Issue #19 | **17 November 2026**

Important Dates

November



Tuesday 17th
Whole School Production - "Roll the Dice"

Thursday 19th & 26th
Year 5/6 - Elephant Ed Incursion

Friday 27th
2027 Prep Transition Morning
9:00am - 10:30am

December

Wednesday 2nd - Friday 4th
Year 3/4 Camp - Waratah Beach

Monday 7th
Whole School Transition

Tuesday 8th
State-wide Year 6-7 Transition



Wednesday 9th
Year 6 Graduation Evening

Monday 14th
Whole School Transition

Tuesday 15th
School Reports on Compass

Thursday 17th
Final day of school for students - 3:30pm finish

From the Principal's Desk...

Roll the Dice - A Night to Remember!

Tonight, our Clarinda Primary School students will take to the stage at the Robert Blackwood Hall for our much-anticipated school production, Roll the Dice!

This wonderful event is a celebration of the creativity, confidence and talents of our students, along with the dedication and hard work of our staff.

A special thank you to **Kyle Wells**, our director and choreographer, for his outstanding commitment, creativity and leadership in bringing this production to life. Thank you also to **Stacey Lolas and Libby Mcleod** for their fantastic work with costumes and props, helping make the production so special.

To our wonderful staff, thank you for your time, energy and support throughout the preparations. We also acknowledge the team at **Robert Blackwood Hall** for their assistance and hospitality.

Most importantly, **congratulations to our students**! Your enthusiasm, courage and willingness to step outside your comfort zones are what make events like this so memorable.

To our families, thank you for your ongoing support and encouragement.

Tonight is about more than a performance. It is about creating memories, building confidence and celebrating what makes Clarinda Primary School such a wonderful community.

Enjoy the show, and let's Roll the Dice!

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From the Principal's Desk...

Whole School Transition

Our students and staff will spend time on **Monday 7th December (8:50am-3:30pm)** and **Monday 14th December (1:50pm to 3:30pm)** stepping up into their 2027 year levels, familiarising themselves with the teachers in the new year level and friends that might have been in other classes.

On **Tuesday 8th of December**, the state-wide transition day for Year 6 to Year 7. More details will be shared with our Year 6 families closer to the date.

Year 6 Graduation

We are looking forward to celebrating our Grade 6 students as they complete their primary school journey and prepare for the next exciting chapter in their education.

Date: Wednesday 9th December
Time: 6:00pm – Dinner for students and staff
Ceremony: 7:00pm – Graduation ceremony for students and family
Location: Clarinda Primary School



Families are warmly invited to join us for the graduation ceremony as we recognise our students' achievements and wish them every success for the future.

School reports– Tuesday 15th December

Our Semester 2 Student Reports will be available on Compass from 3:30pm on **Tuesday 15th December**.

We encourage families to take the time to read their child's report and celebrate their achievements, reflect on their approach to learning and discuss future learning goals.

Important reminder: Families of Year 6 students and those leaving Clarinda Primary School are reminded to download and save all student reports from Compass before the final day of term. Access to Compass will cease for these families at the end of the school year.

Finally, a sincere thank you to our teaching staff for the considerable time, care and professional judgement that goes into preparing these reports. Their commitment to providing meaningful feedback on each student's learning and progress is greatly appreciated.

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From the Principal's Desk...

Celebrating Our Specialist Programs

In my very humble opinion, specialist programs can be underrated in primary school, but this would not be what our students say. In fact, when you ask them students about their favourite parts of school life, they often mention one of these programs.

At Clarinda PS we are fortunate to run a fantastic range of specialist programs that include Physical Education, Art, Greek Language, Performing Arts and STEM (Science-Technology-Engineering-Maths). We are proud to offer a range of specialist learning programs which broaden the educational experience for each child. It is also an important confidence builder and enables students to shine in an area in which they have special talents.

Our specialist programs are also complemented by lots of extra-curricular programs such as; Inter-school Sport, Camps, Art Club, Rock Band, Clarinda Singas Mathematics Extension, School Production, and so on.

I'm inviting everyone in our community to join me in celebrating our wonderful specialist learning and extra-curricular programs, and hope that you can see the value of this important learning for children. I also want to acknowledge our dedicated specialist teachers who make it all possible, we are most fortunate to have your expertise and skills in our school community.

