



# Clarinda

Primary School

## May

Tuesday 6th

School Council -  
Finance Meeting 3PM

Thursday 8th

Mothers Day Stall

Friday 9th

Grades 3/4 & 5/6  
Harry Potter MSO Excursion

Monday 12th

District Cross Country

Tuesday 13th

Book Club Orders Due

School Council Meeting

Open Night 5:30PM - 7PM

Thursday 15th

Grade 3/4 Exursion -  
Scienceworks

Wednesday 21st

National Simultaneous  
Storytime - 12pm

Friday 23rd

Grade 5/6 Interschool  
Sport

## June

Tuesday 3rd

Professional Practice Day -  
NO STUDENTS

### Issue 6

### 1 May 2025

From the Assistant Principal's Desk...

#### Welcome Back for Term 2

A warm welcome back to all for Term 2, it is great to see so many happy faces around the school. I hope that you enjoyed a great school holiday, and some of the glorious weather we had. I feel most fortunate that I was able to spend extended time with my family. Getting outdoors is a great way to recharge the batteries, and we hope that our students enjoyed getting out in the fresh air too!

In Term 2 we can also look forward to many great school events such as: Education Week, the Mother's Day Stall and Winter Sport. Most of our classes will also be attending and participating in some great incursions and excursions. I am greatly looking forward to a busy and productive term of learning!

#### School Maintenance / Upgrades

Clarinda PS has a great campus for our students and the whole community to enjoy. One of the challenges of having such a big campus is the ongoing maintenance required to keep it in good shape. Rarely a week goes by where we are not engaging a trade in maintenance work around the campus.

During the school holidays we had the outside of our buildings painted. Take a look, they look fabulous!

Welcome to the family



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### **School Uniform Reminders**

Sun Smart ends at the start of May, but please be aware of the weather, which can be variable at this time of year. Hopefully we will still get some sunny days, and if so then a sun smart hat is a wise choice. The UV rays can still be just as strong as in summer.

As we head into the colder months lost property becomes a big challenge, with students often misplacing their jackets or windcheaters. Having these items of clothing clearly labelled is vital, as they can quickly be returned to their owner. We are sometimes surprised to see near new jackets in the lost property box without being labelled.

For girls who prefer to wear a school dress they must wear navy/black leggings rather than track pants under the dress. Wet weather jackets are OK, but they are not a replacement for a bomber jacket or windcheater.

Thanks in advance for assisting us to meet our uniform policy, which can be viewed on our school website. We believe it's a fair and practical policy that offer lots of choices, without having unrealistic expectations. This policy is well supported by our uniform shop that is run for the benefit of everyone in our school community. Many schools no longer offer a uniform shop on-site and we are grateful to office staff for providing this service. It also means that our uniforms are a good deal cheaper, as we sell them at the wholesale price we pay for them.

### **Education Week at Clarinda PS**

As part of Education Week celebrations in 2025 we are holding a special 'Open Night' for the Clarinda PS community. This event will be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May from 5.30pm – 7.00pm and is a great opportunity for parents and carers to have a walk around our school with their child/ren and look at all our wonderful learning spaces.

This year's theme, 'Celebration of Cultures', highlights the diversity of our communities and the importance of every child feeling safe and welcome at school.

We will have a special 'Clarinda PS Passport' with the challenge to visit all learning spaces and collect a stamp.

A BBQ and Refreshments will be available from 5:30pm – 6:40pm for families. Thank you to the PACC and Camp Australia for organising this.

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## Curriculum Day

As part of ongoing professional development, our staff were fortunate to work with the Therapeutic Engagement Support Services on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April. During this day the staff were updated with the latest research on Department of Education Restraint and Seclusion policies. The staff learnt about core behaviour responses and de-escalation skills. It was a valuable day of learning for all.

## Why going to school is important

Going to school every day is an important part of your child's education. Children and young people learn new things at school every day, connect with friends, have fun and develop good habits that help them to succeed after school. Attending and participating in school will help your child:

- develop important skills and knowledge to help them learn
- develop social and emotional skills such as good communication, resilience and team work
- establish friendships with peers which help develop self-esteem and a sense of belonging.

There is no safe number of days for missing school. Being away from school for 1 day a fortnight adds up to missing 4 whole weeks of school a year. Where possible, you should avoid your child missing school, for example, make appointments for your child outside of school hours and keep family holidays to outside term time.

If your child is sick or absent you should let the school know as soon as possible and tell them why your child can't come to school. It may be by phone, email or via Compass.

If you do not let the school know, we will contact you to make sure your child is safe.

As a parent/carer, you are legally required to ensure your child attends school every day, and if an absence is required, you must provide an explanation.

If your child has frequent unexplained absences then their school will work with you to implement appropriate supports to assist your child and ensure they attend school every day and remain at school during school hours.

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### Tips to help improve your child's attendance

- Talk to your child about school and how important it is. You can ask them how they feel about school, what they like and if there are any problems.
- Encourage and celebrate good attendance habits with your child, including arriving to school on time every day.
- Set a good example. Show them how you keep to your own commitments.
- Encourage your child to take on hobbies that they enjoy such as sports and clubs. This will help them develop positive relationships outside of the classroom setting.
- Help your child maintain daily routines such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Help them pack their school bag the night before with everything they need.
- Have a set time for breakfast.
- Plan to meet up with a friend so they can travel to school together.

If ever your family needs support in this area, please don't hesitate to reach out to the school as we have many connections with community services and well being supports in the school.

