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#### Issue 13

#### 21 August 2025

#### From the Principal's Desk...

#### Positive Relationships

At Clarinda PS we work hard to maintain an environment in which children feel safe and supported, and focus on prevention rather than reaction. Similar to our no 'one size fits all' approach to improving academic outcomes, our real work is based on building strong and positive relationships. To do this we provide children with a number of pro-social frameworks to build resilience, develop better mental health, and enable students to be the best they can be.

One of our main goals at CPS is to teach children to behave in a positive manner by showing them what the behaviours look like and why they are important. All our expected behaviours follow our school CARE values and most children follow them well. In addition to this we also explicitly teach other important social skills through a number of frameworks – whether it be <u>Play is the Way</u>, <u>Zones of Regulation</u> or the mandated <u>Respectful Relationships</u> program.

On occasion we are called upon to manage 'bullying' type behaviours, although we usually find they are not always bullying in the truest sense. Whilst being subjected to anti-social behaviours from another student is distressing, it becomes bullying when the behaviours show a repeated pattern. Specific training about bullying is a significant factor in teachers' ability to effectively respond to conflict.

## August

Thursday 28th

Year 1/2 Disco & Sleepover "Camp Clarinda"

# September

Monday 1st

District Athletics (Select Students)

Thursday 4th

**Fathers Day Stall** 

Saturday 6th

**Bunnings BBQ** 

Thursday 18th

Footy Colours Day -Hot Dog/Sushi

Friday 19th

Last Day of Term 3

### October

Monday 6th

First Day of Term 4

Tuesday 14th

The Eras Tour Art Show

Wednesday 29th - Friday 31st

Grade 3/4 Camp

#### From the Principal's Desk...

#### **Positive Relationships (Continued)**

We have a restorative practices approach which views incidences as an opportunity to mend relationships and learn from the wrongdoing. This is why teachers facilitate on-the-spot discussions with individuals concerned, as well as follow up discussions. As we reference philosophies such as 'having a growth mindset' or 'referring to Play is the Way Rafts', we suggest families use and develop emotional literacy at home that mirrors the language used in school programs (click on the links on previous page to see some of these frameworks).

#### Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey

The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of the school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional, and confidential, but we encourage and appreciate your participation. Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from Monday 18 August to Friday 19 September 2025. You will be able to access it from a link on the Compass notifications.

#### **Defibrillator**

Our 'Defib' is located next to the staffroom and fish tank. We hope that we never have to use this, however, it is very reassuring to know that we have one available if any member of our school or local community requires this.

#### DEFIBRILLATORS SAVE LIVES

Why you need a Defibrillator during a sudden cardiac arrest:

- Defibrillation within the first few minutes of having a Sudden Cardiac Arrest increases the chance of survival to over 70%
- Without early defibrillation with an AED, less than 5% of cardiac arrest victims survive
- Without defibrillation, for every minute that passes, the chance of survival reduces by 10%
- Average Victorian ambulance response times are approximately 8-10 minutes in metro areas and up to 30 minutes in regional areas – defibrillation in combination with CPR gives victims the best chance of survival when waiting for Ambulance to arrive.



#### From the Principal's Desk...

#### **Book Week**

This week's Book Week celebrations were truly a highlight, with students and staff embracing the joy of reading through creative dress-ups and fun activities. Thank you to everyone (led by Miss Watts) who helped make this such a memorable event it was fantastic to see the excitement across the whole school.











#### **Student Free Days**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October, will be a student free day. During the day, staff will complete their Level 2 First Aid training.

Camp Australia will be offering a full day program to support those requiring care.

- Monday 20th October staff planning and assessment and first aid training
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November staff reporting and assessment
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November Melbourne Cup public holiday

See you around the school **Robbie Mallett** 





This week we'll look at the third love language which is "quality time". The most important aspect of quality time is simply the fact of being with our children, focusing on them. Children crave the undivided attention of their parents and thrive on dedicated time together. It gives the child the message they are important and good company. The most important factor in quality time is not the event itself but that you are doing something together, being together. You can provide focused attention almost anywhere and most often these moments occur at home.

Spending quality time with our children also gives us an opportunity to know our children better. As we spend time with our children, a natural result is often good conversations about all sorts of things related to our lives. Learning how to communicate thoughts and feelings will also help our kids learn to build friendships and relate to others in a positive, caring manner that respects the ideas of others.

Your child will learn more from talking to you than you will probably ever realize!

Here are a few practical ideas for this week:

- Stop what you are doing to make eye contact with your child as they tell you something important.
- Cook something together for a snack.
- Schedule a specific "date time" with each of your children individually.
- Spend a few extra minutes putting your child to bed at night.

Until next time,





# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep B	Alexia	For using her letter sounds in writing.
Prep W	Hiruja	For improving in his Phonics knowledge which helps him read words.
Prep Y	Darsh Allison	For excellent work on digraphs this week. For recalling non-fiction facts in reading this week.
1/2 M	Natalie Evan Louis T Makenzie	For creating such an amazing Fantasy story! For working so hard to achieve his personal best in Literacy and Numeracy this week! For his outstanding contribution in his Literature Circle group! For always being a bubbly and enthusiatic member of our class!
1/2 P	Jasmine	For pursuing her best in our 'Fantasy Writing' sessions.
1/2T	Rachel	For working hard and maintaining excellent focus in our Fractions Unit to achieve great results.
1/2 W	Datev Cara	For working excellently in editing and taking on feedback in her writing. For working very hard in all subject areas this week. Keep up the great work!
3/4 A	Diana Tejas Swara Zeke	For always putting in a great effort with all of her work, and particularly writing detailed and thoughtful Reader's Notebook entries. For consistently being a kind, caring and supportive member of our class. For creating and presenting an excellent book talk that inspired others in the class to read the same book!
3/4 D	Kosta Amjaad	For making great choices in class to benefit his learning. Well done! For her amazing efforts in maths this week! Well done.
3/4 E	Louie Sofia	For his interesting contributions to our class discussions. For her excellent attitude to learning and always wanting to challenge herself.
3/4 P	Athiyan Vedhika	For being a kind and inclusive member of our classroom community. For always being helpful and organised and consistently setting an example of excellence.
5/6 D	Hamish Claire	For using great word choice in his fantasy to describe characters and what is happening in the story. For staying focused during independent work time to complete her tasks.
5/6 K	Nikolas Rose	For displaying our school values in 5/6 Sport. For always striving to do her best in class work.
5/6 N	Arianna	For continuously working hard to improve her writing pieces.



#### **Outside School Hours Care**

## Newsletter





Your OSHC



21/8/2025

Clarinda primary school

#### **Book Week**

in After School Care
Book an Adventure



18-22 August

Book now

Dear Families,

Hope you all are doing well. Last week, the children actively explored fun science experiments and discovered exciting ways to use science in everyday life.

This week we are encouraging children and families to participate in our book donation initiative to support children's literacy and help build essential language skills. The children are very excited, and we have been celebrating reading books that represent different cultures, helping to promote respect and foster sense of belonging.

We warmly welcome you to visit our service for tour or contact us on **0402 353 192** with any booking enquiries.





# Activities coming up

- Fun interactive dress ups
- Group Story reading
- Indian vegetable fried rice

#### 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 <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.







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