



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

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022 - Term 4 Week 2

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# Clunes Primary School Newsletter

School Pie Drive,  
Energy  
Breakthrough  
Walkathon, Ecolinc  
P-2 excursion, &  
Swimming Program  
notes due back. (P-6)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Each fortnightly Newsletter will have new events added so please check regularly. Thank you! 🤗

Please see Term 4 Draft 2 on the back page of this Newsletter

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 4 2022!  
How time flies! (...and so does  
Taya when she runs!)

Congratulations Taya on your  
success at the Regional  
Athletics event at Llanberris  
last Friday! A second place  
in the 200m event is  
absolutely fabulous!  
We are all very proud of you!

Taya's time will meet  
eligibility for the State event.  
We wish Taya every success as  
she tries to shave a couple of  
seconds off her current time.



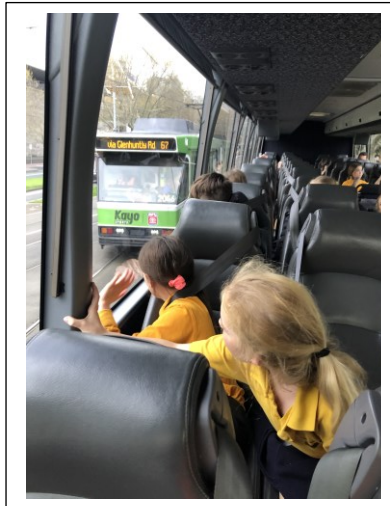
**RAT Kits** – we are waiting for further advice  
from the Dept of Education, so for the  
moment, all current arrangements stay in  
place in regards to RAT kits.  
Please let us know if you need a further kit,  
i.e., if your child is showing COVID -19  
symptoms or is a close contact. We  
anticipate sending all RAT Kits home before  
the end of term.

Please see page 7 of this newsletter with  
information about changes to COVID-19  
isolation requirements.

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

**'Girls with Altitude' whole school excursion to the Arts Centre in Melbourne, for the Flying Fruit Fly Circus performance. (second last day of last term)**

The delight on our students' faces said it all! Feedback during and after our special day was extremely positive! Although we were not permitted to take photos during the performance, we certainly took lots of photos for every other part of our special day. Please see them all on display at school. More inside here too.



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 4

Our School Values Awards focus on:

We Learn

We Show Respect

We are Safe



Our Term 4 You Can Do It focus is:  
**Confidence**

Prep / 1D – Charlie F	1/2MJ – Indy
3/4LA –	4 /5R – Brock
5/6B – Zarah	Principal’s Award- Zarah x2, Lily, Taya
Performing Arts- Visual Arts- Nevaeh	Bus Award- PE- Taya

\*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! 

We welcome Jamie Stevens to Clunes PS as our school’s new IT Tech.



A snack and toilet break at the park in Melton.



Lunch outside the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV)







We are excited to have the Scholastic Book Fair back for 2022! There are many wonderful, magical and interesting books to buy to inspire a love of literature in your young (and young at heart) readers. The students have already had a browse and have completed a wish list for you to look at. There are even some Christmas items for sale.

We have a range of fiction and non-fiction titles as well as posters, bookmarks, erasers, fancy pencils and other fun items.

The Book Fair will be open this Friday (14<sup>th</sup> October) at recess, start of lunch and after school until 4:00 pm.

Saturday morning (15<sup>th</sup> October): 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

Next week the opening times will be Monday to Thursday (17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> October) at:

Before school: 8:30-8:45 am

Recess: 11:00-11:20 am

Lunch Play: 1:10-1:25 pm

After school: 3:00-4:00 pm.

