



Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 Week 5

*"Golden Past, Bright Futures"*

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*We learn. We show respect.*

*We are safe.*

# Clunes Primary School Newsletter

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Please see **Term 1 Calendar draft #3** - 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 of Term 1, 2023. Next Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March will be the last Rest / Assessment Day.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our Bus Roll is almost full this year with many families are able to make the most of this free service. Thank you, Christians Bus Service, and Public Transport Victoria (PTV). Our new revised route via Cooks Rd and Learmonth Rd is receiving very positive feedback (feedback is always welcome).



A revised Bus Travel Schedule, with expected departure and arrival times, will be forwarded home to families again via the bus company and school shortly.

Please remember to contact Ron *and* the school if there is a change of travel arrangements for your child's expected bus travel on any particular day (eg. you are now collecting your child from school for an appointment). Precious travel minutes can be saved if all expected travellers are on the bus.

Thank you.

## ***Welcome BBQ 2023 & Open Classrooms Evening this Tuesday 28th February*** We look forward to your attendance.

We enthusiastically invite you to our annual **Welcome to 2023 Family BBQ** this coming Tuesday followed by, in 2023, an **Open Classrooms** session. Your child/ children will be able to share with you their new classroom / teacher and expectations, what they are learning at the moment, their current learning goals, and it will be an opportunity to have a question-and-answer session with your child/ children's teacher/ teachers. Our family **FREE BBQ begins at 5.00 pm** until 5.45pm. Families can munch on a sausage provided by school and have a cordial or water drink or may like to bring their own picnic.

Our **Open Classrooms Session** begins at **5.45pm across all classrooms.**

Our evening will conclude at approximately 6.30pm. Please let us know if you will be attending (catering)  
**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 – Dusty, Lachlan	1/2MJ – Otto, Max T, River
2 /3KL – Tahlee, Izzy	4 /5A –Duke T
5/6B – Mia	Principal's Award –Duke T x 2, Jacus
Performing Arts- Pepper, Ethan, Jordan, Cruz Visual Arts- Pepper, Charlie F, Charmainne, Arnya	PE- Heidi, Bella Bus Travel Award- Deni, Alexa, Lucy, Evie C, Ruby, Evie D

**What Chance  
Has Your Child Got  
of Being Successful?**

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but.....

He/ She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...	Which means the best your child can perform is ...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1.5 years</u>	Your Child Other Children Equal to finishing in grade 11
1 day per week	40 Days per year	8 weeks per year	Over <u>2.5 years</u>	Your Child Other Children Equal to finishing in grade 10
2 days per week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over <u>5 years</u>	Your Child Other Children Equal to finishing in grade 7
3 days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly <u>8 years</u>	Your Child Other Children Equal to finishing at grade 4

**Everyday Counts!!**

## Attendance 2022

Despite COVID- 19 illness absences, other illness absences and multiple family commitments, there were students in 2022 that attended almost every day of the 2022 school year.

At Assembly last week these students were acknowledged with a 2022 Attendance Award. Thank you and congratulations to:

Matt C      Evie D  
Dyllan      Jayda  
Chloe C      Isaac S  
Zarah C      Angus C (now Yr 7)  
Dahli W (now Yr 7). Dahli had 0 absences in 2022.

## How to be sun smart and why!!

1. SLIP ON CLOTHING TO COVER SKIN, MAKE SURE TO COVER AS MUCH SKIN AS POSSIBLE BUT CHOOSE LIGHT THINGS TO WEAR SO YOU DON'T GET TOO HOT.
2. SLOP ON SUNSCREEN TWO MINETS BEFORE GOING OUTSIDE AND REAPPLY EVERY TWO HOURS.
3. SLAP ON A HAT THAT COVERS YOUR FACE PROPERLY.
4. SEAK SHADE ON HOT DAYS TO AVOID SUNBURN AND PLAY SAFELY.
5. SLIDE ON SUNGLASSES LABELLED WITH PROTECTION CATEGORY.

### Why!

AUSTRALIA HAS ONE OF THE HIGHEST RATES OF SKIN CANCER IN THE WORLD.EACH YEAR 2,000 AUSTRALIANS DIE FROM SKIN CANCER. ***SO be SUNSMART!!!!***



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**Smoking Ceremony**  
**Feb 2023**



Swimming Sports 3-6 2023



## Term 1 Working Bee—Sunday 5th March 2023 8.30-11am



Your help would be sincerely appreciated!  
No time too short!



**Tasks that will be our Term 1 focus:** Prune fruit trees and pruning trees/bushes near Staff Room

Mulch the garden beds that include all areas near the Outdoor Learning area; under the almond trees, the 'fort' area, and near the mound at the Junior Playground. Remove dead Rosemary bushes.

