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FROM PRINCIPAL

No.17 Wednesday 10 October 2018

Dear Parents, Students & School Community,

Welcome back

I would like to welcome all of our staff, students and families back to school for term 4. To think that there is only 11 weeks of primary school remaining for our Year 6 students is amazing. We have many wonderful events planned to complement the teaching and learning that occurs daily within the classroom. I have listed below some events that are planned:

- Incursions and Excursions - African drumming, Animal features
- Division Athletics
- Working Bee - Sunday 21st October
- Swimming Program
- K-P, P-6 and 6-7 Transition
- Thursday 6th December Christmas Carols evening 6-7:30pm
- Year 5 meet their buddy
- Year 5 School Captain applications
- Year 6 Graduation - Ceremony and Side Track fun day
- Thursday 20th December - School Reports go home
- Friday 21st December - last day of school. Assembly from 12:30pm. 1:30pm finish.

Sun Smart

Students are required to wear a school hat at recess and lunch time play during term 4 as outlined in the school's Sun Smart policy.



Parent and Community Club (PACC)

Trivia Night Saturday 27 October—tickets are selling fast!



Over the past years the Trivia night has become a great evening to socialise with parents and form new friendships.

Its popularity has increased and we are excited to be holding this year's event in the school hall. Tickets are available at the office.

The next PACC coffee and cake meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 17th October at 2:30pm in the staffroom.

Working Bee

Our final Working Bee for 2018 will take place on Sunday 21 October from 9:30 to 11:30am.

If you can spare an hour or two, it would help us to complete gardening tasks. The Working Bee will conclude with a BBQ and refreshments.



Curriculum Day

Our next curriculum day is scheduled for Monday 5th November.

On this day, students are not required to attend school.

The OSHC program will only operate if sufficient numbers enrol.

Staff will spend the day on PLAY IS THE WAY®.

PLAY IS THE WAY® is a practical methodology for teaching **social and emotional skills** using guided play, classroom activities and an empowering language.

Requests and planning for 2019

This term we are making plans for teacher assignments and student placements in 2019. Class placement is a complex process involving a range of factors and allocations will not be finalised until later in the school year.

We do not accept requests for placement with individual teachers, however, we do take into consideration relevant information, based on educational needs, which can help us with the placement process and we try to place students with at least one known friend, if possible.

If parents have any particular request for the child / children for 2019 we need this to be put in writing or via email, to the Principal, by 4 pm on Friday, 2nd November.

In addition to information provided by parents, we also need to consider the gender balance, age composition, academic, social and special needs of each class group.

What are the criteria that we use to make up class lists?

Factors influencing class structure are:

- the educational needs of the students;
- the projected number of students in each year level;
- the ratio of girls to boys;
- the number of teachers employed at the school; and
- resources and facilities.

Factors which are considered in the placement of students include:

- academic performance - judgments over time
- work habits e.g. ability to work independently
- behaviour
- gender
- social network /friendships
- social maturity
- special needs e.g. twins, siblings.

What is the process for placing students into classes?

Based on the criteria **listed** above, teaching staff and administration meet mid-term 4 to establish classes for the following school year.

Teachers ensure each new class has:

- a balance of academic ability
- gender balance
- socially balanced groups

During this process, changes and adjustments are made over several weeks. Each change may trigger a chain reaction of other changes. Therefore, it is important for all stakeholders to be patient and understanding during this time.

**CURRICULUM DAY
MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER**

**CUP DAY HOLIDAY
TUESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER**



WATER SAFETY SWIMMING PROGRAM @ CLARINDA PS

Swimming is the only sport which can save your child's life. Drowning is still one of the most common causes of accidental death in children, so being able to swim is an essential life-saving skill.

Swimming is lots of fun for students at Clarinda PS, especially for some who love getting in the water and enjoying themselves.

But it is not just fun, swimming also provides loads of health benefits which can help to keep your children healthy and happy at the same time:

Swimming keeps your child's heart and lungs healthy, improves strength and flexibility, increases stamina and even improves balance and posture

Another great thing about swimming is that children of any age or ability can take part and it is more accessible for children with additional needs than almost any other sport.

