



Clunes Public School Newsletter

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Week 6 Term 4

'Learn to Live, Live to Learn'

Integrity, Responsibility, Respect

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Our school stands proudly on Bundjalung land

SENSATIONAL WEEK FOR SWIMMING

We've had a brilliant week for our first few days of swimming. The children have been amazing in taking on their watery challenges and many felt that they had already become stronger, faster and smarter in the water. Our children have enjoyed maximum time in the pool while having the security of feeling well supported and safe. Staff, parents and swimming teachers have been wonderful and we thank them for giving up their precious time to help our clever kids do amazing things. Biggest challenge for the two weeks – not to lose one single sock!!!

SINGING OUR STAFF'S PRAISES

I often have to step back in the midst of busyness and reflect on how fortunate we are to have such a great team. The staff have been particularly busy at this time of the year and yet they continue to work together to provide the best opportunities and experiences for our students. Whether it be assessing, writing report comments, meeting with parents, making penguin outfits, cats' ears, updating the

computers, organising the budgets, preparing backing tracks for the concert, entering artwork at Bangalow show, completing their own professional learning, planning for the new year, or getting some magic ice to fix that bump or bruise, they work tirelessly and I thank them for their commitment. There will be some staffing changes occurring in the new year and I will provide this information when confirmed over the next few weeks.


SRC NUDE FOOD DAY NEXT TUESDAY

We are pleased to announce that our Student Representative Council have requested a NUDE Food day to focus on healthy eating and looking after our environment at the same time. This is the first Nude Day we have had since last year and we think it is a great suggestion. If you log on to the "Live Life Well" website, you will find lots of simple and delicious way to provide your child with a nude food menu for the day.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

We are an accredited Waste Wise Ways School

WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10
<p>21 - 25 November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intensive Swimming Program each morning, leaving school at 9.50am and returning by 12.15pm. Please ensure students have swimmers, towel, goggles (optional), sunscreen and their change of clothes. 	<p>Monday 28 November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten Orientation 	<p>Monday 5 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concert rehearsal <p>Wednesday 7 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matinee concert Evening Concert <p>Thursday 8 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reports distributed 	<p>Monday 12 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation Assembly Year 6 Dinner Disco <p>Tuesday 13 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> End of Year Fun Day <p>Thursday 15 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clunes Has Talent <p>Friday 16 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last day of school for 2016

ONLY FOUR WEEKS TO GO AND SO MUCH TO DO!

Please ensure you have locked in the important dates for the remainder of the term as we would hate any of our families to miss out on the many special events.

We will be holding a morning tea for all our wonderful parent and community helpers as well as our scripture and Ethics teachers on Monday 12th December at 11am. The end of year Presentation will run straight afterwards. This year we are thrilled to have Mr Ian Davies, Kadina Campus Principal, Mr Greg Smith, Executive Principal of Rivers Secondary Schools and Mr Kevin Hogan, Federal Member for Lismore, attending both our thank you morning tea and presentation day.

REED SMITH ON WORK EXPERIENCE

It has been a delight to have former student, Reed Smith, on work experience this week. Reed has been a great help in all the classrooms and I'm sure he would make a brilliant teacher should he choose this career.

PAY IT FORWARD

Whilst we are focusing on being healthy and fuelling our body for our swimming program, we are also focusing on kindness.

We are fortunate to live in a community that cares for each other and it is getting close to that very giving time of year. It is important we all consider what we can do for each other and therefore our expectation for the next two weeks will be "Paying it forward". This involves random acts of kindness – we ask that everyone who receives an act of kindness, repays this by doing something kind for another person.

Michelle Slee
Principal

Expectation for the Week "Pay it forward"

Student Assembly

Our next assembly is on **Friday 18th November at 2.15pm**. Parents, carers and community members are welcome to join us as we celebrate our students' achievements.

Swimming program next week

Parents who are helping out at the pool can either catch the bus from school (we leave at 9.50am) or can meet us at the Alstonville Pool ready to start at 10.30 sharp.

The roster for week 2 is:

Monday – Jenny, Megan and Yuko
Tuesday – Anna, Dave and Innes
Wednesday- Jenny, Cara and Di
Thursday - Jemma, Sasha and Megan
Friday – Jenny, Sasha and Megan

Thank you so very much to all our volunteers.

Clunes P.S. Band

Don't forget lessons are still on next Wednesday (November 23) regardless of swimming. Students need to remember to bring their instruments to school.

Class 1-2 Writing

Class 1-2 continued with their writing this last week but used a picture as a stimulus. The teacher read the book "Bicycles", which is predominantly a picture book about bicycles and how they change communities for the better. Students had a very interesting discussion about bicycles and the freedom, enjoyment and imagination that they can provide. A writing task was developed to provide modelled writing to improve writing imagination by the students.



Aggie has a great example in her writing of a wonderful imaginative start to her story. Well done Aggie.