Warm regards,  
**Dearne Backhouse**  
**Assistant Principal**



# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

|        |          |  |
|--------|----------|--|
| Prep B | Thomia   | For being an active member of classroom discussions.   |
| Prep W | Yerim    | For being a conscientious learner and always listening attentively in class.                             |
|        | Audrey   | For listening attentively and following instructions in the classroom.                                   |
| 1/2 P  | Kalotina | For pursuing her best with her 'Realistic Narrative' writing.  |
| 1/2 T  | Clara    | For a sensational, realistic fiction story with excellent ideas and word choice.                         |
|        | Elly     | For always working hard to achieve her personal best.  |
| 3/4 A  | Leni     | For dealing with challenges in a positive way and showing resilience.                                    |
| 3/4 P  | Kai      | For being a wonderful helper in 3/4P.  |
|        | Akhilan  | For being a kind and considerate member of 3/4P.   |
|        | Dyuthi   | For her hard work during the writing process.  |
| 5/6 D  | Sirelli  | For writing and presenting a great persuasive text.  |
|        | Natasha  | For working hard in reading to show her understanding of persuasive texts.                               |
| 5/6N   | Cooper   | For using excellent research skills to find out new information to support his persuasive writing piece. |
|        | Michaela | For persevering and completing level 19 in Clarinda Calculators. Keep it up!                             |



## Mrs Mac Book Club News

Scholastic Book Club is open for Issue 3 orders until Tuesday, 13 May!

Only Online LOOP orders can be placed at this time. Please follow the below link or QR if you are wanting to place an order.

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>



## Mrs Mac Library News!

Library Easter Egg competition Winner.

Congratulations to Mr. Mallet!

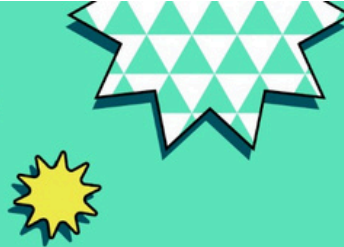
The winning number was 75.

Well done to everyone that had a guess.



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# Outside School Hours Care Newsletter



01/05/2025

Clarinda Primary School

Your  
OSHC.



## May the 4th Be With You Day in After School Care



2 May

Book now

Dear Parents and Families,

Welcome Back to Term 2. Children had a blast over Autumn rocketeers holiday program where they all enjoyed some amazing outdoor sports excursion and fun indoor activities with their friends. Attaching few snapshots of the same below. We celebrated Anzac Day where children participated in learning about the brave who commemorated their entire life for Australian community and its people. Next week, we will be celebrating Mother's Day with lots of hands-on experience on fun cooking activities and crafts. **Please visit our Oshc service or call on 0402353192 for any booking enquiries.**

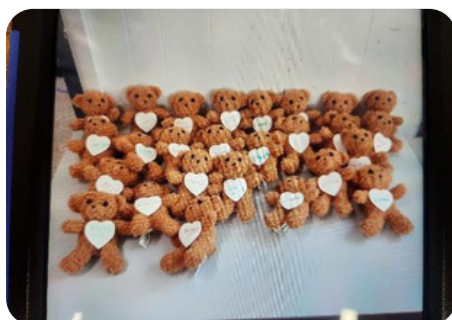
### Activities coming up

- Superhero Mum puppets
- Colourful mini pancakes
- Hand painting

### 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](http://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.



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**Give Your Child the Gift of Music**  
**Learn a Musical Instrument**  
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 2.

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

 **Creative Music**  
[www.creativemusic.com.au](http://www.creativemusic.com.au)

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**SOUTH OAKLEIGH WILDLIFE SHELTER OPEN DAY**  
**MAY 4<sup>TH</sup> 12PM-2PM**




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Educational book sale  
Free tree seedlings  
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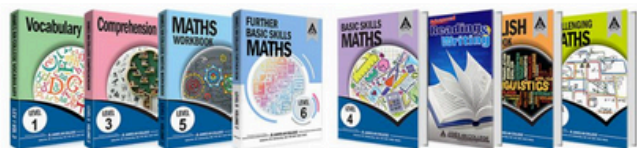
**\$50 DISCOUNT** + **A FREE BOOK BAG!**

FOR ANY NEW STUDENTS WHO ENROL BEFORE **17 MAY 2025!**

"2025-2026 Scholarships & Selective School Trial Tests"

Classes from **YEAR 1 TO YEAR 12** are available Weekday Afternoons & Saturday.

★ **FREE ASSESSMENT TEST AVAILABLE FOR ALL NEW STUDENTS** ★





# Community Advertising

## OAKLEIGH SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL AUTUMN FETE

SATURDAY

10th May

10am - 4pm

**RIDES:**

DODGEM CARS, SIZZLER, TEA CUPS,  
MUSIC TRIP, GIANT SUPER SLIDE,  
CHAIR - O - PLANE, DRAGON COASTER,  
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4PM FRIDAY 9TH MAY

## Join Scouts! Wurringga Scouts Davies Reserve - Oakleigh South

Scouting actively engages and supports young people aged 5-25 in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

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Joeys (5-8 yrs) Tue 7:00 - 8:00pm  
Cub Scouts (8-11 yrs) Tue 7:00 - 8:30pm  
Scouts (11-14 yrs) Thu 7:15 - 9:15pm  
Venturers (15-17 yrs) Fri 7:30 - 9:30pm

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