

Issue 5

1 April 2021

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

#### Term 1 2021

Thursday 28 January to Thursday 1 April

<b>April</b> Thursday 1	Last Day Term 1 1.45 Assembly 2.30 Dismissal
Friday 2	Good Friday
Monday 19	First day term 2
Wednesday 21	School Photo Day
Monday 26	Curriculum Day
Friday 30	Year 5 & 6 Interschool sport
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Tuesday 11	NAPLAN
Wednesday 12	NAPLAN
Thursday 13	NAPLAN
Friday 14	Year 5 & 6 Interschool sport

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

#### End of Term Already!

It's hard to believe that we are at the end of Term 1, time just seems to fly by.

It has been a very busy one for students and teachers with a range of incursions and excursion linking to the students' learning, School Camp, training for Cross Country, Swimming competitions, a working bee, parent/teacher meetings, extensive initial assessment of students by teachers as well as all the everyday activities that are part of school life.

Our Preps are now attending school full time. It is amazing how much they have grown over the past 10 weeks, they are now truly part of the Clarinda family. They are still learning the routines and boundaries but it is wonderful to see how engrossed they are in their learning activities and how enthusiastically they approach their work.

I would also like to recognise and acknowledge the contribution of our staff this term. They have been flexible in their approach and have made

considerable effort to help every child adjust to learning after the disruptions of 2020.

We wish Miss Koskarti all the best for her wedding day on Friday 9th April. Miss Koskarti will finally marry Tommy after the wedding postponement during 2020 due to COVID-19.

End of Term Timetable for the last day of Term One -Thursday 1st April.

## Happy Holidays!

9.00am - 9:30am Assembly https://eduvic.webex.com/eduvic/j.php? MTID=m498fd0fb82f6d8a1e91568130b7509a8 Meeting number (access code): 165 648 9102 Meeting password: Clarinda

9:30am	- 11.00am	~	Students in class
11.00am	- 11.30am	~	Recess
11.30am	- 1.00pm	~	Students in class
1.00pm	- 1.10pm	~	Students eat lunch in class
1.10pm	- 2:00pm	~	Lunch play
2.00pm	- 2.30pm	~	Classroom pack up
2.30pm		~	Students dismissed

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#### Parent Payments - (School Fees)

Thank you'to the many families who have already paid essential education items payments. These are required payments which are now due. Payment of Essential Education fees pays for items which are essential to support instruction in the standard curriculum program such as essential curriculum materials.

It is deeply appreciated that a majority of parents also support our school through voluntary payments to enable the maintenance of our vast school grounds, play equipment and technology (devices). Some parents also make extra donations which will be used to provide resources for all students. We are indeed extremely fortunate to have such wonderful people in our school community. Thank you.

If you require assistance to make payment, please contact our office to make an appointment. Appropriate arrangements, such as a payment plan can be developed in the strictest of confidence.

See you back at school from Monday 19th April 2021.

Robbie Mallett Principal.

#### EASTER RAFFLE

Today at assembly we drew the PACC raffle for **15** Amazing Prizes. Here are the lucky winners;

1ST PRIZE	IVAM AGGRWAL		
2ND PRIZE	LAVINIA MANDILE		
	SHAE DUSIC	ALEXIA MANDILE	VASILIKI KOKKALIS
	JEET MISTRY	ANGELIKI TSOULFAS	DIANA NGUYEN CAO
	MAKHAYLA SMIT	DAVID KOUTSOUBOS	JAMIE KIOULAFAS
	ABIGAIL CARVER	OLIVER AL ACHKAR	ATHAN AYGUN
	OWEN MAISEY		

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Thank you to all families for your very generous Easter chocolate donations.

Thank you to all families that bought raffle tickets.

Thank you to the PACC members who have worked hard over the past two weeks with Eater Buns and the Easter Raffle.

**HAPPY EASTER** to all our school community.

Welcome to the family



#### From our School Council President

Dear families,

What a term ~ things are never quiet at CPS!

Our Preps are well and truly settled in ~ they'll be at 100 days in no time!

Our amazing students are coming in leaps and bounds ~ some are quite literally with the District Cross Country!

On 12 March I had the privilege of being part of the School Strategic Plan - Validation Day for our school. As a parent, it was an eye-opening experience. It showed the extent of thought, planning and dedication that is required to deliver outstanding education to our kids.

