



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

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 Term 3 Week 2

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# Clunes Primary School Newsletter

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July – 8.30am- 11am.

Working Bee  Help please!

☺ Any amount of time is gr8!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Each fortnightly Newsletter will have new events added so please check regularly. Thank you! ☺

Please see Term 3 Draft 2 on the back page of this Newsletter

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

This week our Year Prep students celebrated their 100<sup>th</sup> day of Primary School!

The Preps and the Year 1s of the P/1D class dressed up like they were 100 years old on Wednesday, and throughout the week have been engaged in lots of learning activities based on 100!

Please keep an eye out for photos of this very special day in an upcoming Newsletter and on the windows near the P/1D classroom.



**RAT kits were sent home last Friday.**

(Week 1) Please let us know if you need a further kit, i.e. if your child is showing symptoms or is a close contact.

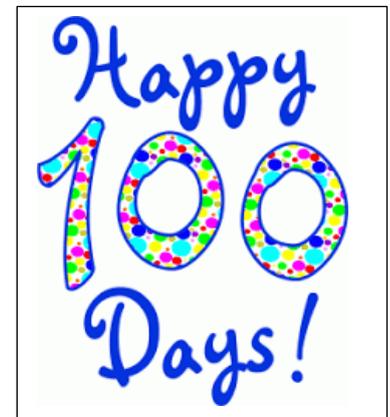
Those who have had COVID-19 can now wait **4 weeks** before undergoing screening.

If you are a close contact, you may attend school but should wear a face mask and please RAT test for 5 of 7 days.



Everyone is strongly recommended to wear a mask indoors if you are 8 years of age or older.

Thank you all for your incredible efforts at keeping the school informed. Our school is managing our COVID linked challenges exceptionally well!



Best wishes to you all for a safe and happy return to school for Term 3. Kind regards, Sonia & the staff of CPS.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 3

Our School Values Awards focus on:

We Learn

We Show Respect

We are Safe

Our Term 3 You Can Do It focus is:  
**Persistence**

Prep / 1D – Duke W	1/2MJ – Chloe B
3/4LA –	4 /5R –
5/6B – Mia	Principal's Award- Duke T, Griff (incredible Focus Day care and support for the younger students in their 'Families' group
Performing Arts- Junior Award- Hayden Visual Arts- Senior Art Award- Julian	Japanese LOTE Award-

\*In 2022 we have a junior year-level student who is anaphylactic to NUTS!

We will need to be a **NO NUTS school**, as our students mix with and play with each other across the school day. Our junior school Buddies will also meet for learning activities with our senior school Buddies. Thank you sincerely for considering the safety of our students as you choose what food is placed in your child's daily snack and lunch box.

\*In 2022 we have a senior year-level 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. Again, thank you sincerely!

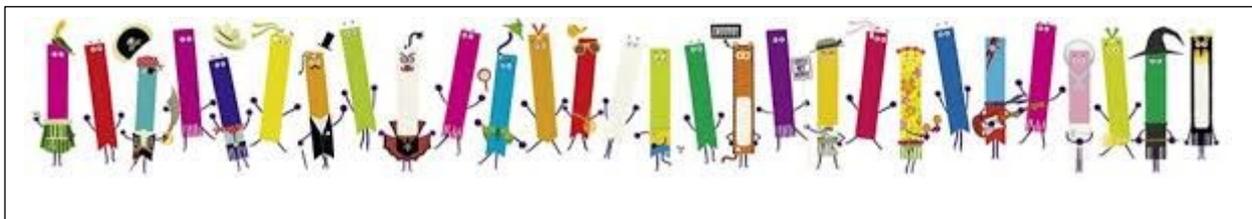


Dress up in the theme "Dreaming with eyes wide open" or as your favourite Book Character on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August as part of 2022 CBCA Book Week. We will have a Book Week Parade at the start of the day. Everyone is welcome!



It's the Wet season! Welcome to Winter! Please consider Rubber Boots as an outdoors footwear option. Please bring slippers or 'inside' shoes to change into. This will keep feet warm and dry.

