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Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

*"Golden Past, Bright Futures"*

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# Clunes Primary School Newsletter

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Please see Term 1 #draft 2 Calendar on back page

updates highlighted in yellow

2019 Prep/ Foundation students Rest/ Assessment Day- each Wednesday for the first 7 Weeks of Term 1, 2019. From week 8, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, all Prep students will attend for a full week.

### Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Another busy fortnight at Clunes Primary School with all students managing to settle into the term, even with the long spell of hot weather. Please do not forget that Term 1 is a 'hat' term with all students expected to wear a sun smart hat to remain safe in the sun.

### News this fortnight:

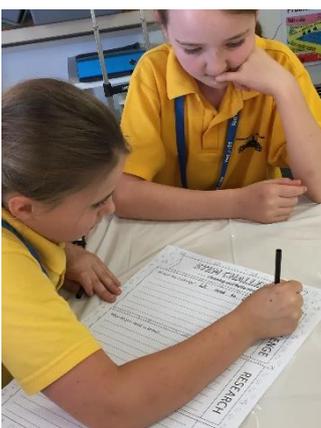
- There are a number of items on the red shed veranda available for anyone who would like to come and take them.
- If there are any kind community members who could donate a bag or two of wheat for our chooks, it would be greatly appreciated.
- We are asking for help with the monthly Organic Market stall. This fantastic initiative is in danger of ending, as we desperately need volunteers (a Roster system is possible). All money goes directly to our Cooking and Kitchen Garden Program.

### A note about Sustainability:

As a school with a strong ethos on sustainability and being 'resource smart' we welcome ideas from the school community about how we can continue to develop and improve in this important area. A parent has asked us to consider the possibility of reducing our use of laminating sheets, particularly with regards to our Award Certificates. Thicker card has been costed as more expensive but would definitely breakdown significantly more easily over time. What are your thoughts? Other suggestions? Feedback is always welcome.

## Mount Rowan Secondary College visit:

Rachel, a visiting science and mathematics teacher from Mount Rowan Secondary College, spent some time in the 5/6 classrooms creating a STEM challenge for our budding scientists. Students worked in groups to brainstorm, design and construct an item required to fit specific criteria. One group had to design a way for an elephant to safely move among mice, which was tricky because, of course, this elephant was terrified of mice. The students had a fantastic time, with many great designs made.



## The Mystery of the Missing Icepacks...

At the beginning of every term, our First Aid Officers stock up on icepacks to use when students have a bump, bruise or other such 'ouchy'. These marvellous items are in constant use and help students manage their minor mishaps. Unfortunately, as the term goes on, our supply of icepacks becomes smaller and smaller so we are asking for your help in locating the mysteriously missing items. Sometimes a student is sent home with an icepack to help make the journey easier and there may be an unknown icepack in your student's bag or even on top of the fridge at home! If you find one could you please return it to school, it would be greatly appreciated.

## School Photos.

A form will be coming home with all students this week regarding school photos. If you would like a sibling or family photo, please collect a form from the office.

**Parents please note: Preps will begin their first full week at school on week 7 this term. Week 7 begins on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March.**

 <h2 style="text-align: center;">STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 1</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Our Term 1 You Can Do It focus is: <b>Getting Along</b></p> 	
Prep B - Isla H-D, Oliver H	1/2B – Corina L, Lacey D
Year 2/ 3LM- Declan S, Angus C, Callan D	3/ 4L- Lilly W, Zeb W
5/ 6 A- Reece H-D, Grace D, Shaylee F	5/ 6 D- Isabell W, Cloe M, James D
Chaplain's Award- Xaiden-Lee M	School Captains Award- All BBQ Attendees

## CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

**Words to Live By!** By *Regina, aged 90 years.*

Life isn't fair, but it's still good.

Your job won't take care of you when you are sick; your friends and parents will; so stay in touch with them!

You don't have to win every argument; agree to disagree.

Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.

Don't compare your life to others; you have no idea what their journey is all about.

