Welcome to Term 4!

I trust that everyone enjoyed the holiday break. The holiday weather was a treat, although it would be nice to see some rain to replenish our school oval and gardens.

Term 4 is a busy and exciting term and it has commenced with Mrs Slee, Mr Sky, Peter Pisarek & Kim Sivewright travelling with our 4/5/6 students on their major excursion to Brisbane. From all reports the weather is fine and everyone is having a brilliant and fabulous time. Yesterday they spent the morning at Sciencecentre, toured Suncorp stadium and went ten-pin bowling. Today they are experiencing the phenomenal Australia Zoo and they are looking forward to sleeping underwater tonight. See photos below.

Intensive swimming begins next week and continues for two school weeks. This year, due to a unique set of circumstances, we are able to offer students in years 2 to 6 the opportunity to be involved in the program. In the past 2 years there has been a rise in coastal drowning deaths on the North Coast of New South Wales. This program specifically targets the improvement & development of swimming skills in all the students participating in the program. It is an intense 10 day program that allows technique growth and ability enhancement the greatest opportunity to be achieved.

This term, Year 6 students will be involved in the Interrelate program (week 3 & 4), their formal graduation assembly (week 10), dinner and end of year day out (week 11); as well as maintaining a focus on learning all that is needed before departing primary school. I can see that they are going to be very busy!

One our talented students will be travelling to Sydney next week to compete at State level PSSA Athletics Championships. Reece is competing in the Discus. I’m sure he’ll give his best and do a fabulous job of representing Clunes School. Congratulations Reece and on behalf of all the Clunes Public School staff, students, parents and community members we wish you every success.

Expectation of the week Term 4 Week 1:

CRUNCH AND SIP EVERY DAY

Jack Priestley

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

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NSW Education & Communities

We are an accredited Waste Wise Ways School
**Kindergarten 2014 Orientation Program**

Our orientation program for Kindergarten 2014 students begins on Thursday 24 October (week 3) then continues on Monday 28 October (week 4), Thursday 7 November (week 5) and concludes on Monday 11th November (week 6).

If you, or anyone you know, has children starting school next year and are interested in starting them at Clunes School then this is the program for you.

The program aims to introduce your children to Clunes in a fun and exciting way; getting them familiar with the school layout, routines and expectations; meeting staff and students; and giving them a glimpse of what 'big school' will be like.

The first session starts at 9.00am and will conclude at 11.00am. Children need to bring some cut up fruit and a water bottle as well as a hat for some outdoor activities. There is also a parent information session from 9.30am on this first morning.

For enquiries or to register your child for the program please contact the school office or email us on clunes-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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**Assembly**

The first assembly for Term 4 will be on Friday 18 October at 2.15pm in the school hall. The 2/3 class will be presenting an item for your enjoyment. All families are invited to attend.

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**Music Tuition for Term 4**

Music tuition with Mr Hort will start next Wednesday 16 October. Piano tuition with Laura from Hothouse started last Tuesday.

Fees for Term 4 are $85.00 for all instruments except piano and are now due. Payment can be made in cash; by cheque payable to Clunes Public School; by EFTPOS; or by credit card over the phone.

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**Swimming Program**

A friendly reminder that the intensive swimming scheme starts next Monday with students travelling to Alstonville Pool each day for the next two weeks.

Cost for the program is $60 per student which includes pool entry and bus fare. Students who are participating need to return their permission note and money by TOMORROW.

Students need to bring

- their swimmers;
- towel;
- plastic bag for wet items; and
- underwear if you come to school in swimmers.
- And don’t forget the sunscreen!

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**Dream World Excursion for Continuing Band**

Notes for the Dream World Band excursion were distributed on Tuesday (sorry for the overload of notes but with the 4/5/6 excursion to Brisbane we needed to get notes out prior to them leaving)

Notes and payment (only $22 after our great cupcake fund raiser) need to be returned to school by Thursday 17 October. Parents who are accompanies the students will need to pay $10.

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**School Murals**

Colleen Henderson, with the help of some industrious and patient students, has been freshening up the murals around the school. Keep an eye out for them over the next couple of weeks as you wander through the school.

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**Notes due back in the next week**

- Swimming Note - Friday 11 October
- Band Excursion - Thursday 17 October
- Interrelate - Friday 18 October

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**More dates for your calendars**

- Monday 28 October - Day 2 Kinder Orientation
- Friday 1 November - Day 2 Interrelate – Yrs 5-6
- Thursday 7 November - Day 3 Kinder Orientation
- Monday 11 November - Day 4 Kinder Orientation
- Friday 15 November - Student Assembly
- AND coming in December – Life Education, the school concert, school disco and end of year fun day.

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**Did You Know?**

In NSW, close to 60% of children do not eat the recommended amount of vegetables.

Eating fruit and vegetables every day helps children and a teenager grow and develop, boosts their vitality and can reduce the risk of many chronic diseases - such as heart disease, high blood pressure, some forms of cancer and being overweight or obese.

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Clunes School is now part of the Live Life Well @ School program and each fortnight will incorporate snippets of information to complement and support what the school is doing with the children.

