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We are safe.

Thursday 5th March 2020

"Golden Past, Bright Futures"

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Clunes Primary School Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

2020

Prep/ Foundation students will attend school FULL TIME beginning next Wednesday 11th March.

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

School Review Update- As our students and their learning is our CORE BUSINESS, earlier this week I surveyed all students P-6 on their feelings about school. (Positives, negatives and areas of improvement/ suggestions for school to be even better!) All students appreciated the opportunity to give feedback, to support our School Review process, and all responses are valued highly! I will collate all student responses over the next couple of weeks and present all feedback to you in an upcoming Newsletter and as a display at school. We will be using the data provided to guide school performance discussion as part of the Review process. Thank you students!

House Vice- Captain Badges and Deputy Junior School Council Badges have arrived! They were gratefully received by students on Monday afternoon! Because of the Long Weekend, they will be formally presented to our representatives at Assembly on Monday 16th March.

Historic Vehicle Show- School Fundraiser- this Sunday

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Once again we are catering at this well-attended event at the Clunes Show Grounds. It will be held this Sunday 8^{th} March, Labour Day Weekend.

We provide sandwiches and scones (Devonshire Teas).

It was an extremely good fundraiser for us last year raising over one thousand dollars that went directly into programs and resources for our students. We will be looking for donations of some of your wonderful scones to help us make this a successful fundraiser for us again this year.

We would also appreciate any time you can spare on the day for an hour or so. Please let the Office know. PLEASE drop the scones in to us at the Show Grounds on Sunday morning. We will begin to make the sandwiches at 9am. Regards Di Bongiorno

*In 2020 we have a junior student with a medical need that requires us to know immediately when there is Chicken Pox or a similar illness about. Please contact the Office as soon as you are aware. Thank you sincerely!

Best wishes to you all for a positive fortnight ahead! Kind regards, Sonia & the staff of CPS. ©

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 1





Our Term 1 You Can Do It focus is: Getting Along

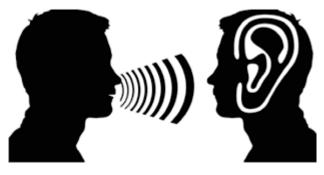
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Prep B – Georgia	1/2B – Hazel	
2/3LM – Ben, Sigh	3/4L – Ben, Taya	
5/6AT – Stella, whole class!	5/6D – Grace, Xaiden-Lee, Cloe	

Chaplain's message...

It is good to be back at school this week, I had a great time during the three days of Drumbeat Facilitator Training in Keilor last week. There were many highlights, however there was one that stood out from all the rest. Each day we all participated in an improvisation activity, which would begin with one of us creating and repeating our own rhythmic beat. Once the 'starter' had settled into their beat, the person next to them would then join in and play a complimentary beat or rhythm. This would continue until all 14 people in our group were playing their own creative, yet complimentary beat at the same time. The final piece of music we created each time was something truly special.

What made this activity so special was we all came from completely different backgrounds of beliefs, values, lifestyle, cultures, etc, yet we were able to find common ground and create beautiful pieces of unifying music. Relationship building goes much further than spending three days of training together, however I think there's a valuable lesson in this for all of us. A big part of our group's success, can be put down to each of us having the ability to genuinely listen, or as I like to describe it: actively listen.

Active listening is where we demonstrate genuineness, respect and empathy, while putting ourselves in the shoes of the one we're listening to. The simple act of reflecting back the thoughts and feelings that we think we're hearing, communicates our curiosity to understand, and is a powerful tool that often acts as a 'spring board' for the one speaking to find their 'answer'.



All the best Michael Lewis – Chaplain

Swimming sports

On Tuesday the 25th of February, Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 went to the swimming sports. It was a great day and lots of fun. It was great to see almost everyone getting in the pool and having a go. Some of the styles we did were Backstroke, Freestyle, Butterfly, Breaststroke as well as a kick board race and a House Captains rescue race. We would like to congratulate everyone who participated, Beckworth & Bolton for coming a draw and Cameron for a great effort. We also would like to congratulate all the other teams. We would like to thank Miss Jardine and Mr James for making it happen as well as all the teachers for getting us down there safely, marshalling us, scoring the races, handing out ribbons and supervising. A big thank you must go to the lifeguards

who kept us safe and who gave up their time to participate.

By the House Captains

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SURFACE AREA!

Dr. Emma visited 3/4 L. We tried to figure out which object would make the biggest Coke explosion out of: Mentos, marbles, raspberry lollies and sand. What do you think?

It was ...SAND! I know strange right. It was actually sand because it has so many particles and has a bigger surface area than most things.

Mentos came second because if you look at it very closely under a microscope it's actually very bumpy!

Imagine you're a bubble, you're covered in water right but when the sand hits your casing you'll burst up for air. So because sand has so many particles it makes Coke explode the most!





By: Cushla 3/4 L J





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Coding Club is pretty cool.

We do different tasks on Scratch, a coding website mostly for kids and schools, where you can animate a story, do artistic projects, and make a cool game.

Sometime soon we will do other coding platforms like JavaScript and such.

Mrs Anderson supervises it and Dr Emma runs it.