The day was critical in looking at the data over the last 4 years, how it aligned with previously set goals and helped to identify areas that the school will be prioritising over the next four years.

We went into a number of classrooms and interviewed students across various grades ~ this information provided great insights into learning structure at our school. 24<sup>th</sup> March was the final day of the review and it is exciting to see how the school is going to step up to the challenge ~ I know our kids will absolutely thrive!

I would like to congratulate Mr Mallett, Ms Joyce, Ms Beissel and all the CPS staff for their hard work and dedication.

On Monday 29 March Mr Meng Heang Tak, member for Clarinda, came for a school visit.

It was fantastic to meet with Mr Tak, go on the tour from brand new modular building and classrooms, all the way through to our oldest portables. Whilst it was great to see new, modern classrooms being utilised to their full potential, it was vital to show him just how critical additional funding would be for our school.

I would like to continue to strongly encourage our CPS community, irrespective of whether your child is in Prep or Grade 6, to please keep advocating for our school. Please continue to contact our local MPs.

Please keep the pressure on ~ it is only through our collective voices, that we'll be heard. Our kids deserve better facilities.

I hope everyone has safe and enjoyable school holidays ~ see you all in Term 2!

Victoria Koutsoubos



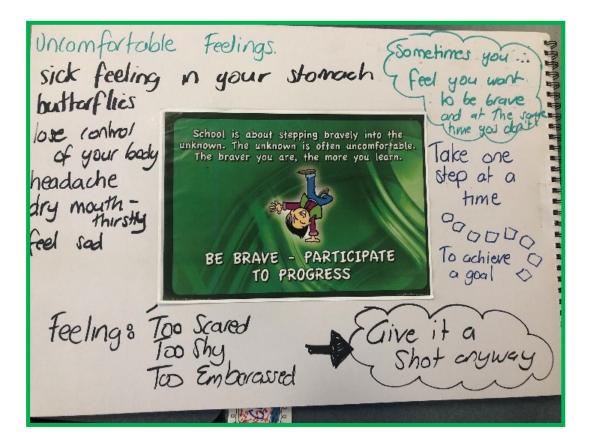


Some fantastic work is happening around the school, embedding the concepts of the Second Life Raft in the Play Is The Way Program.

Students have been getting to know each other, valuing why they are all unique and exploring their feelings.

During Circle Time class discussions, Anchor Charts are created to explore social and emotion well-being concepts more deeply and will be used throughout the year.

Thank you, Susie Trumble



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	\$1	UDENTS OF THE WEEK
Prep W	Jacob	For being respectful by following the Classroom rules.
	Pranshi	For trying her best during writing time.
	Vedhika	For her effort learning the Magic words.
Prep Y	Nicole <del>tt</del> e	For always being kind and helpful to others.
	Jensen	For organising his writing from left to right across the page
	Sienna	For using stretChy snake CorreCtly in reading
	Vincent	For improved confidence when speaking in from of the class
Prep D	Guy	For being a kind friend and always trying his best in Class.
	PatriCk	For using his knowledge of sounds to write words
)	Chelsea	For being a kind and helpful member of our Class.
	Ryland	For trying his best in writing.
1/2K	Hunar	Wonderful effort when revising and editing her writing
	人shvath	For pursuing his personal best in all of the subjects

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1/20	Cindu	Top purpuing how powerpal base in our fullyiting
1/2P	Cindy	For pursuing her personal best in our 'Writing Workshops'
	Donita	For always being kind and Caring
	Міке	For being kind and Caring
	Alexia	For pursuing her personal best with her numeracy tasks
1/2A	Michaela	For her bravery and speaking up.
	Annika	For excellent understanding and explanation of summarising.
1/2M	Dean	For working diligently to improve his reading, writing and maths!
	Sunjae	For being brave and Challenging himself in both literacy and numeracy
	Quinten	For having a great attitude towards his learning and doing his personal best
	Ameliya	For being brave and partiCipating, and for her positive attitude
1/2L	Phoenix	For coming to school with a positive attitude and doing his best work with Mrs Matti!
	Roji	For being brave and using her loudest voice when joining in with whole class discussions!
	Ąva	For showing bravery by putting forward ideas even when unsure of them

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#### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

