

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

Thursday 1st September 2022 Term 3 Week

"Golden Past, Bright Futures"

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Clunes Primary School Newsletter

Please consider completing our 2022 Parent and Caregiver Opinion Survey.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each fortnightly Newsletter will have new events added so please check regularly. Thank you! 😊
Please see Term 3 Draft 5 on the back page of this Newsletter

Dear Parents/Caregivers,



Eureka!



Despite the 'inclement' weather last Tuesday, our Year Preps, Year Ones and Year Two students thoroughly enjoyed their '2022 Camp' experience at Sovereign Hill. Some students found gold in the creek, sadly not enough for their parents to retire... 😊

The students returned to school at 4.30pm to munch on a BBQ sausage and salad, and also to enjoy an icecream and a short movie "The Gruffalo's Child".

Thank you to our many helpers on the day!



Our formal 'Camps' program has now been completed for the year, as our Year Threes and Year Fours also recently thoroughly enjoyed their three-day experience at Log Cabin Camp. So, so proud of your efforts! There is, however, more fun yet to be had, with further excursions eg. Arts Centre and EB!

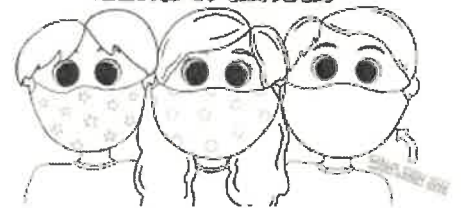
RAT Kits

Please let us know if you need a further kit, i.e., if your child is showing COVID -19 symptoms or is a close contact.

Those who have had COVID-19 can now wait 4 weeks before undergoing screening.

If you are a close contact, you may attend school but must wear a face mask if you are 8 years of age and over, and please RAT test for 5 of 7 days.

**LET'S KEEP
EACH OTHER SAFE.
WEAR A MASK!**



Everyone is strongly recommended to wear a mask indoors if you are aged 8 and over.

Thank you all for your incredible efforts at keeping the school informed. Our school is managing our COVID linked challenges exceptionally well!



Best wishes to you all for a safe and happy fortnight ahead! Kind regards, Sonia & the staff of CPS.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS FOR TERM 3

Our School Values Awards focus on:

We Learn

We Show Respect

We are Safe

Our Term 3 You Can Do It focus is:

Persistence

Prep / 1D – Gracie, Ruby	1/2MJ – Georgia
3/4LA – Bella, Year 3s & 4s Camp	4 /5R – Cruz, Year 3s & 4s Camp
5/6B – Blake, Amelia, Anthony, Cushla	Principal's Award- Charlie F, whole school, Feather, Charlie R, Zarah, Ella, Anabelle, Izzy
Performing Arts- Dakota, Blake, Ella, Charlie F Visual Arts- Arlo, Cameron, Ayla, Akir	Bus Award- Angus, Dahli PE- Angus, Chase

*In 2022 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 also 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 2022 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!

There are still lots of lost unnamed uniform items in the Lost Property Basket!
Please regularly rename all items including plastic containers! Thank you!



It's definitely the Wet season!

Please consider Rubber Boots as an outdoors footwear option. Please bring slippers or 'inside' shoes to change into. This will keep feet warm and dry.

A spare set of clothing & a plastic bag for wet gear is also advised. **Please name all items.** 😊

Our Book Week dress up day was lots of fun!

High Ability Literacy Group. Student Excellence Program.

A key initiative of the Student Excellence Program in Education is the Victorian High Ability Program. This program provides an enriching learning experience to challenge and extend our high ability students in Literacy and Mathematics. The program is run through Virtual Schools Victoria and is supported by specialist educators online as well as trained school staff. To date, over 15 students at Clunes Primary School have had the opportunity to participate. Participating this term are Ben S-B, Ben T, Cushla, Ayla, Alexander and Zarah.

This term the Literacy theme is 'The Power of the Pen' and the learning journey takes the students from the origins and purpose of the written word as communication and power, through the elements of story and archetypal characters and plot, with the students working on their own story throughout the term.

