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We are safe.*

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

***“Golden Past, Bright Futures”***

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# Clunes Primary School Newsletter

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Please see our Term 4 Calendar Draft 1 on the back page	Our Term 3 Summary of Achievements is inside!
<b>Footy Day tomorrow!</b>  <b>1pm finish</b>	Students will adorn their favourite footy/ sports colours for tomorrow’s parade and will bring in ‘coins’ to line up for their footy/ sports team as a JSC fundraiser and fun way to end the term.

*\*Year 4/5T & 5/6A Swimming Permission Forms MUST be back by the end of Term.  
Not attending? Please let us know.*

Dear Parents/Caregivers,



Our DRUMBEAT soloists excelling at our final Assembly performance! Very impressive! ☺

**Best wishes to you all for a happy and safe School Holidays! Looking forward to seeing you all back happy and rested for a busy and productive Term 4 of learning on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October.  
Kind regards, Sonia & CPS staff.**



## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 3



Our Term 3 You Can Do It key is:

**Persistence**

<b>Prep/ 1B - Oscar</b>	<b>1/2H – Cameron</b>
<b>Year 2/ 3D – Mia</b>	<b>3/ 4LM- Charlie I</b>
<b>4 /5T – Xaiden-Lee</b>	<b>5/ 6 A- Ben O’B</b>
<b>School Captains Award- New weekly Award 1<sup>st</sup> ever Award to: Quinton (respectful Assembly behaviours always- terrific modelling to others)</b>	<b>Mrs Laurie’s Award- Xaiden-Lee Ms Jardine’s Award- Chaplain’s Award – Meghan</b>

**Bus Travellers Awards: Congratulations to Mia, Georgia, Drew, Charlie I**

**Sports Congratulations- to our Division Athletics participants-**

**Results: Aameekah- 800m 3<sup>rd</sup>                      Lucan- 100m 2<sup>nd</sup>                      Ben O’B- Discus 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Kynan- 800m 6<sup>th</sup> & 1500m 2<sup>nd</sup>                      Hannah T- Long Jump 2<sup>nd</sup> & 100m 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**To Lizzy- Swimming Squad 12 Yrs and Under Champion, To Oli- Nth Ballarat Under 12 Reserves AFL Champion**

### Term 3 summary:

Our Third Term of the 2018 school year has been a very busy and productive one!

Thank you all for your commitment to our wonderful school and to the ongoing learning successes for our students.

This term; beginning on Monday July 16, we have among other achievements:

- Conducted weekly Student Leadership Meetings with our School Captains and Vice School Captains. Our School Captains Lizzy and Max, attended the Primary Schools Parliamentary Convention in Melbourne. Both students had the incredible confidence to speak to all delegates, conducted within the Legislative Assembly.
- Our Artists in Residence Grant was put to exceptionally good use with Christy and Luke from ‘Asking for Trouble’ working with our Year 6 students on Resilience and Transition. This culminated in a fabulous Performance- The Hero's Journey. Digital copies of this will be available soon!
- Staff have continued to actively participate in and further develop their understandings about Reading, Writing & The Big Write process and Numeracy. Our staff have also continued to assist other schools with their Literacy and Numeracy implementation by observing it in operation here.
- Four Year 3-6 students achieved Hepburn Shire ‘Words in Winter’ writing awards!
- We celebrated weekly Students of the Week!
- Our Choir group conducted weekly lunchtime sessions and then performed to the entire school (and enthusiastic family and community members) at our last Assembly! A wonderful effort and cultural experience! Thank you Mrs Anderson and participants!
- We re- affirmed our class and yard rules with our students in line with our School Values and Positive Behaviours approaches.
- Our Year 3s and 4s were thoroughly engaged in the Log Cabin Camp.
- Mrs Felicity Longmire continued to extend staff professional learning in leading Mathematics teaching and learning across the school and ‘M & Ms’ (formally EMU) for the benefit of students in Years One and Two.
- We continued to use fundraising money to support our very successful ‘home grown’ Kitchen Garden & Cooking program with Mrs Laurie. Andy and Ruth wholeheartedly continue to support the school by selling produce at the school stall at the monthly Clunes Organic Market. Every Market raises between \$50 & \$150. Jo and Ruth support Mrs Laurie with the implementation of the weekly cooking program.

