

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### 2021 Planning

This term we are making plans for teacher assignments and student placements in 2021. 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 2021 we need this to be put in writing or via email, to the Principal, by 4 pm on Friday, 30th October 2020.

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
- 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.



We are very excited to  
announce after months of waiting;

★ SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH DAY ★

WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER

COVID 19 safe processes

Envelopes for orders will be sent  
home soon.



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## Parent Opinion Survey

Your family is invited to participate in the 2020 Parent Opinion Survey.



Each year the school conducts an opinion survey amongst a sample of the school community. This year, all parents are invited to participate. Results will be used to inform and direct our future school planning and improvement.

I ask you to please take the time to complete the survey as your opinions are important to us and will contribute to the future management and organisation of our school.

- The survey will be conducted online and should take 20 minutes to complete.
- The survey can be completed on any internet enabled device (iPad, Desktop or Laptop, Smartphone) and is compatible with most browsers.
- The survey will be open from Monday 12 October to Friday 13 November 2020.
- The survey is available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Haka), Hindi, Japanese, Greek, Turkish, Somali and Punjabi.

Please be assured that your responses are completely confidential. The survey is conducted anonymously, and it is important to us that you complete the survey as honestly as possible.

Please follow the instructions below to complete the survey.

NOTE: Only one parent from your family is invited to complete the survey.

To complete the survey, simply:

1. Click on the link below, or copy and paste the text into your browser. This link will take you directly to the survey.  
<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>
2. Select the School and Campus name below.  
School Name: Clarinda Primary School
3. Enter the School PIN below.  
PIN: 188430
4. When complete, please click on the tick button at the end of the survey to submit your answers.

Please note that the survey will time out after 60 minutes of inactivity.

Thank you for taking the time to participate, your assistance is greatly appreciated.

### Questions?

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any general queries about the survey. For specific technical or participation-related queries, you may also contact the Department or the supplier administering the survey, ORIMA Research.

- Should you have any technical queries regarding the Parent Opinion Survey, please do not hesitate to contact ORIMA Research on 1800 654 585 (toll free), or by email: [pos@orima.com](mailto:pos@orima.com)
- Should you have any participation or survey-related queries, please contact the School, or the Department by email: [parentopinion.survey@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:parentopinion.survey@education.vic.gov.au)

## Emergency Management Practice Drill – Evacuation Drill

Earlier this year, staff and students participated in their first Evacuation Drill.



The school will conduct a second evacuation drill on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 12:40pm.

## Prep Transition

Prep Transition has continued to evolve for us during COVID-19.

We have completed two online sessions so far!

Numbers are in the low 50s and there is great anticipation in moving to the new building for 2020. How lucky for these new students!



Transition Day #1 involved a WebEx meeting with parents and students. They had a special delivery from AustPost that included craft activities, sharing of a book and a special certificate. Parents were provided with a Q & A session with myself and Mrs Mackay.

On Monday, we presented our Information Evening via WebEx too. Over half our parent cohort attended and they were given more details about transitioning into CPS.

Transition Day #2 is scheduled for Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October from 9am. Details have been emailed and new packages should arrive via the mail in the coming days.

DET will provide further guidelines in the coming days to support the possibility of face-to-face transition.

## Remembrance Day



On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, students and staff will commemorate Remembrance Day which is a significant day in Australia. Remembrance Day commemorates the noble sacrifices of armed forces and civilians during times of war. At the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month, one minutes silence is observed across the country to mark the end of hostilities on the Western front during WW1 after four years of warfare.



Our SunSmart policy states that during Term 4 hats need to be brought to school and worn at recess, lunchtime and during Physical Education and Sport.

Please re-visit the home routines and arrangements of your child/ren ensuring they have their hat at school every day from the start of Term 4.

A reminder that the Clarinda Primary School uniform slouch hat is a SunSmart approved hat.

