

Clunes Public School Newsletter

31 August, 2023



From the Principal's Desk



2023 Education Week Awards

Congratulations again to our Education Week Award recipients who were presented with their awards on Tuesday 29 November at Southern Cross University. Sincere thanks for your dedication to Clunes Public School and NSW Public Education.



2023 Clunes PS Parent/Carer Survey closes this Friday 1 September

Community consultation is incredibly important to us! Please complete the Clunes PS Parent/Carer survey <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSef0epyEZm71frhRtYyk8KJbCKcOvu7ult5tX7x7wJOu9uPSQ/viewform>

or by scanning the QR code below prior to 3.00 pm, Friday 1 September. We genuinely use your feedback to reflect upon and improve our practices.

So far, only 9 respondents have been recorded (only had 12 respondents in 2022). You can complete one survey or one for each of your children if your answers differ. Each survey should take 5-10 minutes. We will share this feedback at a future P&C meeting.



Week 8 Assembly

We warmly invite parents/carers and community to our Week 8 assembly from 2.00 pm on *Friday 8 September* in the school hall. We will present our class awards to students and our Clunes PS choir and drama ensemble will present their items prior to the Lismore Performing Arts Festival in Week 10.

Lismore Performing Arts Festival

Our Clunes PS drama ensemble and students involved in the Small Schools Choir will perform on *Wednesday 20 September* (Week 10) in a matinee and evening session. The matinee will be held from 10.30am to approximately 12.00pm and the evening performance will occur from 6.00pm to approximately 8.00pm. All sessions will take place at Whitebrook Theatre at Southern Cross University, Lismore.

Ticket sales will open next Monday 4 September and can be accessed via this link - <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/707292610237?aff=oddtcreator>

A reminder that the shows sell out quickly and you will need to pre-purchase to ensure you have a seat!

2024 Kindergarten Transition - Clunes Preschool Visit

Mr Sky had a wonderful time, meeting some of our future Kindergarten students at Clunes Community Preschool on Wednesday. Sincere thanks to Melinda and the Clunes Preschool team for sharing their learning (we are always amazed by the learning journals)! It is important to connect as regularly as possible to support our kids through their transition to school.

School Calendar



What's Happening					
Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
7 Aug 28		Tropical Fruit World Kinder - Y2 Small Schools Choir	Gymnastics	SRC Dress-up Day	
8 4 Sep	Y6 Check In	Clunes Public Speaking Competition	Gymnastics		Student Assembly Book Club Issue 6 orders due
9 11 Sep	Wildlife Twins Show		Gymnastics		
10 18 Sep		PAF rehearsals	PAF Matinee and Evening performances		Colour Run

Students Awards



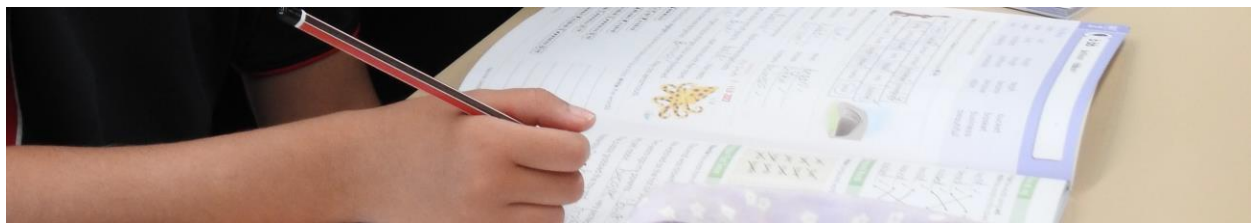
Our Citizenship Award is presented on a fortnightly basis to recognize students who aspire to our school motto "Live to Learn, Learn to Live" and our school ethics of Respect | Responsibility | Integrity.

This fortnight the award was presented to **Tatiana Vaupel**

Tatiana also receives a \$10 voucher from Uncle Pete's Bookshop in Clunes.



The Latest from the Classrooms



Check-in assessment for Year 6

During Term 3 Week 9, Year 6 students will participate in the Check-in assessment.

The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online literacy and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning.

The assessment can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. Students with disability may receive the same level of support during the assessment they would normally receive in the classroom.

- The assessment will be scheduled for our Year Six students during Week 9
- All students complete a reading assessment, a numeracy assessment and a writing assessment.

The school will provide headphones; however students are welcome to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a computer to enable them to hear audio during the assessment. Earbuds used for mobile phones or other portable devices may be suitable for use during the assessment. The type of computer connection needed is a jack, Bluetooth will not connect to these devices.

Clunes Public Speaking Competition

Our school public speaking competition is scheduled for **Tuesday 5 September**.

Our Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 Achievement Award winners will have an opportunity to present their speeches, and the

top two speeches in each of Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will vie for the prestige of winning the Stage 2 and Stage 3 honours.

K-2 Tropical Fruit World Excursion

A wonderful experience was had by all the students who attended the excursion. Please enjoy our photos!





Excursions and Performances



LAKE AINSWORTH / GOLD COAST EXCURSIONS

All students attending the **Lake Ainsworth camp** next term will need to register their details online including medical information. All registrations must be completed by 25/09/2023 but it would be beneficial to register as soon as possible.

To register click on the link -

<https://officeofsport.ungerboeck.com/prod/emc00/register.aspx?eid=ZEJZNTZmTzYxVDBxTEIVUnNtOVpaZz090>

All amounts owing for the Lake Ainsworth and Gold Coast excursions are now visible on your School Bytes parent portal.

Payment for the Lake Ainsworth camp and Gold Coast day trip need to be finalised by Thursday 20th September.