Imagination

Wow! That dream was amazing I should go back to sleep and finish it. Wow this place is amazing cool the grass is poked dotted yellow and I'm FLYING! I like this place a lot. Hey there are some unicorns dancing on a disco cloud hey I should dance with them. Ha ha,ha there singing! Oh a flying bike ride. I pick this bike because there are strings on it with cows and pigs on the end and the bike is rainbow and fluffy and it has a basket on it. Ah there's a candy island over the lemonade water. Oh no I better wake up because it's my birthday.

Keyboard, guitar and drum tuition next week

- Guitar and drum lessons will go ahead tomorrow and next Friday with Mr Cameron. Participating students will have their lessons following the swimming lessons.
- Keyboard lessons will go ahead next Wednesday - lessons will take place once students return from swimming.

End of Year Fun Day

Our end of year fun day for the students will be on Tuesday 13th December with the Year 6 students heading towards the coast for an activity-packed day at the Ballina Waterslide and ten pin bowling. Meanwhile, the rest of the students are heading towards Lismore to enjoy PlayQuest for the K/1/2 and bowling for the 3/4/5. Permission notes will be distributed next week with more details.

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL OUR STUDENTS COMPETING
AT BANGALOW SHOW THIS WEEKEND IN A
VARIETY OF EVENTS.**

Head lice

We have had some reports of head lice again in the 1-2 classroom. Please check and if necessary treat you child over the coming weekend.



Veggie Burgers

Summer means BBQs. Veggie burgers are a fabulously versatile sausage alternative. They have been used successfully in groups of 15 and in mammoth events of 1300 children! The key is to highlight the variety, colour and fun of veggie alternatives. (You can also add lean beef, chicken or turkey mince)



Makes 15 small burger patties

- 2 carrots grated
- 1 small zucchini grated
- 1 x 130g can corn niblets drained
- medium potato grated
- 2 sticks of celery finely chopped
- 1 small onion finely chopped
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup self raising flour
- 1 tsp salt
- Small amount of oil for frying

In a bowl mix all the ingredients except the oil. Form mixture into patties or scoop out spoonfuls straight onto BBQ or hot plate. Place a patty onto a wholemeal roll with salad and sauce such as sweet chilli, tomato or BBQ if desired. Salad fillings might include: lettuce, sliced tomato, beetroot, onion, avocado, sliced capsicum, grated zucchini etc

P & C News

Save the dates

- The concert date is **Wednesday 7th December**. Cooking (BBQ) will start at 4.30pm and serving at 5pm. Please contact Ay-Shin if you are able to assist on the day. Allisia@hotmail.com 0411446861. Your help on the day or a donation of baked goods will be greatly appreciated. Thanks!
- The School Disco is **Monday 12th December** and the P&C will need your help to serve and donate baked goods.
- Uniform Shop will be open on **Tuesday 13th December** from 9.00am to 10.00am for anyone wishing to purchase school uniforms prior to the holidays. Andrew will also open early in Term 1 next year – date to be confirmed.

The rolls of canteen classroom organiser and uniform coordinator still need to be filled if anyone is interested.

If you would like to be involved in the P&C and can't attend meetings please contact me at snaily363@hotmail.com to be added to the mailing list.

The P&C plays an integral role in our school. We support the school in acquiring the tools the staff and students need to enrich our children's learning. We need you to get involved in the P&C so that we can continue to achieve greatness for our school.

Community News

Tennis Lessons with Bill MacDonald

Due to his attendance at a junior carnival elsewhere in the state, Bill MacDonald will not be available for tennis lessons on Monday 21st November. Lessons will resume as normal on Wednesday after school.



SAVE THE DATE!

18TH DECEMBER 2016 AT 5PM

Host an Exchange Student in 2017!



Do you have a spare room? World Education Program (WEP) Australia, a non-profit student exchange organisation is looking for volunteer host families to host an overseas exchange student!

- See Australia through the eyes of a non-Australian
- Visit new places and re-visit old favourites
- Teach our local customs and language
- Gain a new family member and friend for life
- Have lots of fun!

Students are arriving in **February 2017** and are looking forward to learning about Australia!

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Community Open Day

Celebrating 15 years of recycling innovation!
Saturday, 19 November 9am to 2pm

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY:

- Guided tours of the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) and organics processing site – see first-hand where we sort and separate the recycling of the Northern Rivers region, and make certified organic compost from your food and garden scraps
- Lismore Recycled Market and Old Wares Sale
- Take the Recycling Truck Challenge – compete for the fastest time to empty a wheelie bin
- Recycled craft activities with North East Waste
- Guided walks through the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens and rehabilitated landfill areas
- Love Food Hate Waste cooking demonstrations
- Interactive water catchment model
- Waste Wise Schools Recycled Sculpture display
- Plant potting activities with our organic compost
- Live music, food and coffee
- Free face painting
- Games, displays and giveaways



FREE ENTRY

Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre,
313 Wyrallah Road, East Lismore.
www.northernriverswaste.com.au
The facility will be closed for waste disposal from 9am to 2pm