We meet twice a week, once to participate in the online class and then to complete extension work or continue their stories. The enthusiasm, focus and creativity shown by the group continues to support the success of the program. Hopefully we will be able to publish the final edits of their stories but here are a few opening lines:

"It all started with that darn budgie. Ugh, his purple and yellow feathers, his pretty patterns - it makes me sick." Cushla.

"Mum, why do I have to move?" "Why can't I just stay with Nanna?" Ayla.

It was a day like any other, when Mum, Dad and I made porridge for breakfast...
Zarah.

OOOHHH, the sound I made when I woke up slowly, rolled off my bed and made my way up and walked out of my bedroom. Alexander.

Boom, a bullet flew into Bob's body and his body fluids spilled out. Ben S-B





Log Cabin Camp 3s 4s

SCHOOL COUNCIL WORKING WITH JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council have had a strong partnership with Junior School Council (JSC) for many years now, supporting their fundraising efforts by running the Canteen at the three Discos per year, on their behalf.

At the Junior School Council meetings, Student Councillors discuss the options for the Disco Canteen Menu, and arrange to have School Council organise supplies and the volunteers to assist on the night.

All profits raised from the Canteen and other fundraisers are then used by the JSC to fund projects they decide to support – for example, the purchase of new board games for “Games Club”, new Rubix Cubes for lunch time activities, adoption of an Orangutan, subsidising whole school excursions like the 2021 trip to Hall’s Gap Zoo, funding the “Buddy Bench,” contribute funds towards food for our school cat “Fluffy!”

This is a great connection School Council have with the Student leaders and it ensures that the students all have a voice in how fundraising efforts by the students are used within the School.



Important dates coming up!

The school disco next Thursday 8th September.

Footy Day! Including our annual coin line fundraiser on Friday 16th September. All Children are invited to wear their favourite team’s colours. It does not have to be an AFL team. It can be any sport you like! There is no cost, but a contribution to the coin line would be appreciated!

FOOTY
COLOURS
Day

PREP, ONE, TWO SOVEREIGN HILL EXCURSION



Yesterday we went on an excursion to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat. The bus left for Sovereign Hill at 9:30 sharp. We had a bit of a snack. Then we played on the pirate ship on the playground.

After that we went to watch the lolly making. They used cochineal red for the colour. Next Mr James gave us a lolly.

Then we watched the gold pour. The gold was worth 252,000 bucks! Ava and Aoife got to hold the \$252,000 bar.

After that we went to the education centre. We had rotations. The rotations were playing with olden day toys, making people with pegs and playing with sheep knuckles and marbles.

Finally we went to the gold panning. I didn't get any gold but some of my friends found some gold.

I reckon that the gold panning was the best thing!

By Logan





"It was fun because we got to do activities in our groups." Aria



"It was excellent because we got to explore Sovereign Hill with our group." Izzy



"The gold bar was worth \$252 000 at the gold pour! It was 99.9% pure!" Arlo



"I loved it because we got to see the candle making." Jordan



"It was great because we got to find gold!" Arnya





Last Friday 26th August , our students and staff dressed up for the theme “Dreaming with eyes wide open” , or as their favourite Book Character, as part of 2022 Children’s Book Council of Australia Book Week. Everyone gathered in the MP Hall for a Book Week Parade, at the start of the day and then engaged in multiple activities, in mixed groupings, for the remainder of our Focus Day.

Everyone supported each other and had fun!



Clunes PS Prep Transition 2023



OUR CURRENT PLANNED PROGRAM: BEGINNING OF TERM 4, 2022

Ms. Sonia Jardine (Principal), Miss Jordyn Dargaville (Prep Teacher- 2021, 2022 & 2023) & our School Captains (Ella and Noah) will visit Clunes Pre-School to meet and greet students and present a Clunes Primary School Tour by virtual reality. Each child will receive a 'book' about the school.

Miss Jordyn Dargaville will visit Clunes Pre-School, multiple times, to get to know the students prior to the transition sessions at Clunes Primary School.

TRANSITION SESSIONS DATES AND TIMES

(Week 5) Thursday 3rd November-Session 1. 9-11am at Clunes PS

(Week 7) Tuesday 15th November- Session 2. 9-11am at Clunes PS

(Week 9) Tuesday 29th November- Session 3. 11am – 1pm at Clunes PS

(Week 11) Tuesday 13th December- Session 4. 9am-1pm at Clunes PS for the State-wide Transition Day. For all enrolled 2023 Prep students.

