

Clunes Public School Newsletter

5th November 2015

Week 5 Term 4

Walker Street, Clunes 2480 Principal: Michelle Slee

CANBERRA UPDATE

ball' on the excursion.

but excited.

to the Senate.

We have had word from Michelle Slee

in Canberra and everyone is 'having a

The drive down went smoothly and

they arrived in Canberra a little tired

There has been lots to do, starting off

Parliamentary Education Office, a visit

to the House of Representatives and

with a guided tour of Parliament House including a session at the

'Learn to Live, Live to Learn'

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> From all accounts the children are having a wonderful time. We will look forward to publishing more of their photos in next week's newsletter.

Students will be arriving home on Friday morning around 6.00am.

The school would like to acknowledge the Australian Government which recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education.

To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$60 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid

directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



Yesterday they continued their civics education at the **Electoral Education** Commission, before visiting the Royal Australian Mint and then challenging their brains at Questacon. Today they are in Sydney where they will be visiting some of the city's highlights including the Opera House and travelling on a ferry to Circular Key.





SCHOOL CALENDAR		We are an accredited Waste Wise Ways School	
WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 8	UPCOMING
Yr. 4, 5, 6 Excursion to Canberra Friday 6 November Canberra excursion return at 6-7am Education & Communities	 Monday 9 November Kinder Orientation –9-1pm Wednesday 11 November Remembrance Day 10.30am Thursday 12 November Interrelate Day 2 SRC fund raiser –Story Dog Friday 13 November Student assembly Raffle draw 	Mon 23 to Friday 27 November • Intensive swimming program each day	 9th December School Concert matinee School Concert evening 11 December End of Year Presentation Assembly Volunteers morning tea 14 December Year 6 Dinner Disco

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Our school stands proudly on Bundjalung land

Expectation of the Week

"Consider those around you""

Student Assembly

Our next student assembly is Friday 13th November at 2.15pm. We will be drawing the raffle for Reece at this assembly so make sure you have all your tickets in by Thursday 12th please.

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our last assembly.

- K-1 Emilia, Natasha, Osian
- 1-2 Alysha, Lachlan, Reggie
- 3-4 Bodhi, Kate, Reigan
- 5-6 Connor, Mitchell, Oscar



Our Citizenship Award went to Alysha Taylor for being responsible in supervising games with Kindergarten.

Congratulations also to Osian, Nova and Willow for attaining their 100 Readers Certificate for reading 100 home readers!

Music Tuition for next Week

Instrument tuition will be back to normal next week with Ms Clarke on Tuesday, Mr Cameron on Friday and keyboard with Anne on Wednesday.

Some fees are still outstanding for this term's tuition. Fees are \$90 for the term and payable at the start of the term. It would be appreciated if all fees could be paid up by 30th November.

Story Dog Fundraiser

Next Thursday, the Student Representative Council will be holding a fund raising day for "Story Dogs", the organisation that brings Gail and 'Roy' to our school each Wednesday. For the cost of a gold coin, children can dress up 'animal

theme' for the day. Story Dogs helps children each week to grow in confidence and fluency in their reading. The mission statement for Story Dogs is 'to make reading fun



for children, so they become confident lifelong readers'. For more information visit <u>Story Dogs</u> on the web.

Remembrance Day

Our school will be

commemorating Remembrance Day on Wednesday 11th November with a wreath-laying ceremony and a choir performance starting at 10.30am. Students are asked to bring in flowers and foliage and drop



them off at the front office to be made into a wreath/s.

Kinder Orientation for 2016

Today was the third session of the Kinder 2016 Orientation program. Our last session is on Monday 9th November from 9am to 1pm. Please send along some fruit for fruit break, recess, a water bottle and a hat.





New Enrolments for 2016

We ask that parents submit enrolment paperwork prior to the end of this term so that students can be entered on our administration system ready to start in 2016. This will mean that library borrowing, marking of rolls and printing of emergency lists etc. can start immediately school commences.