- Julie trained in and then introduced the DRUMBEAT program to her first group of Year 3, 4 & 5 students! All students performed solos pieces as well as part of the group at our last Assembly for the term on Monday! An absolutely fabulous performance!
- Julie and dedicated helpers continued with a very positive weekly Breakfast Program- thanks Julie & Helpers! Pancakes again today for the last Brekky Club for the term!
- Eligible families continued to receive support from the CSEF funding- supporting Excursions and Incursions opportunities for our students. Extra funding from the Education Dept will see a reduced cost of Swimming for every participating child in Term 4.
- 2 x Junior School Council Meetings were conducted incorporating Student Voice and Student Agency into decision making within the school.
- Results of the annual DET Student Attitudes to School Survey (ATSS) were returned after the years 4, 5 and 6 students were surveyed earlier in the year. Very positive data once again! Our student leaders analysed the data. Next term our students will assist with further analysis and then will make a small presentation to their class on the findings. Following class feedback we will take action to make ongoing improvements.
- The ATSS data was also presented to staff and to School Council and has been made public via the My School website and in our Newsletter.
- Staff actively participated in OH & S components of Staff Meetings, keeping the safety and wellbeing of all, foremost in our minds. The OH & S Committee completed an OH & S post audit meeting with Region staff.
- National NAPLAN assessment results were returned with pleasing growth results in Writing, Reading and Numeracy. The data was presented to student leaders and staff, to school council, and parents via the Newsletter. The data is available via the My School website.
- We were selected to trial the technical capability of NAPLAN Online in readiness for 2019 implementation. We experienced a few challenges that we can now prepare for next year.
- Parents were randomly selected (computer generated sample) to participate in the annual, now online, Parent Opinion Survey. (results back later in the year)
- The Wesley Music Concert, held this term up at school, was very engaging!
- 3 x School Council Meetings were conducted
- A small group of hardworking parents attended the Working Bee on Father's Day. 
- Kirrily Urquhart began teaching Japanese to our Senior students and will teach across the school in Term 4
- Netball and Indoor Soccer superstars actively participated in competitions in Ballarat! Our Year 5 /6 Girls Indoor Soccer Team are the inaugural competition winners!
- Our whole school participated in a Children's Book Week Focus Day with a delightful Book Parade showcasing the efforts of our parents to dress up their children as their favourite book character.
- Schools Tree Day was celebrated with extra trees planted in the school yard by students from Year 3 /4LM. Ang and Mrs Longmire and students were ably supported by our very committed Garden Parent Support Volunteers.
- Mrs Laurie has placed a Garden Awards application in again to formally seek recognition for the efforts of all, for our beautiful and functional surrounds and sustainability efforts at Clunes PS.
- Year 4 /5 and 5 /6 students interviewed members of the wider Clunes community as part of a 'Humans of Clunes' learning focus. This activity was enjoyed by young and old.
- Our Parent Group once again provided incredible fundraising support with the Tree Drive, an entertaining Trivia Night, yummy Hot Lunch Day, delightful Father's Day gift arrangement and very popular canteen at the Term 3 Disco.
- The Term 3 Disco was, (as usual), a delightful event!
- In this last week of term:
  - Students will adorn their favourite footy colours for tomorrow's parade and will bring in 'coins' to line up for their footy team as a fundraiser and fun way to end the term.
  - Our students will enjoy a free 'Asking for Trouble' Production from Christy & Luke at 11.30am.

**We practised our Values daily - We learn, We show respect, We are safe. 😊**

# THE BEACH

Feel the burning hot concrete in the crowded car park. Feel the irritating rough sand blow against my face while the wind goes by.

