



*We learn. We show respect.  
We are safe.*

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

*"Golden Past, Bright Futures"*

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# Clunes Primary School Newsletter

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Please see Term 1 Calendar draft #3 on the back page of the Newsletter

Students with Asthma. Please bring your clearly labelled medication and up to date 2021 Asthma Management Plans to school asap.

Our 2021 Prep/ Foundation students (of our Prep/ 1D class) will have a Rest/ Assessment Day- each Wednesday for the first 6-7 Weeks of Term 1, 2021. Miss Dargaville will confirm the exact date at the end of Feb. All Year 1s will attend school daily.

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

**We are back on-site 😊**



**Assembly** Due to the current Coronavirus adult number restrictions our 'inside' Multi- Purpose Hall Assembly time will not be able to include parents & guardians. We will therefore (weather permitting) conduct our Monday morning Assembly each week on the Basketball Court until further notice. This will enable school community members to attend Assembly.

**As our Student Leadership Badges have finally arrived we will present School Captain, School Vice-Captain and House Captain Badges this coming Monday. Thank you!**

\*In 2021 we have a junior year-level student who is anaphylactic to NUTS! We will need to be a NO NUTS school, as our students mix with and play with each other across the school day. Our junior school Buddies will meet for learning activities with our senior school Buddies. Thank you sincerely for considering the safety of our students as you choose what food is placed in your child's daily snack and lunch box.

\*In 2021 we have a senior year-level student with a medical need that requires us to know immediately when there is Chicken Pox or a similar illness about. Please contact the Office as soon as you are aware. Again, thank you sincerely!

**Best wishes to you all for a positive fortnight ahead!**

**Kind regards, Sonia & the staff of CPS. 😊**

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 1



Our Term 1 You Can Do It focus is:  
**Getting Along**

<b>Prep / 1D – Arnya</b>	<b>1/2H – Olivia</b>
<b>3/4L – Rock</b>	<b>4 /5A- Zarah, whole class</b>
<b>5/6B – Brett</b>	<b>Principal’s Award-</b>
<b>LOTE- Japanese-</b>	<b>PE-</b>
<b>Art- Nessa</b>	<b>Kitchen Garden, Cooking &amp; sustainability program- Care &amp; Supervision group</b>

Hi everyone,

It is exciting to see more students participating in our Rubiks Cube Club, which is open to all ages and abilities every Thursday lunch time. The method I use to teach students how to solve a 3x3 cube involves 5 different algorithms. Out of these 5, there is one that we use the most often. The really cool part about this algorithm is, when we repeat it 6 times (starting with a cube that’s already solved) the cube will mess up and become solved again.

It takes a lot of concentration, determination and patience to learn the Rubiks Cube, and as a reward to learning this particular pattern, each student receives a certificate. All student who achieves this are then given the exciting responsibility of teaching this same algorithm to another person, at school or at home! Rubiks Cube Club is a lot of fun and one of many great mindfulness, confidence building activities. Congratulations and well done to our recent certificate recipients: Anthony, Killian, Noah, Benjamin and Bethany. I had better get busy creating another certificate for when our first student learns to solve the Rubiks Cube from scratch!!!



Happy cubing everyone!

All the best 😊

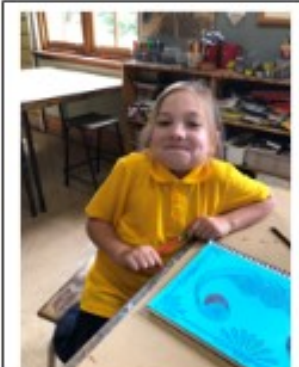
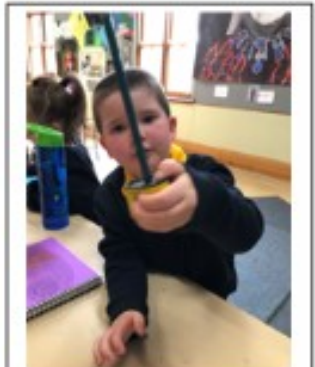
Michael Lewis – Chaplain

# Prep/ 1 D Art

Learning about/ Getting back into Art Room structures and routines



Absent: Tully



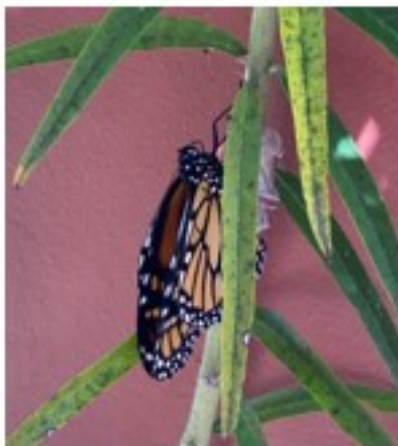
# Welcome back our guests!

