Our talented performers shine on stage!

Performing Arts Festival

This week we have been entertained by the fabulous talent of our musicians, singers and dancers. Congratulations to all our performers, not only for your wonderful performance and the hard work that led to this, but also the exemplary way you conduct yourselves as ambassadors for our school.

Thank you to our families and staff who supported this fantastic festival through the weeks of rehearsals, transport, backstage assistance and audience participation. These inspirational student opportunities cannot happen without you.

Thank you to Nigel Hort for his ongoing dedication and contributions as a music tutor and to Jessica Sharp of Sharp Dance Studios for her fantastic choreography.

Lastly, words cannot adequately express our gratitude to Mrs Heather McKay, who has worked tirelessly to coordinate this amazing event and her expertise in bringing out the best of our musically talented students.

Public Speaking Competition

Wow!!! What an articulate, creative and well informed group of students we have at Clunes Public School. All staff has been very impressed with the high standard of speeches presented this week.

Congratulations to the following finalists who will compete in our Clunes Public School Finals on Monday 2nd September at 11:30am.

Stage 3 Finalists:
Eli, Charlotte, Dan, Arky, Maggie and Nelson

Stage 2 Finalists:
Mawgan, Hayden, Maddie and Connor

Our three Persons of Excellence from Stage 1 and Early Stage 1 are still in the selection process but will have the opportunity to deliver their speeches on Monday morning also.

All parents and community members are welcome to attend the finals on Monday morning.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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We are an accredited Waste Wise Ways School
Is your child ready for Kindergarten 2014?

Parents often ask what simple things they can do to ensure a positive start to Kindergarten.

Next week, Best Start Coordinator, Rachel Bertuzzi, will present an informative session on encouraging a love of literacy and numeracy in your child as well as explaining the “Best Start” program. All community members with young children are welcome to attend this session on Thursday 5th September at 9:30am in our library. This is also a great way to meet other parents with similar aged children. Please contact our office if you are attending to assist with catering and handouts.

You will also find our Kindergarten Orientation Dates for next term in this newsletter

Fathers’ Day Stall

We hope everyone will support the P & C Fathers’ Day stall tomorrow morning. There will be a range of gifts available from 50 cents to $5

We hope all fathers, uncles, grandfathers and everyone who provides a significant, positive male role in a child’s life, have a fantastic day on Sunday.

Expectation of the Week for Week 8:

TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR OWN ACTIONS

Michelle Slee
(Relieving Principal)

Assembly

Our next assembly is tomorrow afternoon when the Year 6 class will be presenting at item for your enjoyment. We will also be presenting our Semester 2 Student Representative Council members with their badges.

All families are welcome to come and join with us.

Regional athletics representatives

Congratulations to all the students who competed at the Zone Athletics carnival on Friday 16th in Lismore. We had 22 students from Clunes participate in relays, sprints, 800m, long jump, high jump and more.

From the twenty-two, seven students have qualified to compete at the Regional Carnival tomorrow

Rosie Hogan  800m
Eli Gambley  800m
Hayden Thorpe  100m
Shady Wagner  High Jump
Maddie Mitchell  Long Jump
Reece Gallagher  Discus
Thomas Nicholls  Relay

We wish them all the best – we know you will represent your school and district with pride.
Y4, 5, 6 Excursion – medical information required

Medical Information forms have been distributed to all students in Years 4, 5 and 6 who are participating in the major excursion next term.

We ask that the forms are returned NO LATER than 20 September (last day of this term).

Emergency Contact Details

Thank you to all the families who have returned their contact details so promptly.

The information is used in case of sickness, injury or emergency so if you have not already returned the form, could you please send it in this week so our database can be updated before the holidays.

We ask that you check the details thoroughly and

- **If all the information is correct** – sign at the bottom and return the sheet to school; or
- **If there is any incorrect information**, please amend, preferably in red pen, sign at the bottom and return the form to school.

Music Tuition Fees

Accounts have been distributed today to families who have outstanding music tuition or semester two hire fees.

Election Day Cake Donations

Clunes School teachers & the P&C are running a sausage sizzle/cake stall at the school on Election Day, Saturday 7th September but we can’t do it without parent’s support through donations or manning the stall.

We are asking for you to do any of the following:

- Donate cakes/slices/biscuits to sell by the slice
- Donate whole cakes etc to sell on the day
- Donate eggs for the egg & bacon rolls
- Donate your time to work at the stall

The stall will run from 8am – 12.30pm and will be a fabulous opportunity to raise funds for more ipads for the classrooms. PLEASE help any way you can.

Please contact Emma Cronin on 66291403 or the school office if you can help out.

More dates for your calendars

- 16th September – Gifted writers Workshop 2 (selected students)
- 17th September - Parent/Student meeting @ 5pm – Y4, 5, 6 major excursion information.
- 18th September – S1 Excursion
- 18th, 19th September – Life Education

Vacation Care & COOSH News

This week we did some painting on biscuits! Of course, we used icing as paint. They looked great and tasted even better!

We have even more fun and exciting activities planned for Vacation Care! Vacation Care operates Monday to Friday (8am-5.30pm) during the school holidays from the school hall. Fees are $43 for a full day and $30 for a half day (up to 5 hours) - less with child care rebate. Visit our website for more details: [www.coosh.org.au](http://www.coosh.org.au) or call us on 6629 1750.

We are looking for videos to show in our afternoon "quiet time." If anyone could lend them to us it would be very much appreciated! Videos needed are:

- Chicken Run
- Cats and Dogs
- Alice in Wonderland
- Treasure Planet
- How to Tame Your Dragon
- The Croods
- The Incredibles
- Mr Bean’s Holiday
- Jungle Book 2
- Mars Needs Moms

Raising Happy, Healthy Teenagers

Modanville P.S. is hosting “Raising Happy, Healthy Teenagers” with Dr Arne Rubinstein on Wednesday 11 September from 7.00-8.30pm at Modanville Public School. This is an initiative of the Big Scrub Community of Schools.

Admission is $10.00 payable at the door but bookings are being taken for the night by calling the school on 66282234. For more information about Dr Rubinstein you can visit [http://doctorarne.com](http://doctorarne.com)

Photos Please

Have you taken some great photos of the students throughout the year at one or other of our events?

Would you be prepared to share them with our school and the school community?

I am currently updating photos on the school website and am looking for good quality photos of the students participating in school activities e.g. athletics day, book week, performing arts etc.

If you have some photos that you think would be worthy of promoting the school, could you email or send them to school on a USB? Photos will be acknowledged to the photographer.