Students attending other Pre-school settings are very welcome to attend some/ all of the above transition sessions. Each child/ family will receive their beginning school 'book' and will have an opportunity for a pre-transition introduction to Clunes Primary School.

CLUNES PRIMARY SCHOOL TOURS WILL BE CONDUCTED WEEKLY IN TERM 3

EVERY THURSDAY AT 10.00am (or at another time by arrangement)

Please contact the school on 5345 3182 to book in a tour.

**Prep 2023 enrolments to be fully completed by the
end of November 2022 please.**

Please contact Sonia at Clunes PS 5345 3182 with any questions or concerns.

Our regular Pre-school to Primary School Transition Program may possibly be altered slightly in order to meet Department of Education guidelines regarding possible COVID-19 restrictions (for both Pre-School and Primary School settings).

Should this happen, we will endeavour to keep families fully informed of program changes as soon as possible. Thank you. Sonia

WE WANT OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!



Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. We encourage all families to participate in this survey. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

This year, all families are invited to participate in the survey.

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 15th August to Friday 16th September**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Please speak to a school staff member if you would like more information.



The 2022 Victorian State Schools Spectacular brings together government school communities from across Victoria to produce a 3-hour live show including music, dance, circus arts, puppetry and skating.

This year's show will be performed to an audience of about 12,000 people at John Cain Arena on Saturday 10 September, over 2 shows at 1 pm and 6:30 pm.

Talented Victorian students will feature on stage, while many other students will work behind the scenes, gaining unique, on-the-job, professional experience.

For a fun, family entertainment experience, and to cheer on students from the audience, be quick to secure tickets through [Ticketek](#).

Adult tickets cost \$40; children aged under 15, \$20; and concession, \$30.

Buy 10 tickets and get one adult ticket free (the 11th ticket is free) by calling Group Bookings on 1300 364 001.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

UNIFORM SHOP

Clunes Primary School on-site Uniform Shop
CHANGE OF HOURS – TERM 4 2022

In Person: MONDAY 8.30am – 9.30am

Via Order Collection: Order Forms can be collected from the School Office and returned to the School Office, with payment, at any time. Your orders will be processed and packaged on Monday mornings, and can be sent home with your student OR COLLECTED from the Uniform Shop on MONDAY mornings.

If you require uniform urgently, you may contact the School on 5345 3182 to arrange an appointment with the Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator.

UNIFORM SWAP

We have a range of uniform items in good, used condition, available to browse and take, in the School Gallery. Parents are welcome to pick up any items they require, for a gold coin donation.

We would appreciate any donations of used uniform items in GOOD, CLEAN condition only. Please leave at the Office.

This is a great way to re-cycle and re-use uniform your children outgrow to benefit other students.

School Council Policy expects ALL students to attend School wearing their full school uniform with pride.

FATHER'S DAY 2022

RAFFLE

School Council would like to thank the Jansen family for their kind and generous donation of a 10kg block of Cadbury Dairy Milk Chocolate, which will be the GRAND PRIZE of this year's FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE.

Raffle tickets have been sent home today with students and we ask that you support our raffle by selling tickets to friends/family/neighbours, and return to school for drawing on Friday the 2nd of September.

FATHER'S DAY STALL

FRIDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER

We are offering students the opportunity to come along to the Father's Day Stall to purchase a gift for their Dad or Special Person. TOMORROW- Friday 2nd September

Gifts will range from \$1 to \$5 per item.

Although we do not set limits on the number of items a student can purchase, we recommend you set a budget of no more than \$10 for each student.

