

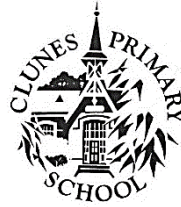
Thursday 21st November 2024 Term 4 Week 7

"Golden Past, Bright Futures"

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We learn. We show respect.

We are safe.

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



Clunes Primary School Newsletter



**BREAKFAST CLUB- 😊
THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Please see Term 4
Calendar draft #5.**

**Monday 16th December – Week 11
Xmas Focus 'Day' morning and
Xmas Concert after lunch.
(including Santa visit)**

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

*In 2024 we have a student who has a severe allergy to NUTS! We will need to do our best 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. *There have been many cases of Slapped Cheek in the school this Term. Please refer to the slap cheek information in our previous newsletters!

Dear Parents and Carers,



See the Remembrance Day 2024 article inside

What has gone home?

The following notes/items have been sent home with students/ families.

**Christmas Giftng Registrations-
Anglicare- due to Sonia
by Fri 29th Nov.**

**P-2 Sovereign Hill
Excursion – DUE
Friday the 29th Nov**



The Clunes Show was a wonderful success despite very warm weather conditions. Please see the article inside.

**Wishing you a happy, resilient, safe and successful fortnight ahead. Go Team "Dynamite!"
Kind regards, Sonia and staff.**



**Christmas
Focus Day
and Christmas
Concert
details inside
& above**

**SCHOOL SAVING
BONUS**

– Emails are being sent out buy The Department of Education over the next few weeks to each family. If your family has not received an email about the bonus by December 1st and you have a child enrolled in a Victorian Public School for 2025 please contact Jesse in the Office.

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

Our Resilience Project foci are:
Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness

Prep /1D – Raven	1/2MJ- Jack
2 /3P – Akir, Gracie, Indy	4 /5S – whole class, Izzy, Tobias, Brax V
5/6B – Jacus	Bus travel Award-
Performing Arts- Cora, Visual Arts- River, Orianna	Principal's Award- Jack, Jasper, Elara, Julian Jolly, Reece H-D, Xavier. All EB team members supporting the EB Raffle!
Physical Education- Diesel	LOTE-Japanese- Duke T, Isabelle, Indy



Monday 16th December 2024

Christmas Concert at Clunes Primary School

Members of the extended Clunes School Community are most welcome to attend.

Concert beginning – 1.30pm – 3pm

Hampers- Winners drawn out Visit from Santa 😊



Christmas Hamper \$1 per ticket

The school will conduct a Christmas Hamper Raffle again at our **Christmas Concert Afternoon – Monday 16th December**. We would be grateful if each family could donate one item for this hamper. (Hampers kept in the Gallery/ Staff Room) Six tickets will be sent home to every family within the next fortnight so that you can have the opportunity to win one of the four excellent Christmas Hampers on offer. Please write on both sections of the ticket and return to the office. The winners will be drawn at the end of the Concert. Good luck! Regards, CPS Staff

Kitchen Garden focus- Thank you 😊



Kris and Georgia's annual Tomato Seedlings and Tomato Plants have once again been readily snapped up outside the Clunes Green Grocer's over the past two weekends. Donations for the seedlings have now surpassed **\$620!** All proceeds go directly back into our Kitchen Program budget. The Clunes Green Grocer business has recently been sold and we sincerely thank Megan and Greg for their generous support over a number of years! We wish them every happiness in future endeavours.



Meanwhile, several of our families have absolutely reinvigorated our Kitchen Garden! As above! Thank you! Mrs Mitchell is beside herself with glee! 😊 The Dossor family have been able to access donations linked to herbs and vegie seedlings of which our students have been busy planting, and the Dossor family have secured an incursion from Bunnings staff linked to planting and growing healthy foods! Watch this space! Every Monday after school a group of committed school families will nurture the Kitchen Garden and care for it over the upcoming school holiday period also. We thank these families for their commitment to our Kitchen Garden Program.

Thank you Charlie R, Tobias, Duncan, Archie, Charlie F and other volunteer garden helpers.



Walk to School Tuesday

Every Tuesday morning at 8.30am approximately 20-25 students meet at the Playground at Queen's Park.

Mr. James, Shell and/ or Mr. Burke and Jan enjoy the walk up School Hill.

Information for Year 6 Graduation 2024

(Our Year 6 families already have this information)

Year Six Graduation 2024 – We will have a slight change to our Year 6 Graduation celebration in 2024. I met with a smaller representative group within School Council prior to our last School Council meeting. We discussed our previous Graduations; successes and issues, and suggestions to make the 2024 Graduation a continued positive experience for the students, and their families. I also met with the students and staff and discussed the same. I spoke with multiple Principals across the Nth Principals Network & several from Ballarat- schools of all size and complexity.