Students that have knowledge about Scratch or want to know about coding can join.

I really enjoy coding club and I hope we can get more people into the club.

Hope to see you guys there.



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By School House Captain Declan

Ride/Walk/Scoot!

A big thankyou to My Ride Ballarat for supporting our 2020 Ride 2 School event. They have very generously donated a voucher for the student who rides / walks / scoots the most kilometres to school during next week. This prize will be handed out on Friday 13th March. Experience the friendly, professional service of the staff at My Ride Ballarat for all your bike needs.

My Ride Ballarat - 430 Sturt St, Ballarat Central VIC 3350



Opening Hours

Sunday	Closed
Monday	9:00am – 5:30pm
Tuesday	9:00am – 5:30pm
Wednesday	9:00am – 5:30pm
Thursday	9:00am – 5:30pm
Friday	9:00am – 6:00pm
Saturday	9:00am – 3:00pm

CLUNES LEARN TO SKATE & SCOOT SKATE & SCOOT CLINIC

Thursday 2nd April 2020

11am-12pm| Girls Only! Ages 10-16 years 12pm-1pm| Open to all! Ages 6-12 years 1pm-2pm| Open to all! Ages 6-12 years

FREE clinic, Clunes Skate Park, All Equipment is Provided

Booking at: www.hepburn.vic.gov.au













Hands On Learning- with Tamati and Len







Every Friday I enjoy a Hands-On Learning session with Len. We participate in activities such as circuitry, Lego and computer tasks. We have a great time!

On Friday the 28th February, Len and I made an aero box that had six motors that powered the box.

We needed 12 cords, 2 battery packs with 4 batteries, 6 motors and a big mechanism box.

Firstly, we connected all of the cords on to the two battery packs.

Then we connected all of the motors.

After that we blu-tacked the motors on to the mechanism box.

Next, we added the rotors on to all of the mechanism boxes and the boxes on to the motors.

It worked extremely well! It made a "woozz" sound!

Ms Jardine then came in and said "Wow! I need to take a photo of this incredible effort!" (and she did)

SADLY, we had to pack it all up... but look at the photos!

By Tamati Mau



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- · \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Please note that if your family school account is in credit (including CSEF credit) and a form (excursion, camp etc.) is submitted without payment the credit will be allocated to the outstanding charge.

Please contact the office to discuss this if you have any questions or concerns.

HOW TO APPLY

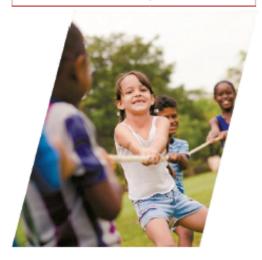
New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2019, you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply in 2019.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.









GROW YOUR OWN FRUIT AND SUMMER SHADE TREES



CLUNES PRIMARY SCHOOL TREE DRIVE 2020

It's that time of year to start thinking about what trees you want to plant this winter as the **Clunes Primary School Tree Drive** is happening again this April / May. As part of the school's fundraising program we are offering you the chance to purchase a variety of affordable fruiting and ornamental trees supplied by Valley Tree Nursery, Ardmona. All proceeds go to the school.

The Tree List and order forms will be available in **April** and located at the school office, Top Shop and the Post Office. Please place your order and payment with the School prior to **Friday 15 May**. Trees will be available for pick up from the school at the end of **July**. Please contact the Primary School (03) 5345 3182 if you have any queries.

For the Victorian public coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

The Department of Health and Human Services is working around the clock with health services, the Commonwealth and international agencies to respond to the outbreak of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and to keep the Victorian community safe.

At the present time, because there is no evidence of transmission in the community in Victoria, you should continue to go about your daily life and travel and work or study as normal. This includes continuing to use public transport, cars, taxis, hire cars, ridesharing, cycling or walking in public places.

Information updated 03/03/20.

More information can be found at https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorian-public-coronavirus-disease-covid-19.

School Fees

This is a reminder that 2020 school fees were due by Friday 21 February. All parent payments and contributions can be made by EFTPOS, cash or cheque at the school's office or by Bpay. Please contact Ms Sonia Jardine (Principal) if you were unable to meet this date. Any record of payments or contributions is confidential.

The school appreciates that families may sometimes experience financial difficulties in meeting payment requests. A range of support options are available to parents who have difficulty making payments including the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund.

Families who do not have an immediate capacity to pay are also able to enter into alternative and confidential payment arrangements with the school. Should you require information about financial assistance please contact the school's principal on 5345 3182.

Annual privacy reminder



Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy.

Please take time to remind yourself of the school's collection statement, found on our website [http://www.clunesps.vic.edu.au/school-profile/privacy-policy/].

For more information about privacy, see: <u>Schools' Privacy Policy – information for parents</u>. The link to the Privacy Policy is found on our website. This information is also available in nine community languages.



Tuesday 10th March Information & Tours from 5.30pm

Parents and prospective students are warmly invited to attend the Information Evening at Phoenix P–12 Community College, Sebastopol Campus.

The evening will include a tour and information session from 5.30pm, allowing visitors an opportunity to experience interactive displays of students' work across a variety of learning areas.