End of term dismissal and bell times for Thursday 17th December

- 9.00am – 10:40am - Students in their classrooms
- 10:40am – 11am – Recess
- 11.00am – 12:40pm – Students will be in their classrooms
- 12:40pm-12:50pm – Lunch
- 12:50pm-1:50pm – Lunch play
- 1.50pm – 2:30pm – Final classroom pack up
- 2:30pm – 3:28pm – Assembly and Guard of Honour in the middle of the school for students who are leaving.
- 3:30pm - Students will be dismissed from their respective classrooms

Curriculum Day – Friday 18th December will be a student free day

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REMINDERS
Clarinda Primary School

FINAL ASSEMBLY

Thursday 17th December

2:30pm

Final Assembly

Announcement of 2027 Captains

3:15pm

We say goodbye to the Gr. 6 Graduating Class of 2026

3:30pm Finish

SCHOOL OFFICE

Closes @ 4pm on Thursday 17th December

Re-opens on 20th and 21st January from 10am-3pm for uniforms and payments

2027 GRADE 1-6

School resumes on Friday 29th January from 8:40am

Classes from 9am

2027 PREP

School starts on Monday 1st February from 9am (or as advised)

Wednesday is a day off with full-time school resuming from Monday 22nd February

See you around the school
Robbie Mallett

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep B	Shamiso	For great progress in her phonics!
Prep W	Leon	For demonstrating confidence and a positive attitude towards Maths.
1/2 M	Revon Aliana	For always leading by example and pursuing his personal best in all assessments! For being brave and presenting such a confident talk on dolphins. Well done!
1/2 P	Lanna	For her amazing effort in writing and illustrating her very own picture story book.
1/2 T	Eva Chloe	For outstanding progress with her phonics and reading comprehension. For showing kindness and consideration in the classroom.
3/4 A	Wyne	Consistently completing work on time and to a high standard. Great work!
3/4 D	Jake	Made an extraordinary effort with his reading.
3/4 E	Aalia James	For showing how much her confidence has grown to present her talk with enthusiasm and ease. For always being a positive, cheerful and friendly member of our class.
3/4 M	Nanak James	For working hard on his tests, passing his phonics levels and always being a kind and positive member of our class. For passing the next level towards his Times Table licence.
5/6 A	Ariana Katerina F	For being a valued member of 5/6A who is always willing to lend a helping hand. For her consistent hard work and effort in Maths.
5/6 D	Tanaaz Zephyr	For carefully creating her picture story book based on Jackie French, using interesting word choice and detailed illustrations. For working really hard in Clarinda Calculators and getting to level 19!
5/6 N	Leo Lasya	For incorporating interesting word choice inspired by Jackie French into his picture storybook. For effectively portraying characters' emotions in her writing to help the reader connect with their feelings and experiences.

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Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter

17/11/2026

Clarinda Primary School camp Australia

Camp Australia
Guiding Children's Growth

Your OSHC.

ROCKETEERS

A message from service Leader Pushpa Dona

As we enjoy the warmer days, our children continue to learn, grow, and have fun through a variety of engaging experiences at OSHC. This fortnight, we have focused on kindness, exploring nature, and healthy living. we celebrated **Kindness Week**; the children participated in a variety of meaningful and engaging experiences that encouraged kindness.

🪁 Kindness Kites Taking Flight

Our children have been enjoying learning about **loving-kindness** through our *Kindness Kites* activity. They loved creating colourful kites while exploring ways to show kindness and care to others. It was wonderful to see so many of our prep children putting these ideas into practice and proudly saying, **"Kindness kites can fly high!"**

🌱 Exploring Our Vegetable Garden

The children regularly visited our vegetable garden, where they enthusiastically watered plants and explored how vegetables and other plants grow. These hands-on experiences encouraged curiosity about nature and helped children develop an appreciation for gardening and caring for the environment.

🫐 Smoothie Fun

As the warmer days arrived, the children enjoyed making and tasting delicious **blueberry and banana smoothies**. This refreshing treat was a big hit and provided a wonderful opportunity to discuss healthy food choices while having fun together.

Activities coming up

- Sustainability Detectives
- OSHC Gardening Club
- Cooking with Ms Summer
- My Healthy Lifestyles

Make a

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences

Book

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Programs vary by location and are subject to change. Jump on our website to find out what's happening at your local Rocketeers.

