



# Clunes Public School Newsletter

16<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Week 8 Term 1

*'Learn to Live, Live to Learn'*

*Integrity, Responsibility, Respect*

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*Our school stands proudly on Bundjalung land*

## THANK YOU MR HUTCHINSON

Many thanks to Mr Tony Hutchinson who took on the role of Relieving Principal and 5/6 teacher in my absence. I greatly appreciate Tony taking on this role and knowing the school was in good hands during my unavoidable absence. I am thrilled to be back at Clunes and look forward to an exciting last three weeks of Term One.

## SWIMMING PROGRAM FOR YS 2 TO 6

Weather permitting!!!

We will be back at Alstonville Pool for our second session of swimming. Thank you to Keith, Gemma, Tanya, Dave and Cara who will be assisting staff with the program tomorrow. Swimming will only be cancelled if there is lightening. Children are to come prepared for swimming and normal lessons.

## LAKE AINSWORTH CAMP SEPT 11<sup>TH</sup> – 15<sup>TH</sup>

Our Year 4, 5, 6 students will enjoy a week at Lake Ainsworth in the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> September. Our Year 3s will enjoy an introduction to camp life with an overnight stay. A

note is being sent home this week which requires all students to secure their place at the camp by completing the EOI form and paying a deposit of \$50.

Please return this ASAP to enable the school to confirm booking numbers. Please contact the school if you have any questions regarding the camp.

## EASTER EGGS RAFFLE

We are holding our annual Easter raffle which will be drawn on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April. We are asking for donations of Easter goodies to be sent to the office. Any students donating eggs will receive a free raffle ticket. Families will receive a book of raffle tickets at \$1 a ticket or 3 for \$2.


Once raffle tickets are sold and returned to the school with money, students are welcome to take home more tickets if requested. **We ask that students do not sell tickets to strangers or people in the neighbourhood unless they are accompanied by an adult.**

*Michelle Slee*  
Principal



## SCHOOL CALENDAR

*We are an accredited Waste Wise Ways School*

WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10	WEEK 11
<b>Friday 17 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swimming as Sport at Alstonville Pool</li> <li>Student Assembly – class 3/4/5</li> </ul> 	<b>Tuesday 21 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canteen Meal Deal</li> </ul> <b>Friday 24 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mini swimming Carnival at Lismore Memorial Baths</li> </ul>	<b>Monday 27 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student Led Conference</li> </ul> <b>Wednesday 29 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Band Practice @ Goonellabah PS</li> <li>Student Led Conference</li> </ul> <b>Thursday 30 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clunes Cross Country</li> <li>Life Education</li> </ul>	<b>Monday 3 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life Education</li> </ul> <b>Tuesday 4 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student Led Conference</li> </ul> <b>Wednesday 5 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student Led Conference</li> </ul> <b>Friday 7 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last day of term</li> <li>Easter Raffle drawn</li> </ul>

## Expectation for the Week

### *"Take responsibility for your learning"*

#### Student Assembly

Our next student assembly is tomorrow at 2.15pm. The 3/4/5 class will be performing an item for your enjoyment. All families are invited to attend.

#### Regional Swimming

Congratulations to our regional swimming representatives on a fine performance.  
Reggie swam in the junior boy relay which came 8<sup>th</sup>;  
Kate and Laura swam in the junior girl relay which came 10<sup>th</sup>;  
Osian swam in the 8yo 50m freestyle and came equal 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### EOI for Year 7 2018

Students in Year 6 have been given an **EOI for Year 7 placement in 2018**. These forms need to be returned to school by this **Friday (17 March)** regardless of which high school they are applying for.

1. If student is applying for their designated local high school – please sign Section B.
2. If student is applying for a non-local government high school please complete Section C and outline why you are seeking such placement.
3. If student is applying for a non-government high school please complete Section E.

Thank you for your co-operation.

#### Swimming

Children will need to bring their swimmers, towel, goggles (optional) and a plastic bag to put their wet items into. Don't forget to pack their normal school clothes and underwear to change into after swimming.  
If you are paying on a weekly basis please remember to send along this week's \$6.