A spare set of clothing & a plastic bag for wet gear is also advised. **Please name all items.** 😊



Dear parents and carers

I am writing to inform you about the impact of influenza (flu) among our school community and measures we can all take to reduce the spread of flu as we enter into the colder months.

I want to reassure you that we are taking this very seriously and continue to follow the expert advice of the Department of Education and Training and Department of Health, to help ensure that our school continues to run effectively.

To help protect our school and the wider community, we ask that unwell students stay home, given the impacts of flu and colds on our school community.

To help reduce the spread of flu, colds and COVID-19, students are being encouraged to;

- wash and sanitise their hands regularly
- avoid touching their eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- cover their nose and mouth when they cough or sneeze
- get tested for COVID-19 if they feel unwell and follow the current [Department of Health isolation requirements](#) if a positive result is shown
- if unwell, stay at home until their symptoms pass.

Face masks are available in all schools and can be worn by any staff or students who wish to do so, including those who are medically at risk.

Vaccination remains the best protection against both COVID-19 and flu, and we encourage you to get your child vaccinated. Flu vaccinations can be booked through GPs and pharmacies, many of which can also provide COVID-19 vaccinations.

Please see the [letter from the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners](#), Victoria Faculty Council Chair, about the importance of protecting your children and family.

If your child does become sick while at school, please also ensure that we have correct emergency contact details for yourself. This is so we can get hold of you as quickly as possible.

I am aware that this is a challenging situation and we thank you for your understanding and support at this time.

If you have questions about what this means for our school, please feel free to contact me on ph: 03 5345 3182.

Thank you again for your support.

Yours sincerely

Sonia Jardine  
Principal



Last week the students of grades 4, 5 & 6 had the opportunity to visit the Art Gallery of Ballarat, and participate in their Indigenous Program.

This excellent program was conducted by Wadawurrung artist, Dr. Deanne Gilson.

Deanne took us on a journey through her artwork and shared with us her wonderful knowledge and the stories of the Wadawurrung people.

After a tour of the gallery, the students created artwork of native animals using ochres. These were added to a large tree— a theme and motif that often features in Deanne's work.

400 students of the Ballarat Region took part in this rewarding and fun activity.

You can see our work on Instagram:

@artgalleryofballarat

Ross Adams

Excursion to the Art Gallery of Ballarat





## Indigenous Art Excursion

Last Monday, Grade 4, 5 and 6 students attended the Ballarat Art Gallery to learn more about Indigenous Art. We were lucky enough to have Dr. Deanne Gilson leading the students through different techniques and showing us Indigenous perspectives of the world we live in—including a view of Lake Wendouree painted by Deanne's mother.

Later, we all had the chance to explore drawing Australian animals and decorating them using ochre, which the students helped to make.

We then extended this learning back at school, by researching and creating information texts about Indigenous art. There are a couple of the wonderful pieces that were written on the following pages, which I encourage you to enjoy.



# Aboriginal art – By Alexis Lamph

Aboriginals are the first people in Australia, and have been around for about 65,000 years, they had no written language, and told stories through their art. Their art dates back roughly 30 – 70 thousand years, and was also kept a secret from Europeans when they came to Australia.

Aboriginals had many different art styles, and still use today. Here are some Aboriginal art styles;

Dot painting is one of the more known styles. Dot painting consists of bold dots, and this style can obscure symbols and sanctified knowledge, some people also believe dot painting was used to hide their stories from the Europeans. X-ray art is one of the less popular styles, X-ray art is a style that connects the artist to their country and gets its name from how it looks like its exposing organs and bones.

Aboriginal art is a form of expression and has been used for generations, to tell stories through icons, symbols, dots, and drawings. Stories will vary depending on the teller's age, and what tribe they are from. Once the storyteller of that family eventually dies, they will pass on that story to another family member.

## Aboriginal Art – By Cushla Grigg

Indigenous Australians were the original custodians of this land before colonisation. Their art is one of the oldest surviving methods of visual communication and storytelling to this very day. It is extremely important to acknowledge their ancient culture, in this text we will explore many aspects of it.