Be eccentric now; don't wait for old age to wear purple.

Frame every so-called disaster with these words: "In five years, will this even matter?"

What other people think of you is none of your business.

Your children only get one childhood.

If we threw our problems in a pile and saw everyone else's, we'd probably grab ours back.

Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.

No matter how old you feel, get up, dress up and show up.

Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a gift.

Have a great week!

Blessings, *Julie McDowell* Chaplain



**\*In 2019 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!**



## **URGENT HELP REQUIRED PLEASE! Historic Vehicle Show- School Fundraiser**

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Once again we are catering at this well-attended event at the Clunes Show Grounds. It will be held this Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 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, which went directly into programs 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

## **A reminder to all bike riders:**



With the cooler weather approaching, we are seeing more and more students riding their bikes to school, which is fantastic! Please remember to keep yourself safe by wearing a properly fitted and approved bike helmet at all times. This is a required road safety regulation designed to reduce the risk of injury. We are able to safely store your helmets at school for the day, ready for the ride home. Well done to those students who use 'pedal power' to get to school, it is great for your bodies and the environment! ☺

## **2019 Essential Education Fees**

A reminder that school fees are due by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March. If you anticipate any problems meeting this deadline please feel free to contact the office to arrange a payment plan.

We look forward to your fees being paid by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March or having you approach us to arrange alternative payment. BPAY, EFTPOS and cash are all welcomed.

# STEM Activity

On Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of February the 5/6s had a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math session with a teacher from Mount Rowan Secondary College called Mrs. Z. At the start of the session we made groups of 7 and elected one person from each group to be a challenge captain. The role of the challenge captain was to elect people for other roles, keeping us on track and to help others when needed. Next we were given roles from the challenge captain. The roles that we were given were roles like the test coordinator, safety officer and chief architect. My group designed a way to keep mice away from an elephant. The first thing we did was research what mice like or hate. After that we designed a spray bottle to kill the mice then take them away. At the end we wrote something to present to the group, then each group presented.

By James deKort



## Stem day!!!

11:20, we're coming in to class from recess, when a lady said "everybody find a group of 7". The lady was called Mrs. Z and she came from Mt. Rowan.

The people in my group all had a role. Charlie.D was challenge captain, Stella was safety-officer, Dylan was testing co-ordinator, Kyrah was reporter, Grace was material master, Summer was chief architect and I was construction worker. For some reason I was trembling with fear.

After a bit we had to read a card that said "you're stuck on Antarctica, build something with our materials to survive." Our group made a boat that would sink in one second. All the groups got tickets if they did something good. At the end my group got 15 tickets and we got the most.

By Benji.

### ASTONISHING S.T.E.M

On Tuesday we had a special treat!

A teacher from Mt. Rowan named Mrs. Z came to do a S.T.E.M activity with the 5/6's. As she was explaining what to do and how to do it, I was eager to start!

Firstly, we all had to assign a 'Challenge Captain' (the captain of the group). It was their job to keep the team on task, lend a hand and ask a teacher for help when required.

Then there were other jobs like 'Safety Officer', 'Construction Worker', 'Testing Co-ordinator', 'Reporter', 'Material Master' and 'Chief Architect'. Unfortunately, there were seven jobs and only six people in our group. Luckily, Isabell was happy to have two jobs.

I was the 'Testing Co-ordinator', so it was my responsibility to give a reason why our contraption would work. My answer wasn't the greatest, but it wasn't my fault! How was I meant to find a 'Garden Troll' and get it out of its home just for some kid to make friends with it?

Anyway, our machine was made out of a cup, tape, pipe cleaners and paper. There is a tank with steak inside and a fan that blew the smell into the troll's home, making him want to come out. As soon as he's out, you pull a lever, connecting to a trap door which captures him.

It was an amazing experience to have happened, there wasn't a part I didn't enjoy.

By Reece.