For more information call 5329 3293

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Hertford Street, Sebastopol

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		Term	1 Calendar – Draft #4 March 5th 2020 new information highlighted ⁽³⁾
			Assembly- School Captains Welcome- Induction of School Captains- presentation of Badges
	Mon	3-Feb	Inclusive Schools- PlayScape Project begins! (expected completion date Mar 20)
	Tue	4-Feb	Every Tuesday is Walk to school Tuesday. Meet Mrs. Laurie & Mr. James at the Queen's Park playground at 8.30am.
2			Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day- each Wednesday for first 6-7 weeks of Term 1. Final
WEEK	Wed	5-Feb	Wednesday date TBC. Antoinette- Private Music Lessons resume. Every Wednesday. Limited places.
	Th	C Fab	First FULL Newsletter home. (Newsletters home each fortnight & placed on the school's website) Staff photo page SSG meeting 2pm
	Thu	6-Feb	Wesley student Community Service begins for 2020.
			School Accountability/ School Review professional learning- session 1 in preparation for our School Review
			(every 4 years) in Term 2.
	Fri	7-Feb	Breakfast Club BEGINS – please note now a FRIDAY! All students very welcome to attend! Multi-Purpose Hall
K 3	Mon	10-Feb	Assembly- Induction of House Captains- presentation of Badges. Attendance Awards for 2019.
	Tue	11-Feb	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm. 7pm Mrs. B Parent Information session- supporting your children to learn to read.
WEEK	100	11.00	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day
>	Wed	12-Feb	School Council Meeting 7pm (School Finance Meeting 6.30pm)
	Thurs	13-Feb	School Council Elections 2020- Notice of election and call for nominations
	Mon	17-Feb	Assembly- Induction of JSC representatives- presentation of Badges
			The Courier- visiting to take Prep class photo- 9.30am ish. Welcome BBQ- All families welcome to share a free sausage followed by Numeracy Parent Information/
K 4	Tue	18-Feb	family activity evening. All welcome. Our students will be leading many activities!
WEEK 4	Wed	19-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day. Fire Safety Lessons Years 1-4
>	Thu	20-Feb	School Council Elections 2020- Closing date for nominations
	Fu!	21 Feb	Fire Safety Lessons Prep and Years 5/6
	Fri	21-Feb	2020 School fees due
2	Mon	24-Feb	School Review- Feedback sheet draw at Assembly. Win 2 Movie tickets! Prep PSD applications due to DET
WEEK	Tues	25-Feb	CONFIRMED DATE Senior School Swimming Sports 12.30pm- 2.30pm Clunes Swimming pool. Years 3-6. School Council Elections 2020-List of candidates- nominator and seconder displayed
WE			Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day
	Wed	26-Feb	School Council Elections 2020-Ballot papers prepared and distributed
	Wed	4-Mar	LAST Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day
	Thu	5-Mar	School Council Elections 2020-Close of Ballot After school preparation for the Vintage Truck Show
			SUNDAY 8 TH MAR- School Fundraising -catering at Clunes Community Vintage Truck Show- helpers required
			to make sandwiches and pre-make /deliver scones and/ or help at the Stall. Please see school Office staff
	Fri	6-Mar	School Council Elections 2020-Vote count
	Mon	9-Mar	Labour Day – Public Holiday
K 7	Tue	10-Mar	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm. School Council Elections 2020-Declaration of Ballot Prep/ Foundation students attending for their first FULL DAY
WEEK 7	Wed	11-Mar	School Council Elections 2020- First School Council meeting/ AGM & elect office bearers
>	Thu	12-Mar	
	Fri	13-Mar	
			Deputy JSC & House Vice-Captains Badges presented
	Mon	16-Mar	School Nurse coming to begin Prep Health assessments School Review – Preparation Meeting
∞	Tue Wed	17-Mar 18-Mar	EB 2020- Registration Hot Lunch Day 9Yrs & Under Encouragement Swim event – see Mr. James asap
WEEK 8	weu	TO IVIAI	GRIP- Student Leadership Conference- School Captains and Vice —Captains attending
Ĭ			School Disco Juniors- 6-7pm Seniors 7.15-8.30pm Multi-Purpose Hall Clunes PS Purple Theme- Gold Coin
	Thu	19-Mar	donation (or more?) to support Sienna's 'Shannon's Bridge'- fundraising cause.
	Fri	20-Mar	Harmony Day- supporting inclusion for all. Focus Day- mixed groupings & optional dress up theme day (purple or celebrating cultural diversity. Activities also linked to the Shannon's Bridge fundraising cause.
	Mon	23-Mar	National coordinated NAPLAN Online test day (trial infrastructure day ready for May)
6	Tue	24-Mar	Tradicinal coordinated 1971 EAR Offinite test day (trial lilitastructure day ready for May)
WEEK 9	Wed	25-Mar	
	Thu	26-Mar	
	F!	27 14	Last day of Term 1 (casual dress day- no gold coin donation. Each last day of Term is casual dress)
	Fri	27-Mar	Sienna cutting 45cm off her hair- MP Hall. Exact time to be confirmed.
			Term 2 begins Tuesday 14 th April.