



Clunes Public School Newsletter

22 November 2018

Week 6 Term 4

'Learn to Live, Live to Learn'

Integrity, Responsibility, Respect

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Our school stands proudly on Bundjalung land

INTENSIVE SWIMMING IS HERE!!!

All K – 5 students will be off to the pool on Monday (Year 6 start Tuesday).

A big thanks to all our parents volunteering for the program as we need many people both in the water and pool side to ensure our students are safe and have maximum participation. Please ensure your child has everything clearly labelled and brings a wet gear bag every day. Thank you to Miss Anna for organising this program.

2019 KINDERGARTEN MEET FUTURE LEADERS

Today our 2019 Kindergarten children met their 2019 Year 6 buddies. They had a great day both in the classroom and in the playground. Next Thursday they will enjoy attending school from 9 – 1pm.

Meanwhile our Year 5 students are preparing speeches to present at assembly at 2pm on



Friday 30th November. All staff and K – 5 students vote for one girl captain and one boy captain. Good luck to all our candidates; it is fantastic to see so many students willing to step up into leadership roles.

END OF YEAR

End of year rehearsals for our school concert are in full swing with song, dance, drama, costuming and props being prepared. There's excitement in the air and it's going to be a fantastic ride. Parents will receive notes regarding any costuming requirements in the coming week.

You will also receive a fun day note this week as Year 6 head off to Ballina Water Slides and cinema, and K – 5 head to the cinema at Lismore then participate in fun activities on Tuesday 18/12.

Planning has also begun for our other end of year events such as presentation day, Year 6 farewell, K – 6 disco and Clunes Christmas Carols.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

We are an accredited Waste Wise Ways School

WEEK 6

Friday 23 November
- Surf Safety Talk



WEEK 7

Intensive Swimming all week

Monday 26 November
- Adoles-sense Y6 program

Wednesday 28 November
- NO keyboard/singing

Thursday 29 November
- Kinder Orientations #4

WEEK 8

Intensive Swimming all week

Monday 3 December
- Adoles-sense Year 5 program
- BYOD parent meeting @ 5.15
- P&C meeting

Wednesday 5 December
- NO keyboard/signing

Thursday 6 December
- Class 3-4 Night Sky Incursion

WEEK 9

Wednesday 12 December
- School Concert

Friday 14 December
- End of Year Presentation Assembly

Our SRC met today to plan a special event and have decided to contribute to a Christmas Hamper. Every student who brings in a non-perishable good for the hamper will receive an ice block and participate in a mufti day. More details in next week's newsletter.

BUDDING REPORTERS!

We hope you read last Tuesday's edition of the Northern Star which contained a full page of articles and photos from our 4,5,6 Canberra/ Sydney Excursion. The newspaper has strict guidelines regarding the number of stories etc, therefore we have included other fantastic articles from our students, that didn't go in the paper – enjoy!

NEW SOFTFALL AND BOUNCING FUN

Children enjoyed some fun in a shady spot with our brand-new, soft, climbing equipment.



Also thank you to Mr Sivewright who has offered to set up our basketball backboards. We hope to have these up in the final weeks of term.

BANGALOW SHOW COMPETITORS

Congratulations to all our students who entered competitions at the Bangalow show.

Charli Sivewright – 3rd place – Barrel racing

Aggie Morton – 1st – Wanted poster and
1st – cake baking

Isaac Mitchell – 2nd – chook pottery

Elke Bridges – 2nd – chook drawing

Ella Pryde – HC – writing and wanted poster

Kyah Hosking – HC – writing

Cohen Cartwright – Picasso rooster

Tylana Keane – 2nd chook drawing



Michelle Slee

Expectation of the week
"Be safe in the water."

Assembly

Our next assembly will be on **Friday 30 November, at 2.00pm**, when our 2019 captains' candidates will be presenting their speeches after which our K-5 students will vote.

Swimming program

Just a reminder for Monday morning to send along swimmers, towel, rash vest and a wet gear bag to take home wet clothes/towels. Goggles are optional. If your child is wearing their swimmers to school remember to throw in some clean underwear as well.

The **parent helper roster** is being sent home today with students. We are still looking for volunteers for both Mondays, and Thursday of week 1 of the program. If you can help, please contact Berni in the office.



We have just been notified by Alstonville Pool that there will be a planned power outage on Friday 30th November, so we will NOT be participating in the swimming on that day.

As there is little opportunity to make up the lesson, we will transfer the \$6 paid for the day as credit towards the End of Year fun day.

As all notes were printed yesterday, they will all have the original prices on them. With the \$6 credit, the K-5 fun day will be reduced to \$4; and the Y6 fun day will be reduced to \$21. Students who participated in the Canberra excursion also have a small credit so please contact the office prior to sending in or making an online payment.

