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Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2020

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## Clunes Primary School Newsletter

### UPCOMING EVENTS

2020

- Further important Return to School information detailed below.  
P/1/2s returned Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May. 3/4/5/6s return Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

Please contact the school/ Sonia with any questions or concerns.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Prep – Grade Two students have returned to school **on-site** and it has been absolutely wonderful to see everyone's smiling faces, to see how much our students have all physically grown and to have enjoyed listening to all that our students have wanted to tell us and share! (in person!) It has made us all, as a staff, feel so very eager for the next fortnight to finish so that we can have our Year 3- Year 6 students back at school again as well!

And be a complete school again! 😊

**Thank you all** for the way that you have so positively responded to our Return to School requirements. The information in detail was forwarded home to all families in our last Newsletter. It was designed to help all students, parents and staff to successfully **return to school** in a safe and respectful manner. And we have! One of the main DET changes has been in regards to minimising adult contact and the way that we will interact with each other. This will have an impact for our upcoming Semester 1 Parent Teacher Conferences/ Conversations. Please see over the page.

We have appreciated, enjoyed and highly valued our weekly check-ins with families and would like to continue these weekly, regardless of the fact that our P-2s have returned to teaching and learning on- site.

Our Year 3- Year 6 students will obviously continue with phone and Teams meetings but our Year Prep- Year 2 teachers will make contact with you as well, at least until the end of this term. We understand that whilst we, 'as a school', are moving towards returning to the 'new normal', you are all continuing to live daily, the challenges of the effects of COVID- 19 at home/ work/ with your family and friends. It remains hard! If and when you have a question or concern please continue to make contact with us.

We need to continue to sincerely thank our Year 3- Year 6 families as you are all still busily following the Learning from Home model, as expected by the Department of Education. Many families now have a part school/ part Learning from Home arrangement in action! Thank you, thank you, thank you, for your ongoing incredible efforts!

**Best wishes to you all for a healthy, safe and positive week ahead. A Mini Newsletter will be forwarded home to all families again next Thursday. Thinking of you! Kind regards, Sonia & the staff of CPS. 😊**

**CLUNES PRIMARY SCHOOL  
RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN- Term 2, 2020**



Details in School Newsletter- Week 6. Forwarded to all families via Email and also placed on school website.



Dear Parents and Carers,

## **STUDENT REPORTING and PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS SEMESTER 1, 2020**

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thank you again for the ongoing support that you have provided your child/ children and the teachers at this school during remote learning. It is amazing what has been achieved in a relatively short space of time.

As always, you will receive a report for your child outlining their progress in Semester 1, 2020 against the Victorian Curriculum. The report may look different, however, as it is not possible to implement our standard report writing process.

We have received advice from the Department of Education and Training regarding modifications to the Semester One reporting that takes into account the limitations on the ability of teachers to accurately assess student progress during the remote learning period.

As a result of this advice, teachers at our school

- Will contact each family the *week following* your child's Return to School to discuss/ celebrate your child's transition back to school and any questions/ concerns that you may have. The contact will continue to be remote based using the weekly method that you were used to whilst Learning from Home was in place eg. phone/ Teams/ other.  
Years P-2 Parent Teacher Conversations- Week 8 (beginning June 1)  
Years 3-6 Parent Teacher Conversations- Week 10 (beginning June 15)
- Will not be providing a 5 point scale for curriculum areas (ie A to E) on the School Report
- Will be available for parents/carers and students to discuss the school report, although *we would appreciate it if these were limited to occasions where parents/carers have concerns that they feel need to be addressed immediately*. Other opportunities for feedback will arise in Term 3, 2020.

The report comment on student achievement will be limited to

- a description of the areas of the Victorian Curriculum P-10 taught
- a succinct descriptive assessment of student learning achievement, based on the Achievement Standards in the Victorian Curriculum P-10
- a comment on how the student has adjusted to the remote and flexible learning environment, with reference to the Personal and Social Capability curriculum.

The end of Semester 2 Report will have a more informed and accurate assessment of your child's progress against the Victorian Curriculum.

It is our intention to provide you with the Semester 1 Report on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2020.

Thank you again for your support.

Kind regards,  
Sonia Jardine  
Principal

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 2



Our current Term 2 You Can Do It focus is:  
**Resilience! Getting Along! Persistence! Organisation!**

Prep B – All students! All families!	1/2B – All students! All families!
2/3LM – All students! All families!	3/4L – All students! All families!
5/6AT – All students! All families!	5/6D – All students! All families!