#### Parents on roster tomorrow at the pool are:

Thank you to Jemma Adams, Dave Stephens, Keith Wise, Tanya White, and Cara Polowytsch for volunteering to assist in the pool tomorrow. You will need to be at Alstonville Pool by 10.20am as classes start at 10.30. You should be finished by 11.40.

#### Scripture and Ethics Classes

Scripture with Pastor Mark Cooper has recommenced on Tuesday afternoons, but unfortunately we don't have sufficient Ethics teachers to provide Ethics classes at this stage.  
However we do need to know which students will be attending which classes and as such we have sent home a note today.

#### Easter Raffle

Our annual Easter raffle is on again and we are asking families to



donate a small something for the raffle prizes. Donations can be brought into the school office and students who donate will receive one free entry into the raffle. Raffle tickets were sent home today with students and cost \$1 each or 3 for \$2.  
Money raised from the raffle will **support students .....**

#### Lismore PAF Combined Band

Nominated students received their notes today for the Lismore Performing Arts Combined Band. This is a great opportunity for our students to play in a quality band and to perform in front of a large audience.  
It is an expectation that the students commit to practising in their own time and will perform at the Lismore PAF in August this year. Cost of participation is \$15 per student which needs to be paid to Clunes Public School. This covers two practice sessions and a concert band T-shirt.

#### Life Education

Healthy Harold and the Life Education Van will be visiting our school on Thursday 30 March and Monday 3 April. Cost to attend is \$10 per student which also includes a workbook for further work in the classroom.



## Healthy Harold's Family Fun Day

**Saturday**  
18th March  
9am - 3pm  
Byron Bay Public School

Special guests  
Interactive sessions in our vans and classrooms  
Face Painting  
Sports Clinics  
Educational Activities  
Food Stalls  
Entertainment  
Native Animal Show  
Rides and Jumping Castle  
Plant Giveaways  
Colouring competition

Come and say "Hi" to Healthy Harold and some of his friends

For more information call 0403 670 119 or email: [lfeeducation.northernnew@gmail.com](mailto:lfeeducation.northernnew@gmail.com)  
<http://www.lfeeducation.org.au/s/sas-offices/new-south-wales/new-south-wales-news/home/729-tweed-byron-family-fun-day>



#### Student Led Conference

Our student led conferences are coming up at the end of this term on various days in weeks 10 and 11. Notes were sent home last week and places are filling up on the roster for some days. If you wish to attend please return notes promptly so we can complete the roster and get back to parents to confirm times.



## Notes due in

Canteen Meal Deal	TOMORROW
EOI for Year 7 2018 (year 6 only)	TOMORROW
Student Led Conf.	TOMORROW
Scripture and Ethics note	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March
Life Education	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March
Lismore PAF Band note	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March

## My First Year 2017



## P & C News

P&C are running a canteen on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. We thank Amie Brown and Annabelle Cohen who are catering and serving on the day. *Lunch orders need to be returned by tomorrow to allow the ladies to get sufficient supplies.*



The rain put pay to some of our planned outdoor activities this week at COOSH but the children soon found alternative inside games to play. 'Pass the Pigs', introduced as a quick game on Wednesday, was won easily by Molly with persistence. Children let their imagination loose as they 'caught the story' in Monday's game and added their own twists to *once upon a time* beginnings. Cooking requests for apple crumble saw greater numbers interested in eating the results than learning how to make it. However, Seth and Keira enjoyed a hands-on experience of mixing ingredients!



Construction proved popular as children used their creativity to manipulate Lego, magnetic connectors and build protection for their soldiers in battle. Look out for our vacation programme where fun and learning opportunities like these are available in the April holidays.

Hannah & the COOSH team

## Parent Information Sessions

*'Learn to Live, Live to Learn'*

Our motto conveys the philosophy of continuing to learn throughout life and our learning preparing us for life's journey.

Our school endeavours to provide our community with relevant and essential information. Parent information sessions are held throughout the year, usually prior to P & C meetings.

To assist us in doing this effectively, please complete and return the slip below

OR

reply email to [clunes-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:clunes-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

## PARENT INFORMATION SESSION REQUEST

My child/children is/are in Year/s \_\_\_\_\_.