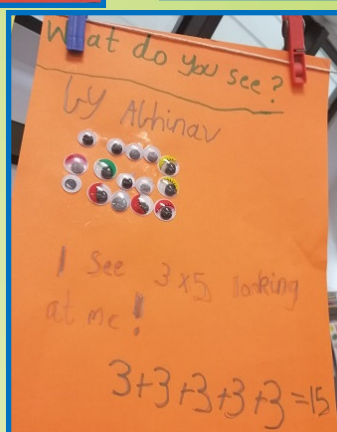
### Public Holidays and Curriculum Day - No students required at school on these days

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| Friday 23 October  | Public Holiday |
| Monday 2 November  | Curriculum Day |
| Tuesday 3 November | Public Holiday |

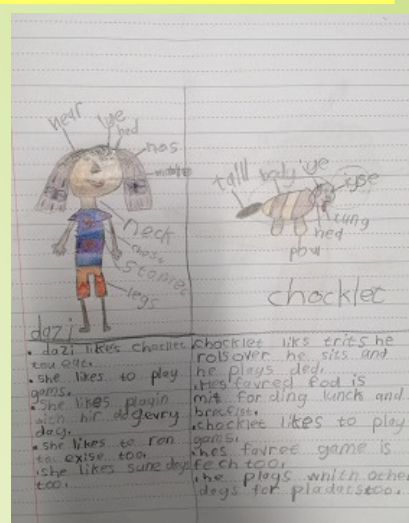
See you around the school.....  
Robbie Mallett



**We explored equal groups, arrays and repeated addition.**



**We created our own characters and settings for our stories.**



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### TERM 4 2020

Monday 5th October to Friday 18 December

|          |              |  |
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| October  | Thursday 22  | Footy colours day  |
|          | Friday 23    | Public Holiday<br>No students at school                                    |
| November | Monday 26    | Last day for book club orders  |
|          | Friday 30    | Prep 2021 Transition Day 2   |
|          | Monday 2     | Curriculum Day<br>No students at school                                    |
|          | Tuesday 3    | Public Holiday<br>No students at school                                    |
|          | Friday 6     | Prep 2021 Transition Day 3   |
|          | Tuesday 10   | 6.00 Education<br>6.30 Buildings & Grounds<br>7.00 School Council meetings |
|          | Thursday 12  | Whole School<br>Book Week Virtual<br>Incursion -<br>Greatest Discovery     |
|          | Friday 20    | Prep 2021 Transition Day 4<br>12.40 ~ Evacuation Drill                     |
|          | Wednesday 25 | School Photograph Day  |

## TERM DATES

### TERM 4

Monday 5 October to Friday 18 December

### TERM 1 2021

Thursday 28 January to Thursday 1st April



### LUNCH ORDERS - SUBWAY

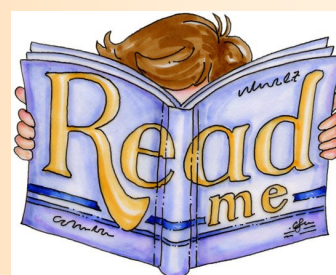
**\$5.00**

**Every week**

**Order Monday  
Eat Tuesday**

**Order Thursday  
Eat Friday**

**Order forms at the school office**



## BOOK CLUB

**Please send your book club order back to school by Monday 26 October.**

**Remember to write your name and grade on the order form.**

**Carol McKinley**



# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

|        |          |  |
|--------|----------|--|
| Prep W | Malhar   | For his enthusiasm and persistence demonstrated during writing time.       |
| 1/2L   | Rishik   | For making strong choices and staying focused during his first week back.  |
| 1/2M   | Ivam     | For doing her best and maintaining a positive attitude throughout the week |
|        | Penelope | For doing her best and maintaining a positive attitude throughout the week |
| 1/2P   | Aayat    | For pursuing her personal best in reading                                  |
| 3/4T   | Ariel    | For making strong choices to ensure a fantastic transition back to school  |
| 5/6E   | Summer   | For being a kind and caring buddy.   |
| 5/6S   | Haania   | For always being well mannered and polite.                                 |



**School Banking is back!**

**STARTS Tuesday 27 October 2020**

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a silver Dollarmite token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

If your child has lost their book, please contact your School Banking Co-ordinator for a replacement or visit any CommBank Branch.