### History

As stated, Aboriginal art is one of the oldest surviving cultures around us – ancient campsites and rock paintings can be traced back at LEAST 65,000 years!!! In the 1970's a colonialist Geoffrey Barden was educating Indigenous children when he noticed the older men painting with ochre (a special type of rock ground and combined with water to make a paint) and somehow managed to convince them to publicise their art, up until then it was a complete and utter secret!!!

### Storytelling within art

Aboriginal art is a deep-rooted way of communication and storytelling, sometimes the art has different meanings to whoever looks at it – it can be expressive and hold highly symbolic and sentimental meaning. The stories told must be inherited when a member of your family passes on, or permission is granted for the stories to be told. Some of their paintings contain signs or symbols, with these, stories can be told. Sometimes the paintings were maps coded in complex dots to hide the best hunting spots, or waterholes from Europeans.

### Style and artists

There are many styles of Indigenous art, one of the most renowned is the Northern Territory style known as dot painting, created using thin sticks dipped in ochre, it is believed by some that First Nations Australians was (and maybe still is) used to hide secret messages from Colonialists. X-Ray painting is used to show local animals and stories – it looks like bones and organs are showing (therefore it is called X-Ray art!) There are too many styles to cover, but I feel it is important to mention Contemporary art. Contemporary art is done by Indigenous artists like Josh Muir, who use modern materials, but are still deeply connected to their country.

Aboriginal Australian art is incredibly varied and unique to each artist. It has a long history and many stories have been told with it. This has been very interesting to write and learn about, I encourage anyone who wants to learn more to, well learn more!!



X-Ray Art

Dot Painting

Contemporary Art

## After School Care (ASC) and Holiday Program

Liz Garth 0429 453808



Oz Ten Pin Bowling Ballarat



Ice Skating in Ballarat



Circus Skills - with Kristy and Luke



Hip Hip with JB from Exisdance in Colins Place

Thanks to all my lovely ASC children and families, we had another great term, finishing off with 3 fun filled days of excursions. Ice Skating, Ten Pin Bowling and Minions at the Movies, bit wet for horse riding this time.

I'm looking to change the hours that I operate Holiday Care for future school holidays, I'm asking interested families to select their preferred times/hours of care so I can take this into consideration when setting out my hours of operation for next school holidays. Care will be/is charged in a block of hours (in the past 9.5 hour days, 8 – 5.30 or 8.30 - 5), no part days. Children bring all their own food, drinks and snacks, just like at school. I encourage children bring their pushbikes and/or scooters with a helmet to ride around at school or any other toys they would like to bring along. We do cooking, craft, games and excursions (excursions incur an additional fee).

Start Time \_\_\_\_\_ to Finish Time \_\_\_\_\_

If you like, please feel free to suggest an excursion / activity.

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Please fill this out and drop it back to school.

Text Liz 0429 453 808

OR

Drop over and see us between 3pm – 6pm Mon – Thurs.

