



Clunes Public School Newsletter

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Week 10 Term 2

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THANK YOU AND GOODBYE

I leave you all in the great hands of Jack Priestley and our wonderful staff team until the new principal is appointed. We congratulate Mrs Nickie Bartlett, who has been appointed as our Director of Education and Leadership (DEL). This means the merit selection process for the principal role will soon commence.

We have completed the Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction (AP C & I) and the successful candidate will be officially announced in the first week of Term 3. Many thanks to P & C President, Tim Marsh, for his considered time in this process.

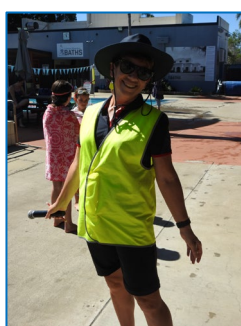
My career in education spans 38 years. Working in a huge range of schools, teaching all years and taking on many different roles and types of classes. I want to thank the many leaders, mentors, colleagues, parents and children who taught me so much along the way.

If you have great passion for what you do and feel that you are making a difference in some way, it is no longer just a job but something that brings you great joy and reward and drives you to keep striving to improve what you know is important.

Over the last 9 years I have driven in the school driveway, looking at the grounds and walking through the buildings, with such a sense of elation, gratefulness and disbelief that I have been so fortunate. Even on a bad day, that first smile and friendly hello from a student, would reaffirm why we do what we do!


It is awesome to think we are in the profession which plays an essential role in creating all other professions but above all teaching and encouraging kindness as this trait is humanity's greatest gift.

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered in every or any way possible when they lead such busy lives



SCHOOL CALENDAR

We are an accredited Waste Wise Ways School

WEEK 10		TERM 3 WEEK 1	WEEK 2
Friday 1 July - Last day of Term 2 	Wishing everyone a safe and happy break from school. See you on Tuesday 19 th July for the start of Term 3	Monday 18 July - School Development Day Tuesday 19 July - Students start Term 3 - P&C Meeting	Monday 25 July - FN Athletics Carnival Day 1 at Clunes Friday 29 July - FN Athletics Carnival Day 2 at Eureka PS

themselves. Your support plays a vital role in your child's school life.

Prior to Covid-19 regulations, I enjoyed many occasions where we all came together out-of-school hours and had lots of fun and laughs in the name of fund raising. The last two and a half years have definitely taken its toll on the breadth and depth of relationships between home, community and school.

It is vital that we continue to build those relationships again, and I want to acknowledge everyone's incredible resilience, understanding and ability to be flexible in trying to keep communication lines open as collaboration is the key to a successful school community.

I am so pleased that I have stayed on this year, as there has been a return of some sense of normality and a chance to come together face to face to celebrate, commemorate, commiserate and problem solve.

My deepest admiration and appreciation for all staff. They have been dedicated, professional, compassionate, resilient, creative and passionate in their work individually and as a team. Each has their own set of talents and skills and together make an exceptional team of which I am very proud.

A big virtual hug and high five to all students. Because it's all about you! You are all exceptional unique human beings, each learning, growing and shining in your own way. I have had such fun with you all and will hold special memories of the students at Clunes. What a privilege to play a small part in your lives.

I'm looking forward to spending time exploring new places, spending more time with family and friends who, at times, I had to say sorry I'm too busy. I also look forward to taking up old passions. Who knows, as teaching is one of my passions, you may see me in the classroom at times next year, if they let in the gate.

To all students I ask you to believe in yourselves, work hard and follow your dreams.

Thank you and I wish you all the very best for the future.

Michelle Slee

Clunes Public School Principal



First North Community of Schools Athletics Carnival

Our community of schools athletics carnival will be held over two days early in Term 3.

Day 1 of the carnival will be on Monday 25th July at Clunes PS. This day will feature field events and a list of students who have qualified to compete was sent home last week with the newsletter.

Day 2 of the carnival will be on Friday 29th July at Eureka PS. All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will travel from Clunes to Eureka by bus. A note will be sent home in early in week 1 of next term with further information and a permission slip. Parents are welcome to attend both days. Clunes P&C will be operating a canteen on Day 1 of the carnival.

Library

With the school holidays upon us, a timely reminder to return all your library books tomorrow.