Combining all thoughts and suggestions and endeavouring to have a win-win experience for all concerned we will have:

1. Students will arrive at 5.30pm.
2. An earlier dinner – 6.00pm students only. Optional staff attendance. Special Guests presenting Awards to attend Awards Ceremony only.
3. Dinner completed with time to remove tables and socialise before families arrive.
4. Just before 7.30pm – Families (no restricted numbers) & Special Guests arrive. Seating will have been previously put in place, in rows, (school chairs easier to utilise than Town Hall chairs) with Aisle in place for ease of movement. Seating set aside for special guests. Once all seated, the official Graduation Ceremony will commence.
5. 7.30-8.30am – 2024 Graduation Ceremony

The dress code for the Year 6 Graduation Dinner and Presentation is as follows:

- Dress shorts or pants
- A shirt with a collar (either a short sleeve or long sleeve, depending on the weather)
- Closed in footwear (sneakers, boots, dress shoes)
- A tie and jacket are **optional**
- Dresses (with straps)
- A skirt and top
- Low or no heeled shoes (comfortable and safe)

Remembrance Day 2024

Our School Captains and all Year 5 /6B class members recently attended and actively participated in the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Cenotaph.

Our captains placed the school's commemorative wreath at the Cenotaph and Chloe V proudly recited the Ode to members of the Clunes community. Chloe spoke with a clear, loud and confident voice. Well done Chloe! Chloe was ably supported by Brock at the lectern.

Dyllan was invited by our local Indigenous community to place the wreath acknowledging all past and present Indigenous armed services personnel.

We could not have been more proud of the way in which our school leaders represented the school. Thank you!

Leading up to Remembrance day poppies were available for purchase at the school and all proceeds were forwarded directly to our Clunes RS & L Branch. Members of the Clunes RS & L have once again thanked all Clunes PS families and staff for our annual dedicated commitment to Remembrance Day.

11 NOVEMBER
REMEMBRANCE DAY

Lest we forget



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161st Clunes Show school Luncheon Room fundraiser 2024

Lots of Helpers! Scones and Sandwiches SOLD OUT! Possibly less Show patrons but a huge fundraising success again! \$3000+ raised! Wow! The Energy Breakthrough Raffle raised \$308! Thank you to Jo H-D, Mrs B and our wonderful fundraising CPS Team. Also to Ag Society members for resounding support every year and to ex- students Reece, Julian, Max & Liam and wonderful Grandparent Helpers! Some helpers do not want to be named or thanked. Your annual support is phenomenal! I'll be in trouble again for taking lots of photos! :-)

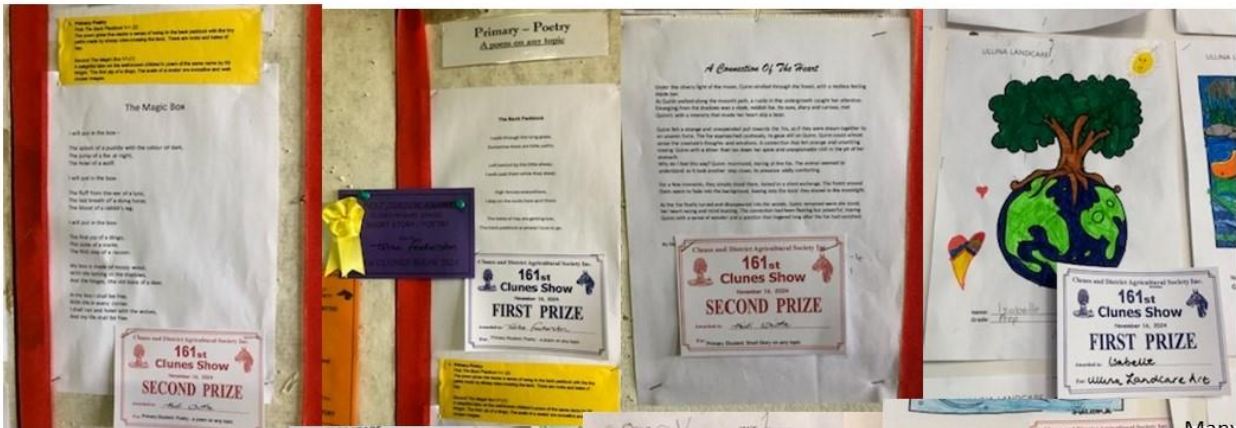


We sincerely thank you all!

More photos at school!



