



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

Thursday 9th February 2023 Week 3

"Golden Past, Bright Futures"

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Clunes Primary School Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please see **Term 1 Calendar draft #2**- each fortnightly Newsletter will have new events added so please check regularly. Thank you! 😊

Students with Asthma. Please bring your clearly labelled, up to date 2023 Asthma Management Plans to school asap.

Our 2023 Prep/ Foundation D students have a Rest/ Assessment Day- each Wednesday for the first 7 Weeks (TBC) of Term 1, 2023. Miss Dargaville will confirm the exact end date at the end of Feb. An Assessment schedule has already been forwarded to parents.

We've had our first unwelcome visitor for the year.



Please be aware!

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

At the end of last year, we were advised that our school was allocated 16 places (8 girls and 8 boys) for Year 5 & Year 6 students to attend the 2023 Somer's Camp beginning on March 7th until March 15th. We were incredibly excited to be allocated such a large number of places especially considering the size of our school. Sadly, not all students would be able to attend though as almost all Year 5s and Year 6s completed an Expression of Interest to attend.

We sat together in the Senior Building (BER) on the last Friday of the year and literally drew names out of a hat!

Our Somer's Camp attending students will be:

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| 1 Lacey | Julian |
| 2 Taya | Duke T |
| 3 Zarah | Ben S-B |
| 4 Chloe C | Brock T |
| 5 Chloe V | Isaac |
| 6 Ayla | Ben T |
| 7 Bella | Branden |
| 8 Mia V | Brock B |

Emergencies:

- | | |
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| 9 Jayda | Xavier |
| 10 Feather | Declen |

School Captains & Vice Captains 2023:

Zarah, Ben & Lily, Killian 😊



Somer's Camp will involve Year 5 and Year 6 students from government schools in the Central Highlands Area. We are offered a camp every second year and the Education Department heavily subsidises the camp so that it costs each student \$260 in total for the nine days. Mr Ash Burke from 5 /6B will attend the camp, giving up his Monday Public Holiday to work! Thank you Ash. Mrs Maree Maguire will take the 5/6B class during Somer's Camp time. Do you remember going to Somer's Camp?

Best wishes to you all for a positive fortnight ahead!

Kind regards, Sonia & the staff of CPS. 😊



*In 2023 we have a 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 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.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 1

Our School Values Awards focus on:

We Learn

We Show Respect

We are Safe

Our Term 1 You Can Do It focus is:

Getting Along

Prep D – Deni	1/2MJ – Jordan
2 /3KL – Diesel	4 /5A – Brock B, Hazel
5/6B – Zarah	Principal's Award – 2023 School Captains: Ben T, Zarah, Killian & Lily
Performing Arts- Archie Visual Arts- Junior's Award - Meg	

Garden Club with Mrs Mitchell & Verena- every Tuesday

Lunchtime- 1.10pm Helpers Welcome ☺

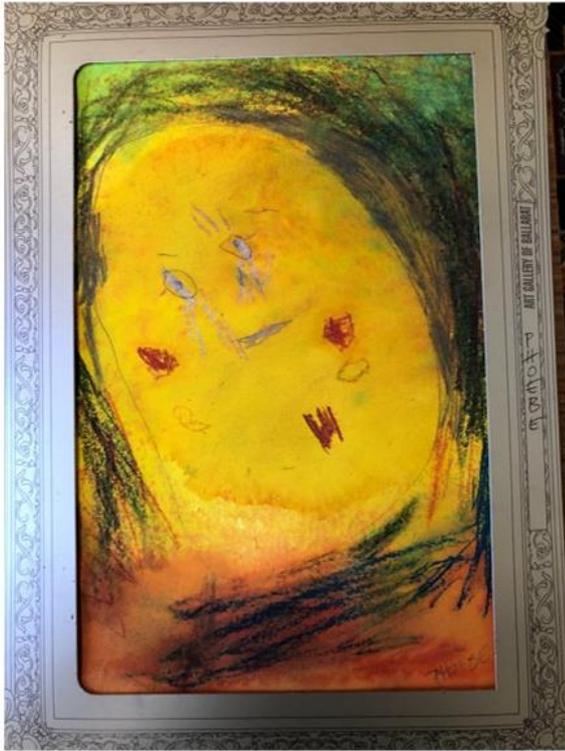
(with current Working with Children's Check)



Working in our Kitchen Garden; planting Vegie seeds and Native Seeds and seedlings for our Cooking Program.

Visual Arts 2023

First artworks from the Preps: Self-Portraits, in the medium of oil pastels (with a food-dye wash). Magnificent! (on display in the Prep D classroom once all artworks have been completed).



The Butterflies Are Back!