P&C News

School Canteen - call for help

Thanks to everyone who pitched in at the last carnival and those who are helped today with the canteen. It means a lot to our students! :)

The recent school survey of students revealed that our students love canteens and would like more! But to make canteens possible, we need some help! Of particular importance is the First North Athletics Carnival on July 25th. This is a great fundraising opportunity for the P&C as several schools participate. Plus, it's a great chance for the kids to have a range of canteen items.

The P&C has a number of ideas for this canteen, but we need help running it.

Here's what we need:

- 1 person to help lead the organisation on the day and the prep. If this sounds overwhelming, don't worry, we have expert canteen organisers who can be on hand to provide guidance and a run sheet.
- 8-10 people on the day for about 2 hours each. This will include a little food prep and basically staffing the canteen.

All we need you to do is flag your interest and we will organise it with you to suit you.

We are also putting the call out for **baked goods** again. It'd be great to be able to provide the kids things like muffins (savoury and sweet), cup-cakes, pastries (e.g. cheese and spinach) and quiches, including some vegetarian, vegan and GF options. So, if you can't help on the day, then baked goods would be very much appreciated. Just contact us on the email below to organise.

This is a great opportunity to meet other parents, so we hope some new faces might put their hands' up.
There's a very big carnival in late August too, which will have around 2000 people attending, and it is Clunes PS's turn to host. So standby for news on that because it is going to be big!

Ms Slee!

Thanks to everyone who helped the P&C with something for Ms Slee.

Your Clunes P&C

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Clunes OSHC

For the past 9 years it has been a complete pleasure to walk down the stairs to collect the Clunes OSHC children and be greeted by the always welcoming Mrs Slee. Michelle's devotion to Clunes school, its students and the wider community has always been above and beyond any expectation of a school principal. Michelle has been one of Clunes OSHC greatest supporters and has worked tirelessly alongside myself and Hannah before me to keep the service not only open but thriving.

Since Michelle has been at Clunes, Clunes OSHC, although run separately to the school, has been included as an important part of the school community, informing us of upcoming events and making us a must stop in new student school tours. Michelle's generosity with her time and the space that Clunes OSHC has, is more than we could every wish for.

There is so much to say about the wonderful principal that Michelle Slee has been to Clunes School, but I think it speaks more when you look around the school and you see happy, smiling children; the familiar faces of staff, many that just continue to return; and the innovation and beautification of Clunes School. On behalf of all of us at Clunes OSHC and NRCS we thank you Mrs Slee for all your support and wish the very best in your next adventure. We will miss you.

The Vacation care Program is attached to this newsletter
Please book after school or Vacation care by calling or texting 0437362834.

From Laura and Clunes OSHCS



Pyjama day

Friday the 1st Week 10

Have fun!

Wear your favourite pyjamas



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Remember to bring a gold coin donation

Professional and fun
tennis lessons for
children and adults.

**Tennis
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Group Tennis Coaching Times

Tuesday	4.00-4.45pm	Beginners
	5.00-6.00pm	Green Ball/Teen
Wednesday	4.00-4.45pm	Beginners
	4.50-5.50pm	Green Ball/Junior
Saturday	8.00-10.00am	Comp Starting Term 3

PRICING

Beginners \$90/term
Junior \$100/term
Teen \$100/term
Comp \$5/week

LOCATION

Clunes Tennis Club

Call Julie to book your
FREE trial lesson.

Julie Haydon

☎ 0427 922 900

Photos of the Week



Our soccer team



Mrs Slee's Farewell



THANK YOU

After the most awesome farewell assembly I have a late entry to the newsletter. Thank you to everyone who came along today and shared the day with me. Thank you for the generous gifts and very kind words, I am so overwhelmed.

Thank you to Jack and every single staff member and parent who contributed today's assembly. The students sang and danced beautifully, and our Captains gave a wonderful speech. My heart is full. What a fantastic community of people. My deepest thanks!

Michelle Slee

Pyjama day!!!

YAY!!

Info:

On Friday the 1st of July this week the SRC
Are holding a pyjama day!!! So bring
your best pyjamas and have fun

Bring a gold coin donation!!!!



All funds go to Lismore base hospital