3/4D	Elina	For having a great attitude towards her learning and trying her best to Challenge herself.
	Chrissy	For always working hard and making sure she is focused on the task.
	Fiona	For showing bravery and confidence when Completing her talk in front of the grade!
3/4Z	Paulina	For demonstrating resilience by having a go at things that look hard
	Diana	For being such a great role model in our class and always working hard!
	ຽuwon	For demonstrating the Golden Rule by treating others the way you want them to treat you and always being kind and helpful
3/4K	Makhayla	For having a great attitude towards her learning and helping others in Class
	Şid	For being respectful and showing good listening skills while on the floor
3/4T	Engelina	For being a sensible, responsible and inclusive member of our class

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5/6E	Luca	For pursuing his personal best by adding details to his Narrative in writing
	Naga	For showing Care and respect for her school environment
	Alexia	For pursuing her personal best at Cross Country.
5/6S	Ntina	For using hyperboles in her Persuasive Writing. Well done!
	Alicia	For striving to achieve your personal best by askin questions and working hard.
/	Ella	For being respectful and always listening to the teacher.
	Ariel	For being brave and Participating to progress by trying every activity on Camp!
5/6J	Elizabeth	For showing the Golden Rule by treating others with kindness and patience.
5/6F	Marcel	For participating and trying his best in the Cross Country
	ViC <del>t</del> oria	For always pursuing her personal best.
	Daisy	For always pursuing her personal best
	Elliott	Fox excellent effort in your persuasive writing.
	Marcel	For participating and trying his best in the Cross Country.

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## <u>News from the Language Department</u>

All students have been very busy engaging in all aspects of the Greek Language Program this term. The After School Greek Program commenced in February and we are delighted to see both Mother Tongue and non - Mother Tongue students attending our sessions on a Wednesday afternoon.

All the students have settled in and are immersed in learning about the history of Greek Art and its significance to the language.

A number of students from Foundation to Grade 6 have received certificates for their exceptional contribution, initiative and well displayed behaviour during language classes.

These certificates of merit were distributed via our Language Captains. A Big Thank You to both Summer Thompson and Kosta Iakovis.

A highlight for our department, this term, was the celebration of the 200 Year Anniversary of Greek Independence Day in conjunction with Harmony Day. A delicious spread was provided to help celebrate the significance of the day.

We are most appreciative to our local community for their generous donations and support.

#### Special thanks to the following businesses:

**Dolce Fantasia Cakes** for the biscuits

1202 Centre Road, Oakleigh South

Yenhuot Gift Shop for the cellophane bags

23A Portman Street, Oakleigh

Danny's Pastries for the cheese and spinach pies (Tiropites/Spanakopites)

47 Westminster Street, Oakleigh

The Oakleigh Doughnut Co (TODCO) for the sugar and cinnamon doughnuts 36 Portman Street, Oakleigh

We would like to thank Mr Robbie Mallett and Ms Katelyn Joyce for their support.

Ms Ann Pouki and our Parent helpers Ms Stav Tasias and Ms Aikaterini Karastathis for their assistance in decorating and packaging the biscuits.

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Your hard work and dedication helped make the day a special one for all our students.

Meny Zapantis & Rosey Xenofontos, Class Teachers



#### Family Wellbeing—Ali Hardaker—School Chaplain

#### 5 ways to increase good feelings (and reduce a toxic atmosphere) in your family

That doesn't mean that such families are devoid of conflict or criticism, but that they are generally pleasant environments to be part of.

One way to increase good feelings in your family is to increase the number of compliments kids hear at home.

As a general rule, the ratio of compliments to criticism should be around **five to one.** That is, there should be five times more positive, affirming comments than negative comments.

In unhealthy families this ratio is often reversed. Five negative comments for every one positive comment makes for a pretty toxic environment.

#### How does your family rate on this scale?

If you think about where your family may be on this scale, be careful about how much weight you put on your children's comments, especially to each other. Siblings can be unkind to each other, finding it hard to share a pleasant word, which can skew the positive to negative ratio a lot (and sometimes make family life quite awful for everyone).

However, this can change over time.

Here are five ideas to help you improve the compliments to criticism ratio in your family:

- Increase the number of affirmations and compliments you make yourself.
- Keep a check on your use of 'good feeling killers' (and self-esteem killers). Eradicate comments such as: "Typical boy!" "If I've told you once I've told you a 1,000 times, don't..." "What a stupid thing to say to your brother/ sister!". Bite your tongue. If you find yourself thinking a criticism, keep it to yourself.
- Make kids aware of their negative language.
- Make it a habit to follow a negative with a positive.
- Let the bad feelings out.

