards of other large public companies.	
David F. DeVoe (64)	David F. DeVoe has been a Director of the Company and its Chief Financial Officer since 1990. Mr. DeVoe has served as Senior Executive Vice President of the Company since 1996. Mr. DeVoe has been a Director of BSKyB since 1994 and a Director of NDS Group Limited (NDS) since 1996. He served as a Director of Gemstar-TV Guide from 2001 to 2008 and as a Director of DIRECTV from 2003 to 2008.	1990
	Mr. DeVoe is a key member of the Company's management team as a member of the Office of the Chairman and as the Company's Chief Financial Officer with responsibility for all financial matters of the Company. Mr. DeVoe provides a critical link between the management of the financial function of the Company and the Board, enabling the Board to perform its oversight function with the benefit of management's knowledge and perspective on the business.	
Viet Dinh (43)	Viet Dinh has been a Director of the Company since 2004 and serves as Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and as a member of the Compensation Committee. He also reports to the Board on the work of the Management and Standards Committee (the MSC) that was created by the Company to have oversight of, and take responsibility for, all matters related to the <i>News of the World</i> phone hacking case. Mr. Dinh has been a Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center since 1996. Mr. Dinh is a Member of Bancroft Associates PLLC, a law firm he founded in 2003. He also has been the General Counsel and Corporate Secretary for Strayer Education, Inc. since 2010. He served as an Assistant Attorney General for Legal Policy in the U.S. Department of Justice from 2001 to 2003. Mr. Dinh has served as a Director of M&F Worldwide Corp. since 2007, and served as a Director of The Orchard Enterprises, Inc. from 2007 to 2010.	2004
	As a member of the Company's Board, Mr. Dinh offers the Company his experience, intellect and acute knowledge of and contacts within the U.S. government. He teaches on issues of corporate governance and brings to the Board and the committees on which he serves corporate governance expertise, which is also strengthened by his current and former service on the boards of other public companies.	

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<i>Sir Roderick I. Eddington</i> (61)	Sir Roderick I. Eddington has been a Director of the Company since 1999 and the Lead Director since 2006, and serves as the Chairman of the Audit Committee and as a member of the Compensation Committee. Sir Roderick Eddington has served as Non-Executive Chairman, Australia and New Zealand of J.P. Morgan since 2006. He served as a Director and the Chief Executive of British Airways Plc from 2000 to 2005 and as the Managing Director of Cathay Pacific Airways from 1992 to 1996. Sir Roderick Eddington has been a Director of John Swire & Sons Pty Ltd since 1997, a Director of CLP Holdings Limited since 2006 and a Director of Lion Nathan National Food Pty Ltd since 2011. Sir Roderick Eddington served as a Director of Allco Finance Group Limited from 2006 to 2009 and as a Director of Rio Tinto plc from 2005 to 2011.	1999
<i>Joel I. Klein</i> (64)	As the former chief executive of a large public company, Sir Roderick Eddington brings to the Board and his role as Lead Director strong leadership and extensive business, strategic and operational experience. He is particularly knowledgeable and has extensive experience in the Asian, Australian and European markets, all of which are key markets for the Company. His experience as a director at other large public companies is also a valuable resource for the Board.	
	Joel I. Klein has been a Director and Executive Vice President, Office of the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Education Division of the Company since 2011. He also oversees the MSC. He was the New York City schools chancellor from 2002 through 2010. He was the U.S. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Bertelsmann, Inc. and Chief U.S. Liaison Officer to Bertelsmann AG from 2001 to 2002. Mr. Klein also served with the Clinton administration in a number of roles, including Deputy White House Counsel from 1993 to 1995.	2011
	As a member of the Office of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company's Education Division, Mr. Klein is a key member of the management team. His experience leading the largest public school system in the United States and contacts in the education industry position him as an excellent executive for our growing education business. Mr. Klein brings to the Board strong leadership skills gained from his decades of service in the private and public sectors. His leadership abilities and prosecutorial experience make him uniquely qualified to provide oversight and guidance to the MSC.	