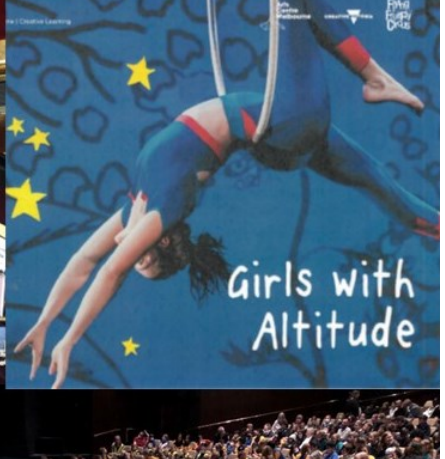
Cash and card (EFTPOS machine) are available.

The Book Fair is located in the Performing Arts room (the junior building, nearest to the staff car park). Follow the signs or ask at the office if you are unsure.

We thank you in advance for your support of the Book Fair as not only are you able to purchase beautiful books for your children but money spent will translate into book resources for our school.







Arts Centre excursion 15th Sept 2022





# SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS



## UNIFORM SHOP

### New Uniform

Just a reminder the Uniform Shop is now open for Term 4 -

In Person: **MONDAY 8:30 to 9:30am**

Via Order: Order Forms can be collected from the School Office and returned with payment at any time. Your Order will be processed and packaged on Monday mornings, and can be **sent home with your student or COLLECTED** from the Uniform Shop on **Monday morning, 8:30 to 9:30am**

### Used Uniform

We have a range of uniform items in good, used condition, available for a gold coin donation. You will find our Used Uniform table in the "Gallery" (near the Staff Room). Please contact the Office for assistance.

**We would appreciate any donation of used uniform items in GOOD, CLEAN CONDITION.** Please leave any items in the **donation tub** in the "Gallery".

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

## SCHOOL GROUND NEWS

You may have already started to notice a few changes, new additions and maintenance works being carried out throughout the School in Term 4. Over the holidays, we commenced the major maintenance works to our buildings, starting with the moss removal and cleaning of the slate roof on the main building. We will be carrying out more work, repairs and painting, to the building throughout the term and over the Christmas break.

Due to the enormous rainfall we have experienced this year, we have been forced to make repairs to damages caused by the rain (both inside and outside the School). While the internal repairs will require more complex and costly work, improvement and upgrades to the Sensory Garden Play Space (Junior Playground) will commence to ensure water is redirected from the school grounds and to prevent the flooding and damage we have experienced, in the future. We will also top-up the granite sand footpaths and mulch the play/soft fall areas.

We are very excited to have recently completed yet another stage in our Kitchen Garden Area Project. Last term we took delivery of our new greenhouse. With thanks to Jesse Clowes and his freight team, the greenhouse arrived safely at school, ready to be installed at our Term 3 Working Bee. We thank everyone involved in the process; from sourcing right through to the installation. We would also like to sincerely thank the Sacco family for their very generous donation of the new garden shed, installed by Peter Sacco and Matt Bright over the Term 3 holidays. The addition of these two spaces will provide more immediate hands-on opportunities and enrich the Kitchen Garden and Cooking Program for students. The Kitchen Garden Project (which also includes our focus on native edible plantings), the fitting out of both sheds, and an irrigation system for the greenhouse, has been made possible through our success in obtaining 2022 grant monies from the Waubra Wind Farm.

We are very fortunate to receive Government funding for some of this work, however, there is considerable upkeep required with an historic building and extensive surrounds, and it can be a costly exercise. We have been very successful over the years with obtaining Government grants, but at times we have had to also rely on our fundraising money to support School Council projects. These projects are considered to be absolutely necessary for us to provide a safe environment for students, and to enhance and enrich their learning opportunities and outcomes. As a community, we are privileged to have inherited such a grand and historic learning space and icon, that being the original Clunes Primary School No. 1552 building and surrounds. It is our responsibility to maintain and preserve, the Main Building in particular, for future generations of Clunes and district children to be educated in, and enjoy this historic school.