Clunes Show 2024 - student Awards & Prizes



Many more Awards & Prizes photos at School! 😊



BOOK CLUB ISSUE 8

Book Club is due back by:

WEDNESDAY, 27th

NOVEMBER

Order forms and eftpos/cash payments can be placed at the office, or parent LOOP online ordering is available for credit card payments.

(Details on order form)

No late orders will be accepted after the due date.

**This is our last Bookclub for 2024,
Thank you to all the families that have supported us throughout the year.**

Jan (Bookclub organiser)

Schools in Category 3 on the Bushfire At-Risk Register and the Category 4 list.

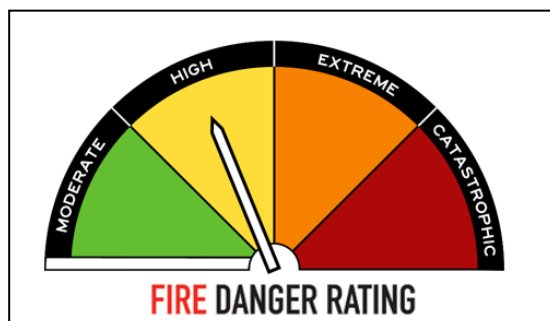
Clunes Primary School is a Category 4 school.

School preparations for the bushfire season

Each year, to prepare for bushfires and grassfires, schools and early childhood services complete a range of activities.

The Department of Education runs an annual fire risk assessment of schools and early childhood services.

They are allocated a category of risk (categories 0 to 4) and are published on the Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR).



All schools and early childhood services listed on the BARR and Category 4 list will **also close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district.**

When the Bureau of Meteorology provides public fire danger rating forecasts or fire weather warnings, they use fire weather district areas. In Victoria, there are 9 fire weather districts, which are based on Local Government Area boundaries. Our school is in the **Central fire weather district.**

As part of preparing our school for the fire season, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan and completed Fire Preparedness actions, such as reprioritising any maintenance works that may assist in preparing for the threat of fire and cleared our facility's grounds and gutters.

What does this mean for our school?

Our school has been identified as being at risk of bushfire or grassfire and is a **Category 4 school.**

Our school will **close** on a day forecasted as **Catastrophic fire danger rating** in **Central fire district.**

What is the department's policy?

The department's [Bushfire and Grassfire Preparedness Policy](#) requires all schools and early childhood services on the BARR and the Category 4 list to close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district. All school bus routes which travel in or through a district with Catastrophic fire danger must also be cancelled.

When will our school be closed due to Catastrophic fire danger?

Our school will **close** on a day forecasted as **Catastrophic fire danger rating** in the **Central fire district.**

Closure of the school due to a forecast Catastrophic day will be confirmed on the day prior and we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day. Any information regarding potential or confirmed Catastrophic fire danger days will be communicated to you by email and by a hard copy note.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, even if the weather forecast changes. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to be aware that:

- No one will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Catastrophic day.
- Out-of-school-hours care (After School Care) will also be cancelled on these days.
- All bus routes that travel through the Catastrophic area will be cancelled.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast for fire weather district in which the camp is located, or if the travel involves passing through areas that have Catastrophic fire danger.

Families are encouraged to action their Bushfire Survival Plan on Catastrophic fire danger rating days. **On such days, children should never be left at home alone or in the care of older children.**

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the Country Fire Authority (CFA) advises that when Catastrophic days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Catastrophic day.

What can families and the school community do to help us prepare?

- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers.
- Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, by talking to your child's teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.
- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed due to a Catastrophic fire danger. Further information can be found on the [CFA's website](#).
- Action your family's bushfire survival plan if your own triggers are met. Our school community may be spread out across many areas and some families may be at higher risk than others. Your family's safety is critical, so please let us know if you are actioning your bushfire survival plan and if your children will be absent on these days.
- If your child is old enough, talk to [them about bushfires](#) and your family's bushfire survival plan.

You can find more information on emergencies, warnings and preparedness actions here:

- VicEmergency app – that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices
- VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226)
- Website <https://emergency.vic.gov.au>
- Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency>)
- Twitter (<https://twitter.com/vicemergency>)

ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters

School Lunches

Term 4

October 10th - Hot Dogs

October 17th - Clunes Bakery

October 24th - Nuggets & Chips - Clunes Top Shop

October 31st - Chicken Burgers

November 7th - Clunes Bakery

November 14th - Fish Bites & Chips or Salad Clunes Top Shop

November 21st - Spaghetti

December 5th - Hamburgers (Lettuce, Cheese) Clunes Top Shop

December 12th - Hot Dogs

December 19th - Clunes Bakery

Available every week a range of salad rolls or wraps with
your choice of fillings.

Vegetarian and Gluten Free option available every week.