# HIP HOP DANCE CLASS

Clunes Primary School  
Multi-purpose Hall  
Thursdays 3pm- 4pm

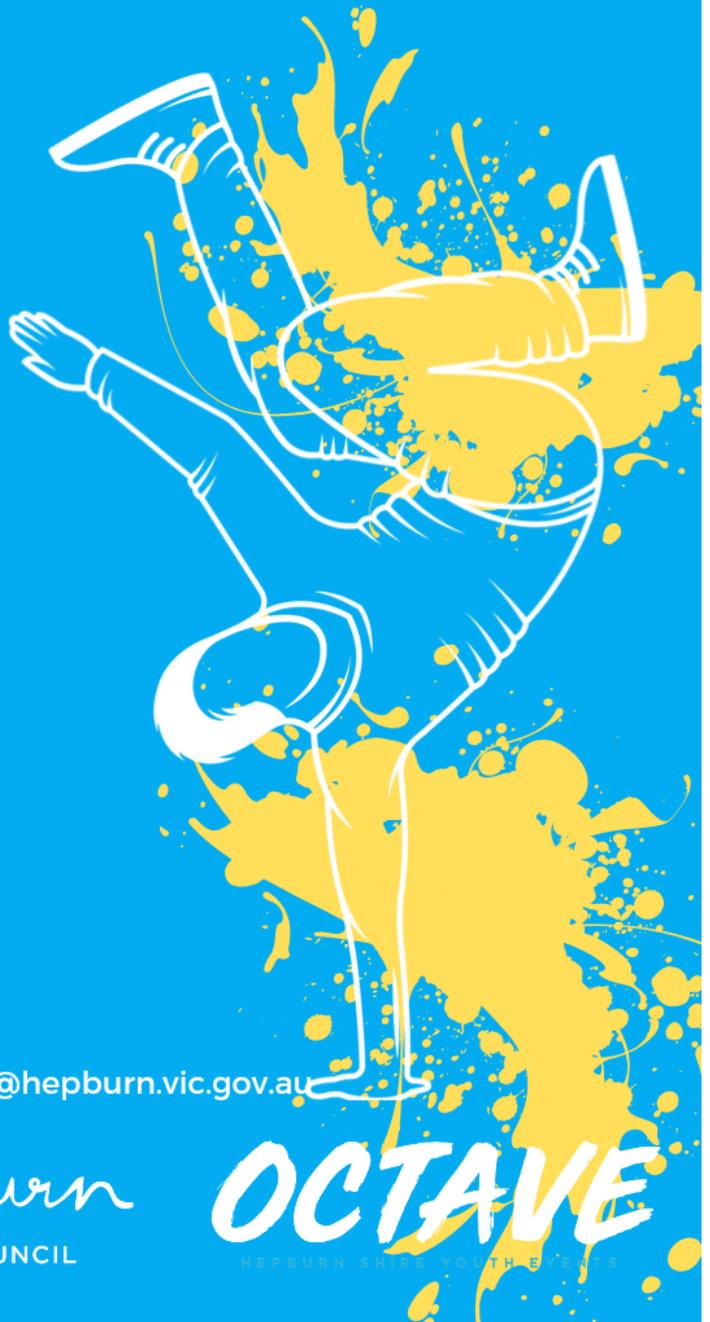
Primary school age  
Free

Contact: [teensquad@hepburn.vic.gov.au](mailto:teensquad@hepburn.vic.gov.au)



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## LEGO CLUB

We have recommenced Lego Club as of Wednesday 20th July, from 3.30 to 5.00pm every week this term. Lego Club will again be held at the Clunes library, in the same room as before.

Anyone is welcome. Bring afternoon tea if needed.



# Fundraising Sub-Committee

## MORE THAN JUST FUNDRAISING

SHARE IDEAS

CONNECT WITH OTHER  
FAMILIES

BUILD FRIENDSHIPS  
NEXT MEETING

5TH AUGUST

9:15AM

STAFF ROOM

FUTURE FUNDRAISERS

SEPTEMBER 4TH

FATHERS DAY STALL

NOVEMBER 19TH

CLUNES SHOW

NOVEMBER 26TH

STATE ELECTION SAUSAGE

SIZZLE

DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We can officially confirm that we have raised over \$5000 for the school so far this year. These funds have already been put to good use.

### P.A System

A fantastic new addition to our school and will be put into use on our outdoor school assembly's, BBQs, Sports days and our Christmas functions. The system has a wireless microphone and will allow easy use by students and teachers.

### New Marquee Cover

Unfortunately during set up at Booktown one of our marquee covers ripped and needed to be replaced. A new marquee cover has arrived and will be available for our next fundraiser and Energy Breakthrough.

### New literacy Materials

A suggestion in one of our meetings was for the school to purchase to new de-codeable readers for the Foundation Students and above these have been ordered.

There will be a portion of fundraising monies put aside for a larger project which may take a number of years to fundraise for (new basketball court/courtyard repairs) some items are still needing to be purchased new sand pit toys thanks to a donation from Clunes Playgroup and so STEM activities.

Our next meeting will be the 1st Friday in August at 9:15am in the lovely warm staff room. Kids are welcome to attend our meetings so if you would like to come along feel free to bring your little ones.