SCHOOL FUN RUN

Clunes Public School are holding the ***School Fun Run's Crazy Colour Day*** as a major fundraising event this year!

The event will be held on *Friday 22nd September*.

We are really hoping to raise \$6000 which will contribute towards the school's new technology. To date the school have raised \$4302. There is still plenty of time, so keep fundraising!

Students need to create a profile page to start fundraising. Go to <https://www.schoolfunrun.com.au/> to get started.

Students who raise \$10 or more will receive a reward, and the more money you raise the better the reward, and the more you help the school! We're looking for all students to participate and we're organising a great day for our community, so we'd love everyone to come down to support the kids.

Thanks for supporting the school and we hope to see you at the event!

LISMORE PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

All students will be attending the Lismore Performing Arts Festival matinee performance on **Wednesday 20th September** at 10.30am. Students will have the opportunity to see the Clunes School drama ensemble perform as well as performances from other local schools. The Small Schools Choir will also be performing.

Travel into the Whitebrook Theatre at Southern Cross University will be by Bulzomi Buslines.

Consent notes will go home tomorrow but the note is already available on the School Byte parent portal.

Students involved in the drama ensemble and choir will also be performing on Wednesday evening.

Notes with detailed information for participants will be sent home next week.

Sports Update





From the Office

School Bytes Parent Portal

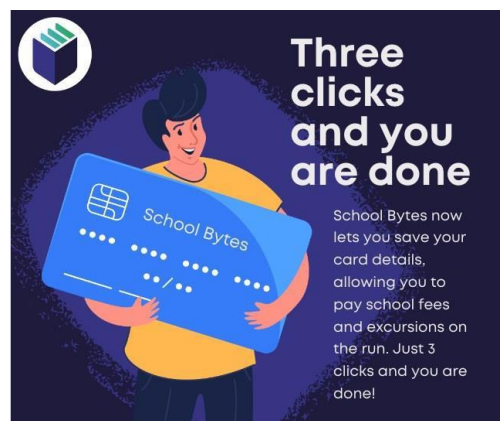
School Bytes provides a parent portal to help our school communicate with you. We currently use the parent portal for online permission notes and payments, which can be accessed via a secure link. The School Bytes parent portal enables you to view all your children in one portal and process payments for multiple siblings in one transaction.

To register for access follow this link - <https://portal.schoolbytes.education/auth/login>

If you need assistance with setting up your portal, you can refer to the parent guide - <https://support.schoolbytes.education/hc/en-us/articles/5184859634191-Parent-Portal-Set-up-your-parent-portal-account>

Some payments require you to give consent prior to paying. These items will have a small triangular symbol on the left of the item. To give consent, you will need to click on the Activities tab. For detailed instructions on how to give consent on the portal you can refer to <https://support.schoolbytes.education/hc/en-us/articles/5288429062799-Parent-Portal-Give-consent-for-an-even>

Once you have provided consent, you will notice that the triangular symbol is now a purple tick and the item is available to pay.



Library Page Turners

Here are some of the non-fiction books that have arrived for the library. These were purchased from the proceeds from our Book Fair.



P&C News



P&C Donation to school for technology resources

The P&C is very pleased to be able to donate the sum of \$1250 to the school to help purchase technology.

P&C Canteen at Colour Run

The P&C will be running a canteen at the Colour Run. All proceeds will go to the school's Colour Run fundraising.

The menu will be something like this: \$10 buys either a steak or halloumi roll, bag of lollies, a popper and an icy pole.

We will confirm final details next week. Credit cards or cash on the day.

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers and canteen ninjas who just keep pulling these events together.

Clunes PS P&C AGM - 11/9/23

The Clunes PS P&C AGM is next month on 11/9/23 - keep your eyes out for the time and meeting details in forthcoming newsletters.

All P&C executive positions are open for nominations, and we encourage those interested to consider putting your hands up to help run the P&C, or even just be involved any way you can.

We have a position for President, 2 x Vice Presidents, a Secretary and Treasurer.

It's not a lot of work, but it's a very important job for our school. The P&C is a friendly, collaborative and welcoming group totally focused on our fabulous little school community.

Trivia Night

The Clunes P&C will be running a trivia night on 10/11/23, commencing at 6.30pm. The theme is to be confirmed/decided (if you join the P&C you could throw your ideas in!), but judging by initial discussions it's certain to be hilarious.

It will be open to all the community and is going to be huge and fun!

Thanks!

Your P&C

If you need to contact the P&C, you can get us on clunesps.nsw.pandc@gmail.com⁸

OSHC



We have been very busy at Clunes OSHC over the last few weeks.

The children have been really excited to teach their newly developed soccer skills to each other sharing the roles of coach, striker and goalie. There has been lots of peer support from the more skilled players, showing the non-skilled players the skills required to play the game.

We have been revisiting all the games and puzzles in the cupboard getting

ready for Vacation Care, making sure they have all their pieces, and the children know how to play. We have been creative making delicious food that the children had seen on Tiktok, making paper from recycled paper and learning to crochet. The children have been excited to learn these new skills and enjoying the rewards.



The Vacation care program is attached with this newsletter and once again we will be joined by Bangalow OSHC. This will mean spaces will go fast, so please get in soon if you need days. If you would like to book after school care, or Vacation care as it is coming quickly, please call or text 0437362834.

From Laura and the Clunes OSHC team

For information about Clunes Out of School Hours Care including enrolments and bookings, please call the service on

0437 362 834 or email clunesoshc@nracs.org.au⁹