## WORKING BEE

We look forward to seeing you at the Term 4 – Spring Working Bee on Sunday 21 October, 2022, from 8:30 to 10:00am

# Fundraising Sub-Committee

## MORE THAN JUST FUNDRAISING

SHARE IDEAS

CONNECT WITH OTHER  
FAMILIES

BUILD FRIENDSHIPS  
NEXT MEETING  
FRIDAY 4TH NOV

9:15AM

STAFF ROOM

## FUTURE FUNDRAISERS

NOVEMBER 19TH

CLUNES SHOW

NOVEMBER 26TH

STATE ELECTION SAUSAGE

SIZZLE

DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



## It's Show Time!

Clunes Show held on November 19th is rolling around fast. Each year at the show we make and sell sandwiches and Devonshire tea and provide the judges lunches..

This event is always a great Fund-raiser for the School. We are seeking names of volunteers early to assist on show day in the canteen.

Please if you can spare a few hours on show day to help we would really appreciate your assistance. Please register at the office if you can help or to Deb on 041 934 1127.

Our Father's Day stall was once again well supported, the kids had a great time picking out gifts for their Dads and Special people in their lives.

Many thanks goes to Jo Henderson-Drife for organising the items for the stall.

And Thank You to the parents that helped on the day Rose Rodo-Doherty, Rachael Campbell, Deb Bright, Julie Leech, Stacey Anderson and Deni.

Hot Lunch day last term was very well supported the kids all enjoyed their hot dogs and jelly cups. It certainly was a fast paced environment in the kitchen feeding the line of hungry tummies. Thank you to Rose Rodo-Doherty, Deb Bright, Stacey Anderson and Reece Henderson-Drife for their efforts in the kitchen. We are planning another Hot Lunch Day this term tipped to be Chicken Schnitzel Rolls and Donuts. YUM!!



## Pie Drive

In your students bags this week you should have received order forms for the Pie Drive. We are lucky to be supported by O'Haras Bakery for this fund-raiser. Please ask family and friends if they would like to place an order.

Our next meeting will be the 1st Friday in November 9:15am in the lovely warm staff room. Kids are welcome to attend our meetings so if you would like to come along feel free to bring your little ones.

THANK  
YOU

## Changes to COVID-19 isolation requirements

Dear parents and carers

You may be aware that the Victorian Government has announced changes to the COVID-19 isolation requirements.

This means that from 11.59pm on Wednesday 12 October, the mandatory orders around isolation for people with COVID-19 have ended and instead we move to health advice and recommendations for people with COVID-19 or COVID-19-like symptoms.

Our school will continue to adhere to the Department of Health's recommendations to ensure that our school remains a safe environment for our staff and students.

The Department of Health **strongly recommends** that students and school staff:

- who test positive to COVID-19 stay home and isolate for 5 days and do not attend school after 5 days if they are still symptomatic
- who are symptomatic but have not tested positive not attend school. This does not include students with pre-existing conditions such as hay fever.

Parents and carers are recommended to continue to report their child having COVID-19 to both the school and the Department of Health.

We will, however, no longer report occurrences of positive cases to the school community.

We ask parents and carers to continue to remain vigilant in preventing COVID-19 transmission. Any student who is unwell should continue to remain at home. This is about keeping students healthy and well in our school and reducing the spread of both COVID-19 and other respiratory diseases.

Free rapid antigen tests are available at the school for those who need them.

Parents and carers will be contacted if their child shows symptoms while at school.

Students who wish to wear a mask should continue to do so.

To keep our school as safe as possible, we will also continue to use air purifiers and other COVID-19 prevention measures.

Thanks for your continued efforts to keep our school community safe and well.

Sonia Jardine

## Scholarships

Scholarships are available for eligible students in Grade 4 to Year 11, and for Year 12 students planning to undertake tertiary studies in 2023.

### Student scholarships

The Department of Education and Training administers a number of scholarships that are available to eligible students who are currently enrolled in Grade 4 to Year 12 in 2022.

Applicants for these scholarships will be evaluated on their:

- participation in school activities
- community involvement
- academic record for the current year.

Scholarships are either one-off payments or cover the duration of the student's course or annual study.