Student Bus Applications for 2019

Applications for the 2019 bus travel are now open. Students progressing to year 3 **do not** need to re-apply if

- they are continuing at the same school;
- are residing at the same address; and
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the eligibility criteria, they will receive an expiry notification.

IF students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to

<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Notes and Payments Due

- End of Year Fun Day 7 December
- Night Sky 3-4 class incursion 30 November
- Term 4 guitar and drums fees are now due.
- Bookclub orders due next Tuesday 27 November

Ukuleles for Sale

Ms Julie here. During the year, students from Years 3 - 6 have been learning to play Ukulele during our classroom music sessions. The ukulele is a great first step into the world of music; it's portable, inexpensive and you can sing and play at the same time.

I am offering 10 ukuleles -Mahalo Kahiko Plus series with Aquila Nylgut strings - for sale for \$42 each. They are one step up from an entry-level ukulele and available in matt black or matt purple. The ukulele comes in a box with a gig bag. They have been treated well and because we have played the ukes, they won't go out of tune easily like new ukuleles do. Contact the school office if you would like to buy one.

P&C News

The P&C are wondering if there is a parent/carer who has a 'blue ticket' to operate a chainsaw. We require this for our next working bee to clean and beautify the school grounds. We are looking into this for Term 1, 2019 at this stage. If you can assist the P&C with this request or know of someone in the community that has a 'blue ticket', please contact myself or Berni in the office.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 3rd December 6.15pm - all welcome. If you require further information please contact me at douglass.anna@gmail.com or 0421 457897.

Anna Douglass – President



This week at COOSH we have been playing the children's favourite quick games and on Monday we managed the 'Counting Game' to 5 successfully and 'Murder Wink', with some dramatic deaths from the educators! On Tuesday we learned about the musical genres the children like to listen to at home as we played 'Name that Tune' and are planning a brief introduction to the music and fashions kids wore through the ages. I'm sure this will lead to a few giggles.



On Wednesday we took the 'Solitaire' card challenge and some joint winners. We have responded to requests to make a giant chatterbox on Thursday, following the construction of smaller ones where the children found they did not have enough room inside to write what they wanted to say. Hopefully this problem will be solved by the children's clever thinking! With the popularity of 'Scattergories' last week we

are planning to play 'Articulate' on Friday, where the children will have to use their oral communication skills to enable their team to think quickly about what they are describing.

For more fun and games don't forget about our 2 Christmas themed vacation care days at the end of term - Thursday 20th and Friday 21st of December. We have received 7 expressions of interest for both days, but need to get numbers over 10 in order to open, so if your children would like to come please let us **know before Monday 3rd December when we will have to make the decision whether we can operate on those days.**

Hannah and the COOSH team

IT'S CHRISTMAS! TIME FOR OUR CLUNES RURAL FIRE BRIGADE SANTA RUN



MONDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2018

YOU WILL FIND SANTA ON HIS RUN AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES AND LOCATIONS

4:00pm Eureka Rd from Beacom Rd to Bangalow Rd
4:10pm Stewarts Rd, Booyong Rd and Pearce Rd
4:25pm Pearson Rd
4:35pm McKenzie Rd to Eltham School
4:45pm Eltham Pub and Johnston Rd (including Federation Dr)
5:20pm Flatley Dr and Jarvis St (to Smith St Intersection)
5:30pm Clunes Park then Booyong Rd (to the end of the 50 speed zone)
5:40pm Ryces Dr
6:00pm Walker St (to the Tennis Courts)
6:15pm Remnant Dr, James Gibson Rd onto Mackie Rd
(ending at Ridgewood Rd Intersection)

Please note - times are approximate only

Join Santa and the crew on the sparkling fire truck with all the lights and sirens. If you have been good, you will receive a little bag of lollies.

Any donations to the brigade will be greatly appreciated. We are celebrating 50 years of community service this year!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Uniting

Clunes Vacation Care (COOSH) 20th- 21st December 2018

Primary School Hall, Walker St.