HIP HOP DANCE CLASS

Clunes Primary School
Multi-purpose Hall
Thursdays 3pm- 4pm

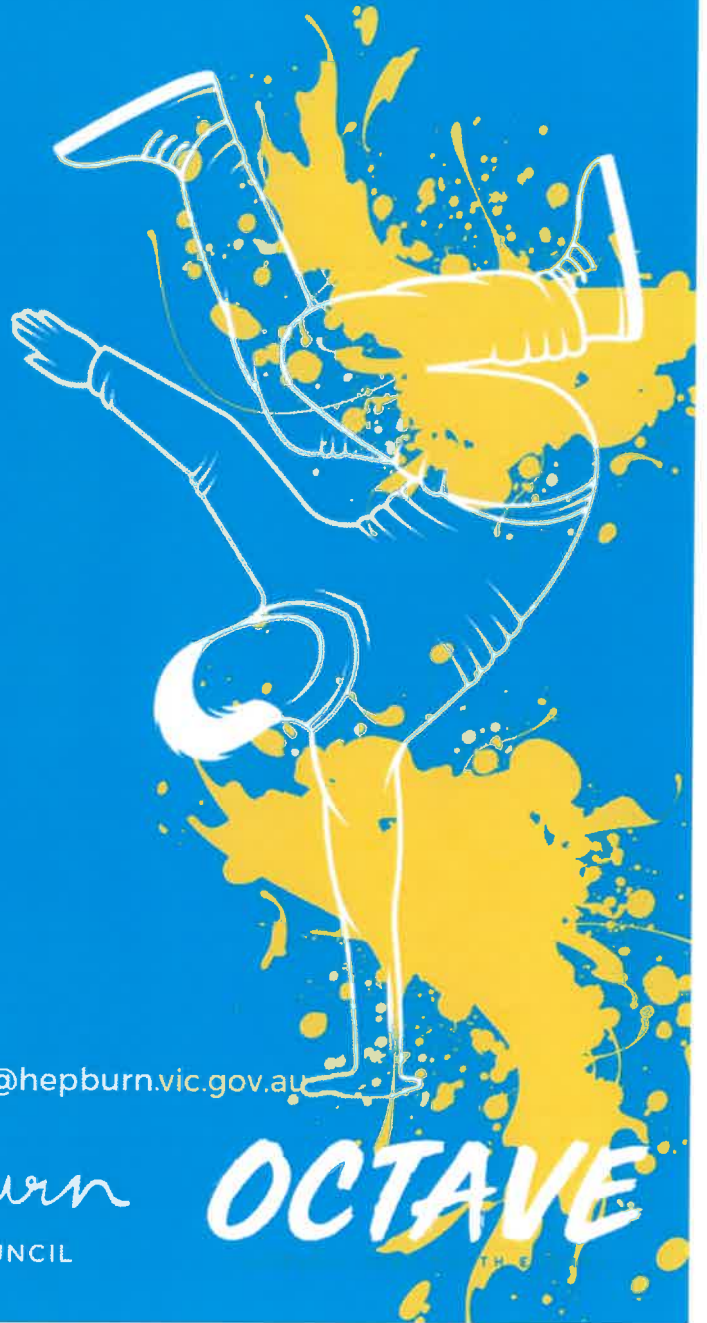
Primary school age
Free

Contact: teensquad@hepburn.vic.gov.au

EXISTDANCE

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SHIRE COUNCIL

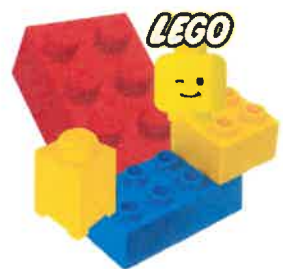
OCTAVE



LEGO CLUB

We have recommenced Lego Club as of Wednesday 20th July, from 3.30 to 5.00pm every week this term. Lego Club will again be held at the Clunes library, in the same room as before.

Anyone is welcome. Bring afternoon tea if needed.





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FREE IMMUNISATION SERVICE AT TALBOT ANA HALL

(CORNER OF HEALES & BALLARAT STREET, TALBOT)

Bookings are preferred using the QR code above
or calling 0428 894 724
Walk in appointments also welcome

Please note: NO Covid19 vaccinations available

8:00am - 10:00am	Thursday 22nd September
3:00pm - 4:30pm	Wednesday 26th October
8:00am - 10:00am	Thursday 24th November
3:00pm - 4:30pm	Wednesday 14th December

Immunisation Services
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immunisation@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au

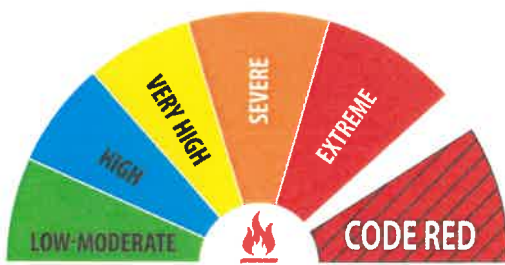
The Australian Fire Danger Rating System

In September 2022, all jurisdictions across Australia will implement a new fire danger forecasting system, the Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS). This will deliver a nationally consistent system for fire danger ratings based on the latest scientific research. This will result in more accurate predictions for fire danger as well as clearer, simplified messaging for all communities.