Many of these scholarships have specific eligibility criteria so please refer to individual applications for more information. Applications are open and close on Wednesday 1 February 2023.

For more information and a list of available scholarships, see the [2022 Student scholarships for Grade 4 – Year 12](#) fact sheet. For information on how to apply, refer to [Student scholarships](#).

## Thunderstorm asthma — be prepared this pollen season

Grass pollen season, which runs from October to December each year, brings an increase in asthma and hay fever symptoms. It also increases the risk of [thunderstorm asthma](#). For people with asthma or hay fever, especially those who experience wheezing or coughing with their hay fever, thunderstorm asthma can be sudden, serious and even life threatening.

Clunes Primary School will implement a range of measures to keep our school community safe when the risk of thunderstorm asthma increases.

Many of our staff are trained in asthma first aid, and we will monitor the VicEmergency app to receive thunderstorm warnings, and, where appropriate, keep students indoors when weather forecasts identify greater level of risk.

### How you can prepare

During pollen season, there are some things you can do to prepare and protect yourself and your family:

- If your child has ever had asthma: talk to your doctor about what you can do to help protect your child from the risk of thunderstorm asthma, including updating your asthma action plan. Taking an asthma preventer properly and regularly is key to preventing asthma, including thunderstorm asthma.
- If your child has hay fever: see your pharmacist or doctor for a hay fever treatment plan and check if you should have an asthma reliever puffer. These are available from a pharmacy without a prescription.
- If your child has hay fever and experiences wheezing and coughing: it is important to make sure they don't also have asthma. Speak to your doctor about an asthma action plan.
- Where possible, avoid being outside during thunderstorms from October to December, especially during the wind gusts that come before the storm. Go inside and close your doors and windows. If you have your air conditioning on, turn it to 'recirculate'.

Protect yourself this pollen season – managing asthma and allergies matters.

### Remain vigilant for COVID-19

It is important for students to manage any hay fever or asthma symptoms, as these conditions can produce symptoms such as fever, chills, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, and loss or change to sense of smell or taste, which are similar to COVID-19 symptoms.

If your child experiences these symptoms in different or worse ways to their usual hay fever or asthma symptoms, medical advice should be sought.

### Find out more

For more information, visit your general practitioner (GP) or visit the [Better Health Channel](#).

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# 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 and between the transition sessions at Clunes Primary School.

### TRANSITION SESSIONS DATES AND TIMES

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

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

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

(Week 11) Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 as soon as possible. (End of  
November at the latest.)**

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

# OPEN HOUSE FAMILY FUN DAY



SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2022  
11AM - 3PM  
ALL AGES / ALL WELCOME

- MARKET STALLS
- FREE ACTIVITIES
- FOOD • DRINKS
- YARD GAMES

## LEGO CLUB

Lego Club will continue during Term 4 on Wednesdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm every week. 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

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

**Immunisation Services**  
**0428 894 724**  
**[immunisation@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au](mailto:immunisation@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au)**

