


DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 4 ~ 2023

Monday 2 October to

Wednesday 20 December

December Thursday 7	6.00 to 7.30pm Christmas Concert
Friday 8	9.30 to 11.30am Pre Prep Graduation
Tuesday 12	Year 6 Orientation at Secondary Schools
Thursday 14	Year 6 Graduation 6.00pm ~ Dinner Students and Staff 7.00pm ~ Ceremony Families
Friday 15	Year 6 Celebration Day Reports on Compass
Wednesday 20	Last Day Term 4 Students finish at 1.30pm

Important dates

 Wednesday 20 December
~ Students finish at 1.30pm

 Tuesday 30 January
~ First Day of school Years 1 to 6

 Thursday 1 February
~ First Day of school for Preps

**Have a safe
and happy holiday**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

What another big year it has been yet again at Clarinda Primary School! The 2023 school year is ending, and Christmas is just around the corner.

We have had another incredibly successful year in all areas and our school was recently identified as an 'Influence' school in our annual School Performance Report. This is the highest classification a school can receive. This is a fantastic result and one that we are incredibly proud of!

Every Department of Education school receives a School Performance Report at the end of the academic year and based on the results each school receives a classification. A school's overall performance group represents the combined performance based on 'Achievement, School Climate, Student Attitudes, Engagement and Participation'.

To be classified as an 'Influence' school a school must achieve results that show 'Performance is high or very high. This level of performance is maintained consistently over three years or is on a positive improvement trajectory with the school acting as an influencer and system leader'.

These results are only achieved due to the combined and remarkable efforts of our students, families and staff. Congratulations to the entire Clarinda Primary School community.

Our goal for 2024 remains to ensure that all our students are achieving their best possible outcomes and we have already started working towards that goal. Your children's new teachers will be briefed on each child's point of need for the start of next year as part of our 'Teacher handover / Transition to 2024'.

Early in the new school year, we will offer our 'Getting to Know You Interviews' where parents and teachers can discuss their goals for the year ahead. Given the popularity of attending these interviews on WebEx, we will offer both an online and an in-person option again next year.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK *continued from previous page***Farewell to the Class of 2023!**

Our 2023 Year 6 students are now in their final weeks of primary school. We are very much looking forward to the Year 6 Graduation and Awards night that will be held on Thursday 14th December.

It is an exciting time for any young person to move from the sanctuary of their primary school and take the challenge of entering secondary school. We would like to wish them all a very fond farewell from Clarinda Primary School. We know our school has provided these students with the skills and confidence to take on any challenge they face in the coming years. I would also like to farewell all the families that are departing Clarinda Primary School for a variety of reasons. We hope that wherever you go you will look back fondly at your time at Clarinda Primary School.

School reports- Friday, 15th December

Our December Student Reports will be 'live' on Compass from 3:30pm on Friday 15th December. Please take time to read though your child's report and discuss with them their achievements, their attitudes towards their learning and the future learning goals.

A final reminder to parents of Year 6 students as well as families who are leaving the school to please download all the reports from Compass before the last day of term.

Once the term finishes, those families will no longer have access to Compass.

Thanks to the teaching staff that spend many hours preparing and producing these reports.

School Leadership positions for 2024

2024 Student Leadership Positions will be announced at the final assembly at 9:15am on Wednesday 20th December. This is a very detailed process involving students preparing and presenting speeches to their peers and teachers, students and finally the students that were shortlisted for the roles of School Captain also had to present to our staff during a staff meeting.

Whole School Transition

Our students and staff will spend time on Monday 11th and Monday 18th December (2:00pm to 3:20pm) stepping up into their 2024 year levels, familiarizing themselves with the teachers in the new year level and friends that might have been in other classes.

Students will be sent home with a notice outlining their teacher and class name for 2024.

On Tuesday 12th of December, the state-wide transition day for Year 6 to Year 7.

Reading

With the school holidays looming, I thought now was a good time to remind families of the benefits of regular reading habits.

Whilst we expect students to read every night as part of their homework routine, we truly want them to want to read every night for enjoyment. We hope this continues over the holidays and that our students can continue to keep up their reading habits.

Research shows that the summer break leads to approximately a two-week drop-in literacy skill for some students.

For those that read regularly, they go the other way and can gain more than a month in terms of learning growth, simply by enjoying a book here and there and reading before bedtime.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK *continued from previous page***End of term dismissal and bell times for Wednesday, 20th December**

9.00am – 11am	Students in their classrooms or assembly
11am–11:20am	Recess time
11.20am – 1.15pm	Students will be in their classrooms (no lunch provided)
1.15pm – 1:30pm	Guard of Honour on the astro turf for students who are leaving.
1:30pm	Students will be dismissed from their respective classrooms

Students must be collected by parents and guardians by 1.40pm.

Teachers will be on Yard Duty until 1.40pm.

The Camp Australia Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) Program will commence from 1.30pm on this day.

Classes for all students will conclude at 1.30pm on Wednesday 20th December.

2024 School Year

All students in Year 1 – 6 commence school on **Tuesday 30th January**.

