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#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Dear Parents, Students & School Community,

#### Welcome Back

A warm welcome back to the start of the second semester of learning at Clarinda Primary

We have had many new students start at our school this week and we welcome them into our classrooms.

Students received their school report and parents participated in Parent Teacher interviews at the conclusion of semester one. I would like to encourage parents to continue to be active participants in their child's learning.

We currently have extensive works being completed on the Elder Street oval. The construction of a new fence, extending the long jump pit, basketball backboards and rings and concreting will cause some minor disruptions this week.

The gate beside the basketball courts has been opened to assist with pedestrian access.









ART SHOW - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August 6.00pm—8.00pm Every student in the school has been busy preparing their piece of art for our first Art Show. The Story of Art will showcase Art and Exhibitions and include:

- Mamma Van Food Truck and 2 Mugs Coffee Van from 5:30pm.
- \* Tables and seating provided.
- \* A Silent Auction of Collaborative Art work will showcase classroom artists.
- \* Parents, Carers and Grandparents are encouraged to complete their own artistic pieces to be displayed during the show.
- The Big Read at 7.00pm a selected child from each class will read their classroom picture story book.

And lots more ....

Please add the date to your diary and we look forward to seeing you on the 29<sup>th</sup> August.

#### Parking

With the season of inclement weather closing in on us, I would like to remind our school community of the ongoing safety around traffic management.

Many parents/carers have been observed breaking road rules in their car or as pedestrians. Numerous parking options are available on Eulinga, Crawford and Elder Street.

The City of Kingston have increased their patrols of the area.

Please take the time to assist in maintaining safety around our school.

Parent Opinion Survey

#### WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents.

It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from Monday 22<sup>rd</sup> July to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August.



Parents will be randomly selected from the school data base.

The survey only takes 10-15 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English.

These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali,

Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

#### OPEN TO LEARNING

The next schedule Open To Learning session will be on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August. During this session, we invite family members to visit the classroom of their child. Classrooms will be open from 3.00pm.

#### **ASSEMBLY**

Assembly for this term is scheduled for Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 3.00pm. The end of Term assembly will be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm.

Working Bee

Our next Working Bee will be on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August from 9:30am-11:30am. As per normal, the working bee will conclude with a BBQ and light refreshments.

More information about tasks to be completed will be in the next newsletter.

#### Prep 2020—Important to enrol now

Now is the time to enrol your child for Prep in 2020.

To enrol in school for 2020 children must have turned 5 by the 30th of April 2020.

Please call into the school office to collect your enrolment pack.

Return your enrolment to school as soon as possible to help us with planning.



#### Parent/Teacher Interviews—Reminder

Parents who made bookings last term for Parent /Teacher interviews for students in 3/4D with Ms Delany will be held on Tuesday 23, Wednesday 24, Thursday 25 July

See you around the school

Mr Robbie Mallett

## What are the Writing Traits?

As part of our Newsletter this term, we will be including a little segment on the language we use for Writing at Clarinda Primary School.

At Clarinda, we teach the 6+1 Traits of Writing - these

are all different elements of the craft of writing that work together to make "good writing".

One trait is not 'stronger' or 'more important' than the others, they are all key strategies students can use to strengthen and enhance their skills as writers. All students at our school, from Prep to Grade 6, use the same language for the Traits and set goals for themselves based on their own strengths and areas for improvement.



The 6 + 1 Traits of Writing are: Ideas, Organisation, Voice, Word Choice, Sentence Fluency,

Conventions and Presentation.

Take a moment to ask your child(ren): As a writer, which Trait do you think is your strength?

Look out for the Trait "Ideas" in the next issue of the Newsletter!

Erin Beissel & Dee Mooney, Literacy Learning Specialists

#### LOSY SOMEYHING?

- . School Uniform
- . LUNCH BOXES
- . DRINK BOTYLES

WE HAVE LOTS! CHECK WITH THE SCHOOL OFFICE

#### DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 3 2019 Monday 15 July to Friday 20 September July Friday 26 Years 3 & 4 Excursion Scienceworks Years 1 & 2 Incursion "Metro" Tuesday 30 2.30 School Council Finance Meeting Thursday 1 to Life Ed Van Incursion August Thursday 8 Tuesday 6 6.00 Education sub committee 6.30 Buildings & grounds 7.00 School council meeting Friday 9 Prep Incursion Year 1 & 2 Incursion Friday 16 Kids Car Ed Thursday 29 **ART SHOW**



### Book Club News!!

Book club magazines with order forms have been sent home with lots of exciting offers.

If you wish to order please return your order form and money with your child's name and grade clearly written on the order form.

Return to school by 31st July 2019.

Thank you. Carol McKinley.

#### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2019

TERM 3

Monday 15 July to Friday 20 September

TERM 4

Monday 7 October to Friday 20 December



#### DOLLARMITE STUDENT BANKING

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR BANK BOOK TO SCHOOL EVERY TUESDAY

It's a great way to learn about saving money for something special!

Application forms for new accounts are



Thank you to each and every family and local community members who collected stickers for our school during this Woolworths promotion.

Our stickers have been counted and results sent in to the Woolworths head office.

In exchange for our stickers we will receive some educational resources in the near future.

Thanks again,

Lynn Morrison Co-ordinator

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## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

















Prep B	Sanath	For making brave choices to use interesting word choices in his writing
Prep H	Matthew	For trying his best when publishing his "Small Moment" writing piece
Prep M	Bella	For working hard to solve subtraction problems in Maths
1/2P	Ellie	For her enthusiasm in class discussions
1/2M	Sun	For doing a brilliant job presenting his 'Water Detective' talk to the class all by himself
1/2Y	Dino	For being brave when presenting his talk to the class
3/4D	Yuvi	For making good choices during work time and sitting where he will not become distracted
3/4Z	Anastasia K.	For being a caring helpful member of our class. Good luck in your new school you will be missed
5/6B	Cooper	For following the Golden Rule and being a responsible role model on the excursion
5/6H	Nicole Nino Cooper	For your wonderful team work while planning and delivering an exceptional day of class control
5/6P	Gabrielle Mischa Zoe Mia	For your incredible team work, confidence and leadership when running the class for the day!

## International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) New entry system this year!





17th July 2019

Dear Parents,

Over the years, students at Clarinda Primary School in **years 3-6** have been given the opportunity to participate in the **International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)** Science, Digital Technologies, English, Writing, Spelling and Mathematics competitions conducted by the University of New South Wales.

All of the **International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)** not only challenge students but also provide an opportunity for them to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation.

This is not a compulsory assessment, but parent discretion as to whether a student sits the assessment or not.

#### UNSW Global Parent Payment System

As of this year, parents will now be responsible for registering their child/children in the ICAS. The assessment is now fully online and sitting dates will commence in Term 3.

The Payment System is a simple and secure online payment service specifically for parents to purchase ICAS Assessments.

**Instructions for parents:** Parents can access this service by typing <a href="https://pay.unswglobal.com.au/">https://pay.unswglobal.com.au/</a> into a browser.

Parents will require a unique access code: **3f2f27439c** 

Parents simply fill in the required information to order and make a payment for each assessment required. The student ID field is optional

Parents may find support at; <a href="https://unsw.global/support-icas">https://unsw.global/support-icas</a>



UNSW are happy to help with any questions. For details on how to contact them by email or telephone please visit https://www.unswglobal.unsw.edu.au/contact-us/

The closing date for payment is 14th August.