

**DATES TO REMEMBER****Term 4 2021**

Monday 4 October to  
Friday 17 December

Thursday 16	Student reports on Compass
Friday 17	Last Day Term 4 Dismissal 1.30pm

**Important Dates 2022**

<b>January</b> Monday 24	School Office Opens
Monday 31	Years 1 to 6 Begin
<b>February</b> Thursday 3	Preps Begin
Monday 21 & Tuesday 22	Parent/Teacher Interviews
Wednesday 23	Preps first Wednesday
<b>March</b> Saturday 5	Open Morning 10.00 till 12 noon
Thursday 10	Colour run (time TBC)
<b>April</b> Friday 8	Last day term 1

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

As we approach the finish line of the 2021 school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for what has been another extraordinary year.

We (the staff of CPS) are incredibly proud of ALL community members and our collective, tremendous efforts in supporting one another through the remarkable challenges that 2021 has presented.

To our students, the word proud doesn't seem to cut it! We applaud you and thank you for your resilience, your commitment to learning, and responsibility in embracing the ongoing challenges of remote and flexible learning. There are no children in history that have endured such a challenge in their educational journey, and we have no doubt that you have learnt life lessons that will continue to serve you and inspire your identity and education for years to come.

To our Parents, thank you for your partnership and for stepping up as incredible teachers again this year. The way that you have balanced your personal and professional responsibilities to work in partnership with us in supporting your child/ren - our students has been utterly remarkable. We know that it hasn't been easy, however it was certainly worth the tireless effort and energy. We couldn't have done it without your unwavering commitment to your children and we appreciate you immensely. Our School Council members continue to support the governance and finances of the school with the child at the forefront of every decision.

To our Educational Support Staff in the office, your dedication to the students and adults of Clarinda is much appreciated. The way you offer support, encouragement, and compassion in answering the phones, greetings families at the doors, caring for children, staff, and parents, processing payments, providing devices and basically ensuring that the engine room of Clarinda PS runs smoothly is an invaluable asset to the Clarinda PS community. We thank you.

To our Educational Support Aides, in digital technology and the classrooms, your focus on supporting our students and staff throughout the peaks and troughs of 2021's remote learning and once back on site has been inspiring. The learning and wellbeing support that you provide is truly appreciated by students, parents and teachers and has been a special highlight this year.

You are much appreciated.



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To our Teachers, how do we begin to thank you for your awe-inspiring efforts this year? Time and time again, day in and day out, you have put on a brave face, and greeted your students with a smile through a screen (or onsite) and in doing so, have provided hope, comfort, support, and care to our students. You have gone above and beyond to support and engage your students, through your morning check-ins, engaging lessons, tremendous instructional videos and nurturing the special relationships that you have built which took our students from strength to strength.

You inspired connection, compassion, empathy and understanding and you have supported our students to thrive as learners and as people.

To the Instructional Leaders (Katie Young, Jo Moriani, Nicole Delany, Jo Ferre, Erin Beissel and Elena Ziebell) - thank you for your courageous leadership in focusing on the wellbeing and learning of all Clarinda Primary School community members throughout the marathon that has been 2021. For every decision, meeting, phone call, email, timetable, smile...we thank you.

Our leadership team (Katelyn Joyce and myself) have certainly demonstrated the power of the Clarinda values and have worked tirelessly to give support to staff and enhance students' opportunities and choices in learning. We understand that the strong culture that exists at Clarinda Primary School does not occur by accident, instead by a collective sense of moral purpose and collective efficacy. We have well and truly lived our vision of empowering all students to be lifelong learners.

We are proud of each and everyone of our community members and look forward to welcoming you back in 2022 for a great year of learning.

**Staff Leaving**

As the end of the year draws to a close, we say farewell to the following staff who are moving on to new and exciting challenges.

We thank each teacher/education support for their contribution to our students' learning growth, the school and community and look forward to them visiting Clarinda PS whenever they can. We wish them all the best for 2022 and beyond.

- ♦ Cristina Amalfitano (CRT)
- ♦ Athena Vrahliotis (Noble Park Language School)
- ♦ Theo Kokkalis (Leave)
- ♦ Erin Beissel (Family Leave from March)
- ♦ Chris Gale (end of contract)
- ♦ Michelle Wall (end of contract)

**New Staff**

I would like to officially welcome Ms Tess Neaves (Grade 3/4) and Mrs Cally Richardson (Art) to our school community.

Ms Manuela Pertile will join the Tutor Learning Initiative.

All teachers have extensive experience in education and have been highly recommended by their current principals.