Welcome Back  
LEARN to School  
WONDER  
experiment Grow  
Play shine SHARE  
INSPIRE  
Explore DREAM  
MAKE FRIENDS Have  
enjoy PRETEND Fun  
imagine  
practice SMILE  
sing try new things



Prep- Two students back on-site. Riley and Archie ride their bikes!

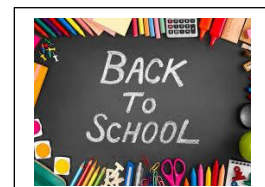
Hannah, Meghan and Xaiden- Lee make use of new Drink Bottles, generously donated by Central Highlands Water. No drink taps in action until further notice.



Zero degrees but we were all smiling!  
Morning Fitness- a delight!



Prep - Grade Two students please return School equipment items as soon as possible. Thank you! 😊 Items may include: calculators, plastic clocks and tool kits.







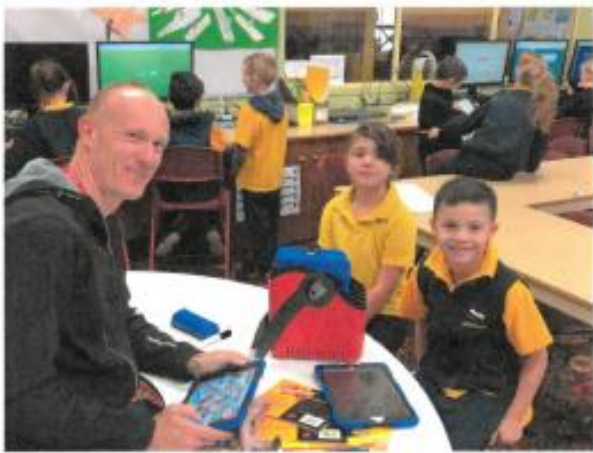
# Remote Teaching and Learning



Teaching and Learning on-site







## Grade 2/3LM

have been learning fractions.

**Riley has done a wonderful job using a six pack of yoghurt.**





Hi everyone,

We are about to officially say goodbye to Autumn for another year, as Winter has well and truly let us know it's that time of year again! I do hope you are all healthy and keeping warm ☺

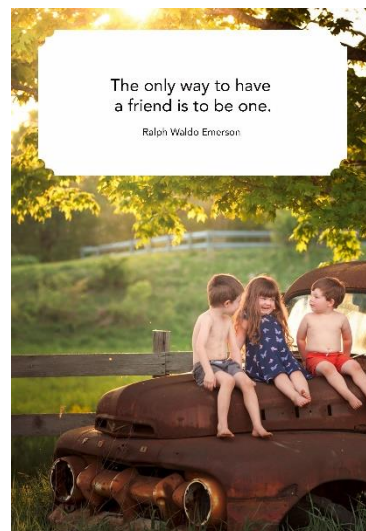
We all have our favourite season/s in which we feel the most alive and invigorated. Some of us enjoy the activities of being outdoors in Summer, while others like the comfort and warmth of a wood fire and a hot cuppa at home during Winter. Spring can be a favourite for the sounds and fragrance of new growth in our gardens, and some love the variety of beautifully coloured Autumn leaves.

While we can all picture our ideal weather, we also can imagine the drastic effects on our environment if but one season were not cycled through. All four have a vital part to play in sustaining life. In a similar way, each season our heart goes through presents opportunities to grow.

As in the natural, any season cannot truly be itself, without our world having first gone through the preceding season. While I am sure none of us would actively seek an emotional Winter, there's something that happens in Winter that can prepare us for a wonderful Spring. May I suggest that the stripping bare of trees in a cold Winter is like looking up at the stars at night. When our world seems dark, cold and without hope, it's then that the stars of our lives come into sharp focus. Winter can help us to appreciate those friendships that guide our way through a dark season of life.

The entry of COVID19 into our world has in many ways also been a cold dark time. However, there are many people who are shining like stars, providing great support. We all at different stages can find ourselves in need of support and able to provide it for someone else. To love and be loved is the greatest joy. Let's treasure our friends in every season and even be prepared to be a new one to someone in need.