**\$5309.19** raised of \$10,000 goal



# Information for parents and carers

## about the Child Safe Standards

### Child safe organisations

When your child is in the care of an organisation you want to know that they will be safe from abuse. The Child Safe Standards are designed to prevent child abuse in organisations.

The Child Safe Standards apply to over 60,000 Victorian organisations that provide services or facilities for children. These include:

- schools and outside school hours care
- kindergartens and early learning centres
- sporting clubs and recreational groups
- coaching or tuition services
- out of home care services
- local councils
- religious and faith-based organisations
- hospitals, health and disability services
- professional babysitting services
- overnight camps for children.

You can find a full list of the types of organisations that must meet the Child Safe Standards at [www.ccyp.vic.gov.au/who-do-the-standards-apply-to-page](http://www.ccyp.vic.gov.au/who-do-the-standards-apply-to-page)

### How do the Child Safe Standards protect my child?

The Standards require organisations to take actions in a range of areas, including:

- background and suitability checks of staff and volunteers
- codes of conduct for staff and volunteers
- training and supervision of staff and volunteers
- documented risk assessments for activities
- clear procedures for reporting and acting on any concerns or allegations
- commitment to listening to children and encouraging them to speak up if they don't feel safe.

**Children have a right to be safe. Organisations have a responsibility to protect children from harm.**



## How do I know if an organisation is meeting the Child Safe Standards?

You can look on their website or talk to the staff. The organisation should have documents like:

- Child Safe Policy or Statement of Commitment to Child Safety
- Code of Conduct for workers and volunteers
- information about how to raise safety concerns.

Some questions you could ask include:

- What are you doing to meet the Child Safe Standards?
- Do you have risk assessments for activities?
- Do your staff and volunteers have appropriate checks, training and supervision?
- What are you doing to encourage children to speak up if they feel unsafe?
- Who can I talk to in the organisation if I have a concern or complaint?
- What is the process if I raise a concern or complaint about child safety?

**You have a right to talk to organisations about how they are keeping your child safe from abuse. If you are concerned that an organisation is not keeping all children safe or is not meeting the Child Safe Standards, take action.**

## What can I do if I am not sure my child is safe?

Take action if you are concerned that an organisation is not keeping your child or other children safe.

Talk to someone senior at the organisation. Tell them what you are worried about and try to find a solution together.

If the organisation does not address your concerns, contact their regulator. If you are unsure who the regulator is, you can contact the Commission. The Commission has information about regulators because we work with them to ensure compliance by all organisations with the Standards.

## How do I ask my child if they feel safe?

Below are some examples of questions you can ask your child, changing the wording depending on your child's age.

- Do you know that you should always feel safe, no matter where you are?
- What do you like about *[the organisation]*? Is there anything you don't like?
- Have you ever felt uncomfortable, worried or not safe? Who would you talk to if you feel unsafe?
- Has anyone at *[the organisation]* ever talked to you about what they can do to make you feel safe?
- Do the staff listen to you and the other children?
- What do you hope will happen if you tell someone you don't feel safe?

### Contact the Commission for further information or to talk about the Child Safe Standards:

- Telephone us on 1300 782 978 or (03) 8601 5281
- Email us at [contact@ccyp.vic.gov.au](mailto:contact@ccyp.vic.gov.au)
- Visit the Commission's website: [www.ccyp.vic.gov.au](http://www.ccyp.vic.gov.au)

If you need an interpreter, please call the Translating and Interpreting Service on 13 14 50 and ask them to contact the Commission for Children and Young People on (03) 8601 5281.

## SAVER PLUS INFORMATION SESSION FOR: PARENTS WITH PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN (4YO KINDER TO YEAR 12 & HOMESCHOOLED)

A drop in session for parents with school aged children (4yo kinder - Yr 12 & homeschooled). Find out how you can build your financial resilience and get up to \$500 for education costs for your education or your child's with this free program. We will discuss how Saver Plus works, the eligibility criteria and how to sign up.