I would like an information session presented on the topic of :

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I am/am not able to attend a session held at 5:30pm prior to a P & C meeting. (P & C meetings are usually held on the first Monday of each month.)

If not what times and days suit you:

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The Parking Officer for Lismore City Council, as part of their enforcement program, is carrying out patrols for illegal parking around School Zones.

To help educate parents about Safe Parking in School Zones, a poster has been sent to schools. (see below)

*"I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation as Lismore City Council takes safety of our children very seriously"*

Glenn Pease | Parking Ranger | Lismore City Council

# Safe parking in School zones

## Take the time to ensure your child's safety

### Safe parking in school zones

As a community we need to ensure that children can get to and from school.

To improve road safety around schools, everyone needs to understand the parking restrictions and teach children to be safe around traffic.

Children are small, hard to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. Their lack of road experience means it is difficult for them to judge dangerous situations.

Boys are twice as likely to be involved in child pedestrian casualties as girls and children aged 10 to 14 years have the highest rate of child pedestrian casualties (Roads and Maritime Services).

You need to take extra care when driving and parking in and around school zones, even when you think there are no children around.

Parents should always supervise a child and always hold their hand when crossing the road.



## Important Road Rules in school zones

### PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS

**Fine exceeds \$433 and attracts a penalty of two demerit points.**

**What is the rule?** You must not stop within 20 metres before a pedestrian crossing or 10 metres after a pedestrian crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.

**Why?** To ensure that pedestrians can have a clear view of approaching vehicles and drivers can see pedestrians who are about to cross the road.



### INTERSECTIONS

**Fine exceeds \$253.**

**What is the rule?** You must not stop within 10 metres of an intersection.

**Why?** To ensure that there is a clear view of children crossing the road at the intersection.



### DOUBLE PARKING

**Fine exceeds \$325 and attracts a penalty of two demerit points.**

**What is the rule?** You may not stop on the road adjacent to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.

**Why?** Double parking forces other cars to go around you causing traffic congestion and reduces the view of drivers and children crossing the road.



## Important Road Rules in school zones

### BUS ZONE

**Fine exceeds \$325 and attracts a penalty of two demerit points.**

**What does it mean?** You must not stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving a bus.

**Why?** To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up passengers. Cars parking in bus zones put lives at risk by forcing buses out of "their" safety zone.



### NO PARKING

**Fine exceeds \$180 and attracts a penalty of two demerit points.**

**What does it mean?** You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. The driver must stay within three metres of the vehicle at all times.

**Why?** To provide a safe place for older children to be set down and picked up without endangering other children.



### NO STOPPING ON PATH/ NATURE STRIP

**Fine exceeds \$180 and attracts a penalty of two demerit points.**

**What does this mean?** You cannot stop in this area for any reason.

**Why?** To keep sight lines clear for drivers and pedestrians.



### NO STOPPING

**Fine exceeds \$325 and attracts a penalty of two demerit points.**

**What does it mean?** You cannot stop in this area for any reason.

**Why?** To keep sight lines clear for drivers and children so both have more time to avoid accidents.

**Stopping on a continuous YELLOW LINE will also attract a \$253 fine.**

A driver must not stop at the side of a road marked with a continuous yellow edge line. It means the same as the No Stopping sign.



## Picking up your children after school

### HAVE A PLAN

Plan with your child how you will collect them.

- When and where will you be after school?
- Where should your child wait?

Make sure they know not to try and get into your vehicle while it is still in traffic. Even if you are stopped, they should wait until you have parked. Your school may have some arrangements in place to help you collect your children.



## No apologies, no excuses

When it comes to child safety, Lismore City Council makes no apologies for issuing infringement notices to drivers who break the law in and around school zones.

Illegal parking in school zones puts children at risk and endangers lives. Parking offences in school zones carry heavy fines and loss of demerit points.

If you experience a problem with illegal or dangerous parking at your school, contact:

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Lismore City Council  
43 Oliver Avenue  
Goonellabah, NSW, 2480  
Phone: 1300 87 83 87  
Email: [council@lismore.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@lismore.nsw.gov.au)