(A.K.A Monarch Butterflies)

At Clunes Primary we are extremely proud to announce that we are housing Monarch Butterflies! This is a truly amazing find; we haven't had them in 5 years. So to make sure they're safe here's some info.



You can see the wings underneath the chrysalis!



Here is the 'hotel'  
for our caterpillars  
to grow safely.

Monarchs can be found almost anywhere in the world, from New Zealand to Canada. But the Americans in this family have really got us wowed, migrating across North America. AMAZING!!

Obviously you're wondering about the most exciting part of the life cycle ... The chrysalis! We have copied this from **Sensational Butterflies by Ben Rothery**. *"When it's big enough, the caterpillar attaches itself to a leaf with a strand of silk and wriggles out of its skin. The skin underneath hardens and turns into a chrysalis, the next step of becoming a butterfly. The chewing mouthparts that the caterpillar used to eat leaves are transformed into the proboscis that the adult will use to drink its food. Wings, antennae and new eyes all form too."*

By Ayla B and Cushla G 4/5 A.



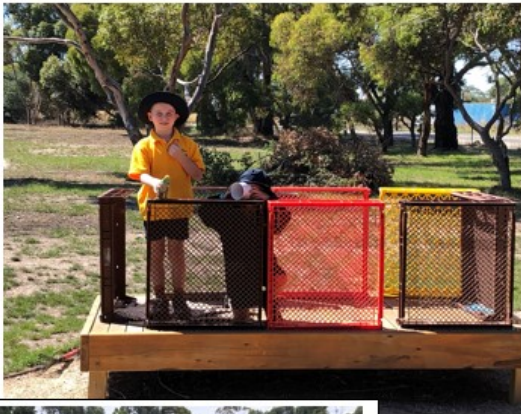
## GROW YOUR OWN FRUIT AND SUMMER SHADE TREES



### CLUNES PRIMARY SCHOOL TREE DRIVE 2021

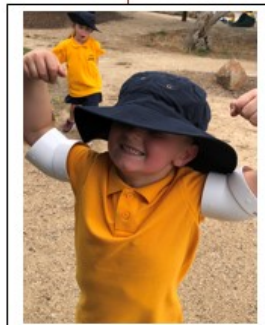
It's that time of year to start thinking about what trees you want to plant this winter as the **Clunes Primary School Tree Drive** is back and happening again this April / May. As part of the school's fundraising program we are offering you the chance to purchase a variety of affordable fruiting and ornamental trees supplied by Valley Tree Nursery, Ardmona. All proceeds go to the school.

The Tree List and order forms will be available in **April** and located at the school office, Clunes Newsagency, the Top Shop and Post Office. Please place your order and payment with the School prior to **Friday 14 May**. Trees will be available for pick up from the school at the end of **July**. We will contact you when they are available. Please contact the Primary School (03) 5345 3182 if you have any queries.



### Our Play Space materials in action!

Thank you Charlie R and family for the PVC piping and joins! We need lots more as well as large boxes, hard plastic crates and smooth wooden posts (no splinters 😊)



# 3/4LT 2021 Selfie Calendar



In 3/4LT we have been learning how to make a calendar in Maths.

To be successful we had to include:

- ✓ The weeks
- ✓ Weekends
- ✓ Days
- ✓ Months
- ✓ Dates
- ✓ The correct number of days
- ✓ Special days
- ✓ Reminders
- ✓ Groovy pictures

## Kitchen garden

Our kitchen garden program will look a little different this term. We are still unable to run our usual cooking lessons, however students are enjoying participating in garden and environmental lessons instead.