HERE'S SOME INFO

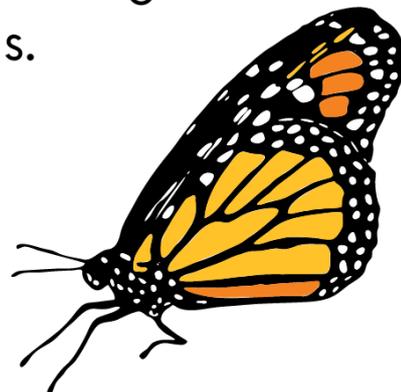


Clunes Primary School welcomes the new year with monarch butterflies and caterpillars. Check out a Swan Plant and try and spot a chrysalis/caterpillar maybe even a butterfly. Be careful not to touch the butterflies' wings, if you do they tend to break and then the butterflies can't live their best lives. Watch them, do not touch.

DID YOU KNOW?

Monarchs are so named because their orange color was associated with King William of England, an English monarch who had been the Prince of Orange in the Netherlands.

*By Ayla, Miley
and Cushla*



TIME LINE FOR 2023 SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

All government schools in Victoria have a School Council.
The new school year brings with it the school council election process.

Please find below the timeline for the Clunes School Council Elections 2023.

Notice of election and call for nominations	Thursday 9 th February 2023
Closing date for nominations	Thursday 16 th February 2023
The date by which the list of candidates, nominator and seconder will be displayed	Tuesday 21 st February 2023
The date by which the ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	Wednesday 22 nd February 2023
Close of ballot	Thursday 2 nd March 2023
Vote count	Friday 3 rd March 2023
Declaration of ballot	Tuesday 7 th March 2023
Tentative first School Council meeting	Wednesday 8 th March 2023
Tentative School Council meeting to elect office bearers	Wednesday 8 th March 2023

Notice of Election and Call for Nominations

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of Clunes Primary School.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school **from Thursday 9th February and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on Thursday 16th February.**

The ballot will close at 4.00 pm on Thursday 2nd March 2023.

Following the closing of nominations, a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school. The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows –

Membership category	Term of office	Number of positions
Parent member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2023 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2025	5
DET member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2023 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2025	2

OUR SINCERE THANKS...

Our School Council directly influences the quality of education that our school provides our students.

We sincerely thank our existing School Council committee: President – Jo Henderson-Drife, Vice-President- Deb Bright, Secretary – Kristin O'Brien, Treasurer – Andy Campbell, Zoe Handley, Jaqui Featherston, Rob Anderson, Jesse Clowes, Vicki Anderson, Val McNeight, Gill Jedwab and Malcolm Hull.

We also take this opportunity to thank our outgoing parent committee members Andy, Deb, Jaqui, Zoe and Rob and & our DET members Vicki and Kristin.

We also thank our co-opted community members Malcolm and Gill.

All School Council representatives have made a significant contribution to the success of the Council and the greater school community. Thank you sincerely for your time, interest and commitment to our wonderful school.

Kind regards, Sonia Jardine, Principal

Clunes Primary School DET Form 2: notice of election and call for nominations

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From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in

Year

2023

to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in

2025

Number of positions:

5

Membership category

School employee member

Term of office

From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in

Year

2023

to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in

2025

Number of positions:

2

Following the closing of nominations, a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

Principal signature



Sonia Jardine

As we begin the 2023 school year, Clunes Primary School would like to acknowledge and pay our respects to the Traditional Custodians, histories, and culture of the Land our school is on, welcoming our returning and new families into this knowledge and understanding.

Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony

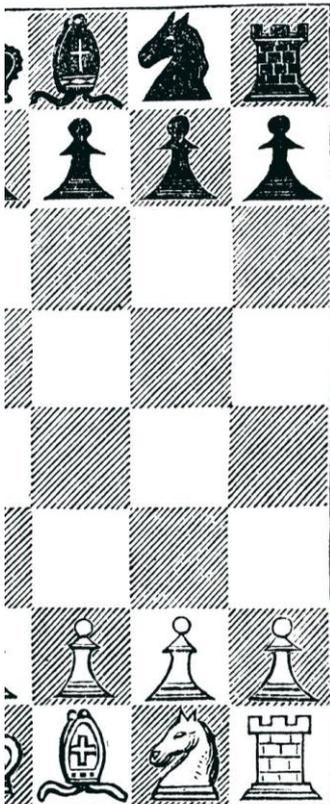
led by Djaara Elder, Aunty Marilyne Nicholls.

Date: Tuesday 14th of February

Time: 9:30am

Location: Native Garden in the School Courtyard

All Welcome!



Chess Club

Clunes Town Hall
Supper Room
Fortnightly on Tuesdays
Any time from 6pm to 9pm
Drop-ins welcome
All ages & abilities



Dates for first half of 2023

Feb 7, 21 * March 7, 21 * April 4, 18 * May 2,
16, 30 * June 13, 27 * July 11, 25

(dates subject to change - see Clunes Chess Club on
Facebook or subscribe via cluneschessclub@gmail.com
for updates)

Supported by



Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amounts this year are \$125 for eligible primary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

It is important that funding made available in 2022 supports students to participate in school trips, camps and sporting activities this year rather than being held for future years. This funding can also be used in conjunction with any funding accrued from previous years. Please note these activities will only take place if they meet COVIDSafe requirements.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on ph: 03 5345 3182 and ask for an application form.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page.

Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.