I can smell the fresh salt water crashing against the rocks. I can smell the hot chips on a warm day.

I can taste the saltiness on hot chips and potato cakes. While I'm swimming I can taste salty water going into my mouth.

I can hear families laughing and cheering for joy. I can hear the waves banging and crashing against the rocks.

I can see seagulls charging for chips on the sand. I can see a pretty patterned sea shell glistening in the bright sun, ready to get washed away.

The beach is a lovely relaxing place to be. It is always a great place to play and of course swim. The beach does not just involve sand and water but also boats, birds and a huge amount of fish in the sea. I love the beach because if you just want to get out of the house, it is an amazing place to go and to relax! Even on rainy days I would still go because if you're going to swim you're in the water and getting wet anyway. The beach is the best place to go with your family on a holiday or just there for a day. My favourite beach is Geelong beach because it is big and it is a very fun place to be! The beach is my treasure because I love it.

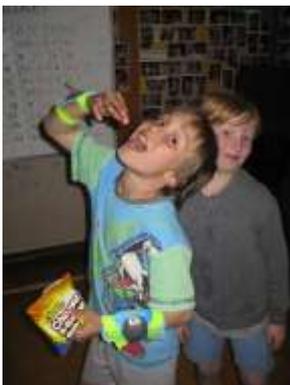
The End

by Jayde

# Term 3 DISCO –Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September

*in the Multipurpose Hall- both events led by our Junior School Council team & Mr. James*

**Theme: Movie/ TV/ Book Character or ‘casual dress’**





## Clunes PS Choir - Assembly performance 😊

 Carers Australia **NATIONAL CARERS WEEK** 14-20 OCTOBER **2018**

**Pinarc Carers Week Events 2018**

**Daylesford Parent Connection Group**

For parents and carers of children with disabilities in the Daylesford area.

3 course Lunch (restricted menu)  
Time: Tuesday 16th October, 12pm  
Venue: Daylesford Royal Hotel  
Cost: Free\*

#### Who can attend?

Parents or carers of children with disabilities.  
New members welcome.

**\*Registration is essential as places are limited**

#### How do I register?

Contact Rebecca Paton,  
Parent Support Coordinator  
5329 1361, [rpaton@pinarc.org.au](mailto:rpaton@pinarc.org.au)



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17 September 2018

## In the heat of a parenting moment

### • POSITIVE PARENTING

by Michael Grose

We all do and say things in the heat of the moment that in retrospect make us cringe. That make us go “*What on earth was I thinking?*”. That fill us up with regret. Here’s a case in point.

Recently, a parent told her five year old daughter that her bedroom was so messy that the tooth fairy wouldn’t be visiting. Miss 5 just folded her arms and jutted her jaw in defiance, indicating exactly what her mother could do with this tidy bedroom business!

And so the tooth fairy took one look at a messy bedroom and flew on by.

Next morning there was quite a scene when Miss 5 saw her tooth still in the cup, and worse still, no money beside it.

Distressed, she came to her mum in tears. “Mummy, I’ll clean my room up, I promise. Will the tooth fairy visit tonight?”

This is where a difficult situation took a turn for the worse.

Miss 5’s mother took the hard-nosed approach. “*The tooth fairy only makes one visit for each tooth. You’ve missed out! Bad luck.*” Needless to say Miss 5 was inconsolable. Her mum had fun getting her to school that day!

For parents, it’s a struggle sometimes to know what to say and do to get kids to cooperate. A lot of it is trial and error. Over time, you get a better feel for what works and what doesn’t and will learn how to get to a peaceful resolution... eventually.

#### ***What would you have done?***

Would you have banned the tooth fairy? For kids, some things are extremely near and dear to them and should be left out of the consequences or punishment basket.

Christmas, Easter, birthdays, tooth fairies, imaginary friends and the like shouldn’t be tinkered with. There is a fantasy, a magic about them that only children get. Yes, there’s that thing that Santa only visits kids who behave. But, let’s face it, that doesn’t wash with most kids any more.

