

We learn. We show respect.

Thursday 30th May, 2019

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Clunes Primary School Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please see Term 2 #draft 3 Calendar on back page

updates across the Term will be highlighted in pink

Dear Parents/Caregivers, Students, Staff and wider Clunes Community Members,

Please meet **Kyrah** our newly elected

Student Principal for a day



Whilst the majority of our Year 5s were successfully engaged in NAPLAN Online, our Year 6s were completing a Civics and Citizenship focus on our Australian Parliamentary system, election processes and voting! This new learning aligned with the lead up to the Federal Election and mirrored a Civics and Citizenship focus in their classrooms.

To make sense of all the processes we aligned our learning with electing an inaugural <u>Year 6 Student Principal for a day</u>.

Our current School Captains chose to opt out of the process. (Governor Generals as such ^(C)) I was particularly proud that 8 of a possible 12 students self-nominated, or were nominated for the role. The students wrote speeches, gave speeches and we later followed a preferential voting system. (Scrutineer was Julie, 2 students gave pre-poll votes, 1 Informal vote, no 'Donkey' votes!) **Kyrah was duly elected!** Kyrah will be our Student Principal for a day this coming **Monday 3rd June**. She will perform or assist with many of my usual Principal duties. (Obviously too young to drive a car ... and I'll relieve her from possible toilet clearing duties ^(C)) Kyrah will enjoy participating in assembly, various meetings, yard duty and teaching! You'll read all about it soon! Congratulations Kyrah! *On a separate note* our Civic Kids met earlier in the year with Hepburn Shire at a scheduled meeting, voicing and reinforcing, at a student level, concern for safe travel to and from our school along School Road. We've just been informed that a **footpath will be built** within the next calendar year! Thank you Hepburn Shire! Thank you Students and School Council! We are delighted!

Wishing you all a positive & safe fortnight ahead.

Kind regards,

Sonia & Staff

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 2



Our Term 2 You Can Do It focus is: Organisation

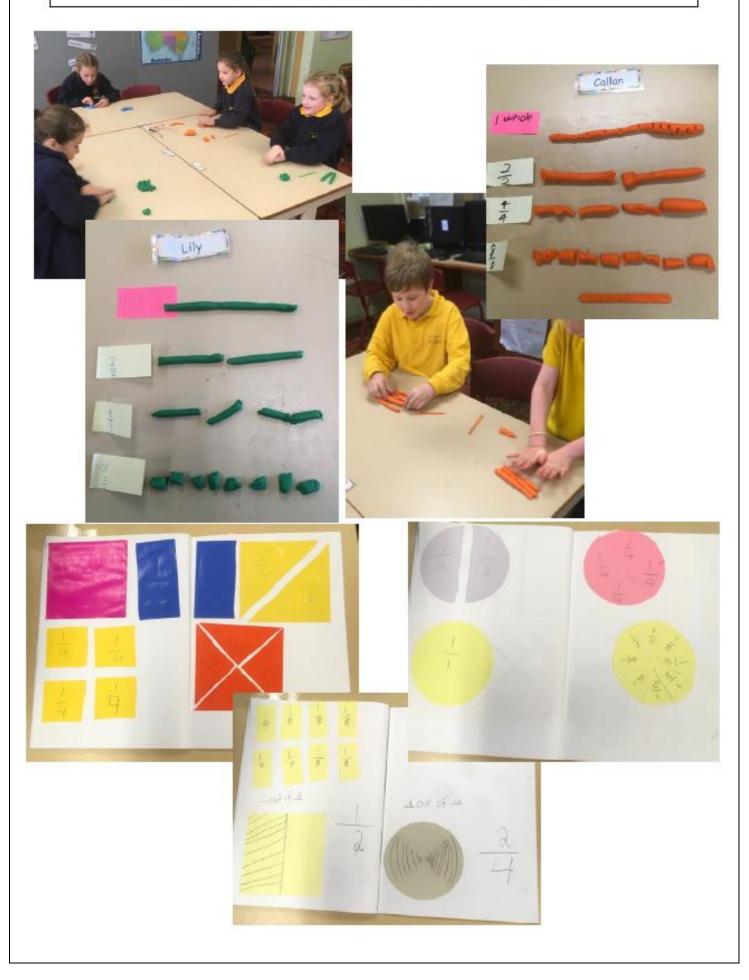
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Prep B - Liam, Tobias	1/2B – Riley	
Year 2/ 3LM- Anthony, Taya	3/4L-Brett, Bethany, Daniel	
5/6 A- Charlie D, Declan K	5/ 6 D-	
Chaplain's Award- Eve	School Captains Award-	

CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

Resilience is the capacity for recovery...

A little brown cork fell in the path of a whale Who lashed it down with his angry tail. But in spite of its blows it quickly arose, And floated serenely before his nose. Said the cork to the whale: "You may flap and sputter and frown, But you never, never can keep me down; For I'm made of stuff That is buoyant enough To float instead of to drown." Have a great week! Blessings. Julie McDowell...School Chaplain.

