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Care Achieve Respect Excel

FROM PRINCIPAL

No.20 Wednesday 21 November 2018

Dear Parents, Students & School Community,

Christmas Concert

Thursday 6th December

6:00pm - 7:00pm (children to be seated with class by 5:50pm)

*Children wear festive season colours and accessories.

*BYO camping chairs, picnic blanket, dinner and drinks.

*BBQ available - parent helpers required - contact the office.

*Coffee van & light refreshments available.

*Please return Hamper tickets by Thursday 4pm.



School Christmas Concert

A whole school Christmas concert has been scheduled for Thursday 6th December. The concert will start at 6pm and conclude at 7pm.

Mr Wells has spent the term teaching students songs in preparation for the evening.

Students will sit with their classroom teachers during the concert.

As this is the first Christmas Concert in a long period of time for the school we would encourage you to:

- ◆ Pack a picnic rug or camping chairs.
- ◆ Bring some dinner and beverages - a BBQ will be available with soft drinks.
- ◆ Purchase hamper raffle tickets
- ◆ Dress in your festive colours.

Join in and have some fun celebrating the end of the 2018 year.

Final Assembly

The final assembly of the year will be held on Friday 21st December.

The assembly will start at 12:30pm and conclude at 1:30pm.

During assembly, we will say goodbye to our Year 6 students, celebrate the 2018 school year and announce the 2019 student leaders.

The school office will close at 2pm.



Clarinda PS is an inclusive school

During this time of the year, we reflect on the many achievements and milestones that we have conquered throughout the year. We also reflect on identities that help foster a harmonious school community. In Victoria we have a strong and vibrant education system that celebrates diversity, and is committed to supporting the achievement and participation of all students. Education for all acknowledges that some children and young people have intersecting identities or additional needs that schools may need to take into consideration. These identities may relate to:

- having a disability or additional learning needs
- race
- cultural identity
- speaking a language other than English
- social factors
- economic factors
- experience of family violence



It is important that we continue to display the school values of Care, Achieve, Respect and Excel.

Multi-Age Classrooms

Once again in 2019, we will have multi-age (composite) classrooms.

So what does learning look like in a multi-age classroom?

Children, teachers, parents and other partners:

- ◆ acknowledge and engage with each other's diverse knowledge through *child-initiated and teacher initiated learning experiences*
- ◆ talk about, represent, reflect on, and begin to evaluate aspects of their learning with others
- ◆ work on activities independently and in a range of groupings, e.g. pairs, small groups, whole group
- ◆ build *co-operative learning skills*, e.g. sharing, turn-taking, listening, mentoring,
- ◆ negotiating,
- ◆ considering alternative points of view, mediating and resolving conflict in social situations
- ◆ work with others at times who have *similar or different capabilities, needs and interests* to deepen and extend *understandings* and make links between prior and new experiences
- ◆ actively *investigate topics of personal interest*, using inquiry-based learning to aid meaning-making about aspects of local and global communities



Cleaning Update

Since the middle of the year, the school has transitioned with a new DET cleaning provider, Spotless. We have been faced with many challenges to deliver a standard of cleaning that is acceptable for our environment.

A total of 6 different cleaners, over nearly two terms, have worked within the school to provide a level of cleaning.

With the many challenges we have also had successes.

Please be aware that we are working closely with Spotless to raise the level of cleaning within the school and that your understanding is appreciated.

See you around the school ~ Robbie Mallett

A message from your School Banking Co-ordinator

If your child has collected **10 Dollarmite tokens** and would like to redeem them for a School Banking reward this term, please fill in your child's redemption slip and bring it along to the school office before 30 November 2018. This will ensure the reward item will arrive before the school holidays.

Our final School Banking day for 2018 is Tuesday 18th December 2018.

Any Dollarmite tokens that are not redeemed this year can be used in 2019.

Lynn Morrison, School Banking Co-ordinator

FROM THE SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT

How great it is to see so much construction activity in the school grounds. Finally our much planned projects are coming to fruition with the addition of the high fence, new garden beds, senior playground and shades for the junior playground. The \$200,000 allocated to us earlier in the year is money well-spent for the enjoyment and protection of all our students. We certainly now have much to be proud of.

