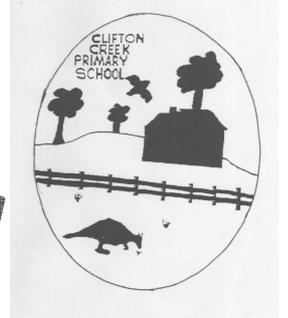


# Clifton Creek Primary School



# newsletter

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## Calendar– Term 3

Term 3: 14 July to 19 September

### AUGUST

Monday 11	Science with Hilary AASC
Tuesday 12	Religious Instruction Tuckshop
Wed 13	AASC School Council Meeting
Thursday 14	Come & Play Exchange students visit Kitchen Garden
Friday 15	MarcVan Friday Fang
Tues 19	JTC Regional rehearsal

### Cluster Athletics

Top effort everyone. This year we came fourth. There were lots of personal bests over the day. Well done to Hayley and Jayden who completed in the senior athletics for the first time! Thanks to those parents who were able to come along and support their children and the school. A great day was had by all. Thank you to Eric for the use of his marquee & tarp.

### EG Schools Network Awards

Macy has attended CCPS since she was in prep. During this time the school have watched her develop into a very capable young lady. Macy is a quiet achiever and often leads by 'doing' rather than 'telling'. The staff encourages Macy to push herself beyond her comfort zone as they know that she has many more leadership qualities that haven't emerged yet. We hope you enjoyed the night Macy. Well done!

### REMINDERS

CCPS Cook book for sale \$10

- Parent Opinion Surveys due back **TOMORROW**
- Joining the Chorus Regional Rehearsal **NEXT** Tuesday
- Come & Play ~ practising Prep transition morning Thursday

## **Kitchen/Garden**

Another delicious smorgasbord of interesting dishes was prepared by the students last Thursday. We tantalised our taste buds with goat's cheese and spring onion galette, spring onion tarte tatin, garlic naan, celery and silver beet pie, garden salad and a second attempt at lemon delicious pudding. Once again the children were able to independently work in the kitchen with little assistance. Well done everyone!

Along with the usual harvest of spring onion, celery, Asian greens, salad greens and herbs this week we had our first taste of lemongrass and the second harvest of our very own lemons. We learnt about companion planting and how our veggies can have beneficial neighbours that help each other achieve a better harvest. We then put this knowledge into action by sowing lots of flower seedlings which will attract the bees, and planting nasturtiums with potatoes and carrots with lettuce. We also finished off another huge pile of compost with oak leaves collected from around the school. Thanks to Bree, Melissa and Harry for their help in the garden.

## **School Council**

On Wednesday this week School Council meets at 5.30pm at the office of Ethos NRM, MacLeod St, Bairnsdale. Agendas will be emailed to councillors. All welcome. Special thanks to Eric for making a room available for our meetings.

## **International Visitors**

On Thursday we welcome some Chinese students from the Secondary College on an exchange program. They are spending the day at Clifton Creek to experience rural school life. They will spend the morning in our Kitchen/Garden classes and share lunch together. In the afternoon they will learn some drumming. Should be a fantastic day!

## **Staffing and Transition**

Transition for 2015 prep enrolments is well underway with our second Come & Play morning this week. Part way into Term 4 Kat will start Parental Leave, and I am eagerly anticipating stepping into the Junior Room as the classroom teacher in Kat's absence this year and next.

## **Come and Play Morning!**

This Thursday 14th August we are running a play session for all families interested in enrolling their child for prep next year. It runs from 9 - 11am. Please invite anyone you know who might be interested.

## **Parent Opinion Survey**

These were sent home with newsletters last Monday. Please return those surveys TOMORROW. This survey is important to the school community— we are hoping to have a 100% response rate this year. You may be assured that all opinions are confidential and that positive actions can arise only if we are aware of your views.

## Joining the Chorus

Our last Regional Rehearsal will be next Tuesday 19th August. Please fill in attached Consent Form and return to school asap with a gold coin donation for the bus.

A reminder to those families who haven't paid for **Joining the Chorus** to please do so as soon as possible. The school has worked really hard to keep the costs as low as possible, so prompt payment would be appreciated.

With only 4 weeks till we travel to Melbourne, excitement is building as dance routines become more familiar. Our costumes will be ready for collection at the next week's rehearsal. PLEASE give me a call if you have any concerns at all.