### Term 4 Calendar – Draft #2 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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<b>WEEK 1</b>	Mon	3-Oct	NO school day. STUDENT FREE DAY of Term 4 STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING – ONSITE Mrs Mitchell -2 weeks Long Service Leave
	Tues	4-Oct	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4 FOR STUDENTS Walk to School WILL BEGIN NEXT WEEK
	Wed	5-Oct	EB Team Meeting 3-4.30pm, Sunsmart appropriate hats to be worn in Term 4
<b>WEEK 2</b>	Mon	10-Oct	Book Fair delivery
	Tues	11-Oct	Walk to School Begins today. Every Tuesday for the term (weather depending)
	Wed	12-Oct	Preparation for Puberty sessions <span style="float: right;">School Council Meeting 7pm</span>
	Thurs	13-Oct	
	Fri	14-Oct	Wesley @ Clunes Community Service (WCS) begins Year 6 Principal for a Day session with Ms Jardine
<b>WEEK 3</b>			SOG Meetings this week <span style="float: right;">Mrs Anderson Literacy Leaders Professional Learning (PL)</span> Ms Jardine supporting Lethbridge PS with their School Review Day 1 Verena Doyle -Native Plants- small group session with Mrs Mitchell & Ms Dargaville
	Mon	17-Oct	
	Tue	18-Oct	
	Wed	19-Oct	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm Val- 2 weeks Long Service Leave EB Team Meeting 3-4.30pm
	Thurs	20-Oct	P-2 ecolinc excursion
	Fri	21-Oct	WCS
	SUN	23 -Oct	School Working Bee- 8.30-10am Free Lending Library- Market and activity day 11am -3pm
<b>WK 4</b>	Mon	24-Oct	Book Fair -pack up and collection
	Tues	25-Oct	
	Wed	26-Oct	MEC- Yr 6-7 2023 transition 10am-1pm
	Fri	28-Oct	WCS WORLD TEACHERS DAY celebrated at Clunes PS
<b>WEEK 5</b>	Mon	31-Oct	annual Snail Races event TBC
	Tues	1-Nov	Melbourne Cup Holiday
	Wed	2-Nov	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm EB Team Meeting 3-4.30pm
	Thurs	3-Nov	2023 K-P Transition program session 1 9-11am, School Sport Victoria Games Day session 1 (round net)
	Fri	4-Nov	No WCS today
<b>WEEK 6</b>	Mon	7-Nov	
	Tues	8-Nov	Ms Jardine supporting Lethbridge PS with their School Review (Day 2)
	Wed	9-Nov	Mrs Anderson Literacy Leaders (PL) School Council Meeting 7pm & possible EB night ride demo' Ms Jardine supporting Lethbridge PS with their School Review- Final Day
	Thurs	10-Nov	
	Fri	11-Nov	Remembrance Day- student leaders commitment
<b>WEEK 7</b>	Tue	15-Nov	2023 K-P Transition program session 2 9-11am, Swimming Lessons begin P-6
	Wed	16-Nov	EB Team Meeting 3-4.30pm Set up for EB in Maryborough
	Thu	17-Nov	EB in Maryborough, School Sports Victoria Games Day session 2 (kick ball)
	Fri	18-Nov	EB in Maryborough, Year 4 & 5 students visiting EB
	Sat	19-Nov	EB in Maryborough CLUNES SHOW
	<b>WEEK 8</b>	Mon	21-Nov
Tues		22-Nov	Swimming Lessons- Wk2
Thurs		24-Nov	NEW DATE ** Year 6 only Bike Ed' ½ day with Vic Pol -Simon & Jim
Fri		25-Nov	
Sat		26-Nov	Victoria- Election Day- Sausage Sizzle BBQ School Fundraiser
<b>WK 9</b>		Mon	28-Nov
	Tues	29-Nov	2023 K-P Transition program session 3 11am- 1pm, Swimming Lessons Wk3
	Thurs	1-Dec	
	Fri	2-Dec	Parent/carer/guardian helper morning tea
<b>WEEK 10</b>	Mon	5-Dec	
	Tues	6-Dec	Swimming Lessons Wk4
	Wed	7-Dec	
	Thurs	8-Dec	Year 6 2023 School Captain speeches and voting
	Fri	9-Dec	Christmas Focus Day, School Carols at 2pm, (Christmas in Clunes- after school town event)
<b>WEEK 11</b>	Mon	12-Dec	
	Tues	13-Dec	State-wide Transition Day Years 6-7 & K-P School Reports and class lists for 2023 home today, Swimming Lessons -final week
	Wed	14-Dec	School Council Dinner and Meeting 7pm (incorrect placement last Newsletter)
	Thurs	15-Dec	Year 6 Graduation, P-5 transition afternoon for 2023
	Fri	16-Dec	Class parties
<b>12</b>	Mon	19-Dec	Last day of Term 4 & the 2022 school year - 3pm finish - Each last day of Term is casual dress.
	Tues	20-Dec	Student Free Day

