

Care Achieve Respect Excel

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

How are you feeling parents?

We are feeling excited and committed to ensuring that your child has a great final 3 weeks of Term 2.

It has been a long term, but I am proud to have seen the school values demonstrated in so many different forums this term.

Our community has continued to **CARE** for each other and support the health and wellbeing of our students.

We **ACHIEVED** at so many different levels to ensure a curriculum that is supportive of all students and that they can complete work.

RESPECT has been integral during the COVID-19 period when being asked to stay at home and follow the Government guidelines.

EXCEL is an interesting value; I believe we have nailed this value.

We have had to modify and adjust to so many rules and regulations to support the community in ways that we have never known before.

Over the coming weeks, the school's leadership team will continue to review our school programming as to what we can and cannot offer throughout semester two, in light of recent government restrictions and the changing nature of health advice to schools.

I plan to send a communication out to all families by the end of this term, to outline what plans have been put in place for Term 3 and beyond, having had to already cancel or postpone a number of popular and well-loved school programs.

Please note that wherever we can continue to run a school program or extracurricular activity, we will endeavour to do so, as long as it doesn't unnecessarily affect other programs or school operations.

Where deposits have been paid for cancelled events, these will be promptly returned to parents.

.....and finally, please keep a watchful eye out on Compass posts over the next 2-3 weeks.



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Important information will be posted about student reports and safety measures the school continues to take, as we now see through the news some schools in the Northern suburbs being locked down with COVID cases.

Our school will maintain a strict regime around visitors onsite, restricted areas, daily cleaning (I have a number of meetings a week to ensure this is 'up-to-scratch') and the teaching and exercising of hygienic practices.

Building Update

Construction of the modules has begun in the factory! The schedule of works still needs some final touches but asbestos removal will be carried out during the school holiday period.

This is the safest time to conduct the extraction and therefore the school grounds will remain locked over the holidays. Demolition of the building will continue through July and August with the project schedule for completion during November.

This is a lot earlier than originally scheduled.

Architectural drawings will be available from next week.

DET Tree Safety Program

DET and United Energy have completed their approval for lopping of the 2 trees between the main entry and Eulinga Building.

An arborist report carried out during 2019 identified that the trees needed to be removed due to decaying and structural integrity. DET has provided a grant for the removal.

New Netball Dresses

Mrs Leopold has approved the design of new netball dresses for the interschool sports team.

This has been made possible by a greater uptake of parents paying the School Levy, meaning we don't have to use Learning Area budgets to subsidise parent contributions. We are most thankful to our parents for continuing their payments during this term.



Unwell students

Parents of students who are unwell, should not send their child to school.

Where a student becomes unwell at school, with any 'COVID- like' symptoms, they will immediately be collected by parents and cannot return to school until a medical clearance (such as a negative COVID test result) is provided.

Where a student is absent from school and a parent indicates the absence is due to illness (such as 'the flu'), the child must be isolated at home and cannot return until they have a medical clearance. All situations involving an unwell student with virus symptoms are reported to the Department of Education Incident Support Operations Centre and are followed up to ensure correct processes are undertaken to keep everyone safe and well.

End of Term

The school term will end on Friday 26th June at 2:30pm.

The adjustment of dismissal times will be brought forward 1 hour. Therefore:

- Assembly will be at 1:30pm via Webex - invite for parents to be sent via Compass.
- Siblings from Prep-6 will be dismissed at 2:15pm from their designated gate.
- Prep - will be dismissed at 2:20pm from their designated gate.
- Only child from Gr. 1-6 will be dismissed at 2:30pm from their designated gate.
- OSHC - will be dismissed from 2:15pm to attend OSHC

Term 3 will resume on Monday 13th July.

See you around the school
Robbie Mallett

Mid-year School Reports

Wednesday 10th June

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you again for the ongoing support that you have provided your child and the teachers at Clarinda Primary School during remote learning.

It is amazing what has been achieved in a relatively short space of time.

As always you will receive a report for your child outlining their progress in Semester 1, 2020 against the Victorian Curriculum. The report will look different as it is not possible to implement our standard report writing process.

We have received advice from the Department of Education and Training regarding modifications to the Semester One reporting requirements, acknowledging the limitations on the ability of teachers to accurately assess student progress during the remote learning period.

As a result of this advice, teachers at our school will:

- provide written reports, delivered electronically via Compass, on Thursday 25th June,
- provide opportunities for face to face interviews during Week 1 of Term 3, the timeline of which will be based on medical advice,
- not be providing an assessment against a 5-point scale for curriculum areas.