#### ***This parent had a ‘get out of jail’ card***

Miss 5’s mum had a chance in the morning to let her daughter off the hook, and letting them both save face by taking a “*Okay, if you clean up your room today, I’m sure the tooth fairy will fly by again and notice that you’ve made an effort*” approach.

But in the cold light of day, she still took the ‘tough love’ option.

#### ***When responses work well – the ‘4 R test’***

So how can you tell if the situation calls for tough love or a softer touch? One way to check is with the Parenting Ideas 4 R test. That is, would your response clear these four criteria?

**Related** – Does the punishment fit the crime?

**Respectful** – Does it let the child keep their dignity?

**Reasonable** – Would an outsider consider it ‘reasonable’?

**Repeatable** – Could you say it again and be sure it will have a positive impact?

It’s best to check your responses and see if they pass the 4 R test. If not, then leave them out of your repertoire, as it’s a fair chance that they will be ineffective at best, or lead to an even more resentful child at worst.

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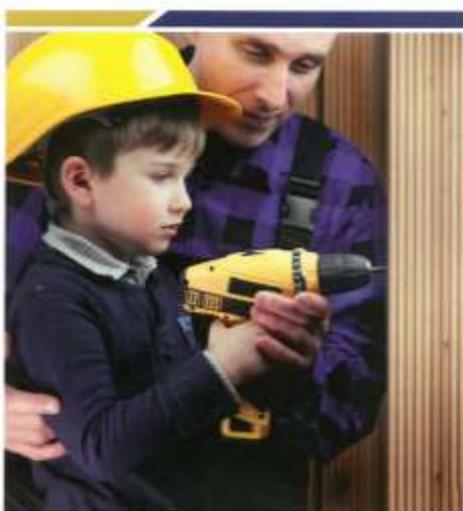
On your journey to finding out what works, it’s best to leave some touchy areas such as tooth fairies alone.

Logical, considered and dispassionate consequences are the safest, sanest and most effective parenting tools to reinforce responsible behaviour, while helping you build a positive relationship with your young one.



**Michael Grose**

Michael Grose, founder of Parenting Ideas, is one of Australia’s leading parenting educators. He’s the author of 10 books for parents including Thriving! and the best-selling Why First Borns Rule the World and Last Borns Want to Change It, and his latest release Spoonfed Generation: How to raise independent children.



**Topics discussed:**

- Healthy relationships with your family
- Understanding how anxiety impacts upon Dads and their ability to parent in a positive manner
- Exploring relationships with your children
- Attitude, anxiety and behaviour: the impact of parental stresses on the children's sense of wellbeing and safety
- Understanding the effects of parent capacity and family dynamics on children's development
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# CLUNES PRIMARY SCHOOL'S

## WALK-A-THON

Parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> of October  
after lunch (1:45pm)

Students are challenged to walk or run as many laps as they can to raise money for our Energy Breakthrough Team, Team Dynamite!

Dress up in your house colours and support your team!



Party through our dance zone!

# CLUNES JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

CRICKET SEASON IS FAST APPROACHING  
AND THE MIGHTY CLUNES MAGPIES  
ARE LOOKING FOR BOYS AND GIRLS  
TO PLAY IN OUR UNDER 13 CRICKET  
SIDE. GAMES ARE PLAYED TUESDAY  
AFTERNOONS AFTER SCHOOL. WE  
ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR PLAYERS  
FOR OUR UNDER 16 SIDE FOR  
SATURDAYS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED  
PLEASE CONTACT DI ON 0457003922  
OR ROSS ON 0451 757 069.

GO MAGPIES !!  
ROSS KENNA CMCC JUNIOR PRESIDENT.

## Eco Warriors New

The Eco Warriors have been busy over the last few weeks. They have painted and decorated stones and placed them around the garden beds for fellow students to find, who then hide them again for others to find. The inventive P/1B students have even made up their own game using the stones.