2/3LM Learning About Fractions





Sandpit Creations- Prep-6











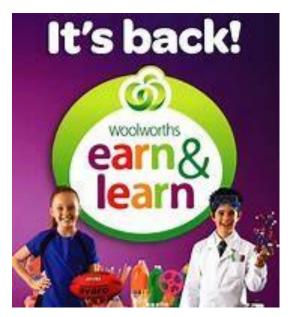




Earn & Learn is back for 2019. All you need to do to help the Junior School Council is collect you stickers from Woolworths and either bring them in and place them in the collection box, fill in your sheet at home (with the sheet provided) and post it into the collection box. You can also place your stickers in the collection box at Lucas Woolworths. It's that easy.

Last year we were able to order new Lego kits for each learning area in the school!

Runs from May 1^{st} to June 25^{th} 2019





Auskick- Half time at the Bulldogs/ Brisbane game





Q & A – Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags

1. Why are there two different flags for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples represent two distinct cultures. Therefore, each has its own flag, representing its own unique identity.

It is important to recognise that even within each group, various languages and traditions are practiced all across Australia. Some of these groups have their own flags, or adaptations of these flags.

Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags demonstrates Australia's recognition of First Nation peoples, promoting a sense of community partnership and a commitment toward reconciliation.

2. What do the flags mean?

Each flag has a different history, and in 1995 both were recognized as official flags of Australia under Commonwealth legislation.

The Aboriginal Flag was designed by Harold Thomas, a Luritja man from Central Australia. According to Thomas, the meaning of the flag is represented through:

- Black: The Aboriginal peoples
- Yellow: The Sun the giver of life and protector
- Red: The red earth red ochre and a spiritual relationship to the land

The flag was first flown at Victoria Square in Adelaide on National Aborigines Day, 12 July 1971, after which it was chosen as the flag for the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in 1972.

The Torres Strait Islander flag was designed by the late Bernard Namok of Thursday Island. The flag was recognised by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission in June 1992 and given equal prominence with the Aboriginal flag. The meaning of the Torres Strait Islander flag is represented through:

- Green: Land
- Blue: Sea
- White: Peace
- Black: The Torres Strait Islander peoples

At the centre of the Torres Strait Islander flag is a dhari (headdress) that represents the Torres Strait Islander peoples, and a five pointed star that represents the five major island groups, and the role of navigation in this sea-faring culture.



BOOK CLUB 2019 ISSUE 4

IS DUE BACK BY TUESDAY 11TH JUNE

Order and payment to be left at office or given to classroom teacher by this date.

On-line loop orders using credit card available, also due by this date.

No late orders accepted.



District Athletics Event Llanberris Reserve Ballarat









TERM 2 CALENDAR 2019	draft #3 Thursday 30 th May 2019	PARENTS
	SCHOOL EVENTS SCHEDULE	Newsletter- every 2 nd week
Week 5: 20-24 May		
Tuesday 21 May:	Mt Rowan Maths Challenge Years 4 & 5	
Friday 24 May:	Tree Drive Orders Close	
	(all Yr 7 Transition documents have be	een received)
Week 6: 27- 31 May		
Monday 27 May:	RFESA- inspection/ Rolling Facilities Au	udit- Structural Engineers 1.30pm
Tuesday 28 May:	Art Gallery of Ballarat- whole school v	
	recognising National Reconciliation W	
	Art Gallery of Ballarat Indigenous Ex	<u> </u>
	Group 1- leave 9.15am, collected at the	he Gallery 12pm. Back at school by
	12.45pm	
		the Gallery 2.15pm. Back at school by
	3pm.	
Thursday 30 May:	Attitudes to School Survey- Years 4, 5, & 'Asking for Trouble' performances	
Friday 31 st May:	I	at the Community Hall– Town Oval.
Week 7: 3-7 June	1.45pm - 2.50pm - 1 enormed down a	at the Community Han– Town Oval.
Monday 3 June:	Kynan racing at Regional Cross Country	event Go Kynan!
Wednesday 5 June:	Junior School Council Meeting	
Thursday 6 th June:	last day for HOT LUNCH ORDERS- 1	
Friday 7 June:	Earth Ed Yr 5/6 Wesley Concert-	to the Bluestone 1.30 – 2.30pm TBC
Week 8: 10-14 June	Monday Public Holiday	
Monday 10 June:	Queen's Birthday Holiday	
Tuesday 11 June:	BOOKCLUB- Orders due in- No late	Orders accepted.
Wednesday 12 June: Thursday 13 June:	School Council 7pm	
Thursday 15 June:	Hot Lunch Day	
Week 9: 17-21 June		
Thursday 20 June:	School Disco – Sporting theme	
Friday 21 June:	Focus Day- Indigenous Curriculum fo	cus
Week 10: 24-28 June		
Monday 25 June:	Semester 1 Reports home to parents/ gua	
Tuesday 26 June:	Parent Teacher 3 Way Conferences (Pare	ent Teacher Interviews)
Wednesday 27 June:	Earth Ed Year 3/4	
Friday 29 June:	Last Day of Term 2 1pm finish Ca	asual Dress Day
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		econciliation Veek

Many more photos of our whole school at the Art Gallery of Ballarat excursion – Indigenous Education session for National Reconciliation Week in our next Newsletter & on display.