The report comment on student achievement will be limited to:

- a description of the areas of the Victorian Curriculum F-10 provided to all students
- a comment on how your child has adjusted to, and engaged with the remote and flexible learning opportunities offered to them.

The remote and flexible learning platform, in conjunction with weekly teacher phone calls has given parents greater access to the work of your children than ever before and this opportunity though challenging, will be the impetus for greater collaboration between students, parents and teachers.

Assessment and reporting has never only been a twice a year event but now more than ever it is individualised and ongoing throughout the year.

Thank you for supporting us so that we can support, challenge and nurture your children.

Regards,



Robbie Mallett

From the School Council President.

Welcome back to Term 2, Take 2!

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the Clarinda PS community.

My name is Victoria, mum of David in 1/2K and I have recently become the School Council President.

I would like to acknowledge the incredible job that Lindsay Armatas has done – they are very big shoes to fill!

The last few months have been challenging. Nothing about 2020 has been 'normal'. From the start of the school year, nothing could have prepared us, neither the parents nor the educators, for what was to come.

But look at us now. Look at our resilient children.

Look at the absolutely amazing staff at Clarinda Primary School.

For me personally, remote learning demonstrated the incredible job educators do every day. How much planning and thought went into providing interesting and engaging content.

I am incredibly grateful for ClassDojo messages, weekly check-ins and videos shared by Mr Mallett and other teachers. It made remote learning and working from home, a lot more doable!

Thank you to all the staff for their hard work, their dedication and commitment to the children. Their efforts haven't gone un-noticed.

Now that all the children are back at school, the sound of kids' voices as our school comes back in full swing, has been very welcoming.

We know that there might be challenges ahead, but I know with support from staff at Clarinda, our children can achieve just about anything.

Victoria Koutsoubos



We welcome back all students to Clarinda PS!

Students will now be participating in Circle Time lessons in all classroom, reflecting on their Home Learning experience.

Here is Ida Lopez's reflection on what she has learnt about herself during this time.

How has my gratitude changed due to COVID - 19 ?

I think that a lot of changes have been made to my gratitude.

I know that I have definitely become more grateful for my class / friends.

I have always been grateful for them, however now that I can't see them or contact them because I don't know how to, I appreciate all the memories and everything they do for me.

I really miss them, and can't wait to see them again.

Another thing that I think I have become more grateful for is the internet.

Being in quarantine with my family, the only way to contact my friends is through my phone. As well as that, I use it almost every day, and it's really important in times like this.

I have also become more grateful for teachers.

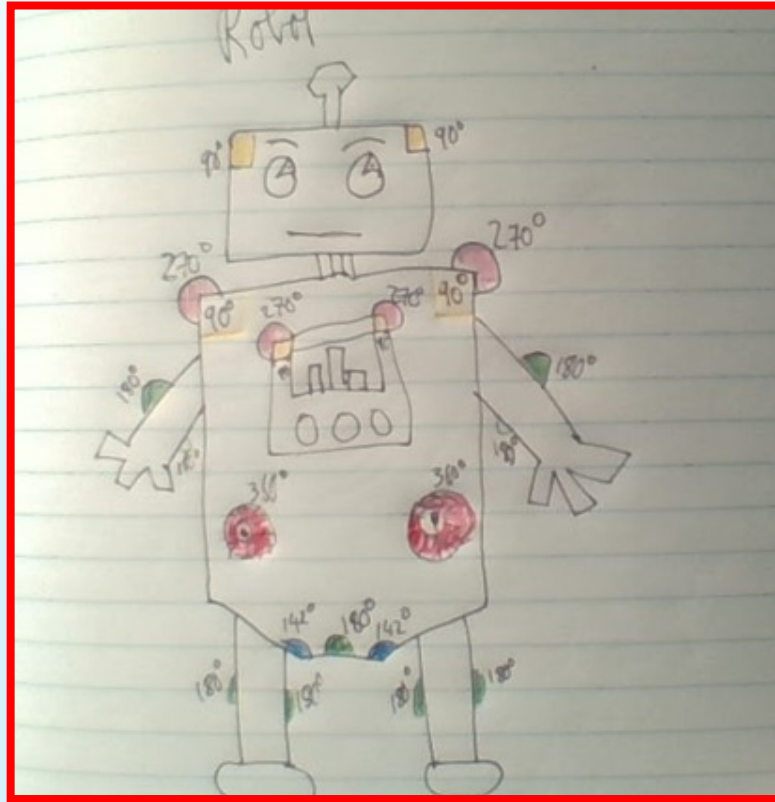
They already do so much to make all their students feel okay, and educate them daily, so the change must be really hard for them.

