



Clarinda

Primary School

October


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From the Principal's Desk...

Welcome back to Term Four

We would like to welcome everyone back to Term Four. We look forward to an exciting term with many exciting activities planned including;

- Year 6 Graduation
- ElephantEd (Yr 5 & 6)
- Christmas Concert (whole school)
- Meeting 2026 Class Teachers
- Year 6 End of year Fun Day excursion
- Grade level excursions/incursions
- Year 3 & 4 Camp
- Year 5 Leadership speeches and announcement of 2026 Junior School Council Leaders

Sunsmart

It is compulsory for all students to wear a school hat when they are outside of their classroom. This precautionary measure is crucial in protecting our students from harmful UV radiation. We kindly request your support in ensuring your child has a school hat (named) with them each day. If your child does not have a school hat they will be asked to sit in a designated shaded area until they have a school hat.



Friday 17th

2026 Prep Transition - Day 1

Monday 20th

Curriculum Day - STUDENT FREE DAY

Friday 24th

Prep Excursion - Chesterfield Farm

Sunday 26th

School Working Bee 9am - 11:30am

Wednesday 29th - Friday 31st

Grade 3/4 Camp

November

Monday 3rd

Curriculum Day - STUDENT FREE DAY

Tuesday 4th

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday - STUDENT FREE DAY

Wednesday 5th - Friday 7th

Whole School Swim Safety

Tuesday 11th

Finance Meeting 3pm

Wednesday 12th

Grade 3/4 Rail Awareness Incursion

Welcome to the family



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Strategic Planning for 2026

With staff movement a reality of any workforce, we are deep into our planning for 2026. Mirroring the strategic placement of teachers across the school, a great deal of thought and time goes into placing children into classes each year. Every effort is made to place each child in a learning environment that is engaging, caring and productive. As you may understand, the allocation of students to new classes is a very complex task and one that requires patience and manipulation. During this process, changes and adjustments are made over several weeks as each change triggers a chain reaction for further changes.

Are you leaving CPS in 2026?

We ask that you let us know if you are moving or have enrolled in another school in 2026. We require this information as soon as possible to establish grade structures for the start of the new school year. If your child is currently in Grades Foundation – 5, and will not be at Clarinda PS in 2025, please notify the school office in writing as soon as possible.

Parent Contributions 2026

Towards the end of this term, we will inform the school community of the Parent Payments for 2026. The Department of Education have asked schools to itemise the payments. The cost for Parent Payments is discussed and approved at our Finance and School Council meetings prior to being announced to the school community.

Prep 2026

With the strong reputation of our school, we continue to receive enrolments. Changing numbers does make locking in a class structure for the school challenging, however for the smooth transition of new Preps and their families we have begun planning for 3 Foundation classes next year. It will be terrific to meet our new parents/caregivers on Monday 13th October at the 2026 Prep Parent Information Session.

Most pleasing is the strong reputation CPS continues to rightly hold in both the local and wider community; evident in the engagement of our current Prep PLC who will make themselves available for this informative evening.

Mrs Young, Mrs Williams and Miss Bridges will lead our 2026 Preps.

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Art Show – The Eras Tour

What a fantastic Eras Tour Art Show! It was wonderful to see so much vibrant, colourful artwork displayed throughout the school. We loved having so many families attend and enjoy the incredible talent of our students.

A huge thank you to our creative Art Teacher, Ms Lolos for all the effort behind this inspiring event.

Congratulations also to our Music Teacher, Mr Wells and the students involved in Clarinda Singa's Junior and Senior Rock bands for their outstanding performances.

Our BBQ made an amazing profit of \$900,
Don't forget, artworks are still available to purchase as tea towels (\$25) and calendars (\$15).

Please place any remaining orders at the front office by next Friday, 24th October.





School Policies

Operational Policies relating to school operations and students can be found on the school website at: <https://www.clarindaps.vic.edu.au/about-us/documents/>

PUPIL FREE DAYS THIS TERM

Just a reminder of the dates for our remaining Pupil Free Days:

- Monday 20th October 2025
- Monday 3rd November 2025
- Tuesday 4th November 2025 (Melbourne Cup Public holiday)

This concludes all pupil free days for 2025.

FINAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE YEAR:

One date that our community look forward to is the final assembly of the year because we farewell our Yr.6 students for their final day of primary school after a 7-year journey.