### Meeting Details:

Date: Tuesday 26th July, 2022

Time: 12:30 - 1:30pm AEST (Drop in)

Zoom Meeting:

[https://bsl.zoom.us/j/66331238361?](https://bsl.zoom.us/j/66331238361?pwd=Z0swYWYrb3pONHBOVXVIbHI3OU5TZz09)

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Passcode: 536569

### RSVP:

Click on this link below or scan the QR code to register for the session:

<https://forms.office.com/r/zPTAvyaP5e>



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### Term 3 Calendar – Draft #2 Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

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<b>WEEK 1</b>	Mon	11-Jul	First school day of Term 3 *all Year 4s, 5s & 6s - Art Gallery of Ballarat excursion- no cost!
	Tues	12-Jul	Walk to School postponed until further notice
	Wed	13-Jul	School Council Meeting 7pm
	Thurs	14-Jul	
	Fri	15-Jul	
<b>WEEK 2</b>	Mon	18-Jul	
	Tue	19-Jul	
	Wed	20-Jul	Year Prep students- 100 Days of School celebration!
	Thurs	21-Jul	
	Fri	22-Jul	Visit by Laura Whitford- Diverse Learners Education Improvement (EIL) Leader and team 1-3pm
<b>WEEK 3</b>	Mon	25-Jul	SSG Meetings Mr. James and Ms Jardine – Emergency Management Plan training 2022-23
	Tue	26-Jul	SSG Meetings
	Wed	27-Jul	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm
	Thurs	28-Jul	
	Fri	29-Jul	Schools Tree Day
<b>WEEK 4</b>	Mon	1-Aug	
	Tues	2-Aug	
	Wed	3-Aug	
	Thu	4-Aug	
	Fri	5-Aug	Rural Arts Victoria (RAV) grant - 'Pinocchio' performance/ workshop- whole school No Cost
<b>WEEK 5</b>	Mon	8-Aug	
	Tues	9-Aug	
	Wed	10-Aug	School Council Meeting 7pm
	Thurs	11-Aug	
	Fri	12-Aug	
<b>Week 6</b>	Mon	15-Aug	Year 3s & Year 4s Camp – Log Cabin Camp August 15 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> – Positive Start Grant -No Cost
	Tues	16-Aug	
	Wed	17-Aug	Year 3s & Year 4s Return home from Camp
	Thurs	18-Aug	
	Fri	19-Aug	
<b>WEEK 7</b>	Mon	22-Aug	Book Week
	Tue	23-Aug	Prep -Year 2 'Camp' Experience 2022. Sovereign Hill excursion and after school experience at school
	Wed	24-Aug	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm
	Thu	25-Aug	
	Fri	26-Aug	Book Week – Focus Day and Parade- 2022 theme- Dreaming with eyes open
<b>WEEK 8</b>	Mon	29-Aug	
	Tues	30-Aug	Term 3 Combined Schools Professional Practice Day – STUDENT FREE DAY
	Wed	31-Aug	
	Thu	1-Sept	
	Fri	2-Sept	
<b>WEEK 9</b>	Mon	5-Sept	
	Tues	6-Sept	
	Wed	7-Sept	School Council Meeting 7pm
	Thurs	8-Sept	Term 3 Disco Night
	Fri	9-Sept	Sovereign Division finals
<b>WEEK 10</b>	Mon	12-Sept	
	Tues	13-Sept	Winter Sports – Year 5s & Year 6s-interschool sports day Daylesford TBC
	Wed	14-Sept	
	Thurs	15-Sept	Melbourne City Performing Arts excursion- whole school- no cost (grant success)
	Fri	16-Sept	Last day of Term 3 2.30pm finish Casual dress day- no gold coin donation. Each last day of Term is casual dress

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July – 8.30am- 11am. Working

Bee 🐝 Help please! ☺

Any amount of time is gr8! A list of tasks to be completed is at the Office at school. Please bring wheelbarrows, pruning shears and shovels. Thanks!



**Term 4-** Mon Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>- Student Free Day- Staff professional learning, Tues Oct 4<sup>th</sup>-First day of Term 4, Book Fair- Wks 2 & 3, Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Oct- Year 5s & 6s Bike Ed Day with Vic Pol, Thurs 20 Oct- P-2 Ecolink Excursion, 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Nov-Energy Breakthrough, Sat 19 Nov- Clunes Show...