Weeding- front of school, in the stones at the main gate/ Student Entrance, front garden beds, within mulched garden beds, in our Kitchen Garden.

Using the left over blue metal to fill holes in Staff Car Park Fix latch on Green House

### Please bring:

Your Garden Gloves

Wheelbarrows Pruning gear

Shovels and rakes

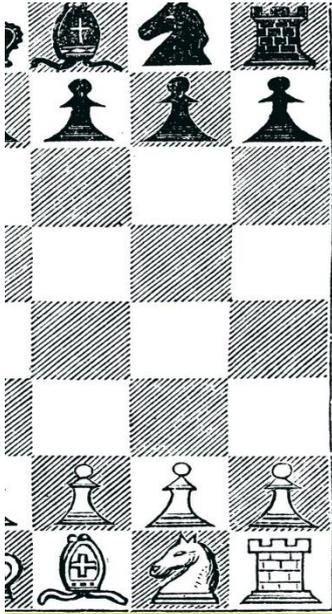
Whipper snippers

## Ms Jardine's professional challenges last week



Q. Which task was less daunting? Panel discussion at the Principal's Forum for 100 + Principals ... or 30+ dunks in the tank at the Clunes Festival ?

A. Being dunked by the kids from school ... anytime! It was fun! ... WET, but fun! 😊



## 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](mailto:cluneschessclub@gmail.com)  
for updates)

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## 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.**

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## Help with school costs and fees

There are options if you're having difficulties with school costs.

### On this page:

- Get further advice
- Help from State Schools' Relief

There are options if you're having difficulties with [school costs](#).

You can:

- talk to your school about your situation. They may be able to arrange a payment plan or look at other options.
- ask about support from [State Schools' Relief](#) and the [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund](#)
- use the [payment and service finder](#) to see if you can get support from the Commonwealth government.
- use the [Crisis Referral Information System](#) to find support near you.
- ask your school about support services in your area.

Your school cannot stop your child from learning the standard curriculum if you can't pay.

## STOPIT service

STOPIT is a new Victoria Police text notification service enabling commuters, including school students to report any form of inappropriate behaviour that makes them feel uncomfortable, frightened or threatened on the public transport network.

### How STOPIT works

The STOPIT service enables commuters to use their mobile phone to promptly, easily and discreetly report inappropriate behaviours.

To use the service, commuters simply text 'STOPIT' to 0499 455 455. This triggers an automated response that includes a link to where the commuter can provide more details about what's just happened.

When people report these types of inappropriate behaviours, police can investigate and identify offenders to improve safety on public transport for everyone.

Parents and carers are encouraged to consider discussing the new service with students who travel on public transport. Students who use mobile phones outside of school hours are encouraged to save the STOPIT number in their mobile phone.

Please note, STOPIT is for reporting non-urgent incidents on public transport. Always phone 000 in an emergency.

For more information, refer to "sexual and anti-social behaviour on public transport" on the Victoria Police website.

## MEDICATION AND FORMS

Please ensure that you have provided the school with all medication (i.e. Asthma medication) through the front office as well as any new medication or asthma plans.

Medication authority forms can be obtained from the office and need to be filled out in order to allow the school to provide your child with the medication they need.



### Medication Authority FORM



#### For students requiring medication to be administered at school

This form should, ideally, be signed by the student's medical/health practitioner for all medication to be administered at school but schools may proceed on the signed authority of parents in the absence of a signature from a medical practitioner.

- For students with asthma, *Asthma Australia's School Asthma Care Plan*
- For students with anaphylaxis, an *ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis*

Please only complete the sections below that are relevant to the student's health support needs. If additional advice is required, please attach it to this form.

**Please note: wherever possible, medication should be scheduled outside school hours, eg medication required three times daily is generally not required during a school day – It can be taken before and after school and before bed.**



Scan here

ALL AGES  
WELCOME

# FREE IMMUNISATION SERVICE AT TALBOT ANA HALL

(CORNER OF HEALES & BALLARAT STREET, TALBOT)

Bookings are preferred using the QR code above  
or calling 0428 894 724

Please note: NO Covid19 vaccinations available

8:15am - 10:00am	Thursday 16th February
8:15am - 10:00am	Thursday 16th March
8:15am - 10:00am	Thursday 20th April
8:30am - 11:30am	Thursday 12th May - FLU SESSION ONLY
8:15am - 10:00am	Thursday 18th May
8:15am - 10:00am	Thursday 15th June