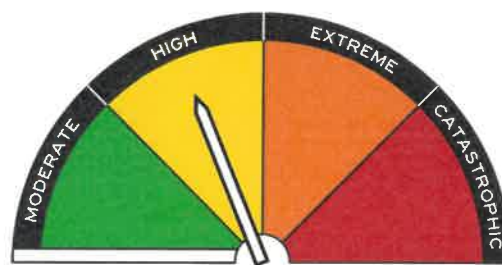
In Victoria, the implementation for the AFDRS is being led by Emergency Management Victoria (EMV). The department has been working closely with EMV to prepare for this change and support our education communities to implement bushfire preparedness activities throughout the transition to the new system.

Victoria currently utilises a six-tier system for fire danger ratings, spanning from Low-Moderate to Code Red. The AFDRS will use four tiers of fire danger, from Moderate to Catastrophic. The department has worked with the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) to update our bushfire risk methodology in line with the changes. There are minimal changes to the methodology and department policy as a result of the new fire danger rating system.

The below outlines the changes under the new AFDRS:



Current Victorian Fire Danger Rating



New Australian Fire Danger Rating

Fire Danger Rating	Key messages for the community
Catastrophic	If a fire starts and takes hold, lives are likely to be lost. For your survival leave bushfire risk areas.
Extreme	Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous. Take action now to protect your life and property.
High	Fires can be dangerous. Be ready to act.
Moderate	Most fires can be controlled. Plan and prepare.

The new **Extreme** fire danger rating under the AFDRS will cover a broader scope of fire danger ratings combining the current Severe and Extreme fire danger ratings.

In addition, Code Red will now be known as **Catastrophic** fire danger.

As a result, the triggers for pre-emptive relocation and closure on elevated fire danger days will be adjusted slightly to reflect this new system.

Category 1 schools from 1 September 2022 will relocate or close in accordance with their pre-approved plan on a day forecast **Extreme FDR** for their LGA (currently Severe FDR, which will now be captured under the broader Extreme FDR under the AFDRS).

Category 2 schools from 1 September 2022 will now relocate or close in accordance with their pre-approved plan on a day forecast **Extreme FDR** for their LGA (continues to be captured under the broader Extreme FDR under the AFDRS).

As per current arrangements, **all schools on the BARR (Category 1-3) and Category 4 list**, regardless of risk category, must close on a forecast **Catastrophic FDR** day under the AFDRS (currently Code Red FDR) in their

weather district, and their buses will be cancelled. All other buses which travel through the **Catastrophic FDR** area will also be cancelled.

DET will continue to communicate with schools over the coming months about the AFDRS and how this change will be applied in departmental policies and procedures, and how to support school communities through the transition.

The Country Fire Authority offers an E Learning Module designed to support people who work in and travel through bushfire risk areas as part of their job. AFDRS information will form part of this module and will be **available to complete in August 2022**.

This Module is available via the CFA website: <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/atrisk>

The CFA is updating publications that schools regularly use when discussing summer fire safety, these will be available when AFDRS officially launches in September.

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Emergency Management staff or email emergency.management@education.vic.gov.au. This information will also be covered in your annual communication about your fire risk as well as in upcoming emergency management training sessions.