There is also only one of them and lots of students to attend to in a class, so I am wholeheartedly thankful for that.

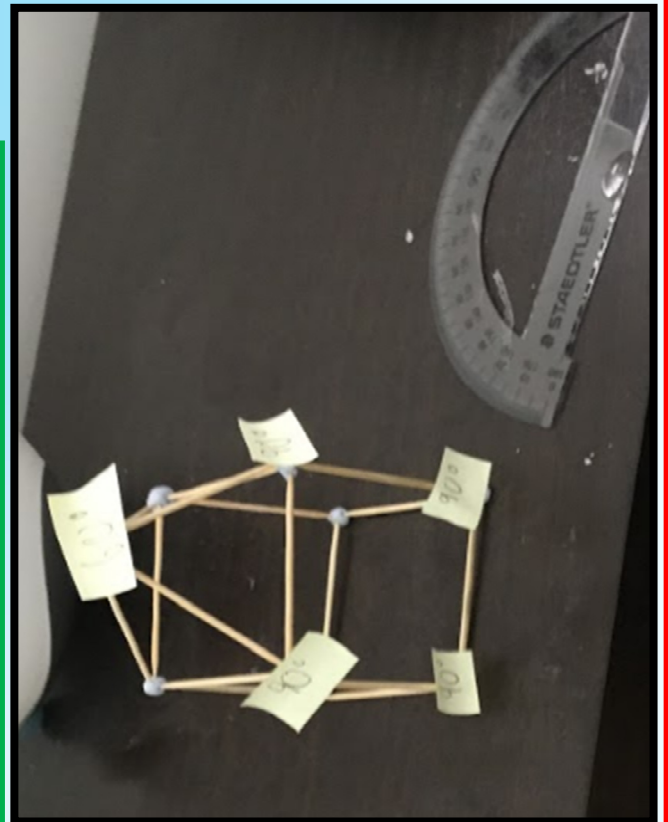
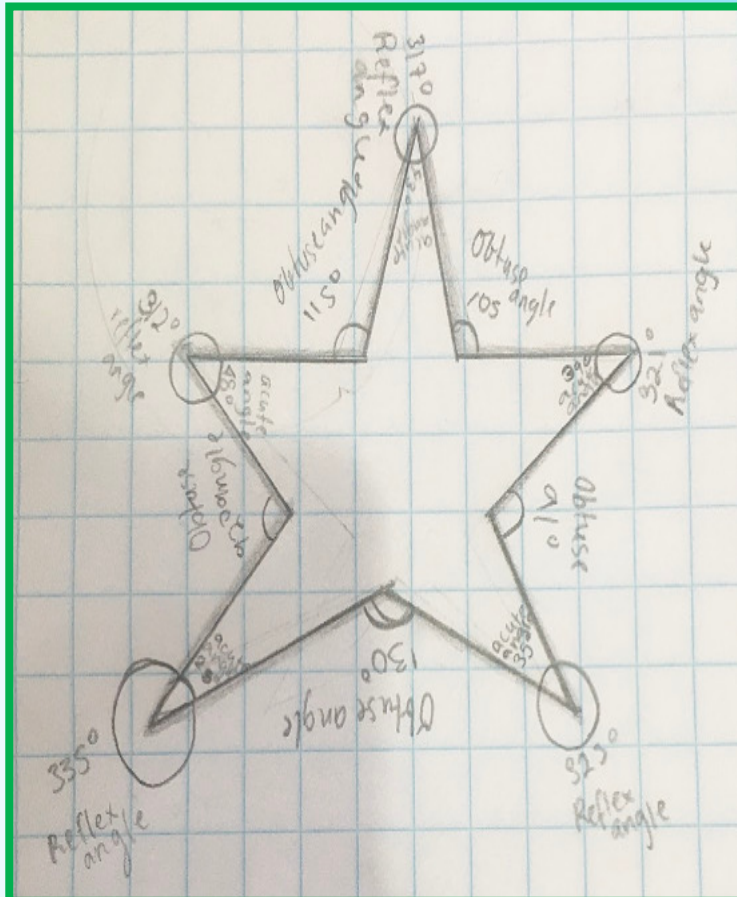
I could keep going, but I'll just do one more to save you some time, I have become A LOT more grateful for my family. They have always been doing so much for me, and I have always appreciated that, but during this time, they are always checking up on me, and making sure that I feel safe. They also find a way to have fun AT ALL TIMES.