The Eco Warriors have been busy potting and looking after herbs to sell at the next Farmers Market.



We have installed new nesting boxes for the chickens by recycling the pots left over from the 'new tree' planting and lining them with recycled shredded paper.

In term 4 the Eco Warriors have a new recycling strategy to introduce and a 'Wrapper Free Wednesday' program to launch. Exciting times ahead. Watch this space for more information next term.

**TERM 4 CALENDAR 2018 PARENTS**

draft #1

13/9/18

**Week 1: 8-12 October**

Monday 8 October: First day of Term 4  
 Tuesday 9 October: 4 /5T & 5/ 6A Swimming begins Permission notes to go home re rest of Swimming Program  
 Wednesday 10 October: Walk to School Program begins  
 Thursday 11 October: Breakfast program begins

**Week 2: 15- 19 October**

Tuesday 16 October: 4 /5T & 5/ 6A Swimming  
 Wednesday 17 October: NO OCTOBER School Council Meeting  
 Friday 19 October: EB- School Walkathon

**Week 3: 22- 26 October**

Monday 22 October: Sovereign Hill (Yr 2s)  
 Tuesday 23 October: 4 /5T & 5/ 6A Swimming Junior School Council Meeting  
 Friday 26 October: **World Teachers Day**

**Week 4: 29 October- 2 November Student Support Group Meetings/ Koorie Meetings this week**

Tuesday 30 October: 4 /5T & 5/ 6A Swimming  
 Thursday 1 November: **Student Support Group Meetings/ Koorie Meetings**

**Week 5: 5- 9 November**

Tuesday 6 November: last 4 /5T & 5/ 6A Swimming snail races? TBC  
 Thursday 8 November: Kinder Transition 1 9-11am  
 Friday 9 November: **BALLARAT SHOW- PUBLIC HOLIDAY**  
 Sunday 11 November: **REMEMBRANCE DAY-** optional School Captain participation

**Week 6: 12- 16 November**

Tuesday 13 November: Yrs 3D & 3/4LM Swimming begins  
 Wednesday 14 November: P- 2D Swimming begins School Council  
 Saturday 17 November: **CLUNES SHOW**

**Week 7: 19- 23 November**

Tuesday 20 November: Yrs 3D & 3/4 Swimming  
 Wednesday 21 November: P- 2D Swimming  
 Thursday 22 November: Kinder Transition 2 9-11am **ENERGY BREAKTHROUGH**  
 Friday 23 November: **ENERGY BREAKTHROUGH**  
 Saturday 24 November: **ENERGY BREAKTHROUGH** **State Election**

**Week 8: 26 November- 30 November**

Tuesday 27 November: Yrs 3D & 3 /4 Swimming Junior School Council Meeting  
 Wednesday 28 November: P- 2D Swimming  
 Friday 30 November: Wesley Concert 1.30pm at Blue Stone or Clunes PS venue TBC

**Week 9: 3-7 December**

Tuesday 4 December: Yrs 3D & 3 /4 Swimming  
 Wednesday 5 December: P- 2D Swimming  
 Thursday 6 December: Kinder Transition 3 11-1pm

**Week 10: 10- 14 December**

Tuesday 11 December: State-wide Transition Day – Kinder Transition 4 9am-1pm  
 Last 3D & 3 /4 Swimming  
 Wednesday 12 December: Last P- 2D Swimming School Council meeting  
 Thursday 13 December: Carols? TBC  
 Friday 14 December: Parent Helper End of Year thank you Morning Tea

**Week 11: 17- 21 December**

Monday 17 December: Focus Day- Xmas Semester 2 Reports & 2018 Class Lists home today  
 Thursday 20 December: **Year 6 Graduation**  
 Friday 21 December: Last Day of Term 4/ 2018 School Year 1pm finish

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**To be confirmed:** Carols date, Final School Council meeting? TBC School Council end of year dinner?, Garden Awards excursion?  
 Class Parties, 2.30- 3pm 2019 Whole School Transition, EB training days