# Free PICNIC

ON FRASER

SUNDAY MARCH 17 5-8PM

- Live Music
- Free Sausage Sizzle
- Family Friendly Event
- Children's entertainment
- BYO extra Picnic Hamper
- Dog-Free Event Please

FRASER STREET & COLLINS PLACE  
ROAD CLOSED FROM 3PM, OPENED AT 9PM

Need transport?  
Courtesy bus, phone 5345 4078  
office hours, to book a seat

Organised by CTDA, CNH and many other Clunes organisations & businesses

Bringing our community together

**MEC** *LIVE MUSIC!*  
*RIDES!* **FAMILY FAIR** *MARKETS!*  
*FUN!* **FRI 29th MARCH** *RAFFLES!*  
**2.30 TO 6PM**  
*ALL WELCOME!*

CAMEL RIDES ~ FOOD ~ STALLS ~ CRAFTS  
PLANTS ~ POO LOTTO ~ AMUSEMENTS  
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## INFORMATION EVENING 2019

SEBASTOPOL CAMPUS

Tuesday 12th 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

[www.phoenix.vic.edu.au](http://www.phoenix.vic.edu.au)

**BALLARAT**  
Proudly supporting  
**good Friday appeal**  
THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

*Family* **FUN DAY**

MARKET \* MUSIC \* DANCERS \* SINGERS  
AUCTIONS \* FUN FOR THE KIDS \* FOOD STALLS

**GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19**  
**11AM-3PM**

**BALLARAT GREYHOUND RACING CLUB**

**GRV** **Ballarat**  
GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

**ENTRY BY DONATION. KIDS RIDES TICKETED.**  
**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES: BALLARATGOODFRIDAYAPPEAL**  
**STALL HOLDER & ENTERTAINMENT ENQUIRIES: 0466 069 361**

THIS EVENT IS REGISTERED WITH THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

# Swimming sports

On Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 went to the swimming sports along with some Grade 2's. 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 and noodle races, as well as a kick board race. We would like to congratulate everyone who participated and Beckworth for winning it for the second time in a row! We also would like to congratulate all the other teams. Towards the end, we had a thrilling experience of Quinton and Kynan racing the lifeguards and unfortunately, the lifeguards won! 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. 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



## 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](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

### 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](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 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 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



Hepburn  
SHIRE COUNCIL

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2019

HEATHER MUTIMER HONOUR ROLL 2019

RECOGNISING EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN IN OUR SHIRE

**EVENT DETAILS:**  
Friday, 8 March 2019  
6pm  
Creswick Town Hall  
68 Albert Street, Creswick

Celebrating inspiring women and paying tribute to those in the Shire whose contributions, courage and examples have led to significant social change for women.

International Women's Day 2019 campaign theme is #BalanceforBetter

Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the event

Bookings essential at: [www.trybooking.com/ZOHG](http://www.trybooking.com/ZOHG)

# BOOKCLUB 2019 ISSUE 2 IS DUE BACK BY MONDAY 18th MARCH

**ORDER AND PAYMENT TO BE LEFT AT  
OFFICE OR GIVEN TO CLASSROOM  
TEACHER BY THIS DATE.**

**ON-LINE LOOP ORDERS USING  
CREDIT CARD AVAILABLE.**

**NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED**

Expressions of interest sought for new Basketball club in Daylesford Please contact Renee if interested.

[Daylesfordbasketball2019@gmail.com](mailto:Daylesfordbasketball2019@gmail.com)