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## Staff Profile

Prep	Year 1/2	Year 3/4
Katie Young Kellie Williams Sarah Matti	Jo Moriani Effie Pilakis Sophie Loveday Pam Pashos	Nicole Delany Elena Ziebell 0.8 & Dee Mooney 0.2 Susie Trumble Tess Neaves
Year 5/6	Specialist	Educational Support
Jo Ferre Jess Brockman Tatum Sakeson Katia Koskarti Cheryl Marikar 0.6 & Elley Borland 0.4	Learning Specialist - Elena Ziebell 1.0 Dee Mooney 0.6 PE - Justine Leopold Music/STEM - Kyle Wells LOTE - Meny Zapantis 0.6 & Rosey Xenofontos 0.2 Art - Cally Richardson Tutors - Julia Hutchinson 0.6 & Manuela Pertile 0.6	Jan Schache Carol McKinley Terri Wilson Hema Ranganathan Libby McLeod Ann Pouki Ria Grivas Lesley McLeod Indra Kreismanis - Speech Pathologist Ali Hardaker - School Chaplain
Office Administration	Principal Class	Maternity Leave
Gaby Robinson 1.0 Lynn Morrison 0.6 Jeanette Irwing 0.4	Robbie Mallett Katelyn Joyce	Nicole Davis Erin Beissel - Feb/March TBC

End of term dismissal and bell times for Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> December

9:15am - 10:00am	Assembly via WebEx Link on Compass
10:00am - 11:00am	Students in class
11:00am - 11:30am	Recess
11.30am - 1:15pm	Students in class
1:15pm - 1:30pm	Guard of honour in the quadrangle Family & friends (masks required)
1.30pm	Students dismissed Have a safe and happy holiday

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep W	Mahad	For trying his best when writing independently.
1/2P	Donita	For always pursuing her personal best
1/2K	Adhrith	For his great writing pieces of work.



HELP—OUR LOST PROPERTY IS OUT OF CONTROL.

WE HAVE LOTS AND LOTS AND LOTS OF UNIFORM ITEMS AND PLASTIC CONTAINERS THAT NEED TO BE COLLECTED.

PLEASE TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO CALL INTO THE SCHOOL OFFICE—EULINGA ROAD ENTRY AND SEE IF YOUR CHILD'S LONG LOST ITEMS ARE THERE.

AT THE END OF TERM ALL ITEMS NOT COLLECTED WILL BE RECYCLED

**Wishing all our families and school community  
a safe and happy holiday**





# Newsletter



**BOOKINGS NOW OPEN  
FOR MISSION IV**

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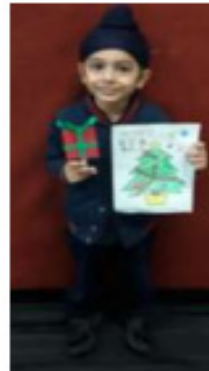


A message from your Coordinator: Marisa Meo

It is that time of the year and the children are very excited to start their summer holidays. This Term has really been a real highlight welcoming back the children and planning wonderful programs for them all. We have enjoyed meeting new friendly faces this Term and learnt lots about our OSHC children. We finished off the Term with lots of fun Christmas activities. The children all participated in creating a Santa's letter box, Christmas tree decorations and lots more engaging experiences. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing all your smiling faces again in the New Year.

Reminder that we are running our Rocketeers program starting Monday 20<sup>th</sup>, please jump online and book. Our program is up on the website so please look through the incursions, base camp days and excursion.

<https://campaustalia.com.au/rocketeers>



## It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [ps.campaustalia.com.au](http://ps.campaustalia.com.au) 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.



**Your  
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# Bookings are now open for 2022



## What is OSHC and why is it right for your family?

OSHC stands for Outside School Hours Care. OSHC provides enrichment and care for primary school-age children outside school hours.



### Showcase experiences

Featured activities that engage children and help them grow.



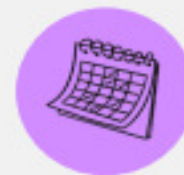
### Dedicated zones

Every session offers children the choice between diverse experiences.



### Experienced educators

Our educators are passionate about inspiring children and helping them grow.



### Hassle free

Conveniently located with extended operating hours. Industry leading Parent Portal app.

## What's coming up in 2022 in Your OSHC?



The BIG Art & Expression Competition returns in 2022, giving all children the chance to showcase their creative expression.



Back by popular demand, the Handball Championships are coming back to services next year. Get ready to bounce!

### FREE to Register

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our [Parent Portal](#)

### CCS available

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 85% off your fees. If you're unsure about your eligibility contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.

### Book from your smartphone

Download the Parent Portal app on [iOS](#) or [Android](#) to make and manage bookings with ease.

### Visit our blog

New [articles](#) are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

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