Intensive Swimming Scheme

Our Intensive Swimming program starts on Monday 23rd November and runs for 10 consecutive school days. Cost for the program this year is \$65 per student which includes bus fare and pool entry. [*If students have a season pass to the Alstonville Pool, the cost is reduced to \$30 but the pass must be presented to the school office at the time of payment.*] All levels of swimming ability will be catered for so all students are encouraged to participate. Please return notes with full payment by Wednesday 18th November. Remember payments can be made online on our school website, www.clunes-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Parent Helpers Needed

Parents who are able to assist with the intensive swimming at Alstonville Pool please contact the school office.

Raffle for Reece

Thank you to those families who have returned their raffle books in support of Reece who is off to the School Sport Australia Championships in Canberra in December (not state as is mistakenly written on the raffle ticket books- oops!) The raffle will be drawn at our next student assembly on 13th November. There are some great prizes on offer so get your tickets in soon.

- Stockpot Kitchen dinner for two;
- Norco cricket set worth S180+;
- Ashmore Palms Holiday Village a \$200 voucher towards accommodation;
- \$30 petrol voucher Clunes Service Station; and a
- > \$15 voucher from Clunes Store.

Tickets are \$1 each or \$4 for 5. More raffle books are available from the front office.

Notes due

Intensive Swimming Scheme

Wednesday 18th Nov.



WHAT IS FRESH TASTES?

Our school implements the Fresh Tastes @ School NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy, which means our canteen has guidelines to follow when designing the menu. Fresh Tastes @ School uses a coloured spectrum to categorise food based on nutritional value:

GREEN: these foods are a good source of nutrients and contain less saturated fat, sugar, salt and excessive kilojoules so **fill the menu with these foods.**

AMBER: these foods have some nutritional value, moderate levels of saturated fat, added sugar and salt so select these foods carefully, avoid large portion sizes and don't allow them to dominate the menu.

RED: have little to no nutritional value and are high in saturated fat, added sugar, salt and excess kilojoules. **These foods can only be sold on two occasions per term.** For more information, visit <u>www.healthy-kids.com.au</u>

P & C News

The band night at Coronation Hall is this weekend and it would be wonderful to see you all there.
The P&C are catering the food with slow cooked beef rolls, vegetable curry and baked goods for after. Thank you to the families who have already offered help, but we still need more assistance with donations and on the night.
If you can help out in any way (cooking, baking, assisting on the night, lending a rice cooker) please contact Laura Hayward.

 Our final P&C meeting for the year is next Monday, so please come along and celebrate our great year.

Uniform shop

If you require uniforms, you can contact Andrew on holisticgardencare@bigpond.com and send him your order. He will collate and package the order for you to pay for and collect at the front office.



At COOSH this week, while we have been missing our older children, it has given us an opportunity to teach the younger children some new games and skills. Jigsaw puzzles were a favourite challenge on Tuesday, with a group completing one and asking for a second, having mastered the steps of separating corners, edges and colours to make selecting the correct piece easier. Making scented clowns in craft on Monday we taught the children sewing skills, in particular how to sew on beads and start a piece with an oversew stitch.



We are grateful to Sasha Murchison for her handmade kitchen, which formed the centre of our café play. Utilising the white board the children transferred literacy and numeracy skills as they designed their own menu with pricing and took orders from customers, including working out the bill. Counting up money and working out the value of assets demanded Maths skills as the game of Monopoly was wrapped up to ascertain a winner. Being able to transfer skills is one of our learning outcomes at COOSH, so if you are concerned about passive screen time play, try engaging your child in puzzles or board games... it's fun!

Hannah and the COOSH team

Community Event

Vintage/Retro is the theme. Prizes for the Best dressed Guys & Dolls. There will be 'The Yummy Food Kitchen' serving up some scrumptious Pulled Beef & Slaw Rolls and for the vegetarians a Veggie Curry with rice. Spread the word...\$15 door deal that includes you into the raffle. You can purchase a ticket online or make a donation- just go to the links provided. <u>https://events.ticketbooth.com.au/event/clunes-community-fundraise</u> or

www.mickbuckleyandthehepcats.com or find them on Facebook



Head Lice have been spotted again, so please check your child's hair and if they are affected, please treat their hair, bedding etc.