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8am – 5.30pm

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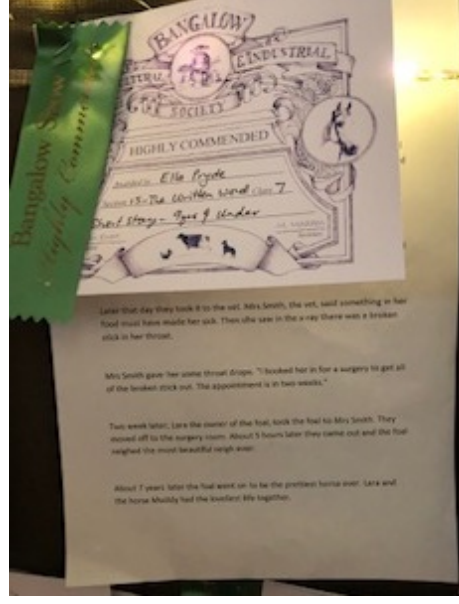
COOSH will be closed for the Christmas holidays for two weeks from Monday 24th December until Vacation care on Monday 7th January – Tuesday 29th January 2019

We will be running two Christmas themed days at the end of term IF there is enough interest

Thursday 20 th December	Friday 21 st December
Play: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Toss the jingle bell Christmas bingo Santa's coming 	Play: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas charades Hunt the reindeer Christmas memory game
Craft or sew a reindeer tree ornament	Win the Christmas junk egg drop challenge
Construct a 'Jubes' Christmas tree	Mix and drink Christmas punch
Compete in 'Just Dance' Crazy Santa	Make a smelly sock snowman
Bake & decorate Christmas pudding biscuits	Bake & paint a salt dough Christmas wreath
Watch a PG Christmas themed movie of the children's choice	Watch a PG Christmas themed movie of the children's choice



- Bring your helmet, safety gear and scooter/bike on any day for free play if permission slip is signed.
- Children need to bring drinks, hat, sunscreen, enclosed shoes, lunch, morning and afternoon tea.
- PLEASE NOTE the fees are \$47 full day, \$34 half day (max 5 hours) and this covers all activity costs. You will have to pay for the days that children are booked in and don't attend. We can offer a swap with another day if available.
- To attend your child must be 5 or going to school in 2019.



The Clunes PS students go wild!

At Taronga zoo has over 4000 animals. Our favourite animal was the chimpanzee. They were very loud and energetic. The zoo is a popular tourist attraction and despite the size of the zoo, it was very crowded. Taronga Zoo was a magnificent place for a day out with friends and we thought the experience was amazing.

Joe Harvey, Aiden Hosking and Jem Smith



Future scientists' exploration

Questacon is an interactive science centre. Questacon's current building was Japan's present to Australia for the 1988 Bicentenary and it was opened on 23 November 1988.

As our school explored the Questacon and we discovered each of the 7 levels of Questacon was even greater than the last. The four best of the 7 levels are:

Fundamental; Explore forces, light and momentum in much-loved exhibits like Harmonograph and Frozen Shadows.

Awesome Earth; look at natural disasters and geology, featuring a Tesla coil and an earthquake simulator.

The Shed; The Shed is an innovative and creative place within Questacon dedicated to experimentation with ideas, tools, science, technologies, and art.

The Excite@Q was by far the best room there. It had everything from four player air hockey to an air hockey playing robot. There was also the free-fall slide where you hold onto a bar and drop down. It's very nerve-racking holding the bar and going down.

We think Questacon is an educational and exciting place for all ages.

By Jack Pryde and Obi Stockdale



At Taronga Zoo we walked around and saw koalas, hippopotamus', some bears, a crocodile, tigers, snakes, platypus', elephants, emus, a meerkat, giraffes and birds. We went to the zoo because it was fun.

I asked the lady at the zoo for a map and she told me that they don't give school children maps. I think this is really silly because what happens if we get lost?

Taronga Zoo is a popular tourist attraction. Despite the size of the zoo it was very crowded. The souvenir shop at the zoo was very expensive.

Taronga Zoo was a magnificent place for a day out with my friends.

By Aiden Hosking



An Educational trip to Canberra

In 1901 Australia became a Federation so we had to decide a place to make laws and agree on things. A site for the capital city was chosen. An international competition was held to design the new capital city of Australia.



Walter Burley Griffin and his wife Marion Mahony Griffin were the winners of the design of the capital city. Their design had lots of geographic shapes and a man-made lake so the city did not flood when the river filled.

By Cohen

The NRL Museum

On Thursday we went to the NRL museum which is next to Sydney's Allianz stadium, which is home of the Roosters, Bunnies and Bulldogs. I thought it was amazing as most of the NRL trophies such as the NRL Telstra Premierships and shields like the State of Origin were on display. There were big televisions showing old commercials, team songs and player stories. Everyone got to hold a replica of the NRL Telstra Premiership trophy and got NRL cards. The teachers choose people for the two NRL albums.



Outside of the NRL museum there were amazing statues of NRL players which were made bronze and gold. The NRL museum was a great part of our Sydney and Canberra excursion especially for

NRL lovers like me and everyone had a good time.

Ollie Winkler