*Please note the fees on the following pages are only of the maximum Child Care Subsidy (CCS) a family may be entitled to. To find out your eligibility, simply log into MyGov and complete your CCS Assessment.

Community Advertising









FUN AWAITS!
YOUR SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

ROCKETEERS
Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

Clarinda Primary school

Address: 1166 Centre Rd CLAYTON SOUTH VIC 3169

Phone: 0402 353 192 **Program Times:** 07:00 am - 06:00 pm

Fri 18 Dec — **Operation: Summer Spectacular**

Sunshine, smiles, and summer fun are here! Celebrate the start of an amazing season with games, creativity, laughter, and plenty of unforgettable moments.

Full Fee $81.26 | After Max. CCS* $8.13

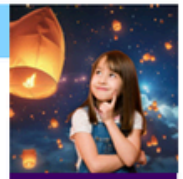


Base Camp Day

Mon 11 Jan — **Operation: Fortune Finders**

Celebrate new beginnings with glowing lanterns and colourful celebrations! Discover traditions, share in the festivities, and see what luck the Year of the Snake may bring.

Full Fee $81.26 | After Max. CCS* $8.13



Base Camp Day

Tue 12 Jan — **Project: Rocketeers Space Academy**

Report for Space Academy training! Build, create, play and explore through astronaut challenges, cosmic games, drama missions and a space-themed immersive art board. Train like a cadet and discover a universe of fun and imagination!

Full Fee $115.26 | After Max. CCS* $11.53



Project

Wed 13 Jan — **Experience Takeover: Heroes & Legends**

Choose your destiny! A special guest from Party Higher is bringing wireless headphones, music, dancing, puzzles and epic team missions in an immersive fairy tale adventure.

Full Fee $118.26 | After Max. CCS* $11.83



Experience Takeover

Thu 14 Jan — **Adventure: Treasure Tide Quest at Mini Boss**

Set sail for an ocean-sized challenge! Explore the Beach Bonanza, tackle the Island Shipwreck and crack the Pirate's Treasure Mystery through teamwork, puzzles and adventure.

Full Fee $144.86 | After Max. CCS* $14.49



Experience Takeover

Fri 15 Jan — **Project: Disc Dash**

Aim, throw, and score! Test your disc golf skills, then design your own awesome frisbee to take home and keep the fun flying.

Full Fee $111.26 | After Max. CCS* $11.13



Project

Mon 18 Jan — **Operation: Circus Surprise**

Roll up, roll up! A world of circus-inspired fun awaits, filled with creativity, laughter, and surprises. What wonders will you discover under the big top?

Full Fee $81.26 | After Max. CCS* $8.13



Base Camp Day

Tue 19 Jan — **Special Event: Scrumptious Summer at Grill'd**

Step behind the counter, unleash your inner chef and craft your very own delicious burger from bun to bite in this hands-on food experience packed with flavour and fun!

Full Fee $138.76 | After Max. CCS* $13.88

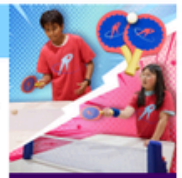


Excursion

Wed 20 Jan — **Project: Table Tennis Titans**

Serve, spin, and smash your way through exciting table tennis matches, then take home your very own table tennis set to keep the rallies going!

Full Fee $115.54 | After Max. CCS* $11.55



Project

Thu 21 Jan — **Adventure: The Angry Birds 3**

Get ready for feathers flying, laughter soaring and plenty of pig-powered chaos as your favourite flock returns for another hilarious mission packed with action, surprises and fun in The Angry Birds Movie 3.

Full Fee $138.06 | After Max. CCS* $13.81



Excursion

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Fri 22 Jan — **Operation: Summer Glow**

Bright colours, bold ideas, and creative fun await! Step into a world of neon, imagination, and excitement as you make the most of the summer vibes.

Full Fee $81.26 | After Max. CCS* $8.13



Base Camp Day

Wed 27 Jan — **Operation: The LEGO® 100 Challenge**

Are you up for the LEGO 100 Challenge? Grab your mates and take on all 100 build challenges. From easy through to the legendary expert builder challenges. Do you have what it takes? Plus, go back to school in style with your brand new LEGO pencil!

Full Fee $86.26 | After Max. CCS* $8.63



Base Camp Day

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