Fundraising Sub-Committee Meeting Reminder

Friday

2nd September

**9:15 am in the
Staff Room**

All Welcome

Term 3 Calendar – Draft #5 Thursday 1st September 2022

WK 1	Mon	11-Jul	First school day of Term 3 *all Year 4s, 5s & 6s - Art Gallery of Ballarat excursion- no cost!
	Tues	12-Jul	Walk to School postponed until further notice
	Wed	13-Jul	School Council Meeting 7pm
	Wed	20-Jul	Year Prep students- 100 Days of School celebration!
	Fri	22-Jul	Visit by Laura Whitford- Diverse Learners Education Improvement (EIL) Leader and team 1-3pm
WEEK 3	Mon	25-Jul	SSG Meetings Mr. James and Ms Jardine – Emergency Management Plan training 2022-23
	Tue	26-Jul	SSG Meetings
	Wed	27-Jul	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm
	Fri	29-Jul	Schools Tree Day
	Thu	4-Aug	Tree Drive Trees delivered late today- contact made re individual Orders
	Fri	5-Aug	Rural Arts Victoria (RAV) grant - 'Pinocchio' performance/ workshop- whole school No Cost (extra-curricular activity) Tree Drive Orders available for collection- 3-6pm (Red Shed- Staff Car Park)
	Sat	6-Aug	Tree Drive Orders available for collection 8am- 12pm (Red Shed- Staff Car Park)
WEEK 5	Tues	9-Aug	
	Wed	10-Aug	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm School Council Meeting 7pm
	Thurs	11-Aug	Clunes Pre-School Transition 2023 Meeting at Clunes PS Please see the K-P Transition 2023 program included in this Newsletter
	Fri	12-Aug	
WEEK 6	Mon	15-Aug	Year 3s & Year 4s Camp – Log Cabin Camp August 15 th – 17 th – Positive Start Grant -No Cost
	Tues	16-Aug	
	Wed	17-Aug	Year 3s & Year 4s Return home from Camp
	Thurs	18-Aug	
	Fri	19-Aug	
WEEK 7	Mon	22-Aug	Book Week
	Tue	23-Aug	Prep -Year 2 'Camp' Experience 2022. Sovereign Hill excursion and after school experience at school. Permission Forms to be returned asap. (extra -curricular activity)
	Wed	24-Aug	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm
	Thu	25-Aug	
	Fri	26-Aug	Book Week – Focus Day and Parade- 2022 theme- Dreaming with eyes open (extra-curricular activity)
WEEK 8	Mon	29-Aug	Clunes Library – Book Week activities for 3 classes
	Tues	30-Aug	Term 3 Combined Schools Professional Practice Day – STUDENT FREE DAY
	Wed	31-Aug	
	Thu	1-Sept	
	Fri	2-Sept	Father's Day Stall Fundraising Group/ Parents Group Meeting 9am Staff Room Wesley – Music Performance at the Bluestone
WEEK 9	Mon	5-Sept	
	Tues	6-Sept	Verena- Native Plants visit and activity- small group
	Wed	7-Sept	School Council Meeting 7pm
	Thurs	8-Sept	Term 3 Disco Night (extra-curricular activity)- Junior Disco (yrs P-2) 5.30pm- 6.15pm Senior Disco (yrs3-6) 6.20pm- 7.20pm Theme- Dressing 'casual' or in your 'finest' RU Okay Day
	Fri	9-Sept	Sovereign Division Athletics finals
WEEK 10	Mon	12-Sept	
	Tues	13-Sept	Winter Sports – Year 4s, 5s & Year 6s-interschool sports day Daylesford
	Wed	14-Sept	
	Thurs	15-Sept	Melbourne City Performing Arts excursion- Melbourne Arts Centre- Playhouse Theatre -whole school- no cost (grant success) 'Girls at Altitude' performance. Travel by coaches. Arrival back after school hours. Approx. 5.30pm (depending on traffic). Excursion notice forwarded home last week.
	Fri	16-Sept	Last day of Term 3 2.30pm finish Footy Day! Coin line JSC activity. Footy/ sports casual dress day. Each last day of Term is casual dress. Last day to complete the Parents and Caregivers Opinion Survey



Science week- flowers & food dye experiment. What happened?



Term 4- Mon Oct 3rd- Student Free Day- Staff professional learning, Tues Oct 4th-First day of Term 4, Book Fair- Wks 2 & 3, Thurs 13th Oct- Year 5s & 6s Bike Ed Day with Vic Pol, Thurs 20 Oct- P-2 Ecolink Excursion, 17th-19th Nov-Energy Breakthrough, Sat 19 Nov- Clunes Show...