The date and time for this is Friday 19th December commencing at 9.15am.

See you around the school
Robbie Mallett

Mrs Mac Book Club News

Scholastic Book Club is open for orders until Friday 24th October.

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>





Wasn't it wonderful to see so many families at the Art Show on Tuesday night!

Thank you to the Clarinda Primary School staff, especially Libby and Jan, for making sure everything was ready when the school doors opened at 5pm to welcome guests.

Thank you also to the parents and students who wore something "arty" to school on Tuesday. Mrs Borland took lots of photos which will be shared on Class Dojo next week.

Artworks will start to come home with students next week.

Artworks are available to purchase on a tea towel or calendar. Order forms are available at the school office and a Compass message will also be sent today for parents who'd prefer to print their own form.

We've extended the closing date for orders to **FRIDAY 24th OCTOBER**.

The following artworks are available to purchase on a tea towel (\$25) or calendar (\$15).

Preps – Andy Warhol

Year 1/2 – Walt Disney, Mona Lisa and Kandinsky circles

Year 3/4 – Edvard Munch Scream and Namatjira ghost gum

Year 5/6 – Julian Opie self portrait, Tim Burton, Mondrian and NAMATJIRA PARK PAINTING (new addition to the list!)

If you didn't get to the Art Show or couldn't find your child's work, and would like to see it before ordering on a tea towel or calendar, send a message to Ms Lolas on Class Dojo and I'll take a photo of their art so you can decide which piece you'd like to order.

Prep Student Makes School History!

We had an exciting moment at school this week.

Prep Y student Rael has become the first prep student to earn his Times Table License! This is an amazing achievement and shows just how hard Rael has been working and how much he loves learning his times tables.

To celebrate, the Preps held a special presentation on Wednesday with Mr Mallett, Ms Backhouse, Miss Ziebell and Mrs Borland, who presented Rael with his official certificate and his Times Table License. There were balloons, music, and lots of cheering – it was a moment to remember! We're so proud of Rael and can't wait to see what he does next.



Way to go, Rael – you've made history!

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep B	Evelyn Mason Yu Zhe	For always contributing ideas to classroom discussions! For following all of the classroom rules and expectations! For using all of his reading strategies during independent reading time!
Prep W	Grace	For working diligently on learning tasks.
Prep Y	Evie	For being brave and coming into class on her own.
1/2 M	Mankirat Anna	For always working hard and pursuing his personal best! For writing such enjoyable poems with heart and expression.
1/2 P	Alexis Andrianna	For her thoughtful contributions during our mini lessons. For her detailed map in our Maths Measurement lesson.
1/2T	Ford	For being such a kind and thoughtful student, always willing to help out his classmates.
3/4A	Kena	Making progress with your reading goals. Well done!
3/4 D	Abir	For his great contributions in class discussions. Well done!
3/4 E	Katerina Iylaa Wyne	For her consistent dedication for improving her school work and her willingness to support her peers in their learning. For working hard to improve her writing. For her fantastic start at our school and her confidence to perform her poem in our Poetry Cafe
3/4 P	Eryana	For her thoughtful and respectful choices - Clarinda values in action!
5/6 D	Isabelle William	For working hard to create engaging poems. For taking on feedback and applying it to his work.
5/6 K	Jeet Zeke	Sets a great example of being caring! Shows great initiation in helping others without being asked!
5/6 N	Niyant	For helping our class reflect and grow through your thoughtful wellbeing contributions.

Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

15/10/2025

Clarinda Primary School



Your
OSHC.



Children's Week in After School Care



20-24 October

Book now

Dear Parents and Families,

Hope you are doing well, as School is now gearing up for term 4 events, we We're thrilled to share some exciting news from our Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) program! Our talented OSHC children recently took part in the school's annual Art Show, and their creativity truly stole the spotlight in the form of stunning display alongside school's broader exhibition. It was heartwarming to see families and children admiring the vibrant pieces created during OSHC sessions. We are celebrating Children's week and Diwali next week which will include hands on baking, safety games, and cultural crafts. We look forward to inviting children to get booked in or call us at 0402353192 for any booking enquiries to enjoy and have fun afterschool with friends.