**Every lunch comes with a Juice, Water, Jelly Cup or
Fruit Cup.**

**Orders must be placed by 9am Tuesday prior to the delivery
date.**

NO late orders will be accepted.

Orders cannot be refunded in the event of student absences.



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www.clunesnh.org/meals or
scan QR Code



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WEEK 1	Mon	7-Oct	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4 😊 <i>TERM 4 begins Monday 7th October Book Fair arrives. See the flyer inside re dates for sales</i>
	Tue	8-Oct	Walk to School extra-curricular weekly activity begins again. Meet 8.30am at Queen's Park
	Wed	9-Oct	Sonia – Early Learning Centre meeting 3.15pm staff CPR update School Council Meeting 7pm
	Thurs	10-Oct	Newsletter- (Newsletters home each fortnight, sent via email & placed on the school's website)
	Fri	11-Oct	Zone Athletics Sports Book Fair begins today. Trading tomorrow (Saturday also from 10-12pm)
WEEK 2	Mon	14-Oct	
	Tue	15-Oct	
	Wed	16-Oct	K-P transition support meeting
	Thurs	17-Oct	Val begins Long Service Leave
	Fri	18-Oct	BINGO Night – school fundraiser CANCELLED!
WEEK 3	Mon	21-Oct	School Captains visit to the Kinder
	Tues	22-Oct	Student Support Group meetings begin
	Wed	23-Oct	Student Support Group meetings continue
	Thu	24-Oct	
	Fri	25-Oct	
WEEK 4	Mon	28-Oct	5 /6 students MAV Mathematics challenge
	Tues	29-Oct	K-P transition visit to school #1- 9-11am
	Wed	30-Oct	Student Support Group meetings continue Val returns from Long Service Leave
	Thu	31-Oct	Junior School Council Meeting 1.10pm
	Fri	1-Nov	Japanese Focus Day
WEEK 5	Mon	4-Nov	CONFIRMED - Student Free Day- staff professional practice day- Writing & Sentral- Reporting foci
	Tue	5-Nov	Melbourne Cup- Public Holiday
	Wed	6-Nov	Finance Professional Learning 9.00-11.00am – Jesse & Sonia Annual Snail Races event EB TABLOID SPORTS
	Thurs	7-Nov	Miss D begins Long Service Leave
	Fri	8-Nov	
WEEK 6	Mon	11-Nov	
	Tue	12-Nov	K-P transition visit to school #2- 9-11am
	Wed	13-Nov	P-2 Earth Ed excursion Miss D returns School Council Meeting 7pm
	Thu	14-Nov	
	Fri	15-Nov	Swimming- whole school program begins #1
	Sat	16-Nov	CLUNES SHOW- helpers required please
WEEK 7	Mon	18-Nov	Pack EB trailer
	Tues	19-Nov	Energy Breakthrough Training & gear set up in Maryborough
	Wed	20-Nov	Energy Breakthrough
	Thu	21-Nov	Energy Breakthrough 4 /5/6 excursion to EB Glasses 4 Kids P-3
	Fri	22-Nov	Energy Breakthrough Swimming #2
WEEK 8	Mon	25-Nov	
	Tues	26-Nov	K-P transition to school #3 - 11am-1pm
	Wed	27-Nov	
	Thurs	28-Nov	
	Fri	29-Nov	Swimming #3
WEEK 9	Mon	2-Dec	
	Tue	3-Dec	P-2 Camps Program - Sovereign Hill, dinner at school & short movie
	Wed	4-Dec	
	Thu	5-Dec	School Captains 2025 Speeches and voting 9am in the MP Hall
	Fri	6-Dec	Parent Helper End of Year thank you Morning Tea Swimming #4
WEEK 10	Mon	9-Dec	Hepburn Shire- Award
	Tues	10-Dec	State-wide Transition Day K-P 9-1pm & Yr 6-7 + Highview Transition Day
	Wed	11-Dec	School Council Meeting 6.30pm
	Thurs	12-Dec	Year 6 Graduation evening
	Fri	13-Dec	Swimming #5 (last swimming session)
Week 11	Mon	16-Dec	Final Assembly led by 2024 School Captains, Awards, Xmas Focus Day (am), Concert 1.30-3pm (+ Santa)
	Tues	17-Dec	Semester 2 Achievement Reports home & 2025 Class Lists home.
	Wed	18-Dec	Class parties
	Thurs	19-Dec	CONFIRMED Final day for <u>students</u> for the 2024 school year. 3.00pm finish Casual Dress Day
	Fri	20-Dec	CONFIRMED Final day for <u>staff</u> for the 2024 school year. Student Free Day – Admin / Prof' Learning day



Fun at the 2024 Clunes Show!