When lots of projects happen at once, it makes a memorable impact, but over the past few years many improvements have been made to the school grounds and facilities.

Recently I was talking to a parent whose perception was that in recent years "nothing had been done" to the school. In my seven year involvement with the school quite a lot has actually been improved.

Some of these projects include high fencing on Crawford Road, the two new classrooms, the multimedia room, painting and refurnishing the reception area, the school garden and garden beds, interactive whiteboards in all classrooms and the projector in the school hall that facilitates hi-tech presentations. I think we've come a long way given our fairly limited financial resources.

Which leads me to my next point. Essential Education Items invoices.

Families will recently have received a letter and invoice regarding charges for next year.

Let me take this opportunity to stress two things. Firstly, whilst all state schools provide a free education, it is the teaching, programs and the facilities that are financed by the state government. Using these funds other than for their intended purposes impacts the quality of the education programs and their delivery.

It is normal for primary schools to invoice for the consumables used in the classroom such as books, textas, pencils and the like. When children progress to high school, you have to provide your own so it's really no different except that at Clarinda Primary the shopping is done for you and the bulk buying gets us more for our money. And believe me, as I am now shopping for my son who's entering high school next year, primary school costs are significantly lower!

My second point: when we have a large number of unpaid Essential Education Items invoices, this leaves us with a gap in the finances.

Next year's books and materials for ALL students have been ordered and some already paid for. Without the contribution from the families, this money has to be found from somewhere.

For example this year we fell short by several thousands of dollars. We could probably have funded another running track or high fence on the far oval. Or upgraded the phone system or PA system. I urge you therefore to do your best to make your contribution so that we can continue to invest in our facilities AND deliver the best education possible.

Finally, parents and guardians wishing to raise any concerns can contact me by leaving a message at the office. Alternatively, I can usually be found in the staff room on Friday mornings until about 10-10.30am. Come for a chat and a cuppa!

All the best, Lindsay Armatas

Term Dates 2019

Term 1 - Tuesday 29th January to Friday 5th April

Thursday 31st January – Years 1 – 6 students start

Monday 4th February - Foundation (Prep) students start

Term 2 - Tuesday 23rd April to Friday 28th June

Term 3 - Monday 15th July to Friday 20th September

Term 4 - Monday 7th October to Friday 20th December

All dates are inclusive

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.





Feeding the Community

FOOD FOR FAMILIES APPEAL

For the past three years, our school has assisted the Wesley Mission & Uniting Care agencies by collecting items for their Christmas appeal.

This very worthwhile appeal helps families who are struggling with the cost of living by providing nutritious food and household essentials throughout the year.

In 2016 we collected eight large boxes, 2017 four large boxes of items.

We have registered for the 2018 Food for Families Appeal and hope to once more help families in need.

We are asking families to send to school an item of non-perishable food or toiletries, and we will organise for it to be collected and distributed to needy families.

Please send your donation by Friday 7th December.

Thank you for your support.

Kerry Candy



Athletics

Reminding all students that the Oakleigh Little Athletics Club is the perfect place to prepare for next year's school athletics journey!

This is your chance to learn all of the events and develop your skills in preparation for our Senior School House Athletics Carnival which occurs early in 2019, and is the first step in the pathway to your school athletics glory!

Justine Leopold, P.E. Teacher

Oakleigh Little Athletics

What are you going to do this Summer? Tell Mum & Dad you want to run for fun!

For those who are new to the sport and are curious to know what it all entails the basics are:

Little Athletics is for kids aged 5-15. Events include track (sprints and middle distance running), field (discus, shotput) and jumps (long and high).

We generally run competition on a Saturday morning which goes for about 2 hours. Before long weekends and regional and state events we usually swap to Friday evening (this happens about 3-4 times in a season)

Competition starts at 9am on a Saturday, but look forward to having parents arrive a little bit earlier to help setup.