Normally being a middle child can get annoying because there is always someone talking to you. But it's kinda fun when I think about it now. ☐

By Ida Lopez



CLASS ROOM CORNER 5/6J



DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2 2020

Tuesday 14 April to Friday 26 June

June	Tuesday 16 School Council & Sub Committees	6.00 ~ Education 6.30 ~ Buildings & Grounds 7.00 ~ School Council
	Thursday 25	Student reports on compass
	Friday 26	Last Day Term 2 2.30 School finishes
JULY	Monday 13	First Day Term 3
	Thursday 30	School Photo Day ~ to be confirmed
AUGUST	Tuesday 4	2.30 School Council Finance Sub Committee Meeting
	Tuesday 11 School Council & Sub Committees	6.00 ~ Education 6.30 ~ Buildings & Grounds 7.00 ~ School Council

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2020

TERM 2

Tuesday 14 April to Friday 26 June

TERM 3

Monday 13 July to Friday 18 September

TERM 4

Monday 5 October to Friday 18 December

**ARE YOU
MISSING OUT?
SIGN UP TO
COMPASS TODAY
STUDENT REPORTS
AND
SCHOOL NOTICES
WILL ONLY BE ON
COMPASS
IN 2020**

COMING IN TERM 3

- ♦ EASTER BUNS FOR MORNING TEA
- ♦ EASTER RAFFLE DRAW

DO YOU HOLD A HEALTH CARE CARD?

Have you applied for the Government
allowance Camps Swimming
Excursion Fund (CSEF)?

\$125.00 per child.

If your health care card is valid on:
28th January 2020

or

You received a health care card that
was valid on: 14th April 2020

Call into the school office and
complete an application form
before 26th June 2020

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

3/4D	Konstance	For adjusting to the home learning environment in a positive manner and completing all set tasks with great effort! Great job!
3/4H	Ollie	For showing great perseverance and optimism while working hard on his At Home Learning. Well done!
3/4T	Dimitris	For doing an outstanding job during home learning by challenging himself, demonstrating initiative and working independently.
3/4Z	Arjun	For being so committed to his home learning and always producing work of a very high standard. Well done!
3/4K	Ishaan	For extending himself during home learning with challenging maths tasks and displaying a consistent positive attitude.
5/6J	Matthew	For adapting to the changes during Remote Learning. Well done Matthew!
5/6S	Phoebe	For being so committed to her home learning tasks! Fantastic effort, Phoebe!

DO YOU HAVE A PRE SCHOOL CHILD AT HOME
WITH A DATE OF BIRTH ~

1ST MAY 2015 TO 30TH APRIL 2016 ?

**IT'S NOW TIME ENROL IN
SCHOOL FOR 2021**

CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOR AN
ENROLMENT FORM—~

RETURN IT TO SCHOOL BEFORE 31 JULY 2020

REMIND YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS



Managing Stress & Anxiety Webinar for Parents & Carers



This FREE Live Webinar is for Parents and Carers of children on the Autism Spectrum who are keen to hear real life practical strategies, ideas and encouragement on understanding anxiety and stress in the Carer role.

This webinar is being delivered by Dr Jodi Richardson, who is a wellbeing expert, speaker and educator who specialises in helping parents and teachers raise happier, more relaxed, resilient and optimistic kids with flourishing mental health and supports Parents and Carer givers with understanding Anxiety. She combines nine years of university study with over twenty years of professional work in wellbeing, clinical practice, elite sport and education in all that she shares.

Live webinar details:

Presenter: Dr Jodi Richardson

Date: Wednesday 17th June 2020

Time: 11:00am – 12:15pm via Zoom

This event is FREE and places are strictly limited. Participants need to register via Eventbrite and will receive an email 2 days before the webinar with the access details. Please ensure you check your junk mail or spam for this email. If you cannot attend after booking, please refund your ticket so that others can access this webinar.

To book your ticket: https://sjiwebinar_careranxiety.eventbrite.com.au

SJI Autism & Carer Support is a not for profit community service that aims to equip & encourage Carers, Parents & families and education professionals as they support children on the Autism Spectrum to flourish.



Thank you to the Victorian Government for funding SJI Carer initiatives under the Supporting Carers Locally funding grant

[Webinar Registration Link](https://sjiwebinar_careranxiety.eventbrite.com.au)