Last week our Grade 1/2 class learnt about carrots. We pulled up some self-sown carrots from the garden, collected seeds from old carrots and made seed tape to plant back into the beds.



There is lots of work to be done in the garden at the moment and some wonderful students and staff have been helping to pull out weeds and pick fruit. We have also been planting some seedlings kindly donated by Spencer and his family.



A huge thank you to Spencer's family for the donation of seedlings!



If you have any particular gardening skills and are interested in helping, please get in touch with Mrs Mitchell to discuss how you could help out.

# CFNC JUNIOR TRAINING

When



Where

**Bull Milgate Oval Clunes**

**Please adhere to current State Gov restrictions at all training sessions, including use of the QR Code to record attendance.**

**2021... We're Back!!!**



**New Players Welcome**

**Football: Brendan 0418 348 090 or Luke 0403 482 194**

**Nethall: Christine 0420 780 588**

## FOOTBALL

### U 18S

**Coach TBC  
Training Wednesday  
24<sup>th</sup> February 5pm**

### U 15S

**Coach Fev & Spooks  
Training Wednesday  
24<sup>th</sup> February 5pm**

### U 12S

**Coach Lindsay  
Training Wednesday  
24<sup>th</sup> February 4:30pm**

## NETBALL

### U 17S

**Coach Molly  
Training Thursday  
18<sup>th</sup> February 5pm**

### U 15S

**Coach Kath  
Training Thursday  
18<sup>th</sup> February 5pm**

### U 13 A & B

**Coach Matilda / Tahlia  
Training Thursday  
18<sup>th</sup> March 4:30pm**



## Cafs at Clunes Primary School in Term 1, 2021

Whether you want to strengthen your parenting skills or need assistance accessing support for your children, Cafs' Family Support Team want to help.

- The health and wellbeing of your children and family.
- Support for families experiencing family violence, financial strain, substance abuse and/or mental health issues.
- Support in identifying and implementing alternative parenting approaches.
- Child development – ages and stages, and other parenting resources.
- Sleeping and settling techniques for babies.

Cafs' Family Services Team members are available for a free, confidential chat about your needs and how we can help. In 2021, Olivia will be based on-site at Clunes Primary School for a half day each month and is available daily by phone. To make an appointment or to speak to Olivia, please put your name down at the school office or ring Olivia on the phone number below and she will make contact with you.

For more information about Cafs, visit [cafs.org.au](http://cafs.org.au).



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## KINSHIP CARE AT CAFS

### *Are you caring for someone else's child?*

Kinship Care is when a child or young person's parents are unable to care for them and they are being cared for by siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles or friends of the family.

### KINSHIP CARE INFORMATION & ADVICE

Cafs has a telephone service to offer information, advice, support and referral for kinship carers who are not currently engaged with the cafs Kinship care program. Contact Carolyn Brown on the numbers below for assistance.

### KINSHIP CARE SUPPORT GROUPS

*CAFS facilitates monthly support groups for all kinship carers across the Central Highlands. These groups are held in Ballarat, Bacchus Marsh, Ararat and Daylesford.*

### *If you want to join us:*

- For a coffee and a chat
- To meet other carers
- To access information and support

*Please contact Carolyn Brown at CAFS on ph.53373333/  
0407 860299 or email [carolyn.brown@cafs.org.au](mailto:carolyn.brown@cafs.org.au)*

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## LIBRARY 2021

**Welcome to borrowing books from the School Library. All students are required to bring their reader bag or some type of bag to be able to take books home.**

**Timetable will be:**

<b>0/1D</b>	-	<b>Tuesday</b>
<b>1/2HJM</b>	-	<b>Tuesday</b>
<b>3/4LT</b>	-	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>4/5A</b>	-	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>5/6B</b>	-	<b>Thursday</b>

**Liz will be running Library sessions on Tuesdays and Jan will be running Library sessions on Thursdays.**

**Happy Reading,  
Jan**

## Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

**Payment amounts this year are \$125 for eligible primary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.**

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances, including a new concession card number.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on ph: 5345 3182 and ask for an application form.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page.



Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
INFORMATON FOR PARENTS**

## Term 1 Calendar – Draft #3 February 18th 2021

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	Fri	29- Jan	Students first day of Term 1 2021 short whole school Assembly on the basketball court Prep & new parents to Clunes PS- welcome gathering & morning tea. DET Attendance data collection Mini Newsletter- home
WEEK 2	Mon	1-Feb	
	Tue	2-Feb	Every Tuesday is Walk to school Tuesday. Meet Mr. James, Mr. Burke & Mrs. Tuddenham at the Queen's Park playground at 8.30am.
	Wed	3-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day- each Wednesday for first 6-7 weeks of Term 1. Final Wednesday date TBC. Prep Parents to add their preferred Assessment date to the Roster in the P/1D room.
	Thu	4-Feb	First FULL Newsletter home. (Newsletters home each fortnight, sent via email & placed on the school's website) Staff photo page
	Fri	5-Feb	
WEEK 3	Mon	8-Feb	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm.
	Tue	9-Feb	
	Wed	10-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day. Prep Parents to add their preferred Assessment date to the Roster in the P/1D room. School Council Meeting 7pm (School Finance Meeting 6.30pm)
	Thu	11-Feb	School Council Elections 2021- Notice of election and call for nominations
	Fri	12-Feb	The Courier- visiting to take Prep class photo- 11am ish.
WEEK 4	Mon	15-Feb	
	Tue	16-Feb	Proposed Senior Years 3-6 Swimming Sports at Clunes PS pool x
	Wed	17-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day
	Thu	18-Feb	School Council Elections 2021- Closing date for nominations
WEEK 5	Mon	22-Feb	Assembly- School Captains Welcome- Induction of School Captains, Vice-Captain & House Captain badges ... YES presentation of Badges!
	Tues	23-Feb	School Council Elections 2021-List of candidates- nominator and seconder displayed
	Wed	24-Feb	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day School Council Elections 2021-Ballot papers prepared and distributed
	Thu	25-Feb	
	Fri	26-Feb	Tour de Cure- cycling team visit to CPS Prep PSD applications due to DET
WEEK 6	Mon	1-Mar	Assembly- Induction of JSC representatives- Presentation of Badges
	Tue	2-Mar	Proposed 2021 Welcome BBQ & Family engagement Evening. TBC- depends On COVID public gathering numbers at the time.
	Wed	3-Mar	Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day
	Thu	4-Mar	School Council Elections 2021-Close of Ballot
	Fri	5-Mar	School Council Elections 2021-Vote count
WEEK 7	Mon	8-Mar	Labour Day – Public Holiday
	Tue	9-Mar	School Council Elections 2021-Declaration of Ballot
	Wed	10-Mar	Possible TBC final Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day School Council AGM School Council Elections 2021- First School Council meeting & elect office bearers
	Thu	11-Mar	
WEEK 8	Mon	15-Mar	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm.
	Wed	17-Mar	Possible TBC final Prep/ Foundation students Rest Day/ Assessment Day
	Thu	18-Mar	
	Fri	19-Mar	Proposed Harmony Day/ Focus Day - mixed groupings & optional dress up theme day
WEEK 9	Mon	22-Mar	
	Tues	23-Mar	
	Wed	24-Mar	
	Thurs	25-Mar	Proposed DISCO- TBC
WEEK 10	Mon	29-Mar	
	Tue	30-Mar	
	Wed	31-Mar	
	Thu	1-APR	Last day of Term 1 (casual dress day- no gold coin donation. Each last day of Term is casual dress)
	Fri	2-Apr	Good Friday
			To be confirmed:

We require LARGE Boxes & larger PVC plumbing piping pieces & joins! They are for our Playspace area. Can you HELP us? See the photos inside! ☺

**CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)  
RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN PLACE**

If you are unwell, please stay at home.

The greatest risk of transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19) is between adults. Please follow these physical distancing measures:

- avoid gathering in a group inside or around the school
- keep 1.5m wherever possible between yourself and other adults



- avoid handshakes and hugs
- wash your hands regularly.



For detailed information visit:  
[www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au](http://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au)



Everyone 12 years and over entering school grounds must wear a face covering



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**CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)  
RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN PLACE**

If you are unwell, please stay at home.

Please do not enter if you have any of the following symptoms:

- loss or change in sense of smell or taste
- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- in certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered.



Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March – 8.30am- 11am. Working Bee  Help please! ☺ Any amount of time is gr8!