Our season runs through until March (about 18 weeks of competition).

We take a break from just before Christmas until mid January

At Oakleigh we pride ourselves on being a family oriented and welcoming centre. We place a strong emphasis on athletes challenging themselves to do better. The Personal Best rewards scheme is a big hit with the kids!

For registered and financial athletes we offer training for athletes on a Tuesday afternoon (ages 8 and above) and Thursday afternoon (ages 6-8). This is included in our annual fee

You can try athletics before making payment, however we ask that you register your child beforehand.

The portal for registering through Little Athletics Victoria (LAVic) is open for both previous members and new members.

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 4 - Monday 8 October to Friday 21 December 2018

November	Wednesday 21	2.30 PACC meeting
	Thursday 22	Year 5 excursion to Science Expo
	Friday 23	Years 5 & 6 Woolworths Excursion Group 2
		Year Prep Excursion to Melbourne Zoo
	Tuesday 27	Choir visiting BUPA & Clarinda Manor
		Years 3 & 4 excursion to Melbourne Museum
	Friday 30	9.00 to 10.30 Prep 2019 Transition Day 3
December	Tuesday 4	2.30 School council finance sub committee
		4.00 Creative Music performance
	Wednesday 5	10.40 Parent helpers morning tea
	Thursday 6	6.00 to 7.30 Christmas concert
	Friday 7	Year 3 & 4 Gala Day at Huntingdale PS
	Monday 10	Years 1 & 2 Science Incursion Light & Sound - Group 1
	Tuesday 11	9.00 to 10.30 Prep 2019 Transition Day 4
		Years 1 & 2 Science Incursion Light & Sound - Group 2
		Year 6 students spend day at 2019 secondary colleges
		<u>Sub committee meetings</u> 6.00 Education 6.30 Buildings & grounds
		7.00 School council meeting
	Wednesday 12	9.15 to 12.00 Junior school Aths Carnival
		11.10 to 12.50—Spelling Bee
	Monday 17	School reports go home this week
	Tuesday 18	5.45 Year 6 graduation dinner 7.00 Year 6 graduation ceremony
	Wednesday 19	Year 6 graduation excursion to side tracked
	Friday 21	Last Day Term 4 Assembly—12.30 Dismissal—1.30
TERM 1 2019 - Thursday 31 January to Friday 5th April 2019		
January	Thursday 31	Students Years 1 to 6 begin school
February	Monday 4	Students in prep begin school

PACC

Parent And Community Club

Hamper Raffle—Term 4

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding a raffle for several hampers full of a variety of food items and activity vouchers for the whole family. ~ tickets coming home soon

PACC Meetings

Wednesday 21 November

Wednesday 12 December

at 2.30pm in the staffroom

Everyone welcome



LUNCH ORDERS - SUBWAY

Every week

Order on Monday or Thursday

Eat on Tuesday or Friday

Order forms at the school office



**CLARINDA
TENNIS CLUB**

Clarinda Tennis Club, 4-14 Crawford Road, Clarinda

WEDNESDAY, 19th December

FREE CLUB OPEN DAY

4.00 to 6.00pm

Interested in tennis?

Come to our Club Open Day - it's free.

MELBOURNE UTD

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FRESH START

7TH - 13TH JANUARY 2019

2 Corinthians 5:17 - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

FREE KIDS HOLIDAY PROGRAM

DATES AND TIMES ON BACK OF FLYER



NAMATJIRA PARK,
SPRINGS RD, CLAYTON SOUTH

Centre Rd
Springs Rd
Raleigh St

HOLIDAY PROGRAM 7th - 11th January
9:30am - 12noon @ Namatjira Park, Clayton Stn

TEEN EVENT 11th January
7:00 - 9:30pm @ Clayton North Primary School

FAMILY FUN NIGHT 12th January
6:30 - 9:30pm @ Clayton Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY NIGHT PROGRAM 13th January
5:30 - 8:00pm @ Clayton Presbyterian Church

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2 January & 30 January 2019

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School Holiday Program

Enrolments open 19 November

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Chelsea Primary School

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