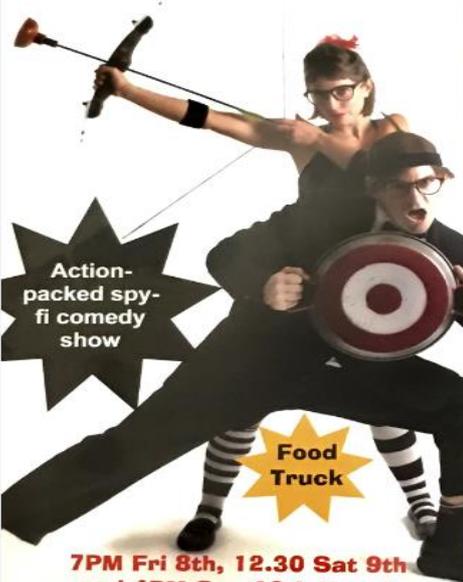
Renee on 0405068007

Or check out our Facebook page

Basketball in Daylesford and surrounds

Fish and Moo & Chillout present

## Her Majesty's Secret Circus



Action-packed spy-fi comedy show

Food Truck

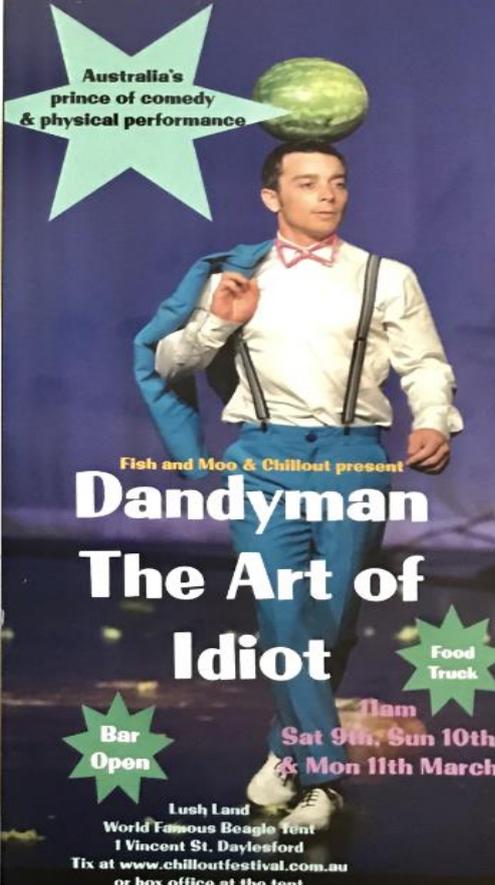
7PM Fri 8th, 12.30 Sat 9th and 4PM Sun 10th March

Bar Open

Tix at [www.chilloutfestival.com.au](http://www.chilloutfestival.com.au) or the box office at the tent

Lush Land, The World Famous Beagle Tent  
1 Vincent St, Daylesford

Australia's prince of comedy & physical performance



Fish and Moo & Chillout present

## Dandyman The Art of Idiot

Food Truck

Bar Open

11am Sat 9th, Sun 10th & Mon 11th March

Lush Land  
World Famous Beagle Tent  
1 Vincent St, Daylesford

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**CLUNES FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB**

COMMITTED - UNITED - PROUD

# U12's and U15's Football Information

<b>TRAINING STARTS:</b>	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>TRAINING TIME:</b>	U12's: 4:30pm – 5:30pm      U15's: 5:00 – 6.00pm
<b>TRAINING VENUE:</b>	Clunes Football Ground (20mins from Ballarat / 15mins from Miners Rest)
<b>Coach:</b>	U12's: Lindsay Pritchard – 0427 028 556 U15's: Jordy Thomas – 0438 267 644
<b>Team Manager:</b>	U12's: Suzy Kenna – 0409 647 395 U15's: Sarah Muir – 0409 433 466

Clunes Football Netball Club are looking for Junior footballers that would like to be a part of a FUN, family orientated and inclusive club for the upcoming season and beyond!

Training will have a FUN and ENGAGING focus, whilst developing the fundamentals of footy.

**NOTE:**

- Training will change to THURSDAY NIGHTS as of Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March.
- Junior Meals will be provided after training on certain weeks at a cost of \$5
- Parents assistance will be required from time to time for goal umpiring.

**ROUND 1 – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March vs Creswick @ Creswick;**

U12's: 8:30am Arrive, for 8:50am Start. U15's: 9:30am Arrive, for 10am Start.

U12's 'LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP' – currently scheduled for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April (this may change).