Mr Lewis  
Chaplain





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## Eureka Gardens Playground

Reporter: Ben Thompson

Next to the Eureka Centre in Ballarat on the site of the Eureka Stockade there is an amazing playground. The Eureka Stockade or Rebellion occurred on 3rd December 1854.



The playground has musical instruments, many slides of different heights, rock climbing walls, swings, wooden troopers and a horse. There is also an amazing wooden fort to explore.

I particularly like making lots of noise on the battle drum and think the playground is an awesome place for an intense game of “Hide and Seek” or “Chasey”.

You can find the Eureka Gardens Playground on the corner of Stawell Street South and Eureka Street, Ballarat East. Check out the huge cannons on the Eureka Memorial while you are there.



Term 2 Calendar – Draft #5 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 new information highlighted 😊			
WEEK 1	Mon	13-Apr	Easter Monday Easter Newsletter- email Saturday 11/4
	Tue	14-Apr	Staff professional learning- STUDENT FREE DAY Telephone calls from staff to families (pm)
	Wed	15-Apr	Antoinette- Private Music Lessons CANCELLED At school UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. Antoinette will make personal contact with participants. School Council Meeting – date & method TBC
	Thu	16-Apr	First Term 2 Newsletter home. (Newsletters home each fortnight & placed on the school's website) Please forward to school articles for the Newsletter. Learning Pack collection
	Fri	17-Apr	NO Breakfast Club or LUNCH ORDERS in Term 2 Student Leadership meetings will continue in Term 2 each Friday - via Teams
WEEK 2	Mon	20-Apr	
	Tue	21-Apr	
	Wed	22-Apr	School Council Meeting- online
	Thurs	23-Apr	Learning Pack collection 3-6pm
WEEK 3	Mon	27-Apr	
	Tue	28-Apr	SSG Meetings x 2
	Wed	29-Apr	
	Thu	30-Apr	Learning Pack collection- 3-6pm
	Fri	1-May	
WEEK 4	Mon	4-May	
	Wed	6-May	
	Thurs	7-May	Learning Pack collection 3-6pm. Ms Jardine supervising ONLY as all staff will be at Flu Vaccination session (DET suggestion- linked to COVID-19) ** Year 6- Year 7 Transition 2021 – documents home TODAY in Learning Pack
WEEK 5	SUN	10-MAY	MOTHER'S DAY
	Mon	11-May	
	Wed	13-May	School Council Meeting 7pm online
	Thurs	14-May	Learning Pack collection 3-6pm (last Yrs P-2 Pack) NEWSLETTER
WEEK 6	Tue	19-May	
	Wed	20-May	
	Thurs	21-May	Learning Pack collection 3-6pm (Yrs 3-6 only) - new details about our Return To School
	Fri	22-May	• Years P-2 'finishing incomplete work' / rest day
WEEK 7	Mon	25-May	STUDENT FREE DAY
	Tue	26-May	Year Prep, One & Two students return to school Multiple entry/ exits points to school. Please see details.
	Thurs	28-May	Learning Pack collection 3-6pm (Yrs 3-6 only) (last Yrs 3-6 Pack) NEWSLETTER
	Fri	29-May	Yr 7 2021 Transition docs FINAL DATE TO BE RETURNED TO CPS!
WEEK 8	Mon	1-Jun	Years P-2 Parent Teacher Conversations- Week 8 (beginning June 1)
	Tue	2-Jun	
	Wed	3-Jun	
	Thu	4-Jun	Mini Newsletter- Return to School update
	Fri	5-Jun	Yrs 3-6 'finishing incomplete work' / rest day
WEEK 9	Mon	8-Jun	Queen's Birthday- Long Weekend
	Tue	9-Jun	Year Three, Four, Five & Six students return to school
	Wed	10-Jun	School Council Meeting 7pm online
	Thu	11-Jun	Newsletter
	Fri	12-Jun	
WEEK 10	Mon	15-Jun	Years 3-6 Parent Teacher Conversations- Week 10 (beginning June 15)
	Tue	16-Jun	
	Wed	17-Jun	
	Thu	18-Jun	
	Fri	19-Jun	
WEEK 11	Mon	22-Jun	
	Tue	23-Jun	Semester 1 Student Reports- home to families
	Wed	24-Jun	
	Thu	25-Jun	
	Fri	26-Jun	Last day of Term 2

Term 3 begins Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July