



*We learn. We show respect.  
We are safe.*

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August, Term 3, 2017

*"Golden Past, Bright Futures"*

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# Clunes Primary School

## Newsletter

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Term 3	
August 21 <sup>st</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup>	Book Week (25 <sup>th</sup> will be Focus Day and Dress up)
August 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup>	Mobile Eye Tests
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wesley College Concert (pm)
August 30 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup>	Mobile Eye Tests
5 <sup>th</sup> September	Hot Lunch Day
11 <sup>th</sup> September	Mobile Eye Tests
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Mobile Eye Tests
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Disco

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I certainly hope that everyone has been staying warm and dry. Just when it seems that the sun has finally made its way out from behind the clouds, another cloud rolls over and rain ensues. It's been another busy fortnight here at Clunes Primary and we are more than half way through the term already! Scary thought really...

### Book Week

As you know, it is Book Week this week. The importance of reading at home on a regular basis cannot be overstated. We are so lucky in Australia to have so many talented authors and illustrators. A massive thank you to parents who dedicate time to read with their children every day. You are making a huge difference and giving your children the absolute best preparation for learning into the future. Tomorrow, we will be holding our Focus Day and Book Week parade. The playground has been a buzz of excitement this week with many students discussing and comparing costumes for the big day. We are all very much looking forward to it.

### Uniforms

I have noticed that there are more and more students arriving at school without proper school uniforms. Whilst we do understand that this can't be helped at times, we would appreciate it if parents could make the effort to send children to school in full school uniform. Maintaining pride in our school is very important to our school community and this is one way we can ensure it continues to happen.

## Inagawa Visit

Last Monday we hosted a delegation of students from Ballarat's Sister City, Inagawa in Japan. It was a fantastic morning. The Japanese students spent approximately half an hour in each of the classrooms completing some fun and engaging activities with our students. It was wonderful to see our students using some of the Japanese language that they had learned from Mr. Hoffman's classes. The day culminated in a presentation of a traditional Japanese song and dance from our guests.

## School Pickup

Just a quick reminder to parents that school pickup is from 3:00pm. We have had a couple of instances where parents have phoned in at five minutes before the bell to get a message relayed, which makes it a little bit difficult.

## ES Week

This week we celebrated Education Support week. Clunes Primary School is so lucky to have a group of hardworking, diligent and dedicated ES staff. Without them, we would be at a loss! So, to Jill, Alisha, Jan, Val, Liz and Marnie, we thank you very much for all of the effort you put it to our school and our children. It remains very much appreciated.

## Energy Breakthrough Teams

After a lot of hard work and discussion the 2017 Energy Breakthrough Team has been decided. This year there were so many students interested in the teams which made team selection a very tedious process for our team managers. It is with great pleasure that I announce the HPV team for this year.

### Pit Crew

**Liam  
Oliver  
Phillip**

**Lizzy  
Ashley  
Charlotte**

### Riders

**Jamie  
Nick  
Jordon  
Blayze  
Jacob**

**Liliana  
Hannah  
Kaitlyn  
Ashlynn  
Maya**

Well done guys! We know that you will do us proud!

## NAPLAN

As you would know, your child's NAPLAN results were sent home this week. We know that NAPLAN can cause students, parents (and schools!) a lot of stress and worry. Rest assured that regardless of the results, we are continuing to work hard every day in partnership with parents to provide the best learning for our children. Over the next few weeks as a staff we will analyse and unpack the NAPLAN data and work towards continually improving and refining what we do. It is worth acknowledging the hard work of our staff in working towards improvement. The learning 'growth' results that we have looked at so far are very positive. More will be shared with the community in weeks to come.

## Cooking

The recipes we have been using are sourced from [Marketfresh.com.au](http://Marketfresh.com.au) which has great healthy eating ideas under the "resource" tab. We have been cooking Green Minestrone Soup and Lavosh - a Turkish biscuit.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 3	
Our Term 3 You Can Do It focus is: <b>Perseverance</b>	
Prep/ 1B - Zahra, Amelia	1/2H – Ella,
Year 2/ 3D- James, Elijah, Grace,	3/ 4LM- Tara, Olivia
5/ 6 A- Campbell, Lizzy	5/ 6 W/T- Jacob, Libby
Principal's Award – Ella, Jaiden	

Bus Traveller's Awards- Lexi, Zahra, Killian,

## BREKKY CLUB NEWS

### DID YOU KNOW THAT 1 IN 7 KIDS GO TO SCHOOL WITHOUT THE MOST IMPORTANT MEAL OF THE DAY?

We are fortunate at Clunes PS to have a number of volunteers from the wider community come in each week to help out at BREAKFAST CLUB! However, during **Term 3** Chaplain Julie will be on long-service leave and some of our volunteers are unavailable. If you would be interested in being part of a team to keep Brekky Club running during Term 3 then please speak to Julie or email her: [mcdowell.julie.j@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:mcdowell.julie.j@edumail.vic.gov.au) . (Working With Children's Check required - WWCC)  
(Breakfast Club runs **Thursday mornings 7.45 – 8.45am**; tasks include set up, service and clean up)

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Some photos from our  
Japanese visit