Our 2024 Foundation students will commence school on Thursday 1st February. This later start date will provide time for the Foundation teachers to complete some necessary testing requirements prior to the Foundation students starting full-time at school.

2024 School council approved dates for Curriculum and Professional Practice Days

CD Day 1 - January 29 th	(first day of school for all staff
CD Day 2 - April 26 th	(Danny Hyndman) day after ANZAC Day.
CD Day 3 - July 26 th	(TBC)
CD Day 4 - November 4 th	(Assessment and Reporting) day before Melb Cup Day.
PPD 1 - May 28 th	Report Writing Day Semester 1.

Thank-you one and all

In a school environment there are always so many people to thank and acknowledge, and we hope that we have covered everyone.

There are so many things that happen, both big and small, and some might go unnoticed.

We hope that you get the personal satisfaction of knowing that you made a difference for our students and staff, after all that's what we are all here for.

Our regards for the holidays...

We would like to wish you every happiness during the festive season and holidays that follow.

Be safe and enjoy time with family and friends.

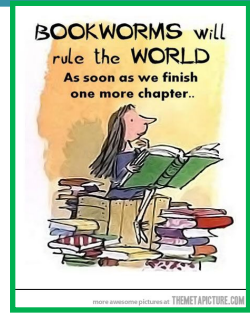
Let's hope for some sunshine so we can enjoy some long, lazy summer days of relaxation and fun.

Robbie Mallett
Principal

Library News—Book Club

Thank you for your orders they have all been processed the delivery will arrive before the end of term.

Carol McKinley - Library Technician.



SCHOOL PANTRY

**FREE FOOD FOR EVERYONE EVERY DAY
AT CLARINDA PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**BREAD—FRUIT—CANNED GOODS
AND MUCH MORE**

COME IN AND HELP YOURSELF

**MAIN CORRIDOR NEAR UNIFORM
DISPLAY**

CLARINDA PACC CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN AT THE
CHRISTMAS CONCERT -- 7TH DECEMBER

SURPRISES FOR EVERYONE

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WRITE YOUR NAME & MOBILE ON EACH
TICKET YOU BUY

TICKETS \$1.00

Grab a bargain

We have lots and lots of second-hand school uniform in all sizes available at school for a gold coin donation.

When your passing through the school please come in and have a look.

Bargains for everyone. !

LOST PROPERTY

We have lots of lunch boxes, drink bottles and clothing ~ please stop by and claim your treasure!

CLARINDA PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE
UNIFORM SHOP
OPEN JANUARY 2024
18 & 19 & 24
10.00AM TO 3.00PM

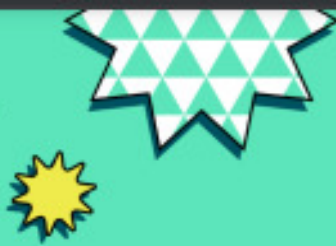
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep W	Skyelar	For demonstrating the Golden Rule by listening attentively to others.
	Oisin	For always working hard on learning tasks and putting in his best effort.
Prep Y	Nanak	For improved independence and organisation in class.
1/2P	Jasmine	For completing Level 7 in Clarinda Calculators.
	Zak	For completing his work using neat handwriting.
1/2M	Mia	For being a kind and caring friend to all.
	Abigail	For challenging herself in Writing and trying all 3 persuasive prompts.
1/2K	Yogin	For a great improvement on his persuasive letter and narrative writing!
3/4D	Putra	For working hard to revise and edit his picture story book, to make it sound more interesting.
3/4T	Isla	For working hard in maths and sharing her reasoning with the class when solving problems
	Alex	For working hard and trying his best with his handwriting
3/4A	Mirabelle	For working hard in maths and asking for help when you need it
	Emma C	For demonstrating the Golden Rule by treating others the way you want them to treat you
3/4N	Jeet	For getting 100% on Level 26 in Clarinda Calculators. Well Done!
	Manasvi	For demonstrating resilience by having a go at things that look hard.
	Ebba	For working hard to revise her writing to make it more interesting to the reader.
5/6 B	Charlie	For your responsibility in SEPEP. Well done!
	Vanessa	For making good choices in the classroom and being a considerate classmate.

Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

7/12/2023

Clarinda primary school



Your
OSHC.



Dear Parents and Families,

As we are approaching the end of the year, our children have been engaged in many cooking and arts and crafts activities. We have been cooking some delicious pasta, vegetable fried rice, shakes smoothies n cakes to enjoy summer heat. Children also did some fun Christmas arts and crafts activities, paintings. We have been exploring outdoors with our safe sun smart sunscreen and hats on and are getting engaged in fun ball games and group games and running.

Now for some exciting News: Our CA Summer holiday program is open for bookings and this time its all about exploring fun places like gravity zone having awesome time at cinemas and fun filled indoor and outdoor incursions as well as excursions. So please check out Camp Australia Website and secure a place for your child for unlimited fun and entertainment during Holidays. Please feel free to call at 0402353192 or walk into Your OSHC Camp Australia Clarinda Primary school hall for any further enquiries.