Activities coming up

- Indian Coconut sweet
- Fresh yogurt smoothies
- Cultural Diwali crafts

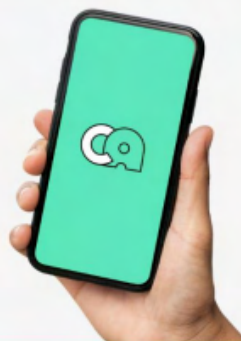
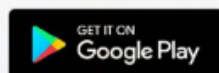
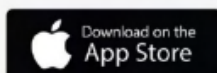
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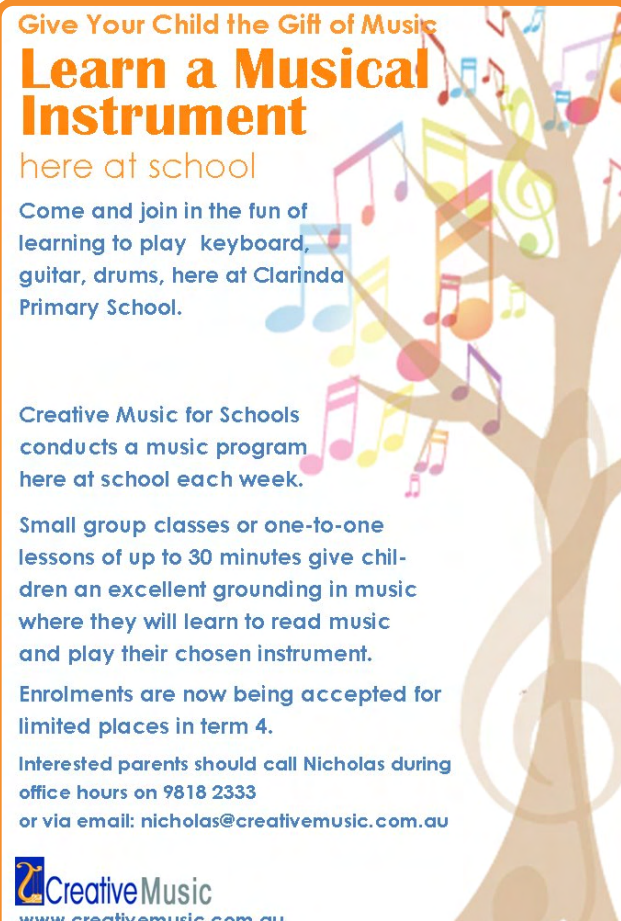
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Enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 4.

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

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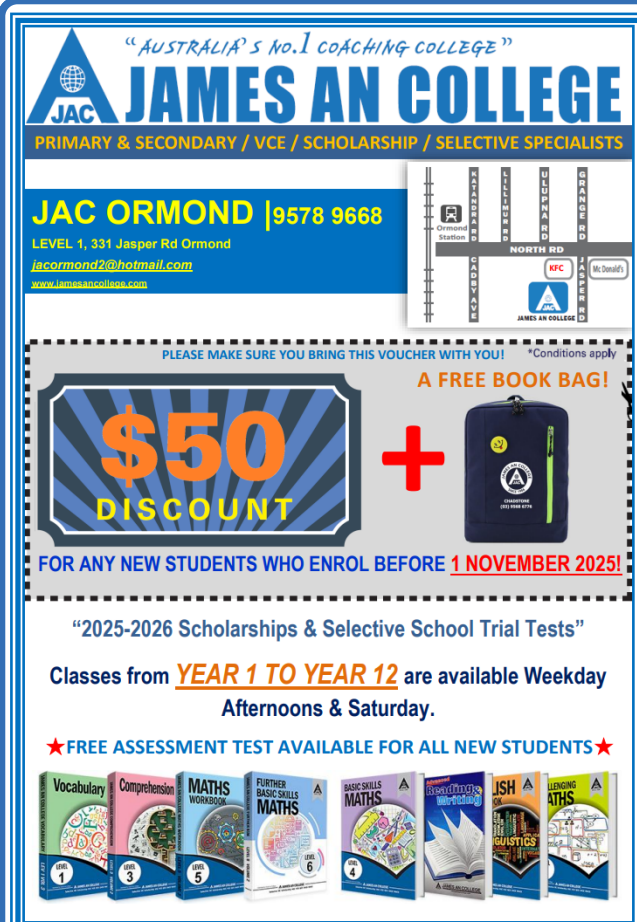
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