These, along with affectionate phrases and kind remarks, will start to skew the ratio a bit. Aim for a five to one ratio. Not only is this good modelling for your kids, but it will make family life more harmonious. Yep, five to one is your aim. If you can't do that, then you can't expect it of your kids.

Constant criticism harms self-esteem, not to mention family harmony. Use 'I' statements to let kids understand the impact their negative talk has on you and others. *"When you talk so aggressively I feel quite scared about what you are going to do next."* It's impossible for kids to disagree with 'I' statements.

When I was teaching I always tried to follow discipline of a student with a compliment or some positive feedback so that we could maintain a good relationship. Do the same in your family. Follow discipline, a rebuke or a negative comment with a positive act or comment. Then teach your kids to do the same!

Sometimes there can be such a build-up of ill will between siblings that you need find a way for them to let the bad feelings out. One way to do this is let one child vent to you about their sibling. Be warned that *you may not like what you hear* but a clearing of the air can work wonders to improve the family atmosphere.

Most of these suggestions start with you, the parent. Like everything in family life, whatever you want from your kids, you must take the lead and do first. Remember, five positives to one negative is your aim!

You'll find more great ideas to nurture a close, loving family in my book Spoonfed Generation: How to raise independent kids. Get your copy at our online shop.



by Michael Grose





### 2021 Photo Day

**Envelope and Order Instructions** 

Dear Parents and Students,

#### Clarinda Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 21/04/2021

School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

\*\* IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE - ONLINE ORDERING FOR SIBLING PHOTOS WILL CUT OFF ON 20/04/2021 \*\*

ONLINE ORDERING Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school 4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

Step 1 Click Here - For online ordering process for your school.

- OR - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [ACA YPE 9M9]

Step 2: Enter your student's details.

Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)

Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

\*\* Online Orders will attract a \$1 service fee

Please Note: If you miss photo day, portrait and group packages can still be ordered online for 7 days afterwards with no late fees. After that time, late orders will require separate processing and handling and therefore will incur a \$15 late fee per package.

FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS No envelope required if ordering online 3 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE <u>SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING</u>

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Family/Sibling photo orders online close on 20/04/2021

Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with exact cash amount.

#### ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE

ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE

Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.

Please use black or blue pen.

Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.

Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.

Credit Card – Online Only at <u>www.advancedlife.com.au</u>

Cash – Please enclose correct money – as change is not available

Please Note: A portrait and a class group photograph will be taken of every student at the school, regardless of purchase. Photographs of your children taken as part of a class group are only permitted to be distributed within their own class. Your child's name will appear on the class group photo. If you <u>Do Not</u> wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries regarding your child's school photo order. info@advancedlifevic.com.au or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team