**COMMITTED – UNITED – PROUD**

## TIME LINE FOR 2019 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 2019.

Notice of election and call for nominations	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
Closing date for nominations	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
The date by which the list of candidates, nominator and seconder will be displayed	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
The date by which the ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
Close of ballot	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2019
Vote count	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2019
Declaration of ballot	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
Tentative first School Council meeting	† Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
Tentative School Council meeting to elect office bearers	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2019

### **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 28<sup>th</sup> February and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018.**

The ballot will close at 4.00 pm on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2019.

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 2019 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2021	3
DET member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2019 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2021	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 – Richard Howell, Secretary – Dianne Bongiorno, Steve Kinnersly, Chris Coon, Jo Henderson-Drife, Karl Schaefer, Ange Flowers, Vicki Anderson, Ross Adams, Ben Marsland and Malcolm Hull.

We also take this opportunity to thank our outgoing parent committee members Chris, Karl and Jaime and our DET members Di and Vicki.

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

All 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

**TERM 1 CALENDAR 2019 PARENT COPY****Draft #2** changes/ additions highlighted**Week 4: 18 – 22 February**

Monday 18 February: Assembly- Induction of JSC reps – presentation of badges

Tuesday 19 February: Teeth on Wheels 2019 Welcome BBQ- followed by ... Family focus evening led by our staff &amp; our students

**Wednesday 20 February: Junior School Council Meeting**

Thursday 21 February: Teeth on Wheels Senior School Swimming Sports 12.00pm onwards Years 3-6, Clunes Swimming Pool

Friday 22 February: Wesley students assist in our junior classes every Friday 8.45- 11am and work with Yonke &amp; our students regularly in our Kitchen Garden

**Week 5: 25 February – 1 March Acting Principal = Vicki Anderson 5/6A= Mrs Maguire**

Monday 25 February: Prep PSD applications due in. Sonia's last day before LSL (4 weeks)

Tuesday 26 February:

**Wednesday 27 February: Fire Safety Kids lessons for all students Yr 1-6.****Thursday 28 February: School Council 2018-19 election process begins**

Friday March 1:

**Week 6: 4 - \*10 March Acting Principal = Vicki Anderson 5/6 A= Mrs Maguire**

Monday 4 March:

Tuesday 5 March:

Wednesday 6 March: NAPLAN Online staff training 1pm **Golf- yrs 5/ 6**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: Closing date for School Council nominations**Friday 8 March: Eureka Division Swimming Sports Wesley Concert @ Clunes PS 2-3pm after school preparation for the Vintage Truck Show****\*Sunday 10 March: School fundraising -catering at Clunes Community Vintage Truck Show- helpers required please****Week 7: 11- 15 March Acting Principal = Felicity Longmire 3/4 L= Mrs Maguire****Monday 11 March: Labour Day public holiday**

Tuesday 12 March:

Wednesday 13 March: Last Foundation Year (Prep) Assessments/ Rest Day TBC **Golf- yrs 5/ 6**  
**Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm****Week 8: 18 – 22 March Acting Principal = Felicity Longmire 3/4L= Mrs Maguire**

Monday 18 March:

Tuesday 19 March:

Wednesday 20 March: **Preps attend first full week.**

Thursday 21 March:

Friday 22 March: Regional Swimming Event (Horsham)

**Week 9: 25 – 29 March**

Monday 25 March: Sonia returns from LSL

Tuesday 26 March: **School Photos****Wednesday 27 March: School Council Meeting- AGM and General Meeting**Thursday 28 March: **NAPLAN Coordinated Test Day Term 1 Disco – theme 'The Future'.**  
**Possible visit by international educators linked to Wesley @ Clunes.**

Friday 29 March:

**Week 10: 1 – 5 April**

Monday 1 April:

Tuesday 2 April:

Wednesday 3 April:

Thursday 4 April: Last Day Term 1 finish 1pm (casual dress day)

**To be confirmed:** TBC Harmony Day/ Focus Day date. Families/ mixed groupings & optional dress up theme day-----  
**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April: Good Friday****Term 2 resumes: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2019****ANZAC Day: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**