Swimming provides challenges and rewards accomplishments, which helps children to become self-confident and believe in their abilities

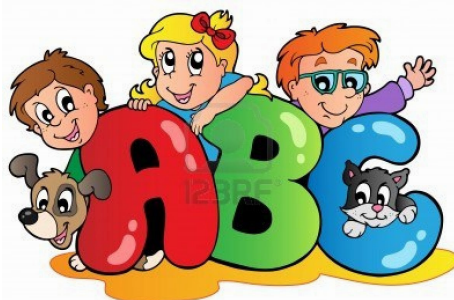
Your child will have plenty of opportunities to make friends and grow in confidence

Please complete the Swimming notice and return to school by Monday 29th October

2019 Prep Transition

The first Prep transition morning is scheduled for Friday 2nd November from 9am-10:30am. During this session, students will complete a PMP (Perceptual Motor Program) activity in the school hall.

We look forward to welcoming our new Prep students and their family to our school.



The Prep parent information evening is scheduled for Monday 12th November from 6:30pm-7:30pm in the school hall.

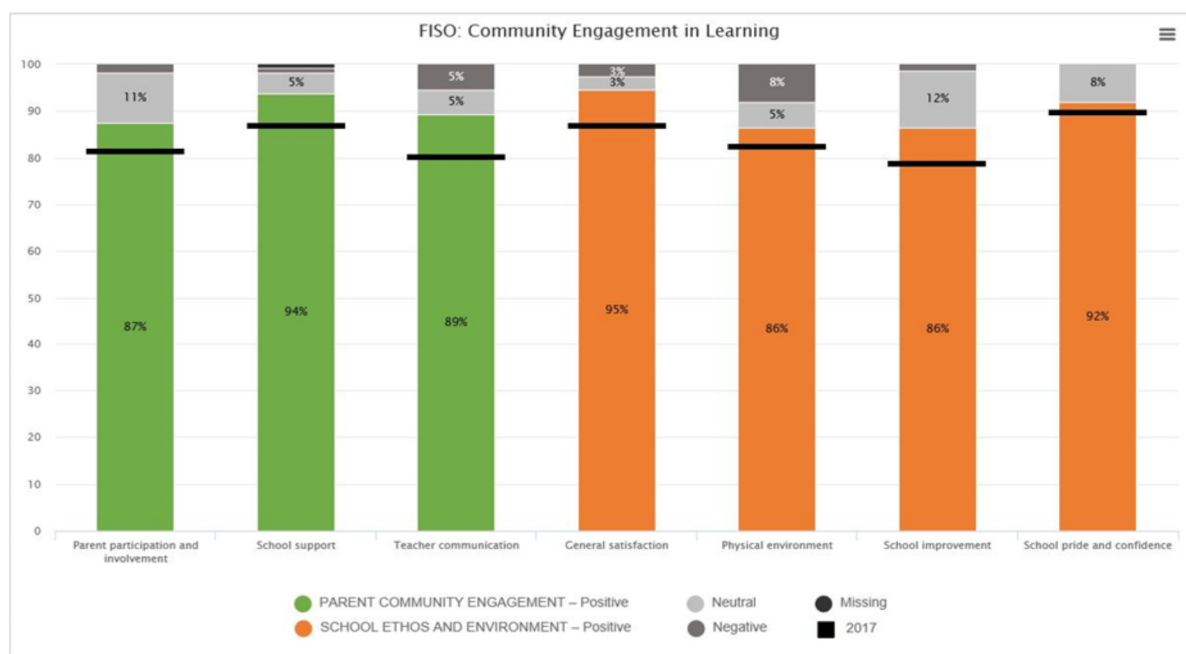
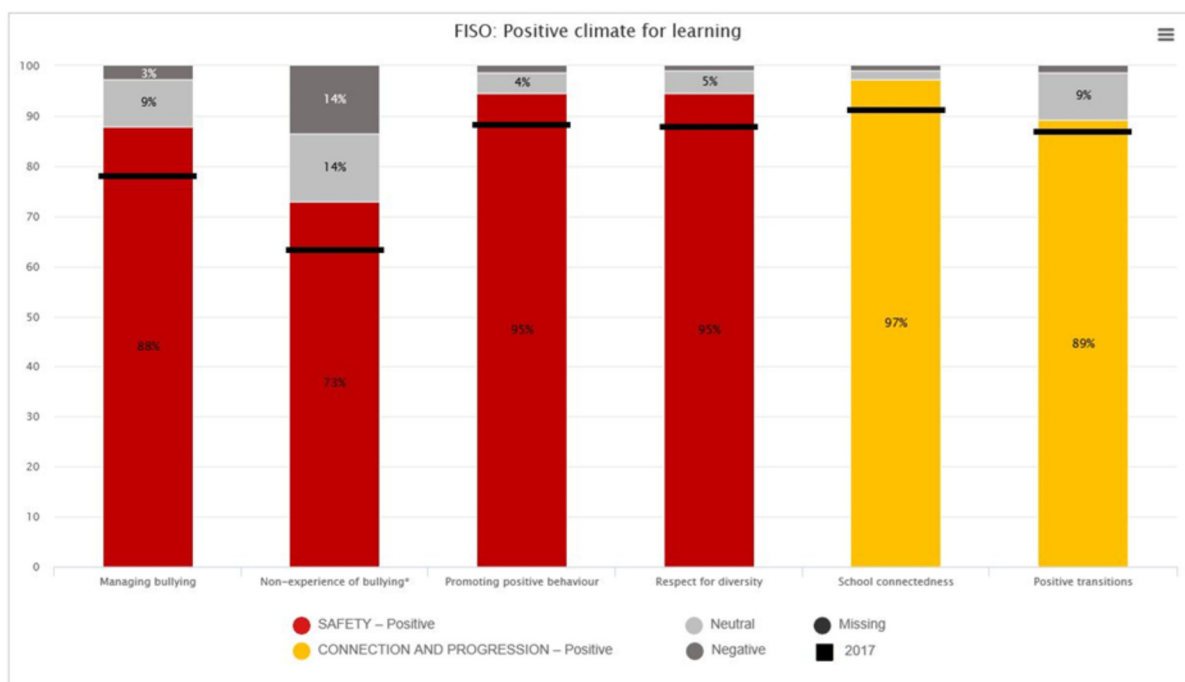
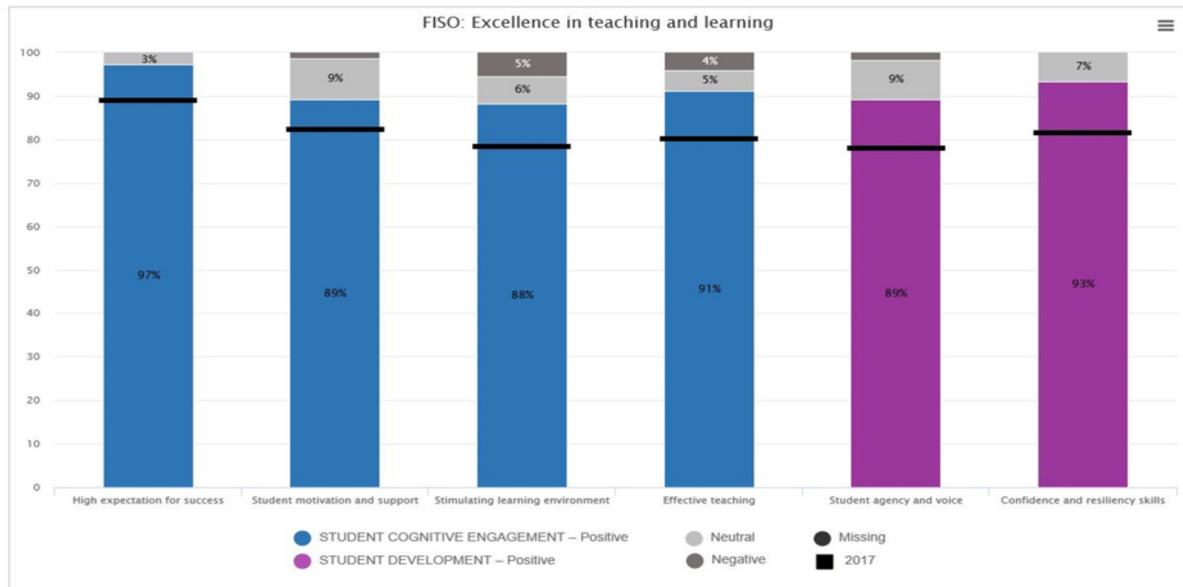
Parent Opinion Survey

Last term a number of randomly selected families were asked to participate in an online survey that covered a range of areas as outlined in the tables below.

Thank you to the families who took the time to complete the DET online survey. Participants were randomly selected.