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Some ideas to try:

- Try different fruits or vegies on your toast – banana, mushrooms or tomatoes.
- Add chopped or pureed fruit to plain yoghurts.
- Make a fruit smoothie with fresh, frozen or canned (in natural or unsweetened juice) fruit; blend it with reduced fat milk and yoghurt.
- Chop up some fruit or vegie sticks for the lunchbox.
- In summer, freeze fruit on a skewer (or mix with yoghurt before freezing) for a refreshing snack.
- Make fruit-based desserts (such as fruit crumble or baked, poached or stewed fruit) and serve with reduced fat custard.
- Have fresh fruit available at all times as a convenient snack – keep the fruit bowl full and have diced fruit in a container in the fridge.

**P & C News**

**P & C Meeting**

Our next P & C meeting is Wednesday 16 October at 6pm in the Year 6 classroom. All families welcome to attend.

**Calendar Fundraiser**

Late orders for the calendars/cards/diaries need to be returned to school by tomorrow at the very latest.

**Canteen Update**

*Do you want the canteen to close?*

After running canteen for a few months we realise that opening fortnightly is confusing for both students & parents. However, we can not personally commit the time to open weekly without some guaranteed level of support from other school parents.

We are happy to organise all aspects of running the canteen but are looking for parents to volunteer their time for 1 Tuesday per month (or less if we have several volunteers). You will not have to order supplies, cook or coordinate anything! It’s simply turn up at 9am, heat food & serve children through recess & lunch; too easy! There are 2 people on per day so it’s never lonely and lots of fun. Your children will LOVE having you there.

We are flexible with dates so will create a roster to suit everybody. Please contact me via phone or email if you are interested, on 66291 403 or ms.emma.cronin@outlook.com even if you can only do once a term.

Canteen is a fabulous service for the kids as well as a great fundraiser for the school. We are really passionate about running this service but really can’t do it without more support. We are always open for new ideas so get in touch.

Thanks to everyone who is already volunteering their time,

*Emma & Jen*

**Vacation Care & COOSH News**

Phew! Another fabulous vacation care is done and dusted. And what a fantastic time it was, with one student even being heard to say ‘that was the best day I’ve ever had!’

As usual, the activities greatly varied and there was something for everyone: a ‘PJ Party’ day with glow stick disco dancing and sleeping bag races; an “Art Attack” day with two bona fide artists in residence and amazing canvas paintings created; and a huge ‘Trash and Treasure’ day with digging for chocolate ‘treasure’ in the slimy trash and an enormous raffle in which everyone was a winner!! All the staff and students involved had such a fun time being active and creative amongst great people 😊.

We expect numbers to be huge in the next school holidays as word continues to spread about how excellent the program is.

**Ambient light was created with the tea light candle holders on our ‘Exotic India’ themed day.**

And of course COOSH is back in full swing with a big, busy day on Monday. Students enjoyed catching up after time away and getting straight back into Spring craft and enthusiastic outside play.

Things look a little different staffing-wise this term as Carolyn and Hannah are both on prac for their respective teaching courses. The first four weeks will be coordinated by Viv and Kylie, and we are supported by a mix of old and new assistant staff; Lisa, Dave and Laura.

No doubt the coming month will be a great time of fresh fun activities as the team expands. Please remember that there are still spots left in our after school care program and we would love to have your child join us. Please give us a call on 66291750 or come and see us in the afternoon for more details.

Thanks! *Kylie and the COOSH team*
**School Banking Update: Redeem your tokens for a moneybox this year!**

In 2014 the School Banking program will be launching a new set of exciting reward items for students to redeem their tokens for. Each reward item will continue to be valued at 10 tokens (i.e. 10 deposits) and there will be two new reward items for students to choose from each term. With exciting new reward items on offer in 2014, please be aware that the Dollarmites moneyboxes will no longer be available next year. To avoid any child missing out on claiming their moneybox, please let your children know of this change and encourage them to redeem their moneybox this school year.

**The Eltham Art Awards**

The Eltham Art Awards are on again with opening night being Friday 1st November 2013 and is an initiative of the Eltham Public School’s P & C. The Awards are unusual in that they focus on artworks by Primary School students in line with the school's emphasis on the importance of the creative dimension of education. High school students and professional artists are also invited to enter their work with prizes for all categories. Please see the attached brochure for details about the awards and the entry form.

**Community Announcements**

**DO YOU LOVE PLAYING CRICKET?**

Teams for boys and girls in years 2, 3 & 4 are available

Competition starts Saturday 19th October

TRAINING THIS THURSDAY 4:30 @ CLUNES PUBLIC SCHOOL NETS

To register or for more information please contact
Kel McGrath
ph: 66291678 or
e-mail kel26@westnet.com.au

**Childrens' Halloween Disco**

Repentance Creek Hall – Saturday 19 October 6-9pm
Children $10; Adults $4; Family $28
Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Snacks, juice and sausage sizzle
Phone 0407898374

**Tennis Coaching for TERM 4**

Coaching with Amanda Mead will be on Wednesday mornings from 7.45-8.45am during Term 4. There will be no afternoon coaching.

Please contact Amanda for more details 0424970367

**(PCYC Lismore – Community Fun Day**

Saturday 12 October 9am to 2pm at the Lismore PCYC Dawson Street, Lismore