LEGO CLUB

We have recommenced Lego Club as of Wednesday 8th February, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm every week this term. Lego Club will again be held at the Clunes Library.



Anyone is welcome. Bring afternoon tea if needed.

Smile Squad is coming to this school

Dear Clunes Primary families,

The Smile Squad team from Dental Health Services are coming to our school soon. Smile Squad is the Victorian Government free school dental program. This means all students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

How to access free dental care

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian.

Sign up to Smile Squad at: <https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>



Please complete and submit the consent form by Friday 3rd of March 2023.

The Dental Health Services Victoria Smile Squad team look forward to seeing you soon.



Daylesford College Tours

Come and see the school in action with a personal tour from one of our leadership team. It's the best way to get a feel for a school and to see if it's a good 'fit' for you and your child(ren). We are a great little country school that is going places fast! We can provide all the opportunities of a big school but in the small, caring environment of our small country school.

To book go to <https://calendly.com/dc-bookings/school-tour>

Daylesford College is a child safe school, that values individuality, diversity and free thinking.
We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet and learn every day.

Term 1 Calendar – Draft #2 Thursday 9th February 2023			
	Fri	27- Jan	Staff Professional Learning Day Statewide Student Free Day Clunes PS Day 1
WEEK 2	Mon	30- Jan	Staff Professional Learning Day Student Free Day Clunes PS Day 2
	Tue	31-Jan	Students first day of Term 1 2023 short whole school Assembly in the Multi-Purpose Hall Prep & new parents to Clunes PS- welcome gathering & morning tea in the Staff Room DET Attendance data collection
	Wed	1-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day- each Wednesday for first 7 weeks of Term 1. Final Wednesday date TBC. Draft Assessment schedule has been forwarded to parents
WEEK 3	Tue	7-Feb	Every Tuesday is Walk to school Tuesday. Meet Mr. James & Mr. Burke at the Queen's Park playground at 8.30am
	Wed	8-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day. School Council Meeting 7pm (School Finance Meeting 6.30pm)
	Thu	9-Feb	First FULL Newsletter home. (Newsletters home each fortnight, sent via email & placed on the school's website) Notice of School Council election
	Fri	10-Feb	The Ballarat Courier- Prep D photo 11am Somer's \$ installment due
WEEK 4	Mon	13-Feb	Assembly- Induction of House Captains Somer's \$ installment due
	Tues	14-Feb	9.30am Welcome to Country & Smoking Ceremony - all welcome to attend
	Wed	15-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day Confirmed Senior School Swimming Sports – Clunes pool – approx. 12.15pm start
	Thu	16-Feb	Closing Date for School Council election nominations
WEEK 5	Mon	20-Feb	Assembly- Induction of JSC representatives Somer's \$ installment due
	Tues	21-Feb	Proposed Welcome BBQ & Parent Education activity session
	Wed	22-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm
	Thu	23-Feb	
WEEK 6	Mon	27-Feb	Somer's \$ installment due
	Tue	28-Feb	
	Wed	1-Mar	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day
WEEK 7	Mon	6-Mar	Final Somer's \$ installment due
	Tue	7-Mar	Somer's Camp begins (9 days) Declaration of School Council ballot
	Wed	8-Mar	School Council AGM & General Meeting
	Thu	9-Mar	
WEEK 8	SUN	12-Mar	11 th Vintage Truck Show - 1 st Clunes school FUNDRAISER- many helpers required PLEASE see Sonia Helping may include baking scones or slices off-site & delivering only (on the day)
	Mon	13-Mar	Labour Day – Public Holiday
	Wed	15-Mar	TBC final Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day Somer's Camp ends
	Thu	16-Mar	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm
	Fri	17-Mar	
WEEK 9	Mon	20-Mar	
	Tues	21-Mar	
	Thurs	23-Mar	
	Fri	24-Mar	Proposed Harmony Day/ Focus Day-mixed groupings across the school & optional dress up theme day
	Sat	25-Mar	Book Town- 2 nd Clunes school FUNDRAISER- many helpers required PLEASE see Sonia or ring Office
	Sun	26-Mar	Book Town- 2 nd Clunes school FUNDRAISER- many helpers required PLEASE see Sonia or ring Office
WEEK 10	Tue	28-Mar	
	Wed	29-Mar	
	Thu	30-Mar	Proposed Term 1 DISCO – theme decided by our Junior School Council
	Fri	31-Mar	
WEEK 11	Mon	3-Apr	
	Tues	4-Apr	
	Wed	5-Apr	
	Thurs	6-Apr	Last day of Term 1 2.30pm finish (casual dress day- no gold coin donation. Each last day of Term is casual dress)
	Fri	7-Apr	Good Friday- Friday 7th April

To be confirmed: Fire Safety lessons 2023 Welcome BBQ & Parent Information Evening.

Inter- school Swimming events Other Meetings & events

TERM 2 begins Monday 24th April

Tuesday 25th April- ANZAC Day Public Holiday – School Captains commitment to the Clunes township ceremony & optional participation for all students in the parade (guard of honour) & the ceremony. (wearing school uniform)