Our school has received excellent feedback across many key areas and provides our staff assurance that our commitment to excellence and high standards is recognised and valued by our school community.

We are still unpacking a lot of the data we received but we would like to share with you some of the initial results with the community:



DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 3 - Monday 8 October to Friday 21 December 2018

October	Monday 8	First Day Term 4
	Thursday 11	Divison Athletics
	Thursday 18	Excursion—Preps Woolies Fresh Fruit
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	Sunday 21	Working Bee 9.30 to 11.30am
	Tuesday 23	2.30 Finance sub committee meeting
	Saturday 27	Trivia Night
	Tuesday 30	6.00 Education sub committee 6.30 buildings & grounds 7.00 School council meeting
November	Friday 2	Prep 2019 Transition Day 1
	Monday 5	Curriculum day No students required at school
	Tuesday 6	Cup Day Holiday

PACC

Parent And Community Club

PACC Meeting
Wednesday 17 October
at 2.30pm in the staffroom
All welcome

Trivia Night
Saturday 27 October
Tickets selling fast—don't miss
out on an evening of fun

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
EVERY MONDAY AFTERNOON
AT 2.50pm
IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

All parents welcome to come along

2018 ESSENTIAL STUDENT LEARNING ITEMS PAYMENT

TERM FOUR IS DUE NOW—\$87.50

Payments can be made to the office or by direct deposit in to the school account:

Commonwealth Bank—BSB: 063-126 Account: 1006 1911

Please add your family name and fees in the description field

SCHOOL COUNCIL AND SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**TUESDAY 23RD OCTOBER
2.30 ~ FIANANCE SUB COMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY 30TH OCTOBER
6.00 ~ EDUCATION SUB COMMITTEE
6.30 ~ BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS
7.00 ~ SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Division Athletics

On Thursday the 11th of October 2018, 15 of our students will represent Clarinda Primary School in the Monash Waverley Division Athletics Carnival. These students have excelled in their previous events at District level, and we are sure they'll compete to the best of their ability at this event. These students are wonderful examples of athletic talent and commitment to their training, and we are very proud of their efforts. Good luck to the following students:

Alex:	1500m
Ryan:	Hurdles & Triple Jump
Christopher A:	100m & 200m
Georgia:	Hurdles & 200m
Lara:	Long Jump
Irene:	Discus
Yanni A:	800m & Long Jump
Jay:	100m
Sokratis:	Discus
Mischa Kou:	100m & 200m
Ashleigh:	Hurdles
Mason:	800m
Brandon:	Long Jump & Triple Jump
Charlotte:	Discus
Lily:	200m & Triple Jump



Basketball

Clarinda Primary School and the Oakleigh Raptors Basketball Club have entered into a new partnership this term.

The Grade 3/4 students will participate in 2 free basketball clinics during their PE sessions, and there will then be an opportunity to sign your child up to play in the very first Clarinda Primary School basketball team.

The teams (boys & girls) will be coached by the Oakleigh Raptors and they would train and play games during the summer season. Training will also be provided at school on a weekly basis.

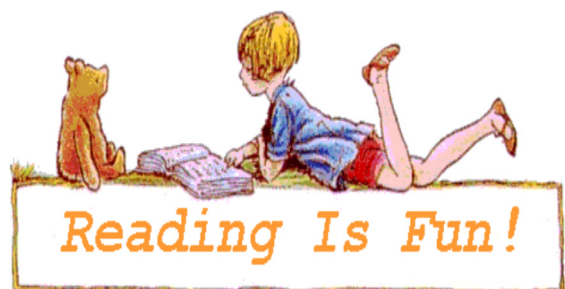
Details of the basketball registration will be sent home.

If you have any questions, please ask as I would love to see as many students as possible take up this fantastic opportunity!

HAYFEVER SEASON

It is that time of year again when
hay fever is with us.

If your child suffers from hay fever
and/or allergies please remember to give
them their allergy medication before they
come to school in the morning.





LOCAL TENNIS CLUB CLINIC

WELCOME TO TERM 4

Before and After School Program

We have some fantastic activities rolling out in our Before and After School Program this term and we would love your children to get involved!

Prices for the After School Program start from \$5.40 for families Eligible for the Child Care Subsidy.
Contact our friendly administration team to find out the cost of your families child care and to make a booking.

We look forward to seeing your children In our Before and After School Program

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