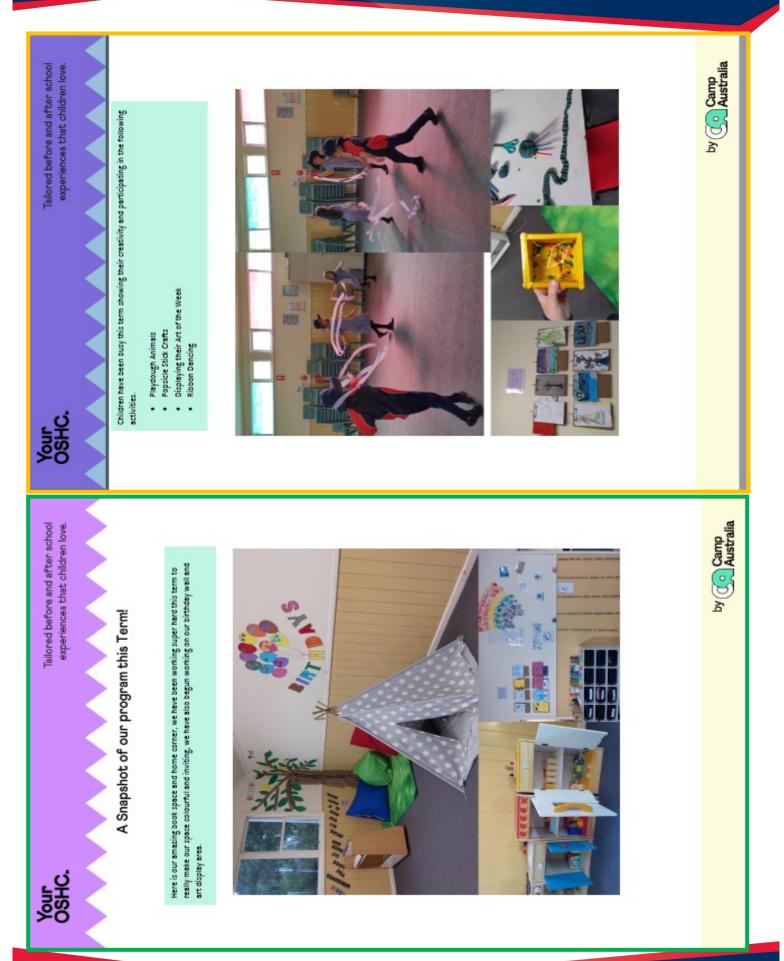
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	Coordinator – Shuba Venkateswaran	Assistant Educator – Maanasha Madhavan	Assistant Educator - James Stewart	2 2	In Camp Australia, I like to do art and craft and play UNO, fruit salad games.	I am very happy with Camp Australia's service. Friendly staff and great experiences.	Kids always have a great kine in OSHC. Cooperative staffs and well organized.	
	E		G		-Evlyn (Child)	-Tina (Parent)	-Kamelesh (Parent)	
	Regional Manager - Leala Martin	General Manager - Blanca Basile	Key Account Manager - Rebecca Lee		My son enjoys the time spent in OSHC and is always happy when in care. -Isha Jammeh (Parent)	We love the board games- chess, trouble, connect 4. - Thong, Henry, Wilson (Children)	and using our imaginations to create café's and shops. -Eva, Maxine, Tisha, Manha (Children)	
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decorated and brightened up our windows with are amazing Further favourite activities have been our Board Games, specially connect 4 and Dinosaur Match, we also have Rainbow Art.



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skills we also built on our team building skills by working together in courses that challenged our balance and both fine and gross motor Sports Incursion each fortnight, these have been so much fun, and physical activity. We hope to further this experience next term as all children loved participating in all the experiences like obstacle small groups to complete each course and of course promoted This term we have had the pleasure of participating in a Multi well.



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We have also had lots of fun with construction, working together as a team to build some amazing towers with wooden blocks and various landscapes with LEGO, we have been learning about sustainability through recycled paper crafts and again being creative making our own Diaries, Hedgehogs out of Pom Pom's and DIY Puzzles.





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Competition this term, children were super excited and

We were very excited to begin our Handball









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Handball, also known as Downball and 4-Square, is every child's favourite sport. The sound of every recess and lunchtime bell signifies another opportunity to compete with friends.

We wanted to give children a chance to prove themselves on the big stage so we are excited to introduce the Handball Championships.

Register for Handball now through your Parent Portal

For more information visit www.campaustralia.com.au/handball

#### A message from your Coordinator

Hi everyonellHandball championship is coming up. Time to stretch our body and keep ourselves energized.

Feel free to contact me regarding any information related to Your OSHC during office hours. (6.45am -8.45am and 3.00pm - 6.30pm)

Regards

Shuba Venkateswaran

#### It's free to register with Camp Australia

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at <u>pp.campaustralia.com.au</u> or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account. Key Dates



Official Practice in After School Care at Your OSHC

Service Championships in After School

22 - 26 March



Rocketeers Championships \*More information on our website



**Regional Championships** 

Care at Your OSHC



#### Prizes

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Total prize pool of \$12,000 split across all Regional Champions.

Plus, each Your OSHC and Rocketeers Service Champion wins a Trophy!

Visit www.campaustralia.com.au/handball for more information

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# SOCCER

#### After School Soccer At Clarinda Primary School FUN - EDUCATIONAL - ACTIVE

Starting in Term 2, Soccer X will be running an 8 week After School Soccer programme at Clarinda Primary School every Monday from 3.30 - 4.30pm beginning 3 May. The programme is available to students from Prep – Yr 6. Children will be split into groups according to age. All sessions will be run by qualified coaches who hold WWCC. The sessions will be fully inclusive & fun based, catering for all abilities. For more information and online registrations please visit **WWW.SOCCER-X.COM**.<sup>-</sup>



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