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<i>Andrew S.B. Knight</i> (71)	<p>Andrew S. B. Knight has been a Director of the Company since 1991 and serves as Chairman of the Compensation Committee and as a member of the Audit Committee. Mr. Knight has been the Non-Executive Chairman of J. Rothschild Capital Management Limited since April 2011 after serving as the Executive Chairman since 2008. Mr. Knight was the Chairman of News International, a subsidiary of the Company, from 1990 to 1995. Mr. Knight also served as the Chief Executive Officer of Daily Telegraph plc from 1986 to 1989 and Editor of The Economist from 1974 to 1986. Mr. Knight served as a Director of Templeton Emerging Markets Investments Trust from 2003 to 2008 and a Director of Rothschild Investment Trust Capital Partners plc from 1997 to 2008. Mr. Knight also served as a Director of The Reader's Digest Association, Inc. from 2007 to 2009.</p> <p>As the former head of the Company's U.K. operations and through his extensive service as a Director of the Company, Mr. Knight brings to the Board his broad understanding of the Company's operations and culture. In addition, his financial acumen and experience as an executive and director at various investment funds and financial institutions are assets to the Board and the committees on which he serves.</p>	1991
<i>James R. Murdoch</i> (38)	<p>James R. Murdoch has been a Director of the Company since 2007 and its Deputy Chief Operating Officer and Chairman and CEO, International since 2011, after serving as the Company's Chairman and Chief Executive, Europe and Asia beginning in 2007. Mr. J.R. Murdoch was the Chief Executive Officer of BSKyB from 2003 to 2007. Mr. J.R. Murdoch has served as a Director of BSKyB since 2003 and as its Non-Executive Chairman since 2007. Mr. J.R. Murdoch has served as a Director of NDS since 2009. Mr. J.R. Murdoch was the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of STAR Group Limited, a subsidiary of the Company, from 2000 to 2003. Mr. J.R. Murdoch previously served as an Executive Vice President of the Company, and served as a member of the Board from 2000 to 2003. Mr. J.R. Murdoch has served as a Director of GlaxoSmithKline plc since 2009 and as a Director of Sotheby's since May 2010. Mr. J.R. Murdoch is the son of Mr. K.R. Murdoch and the brother of Mr. L.K. Murdoch.</p> <p>Mr. J.R. Murdoch is a key member of the Company's management team, as the Deputy Chief Operating Officer with continuing direct responsibility for the Company's European and Asian operations. Mr. J.R. Murdoch has served in a number of leadership positions within the Company and at its affiliates over the past 15 years. His broad-based experience, extensive knowledge of international markets, unique understanding of emerging technologies and strategic perspective of the Company's business and operations enable him to be a valuable resource for the Board.</p>	2007

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<p><i>Lachlan K. Murdoch</i></p> <p>(39)</p>	<p>Lachlan K. Murdoch has been a Director of the Company since 1996. Mr. L.K. Murdoch has served as a Director of Ten Network Holdings Limited since 2010 and as its Acting Chief Executive Officer since 2011. Mr. L.K. Murdoch has served as the Executive Chairman of Illyria Pty Ltd, a private investment company, since 2005. Mr. L.K. Murdoch served as an advisor to the Company from 2005 to 2007, and served as its Deputy Chief Operating Officer from 2000 to 2005. Mr. L.K. Murdoch is the son of Mr. K.R. Murdoch and the brother of Mr. J.R. Murdoch.</p> <p>Mr. L.K. Murdoch brings a wealth of knowledge regarding the Company's operations, as well as management and strategic skills to the Board. Mr. L.K. Murdoch has extensive experience serving in several senior leadership positions within the Company, in particular as head of News Limited, the <i>New York Post</i> and as the Deputy Chief Operating Officer of the Company.</p>	<p>1996</p>
<p><i>Arthur M. Siskind</i></p> <p>(72)</p>	<p>Arthur M. Siskind has been a Director of the Company since 1991 and the Senior Advisor to the Chairman of the Company since 2005. Mr. Siskind served as the Company's Group General Counsel from 1991 to 2005, as Senior Executive Vice President from 1996 to 2005 and as Executive Vice President from 1991 to 1996. Mr. Siskind has served as a Director of BSKyB since 1991 and as a Director of NDS from 1996 to 2009. Mr. Siskind was an Adjunct Professor of Law at the Cornell Law School from 2007 to 2009 and was an Adjunct Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center from 2005 to 2007. Mr. Siskind was elected to the Cornell University Council effective July 1, 2011. Mr. Siskind has been a Member of the Bar of the State of New York since 1962.</p> <p>Mr. Siskind has a deep knowledge of the Company and its operations, having served as the Group General Counsel of the Company for 14 years and as Senior Advisor to the Chairman for more than six years. Mr. Siskind has significant experience in corporate and securities law and corporate governance matters.</p>	<p>1991</p>

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<i>John L. Thornton</i> (57)	John L. Thornton has been a Director of the Company since 2004 and serves as a member of the Compensation and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees. Mr. Thornton has been a Professor and Director of the Global Leadership Program at Tsinghua University School of Economics and Management in Beijing since 2003 and a Director and Non-Executive Chairman of HSBC North America Holdings Inc. since 2008. Mr. Thornton served as President and Co-Chief	