Activities coming up

- Pancakes with fresh cream and maple syrup
- Christmas arts and crafts
- Outdoor group games

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

[Book now](#)

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.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.



Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au

CPS JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

Christmas Food Drive for the Salvation Army



CHRISTMAS APPEAL

This is our last fundraiser for the year and we would like to support those in need at this special time of the year. We are asking for each student to bring one item of packaged food to put in their classroom hamper.

All food items need to be brought to school by
Friday 15th December.

Food items which can be donated:

Long Life Custard/Long Life Milk

Sweet or Savoury Biscuits/Shortbread

Christmas Cake/Christmas Pudding/Mince Pies

Rice/Pasta

Tinned Fruit

Tinned Tuna/Fish

Chips/Lollies/Chocolate

Tinned Soup/Tinned Vegetables

Breakfast Cereal

Jams/Spreads

Pack of Jelly

Juice Bottle/Teabags/Coffee/Milo/Drinking Chocolate



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How to Turn "Chores" into "Contributions"

3 Tips for Success

by Amy McCready
Founder of Positive Parenting Solutions

TIP #1: Watch your LANGUAGE.

No, not THAT language! I'm talking about removing the word "chore" from your household vocabulary and replacing it with the word "contribution," or more specifically, **Family Contribution**.

The difference? Call something a "chore" and you conjure up feelings of drudgery, work, and a put-upon attitude.

The word "contribution," on the other hand, is empowering (something kids need anyway) and makes them feel significant, like they make a difference, and they're part of the larger team—your team!

Will it make Susie delighted to unload the dishwasher? Maybe not; but it will send the message that her efforts make an important contribution to the entire family. As a team—when everyone contributes and pitches in—the house runs more smoothly, things get done faster, and there's more time and energy to have FUN together.

TIP #2: INVITE Cooperation

Sometimes, the difference in whether we (readily) get cooperation from our kids or not is simply in the way we ask. When we do a lot of "ordering, correcting and directing," it's a recipe for power struggles. Even though our requests are reasonable, too much *commanding* makes kids feel bossed around and they're more likely to dig in their heels and resist.

Instead, try Inviting Cooperation:

"I'm slammed with work tonight, so anything you could do to clean up from dinner would really help me out."

"We need to unload the camping equipment before dinner. Anything you can do to help would be fabulous!"

"Dad looks really tired from doing all the yardwork. I'm sure he'd appreciate a second set of hands for whatever time you can spare."

"I'm feeling overwhelmed with getting everything done before our company arrives. Anything you can do to get your brothers dressed and looking presentable would be a huge help."

This simple strategy rephrases requests to appeal to your kids' need for autonomy and control. Instead of feeling nagged, they can help out on their terms. This strategy allows your child to contribute in a meaningful way and feel good about it!



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How to Turn "Chores" into "Contributions" 3 Tips for Success

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Now, sometimes things just have to be done NOW! And in those situations, there's nothing wrong with giving direction. However, the more we "invite cooperation," we'll be more likely to get cooperation when we just need them to Get.Moving.Now!

Even with regular use of the Inviting Cooperation tool, you still may meet some occasional resistance. If so, we have loads of tools to get kids to do what they're supposed to do - without any nagging, reminding or yelling required.

TIP #3: Let them know you NOTICE.

Why? Because the difference between a "chore" and a "contribution" is the difference it makes to someone else. Take that in for a moment. If my work makes a difference for YOU, that makes me feel better about doing that task. Everyone wants to know they make a difference—even when the jobs are "expected." Let your kids know the impact of their contributions and what it means to YOU.

No one likes clearing the table, sweeping a floor, or cleaning out a toy chest—but when your kids notice that you NOTICE—it changes everything. Be specific as you let them know their efforts make a difference:

"I really appreciate when you put away the folded laundry. I know it's not your favorite job but it makes huge a difference for me!"

Or, help your kids understand when everyone helps, everyone wins:

"Hey, you really helped out the family tonight. Now we have extra time to play a game, go for a bike ride, bake some cookies, etc."

Showing appreciation for your kids efforts—even the "expected" jobs—means you'll have fewer power struggles and better cooperation and that's a win-win you can count on.

FINAL THOUGHTS

Like any shift in mindset and behaviors, putting these tools in place takes time, practice, and patience. When you feel the shift take root in your home, it will not only be rewarding NOW, but you'll set the stage for your kids to grow into hard-working, contributing adults. That's great news—well beyond tidy beds, sorted socks, and swept floors, wouldn't you say?



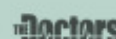
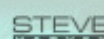
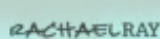
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Learn music here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, drums, here at Clarinda Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 1, 2024.

Interested parents should call Nicholas during office hours on 9818 2333 or via email: nicholas@creativemusic.com.au

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STORYTIME WITH SANTA

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Chelsea Library

Wednesday 13 December
5pm

Cheltenham Library

Saturday 16 December
11am

Santa will be a very special guest at Storytime!

Santa will join us halfway for songs and dancing before being available for photos.



Bookings required.
Call 1300 135 668
In person at any library branch



Get a photo with Santa!

