Clunes Public School
Newsletter
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Our school stands proudly on Bundjalung land

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GRIP LEADERSHIP
Last week I had the absolute pleasure of accompanying our Year 6 students to the Grip Leadership Conference at Tweed Heads. The students enjoyed the day immensely and I am sure you will enjoy reading Connor’s report on the day. Thank you to Kim Goodrick who also accompanied us on the day; we appreciate her assistance in supervision.

FUND RAISER FOR NEPAL AND VANUATU
Next Wednesday our students will be holding a mufti day to raise money for the Red Cross Organisation, to assist the people of Nepal and Vanuatu. Students have decided to hold a “Wear whatever you like” theme. This could be a superhero, animal, a favourite outfit or even pyjamas or something wackier!!! It is important that while wacky is fine, we need to ensure that there is sensible footwear and no short shorts, midriffs or bare shoulders.
Donations will be a gold coin and the SRC will also be running little playground activities for students to participate in for 20 cents. This is a very worthy cause that the children have chosen and we hope everyone will join in and support this day.

MASTERS BBQ
Just a reminder that our wonderful band of parent helpers is running a BBQ at Masters on Saturday. If you can help by donating your time or goods, it will be greatly appreciated.
P & C current major projects include air conditioning for the library and a suspended digital projector for the hall.

CLUNES PUBLIC SCHOOL VALUES
Thank you to everyone who voted on the 3 most important values for our Clunes Public School Community. These will be announced at our assembly this Friday and published in our newsletter next week.

CHECK OUT THE EXCITING TERM CALENDAR AHEAD
While in our classrooms it is business as usual after NAPLAN tests this week, there are many exciting educational experiences coming up for our students. These include a Chess competition, Life Education, Aladdin the musical, an athletics carnival and a special all-expenses-paid K–6 excursion to Lismore for a NAIDOC celebration day for school students.

Michelle Slee
Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR

We are an accredited Waste Wise Ways School

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A proud member of the First North Community of Schools and The Rivers P-12
**Expectation of the Week**

“Pay it forward”

**Student Assembly**

Our next student assembly will be tomorrow, Friday 15th May, at 2.15pm. The 5-6 class will be performing an item for your enjoyment. All families are welcome to attend.

**Combined Band Practice**

Students involved in the Combined Band will receive a note today regarding the next practice session at Goonellabah Public School on Tuesday 26th May. Notes need to be returned to school by Friday 22nd May so any transport issues can be resolved.

**GRIP Student Leadership Conference**

Last Friday, Year 6 students went to the Grip Leadership Conference in Tweed Heads. There were many schools there with 700 students in total. They talked about standing up for yourself and others, and making the most of leadership opportunities.

We talked about a great idea called “Pay it Forward”.

**PAY IT FORWARD**

This idea came from a movie called “Pay it Forward” and this means to do a good deed for someone without anything in return. The good deed can be small or large. We thought this was a great idea and we would like Clunes School community to try this. We are asking every single person to do a good deed for 3 people. It could be things like helping others with school work, helping at home by unpacking the dishwasher or putting the washing out or helping a neighbour or elderly person by putting their garbage out or weeding the garden etc.

Next week our Expectation for Weeks 5 and 6 will be “Pay it forward.” We will be talking to everyone about the good deeds they have been doing. Just think – 1 person’s 3 good deeds become 9 good deeds becomes 27 good deeds and so on.

**Premiers Reading Challenge**

The Premiers Reading Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 9, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools.

If you want to find out more about the challenge go to [https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html](https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html)

**Premiers Sporting Challenge**

All families will receive a letter today about Clunes School’s participation in the NSW Premier’s Sporting Challenge later this term.

**Around the Classrooms**
Nits
We are still getting reports of head lice in various classrooms so please be diligent and check your child’s hair each evening and treat as necessary.

Notes Due
Combined Band Practice Friday 22 May

Uniform shop
If you require uniforms, you can contact Andrew on holisticgardencare@bigpond.com and send him your order. He will collate and package the order for you to pay for and collect at the front office.

Barbecue Ideas
Barbecues are a great Australian way of social cooking and keeping the kitchen clean. They don’t need to always mean sausages: consider how you could turn it into something simple, nourishing and a whole lot more exciting.
Lean hamburgers or vegeBurgers (homemade patties containing vegetables &/or lentils/beans) on bread rolls, served with
✓ coleslaw
✓ onions and tomato
✓ pepper & parsley
✓ BBQ capsicum and onion slices

Use wholemeal and multigrain varieties, no need to butter rolls. For small children offer mini burgers.

Offer barbequed veges e.g. BBQ corn cobs, thread any of eggplant, zucchini, mushrooms, onion, capsicum, celery and pineapple pieces onto skewers for a delicious side dish.

This week at COOSH we have been fortunate to have some ‘big kid’ helpers, Maya read Dr Seuss’ ‘One Fish Two Fish’, Lucas pulled children round on the roller boards and this afternoon Rhiannon joins us. It is wonderful for our COOSH children to witness values enacted by older children from our community as they participate, take responsibility and care for our members. A big thank you to them for volunteering their time, especially as it is National Volunteer Week.

We have been investigating how we can recycle by making our own paper from old magazines – a rather strange use for a blender as you can see! Weaving leaves tested the children’s dispositions of perseverance and commitment, but now the over-under technique has been mastered expect baskets soon! Sock wrestling was so popular last week the challenges have continued, however we are a little more conventional this week as we attempt to untangle the rules and skills required to win handball.

Thank you to Bec Clark for the lovely shots from the First North Cross Country on the front page of the newsletter.