**Immunisation Services**

**0428 894 724**

**[immunisation@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au](mailto:immunisation@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au)**



2023

# CFNC JUNIOR TRAINING

## TRAINING

FOOTY BEGINS WED 22ND FEB

U12 4.30 - 5.30

U15 5.00 - 6.30

U18 - 5.00-6.30

NETBALL BEGINS THU 2ND MAR

13B 4.30 - 5.30

13A 4.30 - 5.30

U15 5.00 - 6.00

U17 - 5.00 - 6.00

## COACHES 2023

U12 - BRENDAN MCGAVIN - 0466 882 440

U15 - CHRISTIAN FEATHERSTON - 0407 515 319

U18 - NICK ZAMPATTI - 0484 002 523

13B AMEEKAH & JAQUI - 0418 515 708

13A ALLY ELLIS (CHRISTINE - 0420 780 588)

U15 NIKOL FEATHERSTON (CHRISTINE - 0420 780 588)

U17 CHRISTINE & SALLY - 0420 780 588

**Register before 31st March to win one of two \$100 Intersport Vouchers**



Netball Rego's



Football Rego's





## Parent and carer webinar schedule 2023

eSafety's free webinars provide parents and carers with the knowledge, skills and tools to support their children to have safe, positive online experiences.

Our live webinars for parents and carers attracted record attendance numbers in 2022. To meet the growing demand, we are expanding the program in 2023 to include more dates and topics to support school communities.

### Term 1

#### Safer Internet Day (7 February)

##### eSafety 101: how eSafety can help you

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary and secondary school.

##### Setting your child up for success online

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary school.

##### Getting the most out of gaming

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary and early secondary school.

##### Navigating online friendships

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in secondary school.

### Term 2

#### National Families Week (15 to 21 May)

##### eSafety 101: how eSafety can help you

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary and secondary school.

##### Getting started with social media: TikTok, YouTube, Instagram

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary school.

##### Online relationships and consent: sending nudes and sexting

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in secondary school.

##### Setting your child up for success online

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary school.

### Term 3

#### National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence (18 August)

#### National Child Protection Week (3 to 9 September)

##### eSafety 101: how eSafety can help you

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary and secondary school.

##### Online boundaries and consent

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary school.

##### Getting the most out of gaming

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary and early secondary school.

##### Online relationships and consent: sending nudes and sexting

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##### Getting started with social media: TikTok, YouTube, Instagram

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### Term 4

#### Mental Health Month (October)

##### Wellbeing and digital technologies

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in secondary school.

##### Getting the most out of gaming

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary and early secondary school.

##### Navigating online friendships

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in secondary school.

##### Getting started with social media: TikTok, YouTube, Instagram

Suitable for parents and carers of young people in primary school.

Subscribe to [eSafetyNews](#) for dates and registration details or visit [esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars](#).

cafs WE CARE

## Kinship Carer Group BBQ

Cafs is kicking off our 2023 Kinship Carer Group activities with a Summer BBQ.

Join us for lunch and some downtime with Cafs Kinship Care Team and fellow carers.

**Date:** Monday, March 20th

**Time:** 12:00 - 1:30pm

**Address:** Cafs Family House

601 Sherrard St, Ballarat Nth

RSVP Essential for catering purposes

To find out more contact Kara Nelson, Kinship Care Group Facilitator on 53373333 or register today at [Eventbrite](#).



International Women's Day

SAVE THE DATE!

INTERNATIONAL

WOMEN'S DAY

IS COMING

MARCH 8

Learn more at [www.internationalwomensday.com](http://www.internationalwomensday.com)

Term 1 Calendar			
	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 Somers \$ installment due
WEEK 4	Mon	13-Feb	Assembly- Induction of House Captains Somers \$ 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 Somers \$ installment due
	Wed	22-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm
	Thu	23-Feb	
	Fri	24-Feb	Sovereign District Swimming Sports- Mr. James attending
WEEK 6	Mon	27-Feb	Somers \$ installment due
	Tue	28-Feb	Welcome to 2023 free school BBQ followed by Open Classrooms- showcasing current student work
	Wed	1-Mar	Last Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day
WEEK 7	Mon	6-Mar	Final Somers \$ installment due
	Tue	7-Mar	Somers 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 <sup>th</sup> Vintage Truck Show - 1 <sup>st</sup> 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 Somers 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 <sup>nd</sup> Clunes school FUNDRAISER- many helpers required PLEASE see Sonia or ring Office
	Sun	26-Mar	Book Town- 2 <sup>nd</sup> 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**

**Other Meetings & events**

**TERM 2 begins Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> 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)**