## Reminder Statements

A Financial Statement is attached to your newsletter today. All Term 3 bus fees and Joining the Chorus camp costs are itemised. Please be aware that for those families eligible for EMA there is the final instalment of \$45 per student to be received in the coming weeks. This will be credited to your account.

## MARCVAN

Mrs Severs will be here on Friday. Please bring books and protective bags.

## ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

<b>TERM 3</b>	Sessions 6 & 7	Sessions 8 & 9	Sessions 10 & 11	Sessions 12 & 13	Session 14
Monday	11 Aug	18 Aug	25 Aug	1 Sept	8 Sept
Wednesday	13 Aug	20 Aug	27 Aug	3 Sept	

## Drumbeat

We had another fun drumbeat at Nicholson P.S last Thursday. We are beginning to put some of the rhythms together for our performance. We will not be going to Nicholson this week as we have our Chinese students here.

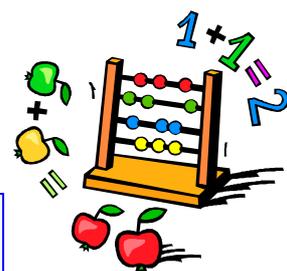
## Bruthen PS Visit:

There was an initiative put forward for Bruthen, Tambo Upper, Nicholson and Clifton Creek teaching staff to engage in collegiate discussions to improve school practices and student learning.

Our first visit was to Bruthen Primary last week and Mark, Tina and Kelly provided us with great insight into their learning programs. The school is currently focusing on the writers workshop program to foster students' writing skills. **Jolly Phonics** is used throughout the junior school as a big part of their spelling program, much like the way we use **Soundwaves**.

It was a great experience to share ideas with Bruthen, as well as the other schools participating. These visits will increase our knowledge and strategies; which will hopefully correlate with improved student outcomes.

Dave



# Little Class

The Little Class did a brilliant job last Wednesday at the Athletics. It was fantastic to see every child participate and try their hardest in all the activities as well as encouraging and supporting the Big Class kids. Our class work continues with "z" and "s" sounds, fractions and exploring the rhyming and structure of Nursery Rhymes as another form of writing.

Thanks,  
Kat

# Senior Class

In the big class Literacy had the usual spelling and *Soundwaves* foci. Procedural writing was introduced thanks to a friendly extra terrestrial, while we developed our descriptive writing with a focus on building character and setting using the five senses.

During our Numeracy sessions we continued to focus on rounding and estimating within the four operations. We also had a mid year test reviewing our understanding of the four operations and their use within worded problems. All students acquitted themselves well.

Another great effort by Carol in the kitchen, moonlighting as John. It was also great to see students representing our school proudly at the cluster athletics— well done!  
Dave

## SunSmart

We are a sunsmart school—shady hats are required for days of high UV in August. Sunscreen is provided in the classrooms.

## LOCAL HONEY FOR SALE

We still have some tubs left—\$11 for 1kg and \$7 for 450g. Thanks to Mick for supplying the honey.

## SHOPPER REWARDS

Thanks to all those who are shopping at IGA Ritchies and David Luckes and using their CCPS tokens. We really appreciate the benefits which come from your support. Please ask at the office if you need another tag or card for these shops.

## Favourite recipes from our families and Kitchen Garden

Remember to send along \$10 if you have not yet purchased our Clifton Creek Cook Book. A HUGE thankyou to Dave for printing and collating the cookbooks. They look fantastic!

## Nurse on call

For 24/7 advice on medical questions contact the Nurse on Call, phone number is 1300 60 60 24 the website is.....

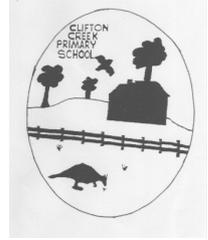
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# Consent Form

## *Joining the Chorus      Final Regional Rehearsal*

I give permission for my child/ren..... to participate in the final Regional Rehearsal at Bairnsdale Secondary College on Tuesday 19th August from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Children will travel to the rehearsal by either private car driven by a member of the teaching staff or by mini bus.

### **CONSENT TO MEDICAL ATTENTION**

Where the teacher in charge of the excursion is unable to contact me, or it is otherwise impracticable to contact me, I authorise the teacher in charge to:

- consent to my child receiving such medical or surgical attention as may be deemed necessary by a medical practitioner,
- administer such first-aid as the teacher in charge may judge to be reasonably necessary.

Signature of Parent/Guardian:.....Date .....

I enclose a gold coin donation to assist in bus costs.