



Newsletter

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Calendar – Term 4

3 October to 20 December

NOVEMBER

Tues 15 Playgroup
Tuckshop

Wed 16

Thurs 17 Kitchen Garden

Friday 18 Marc Van
Friday Fang

Mon 21 Prep Steps Transition

Wed 23 Return from Somers Camp

DECEMBER

Sat 3 Mini Fete

Mon 5 Pupil Free day

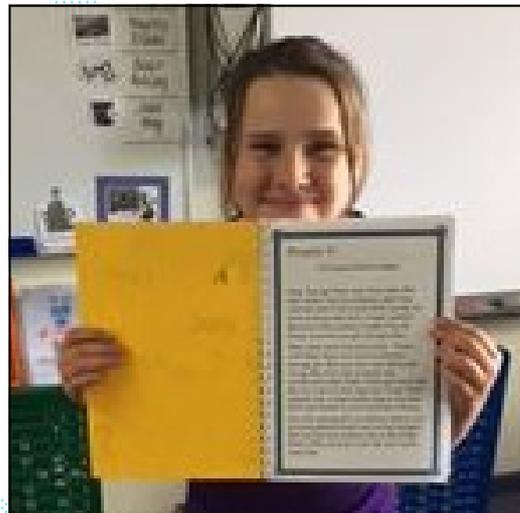
Thurs 8 Whole School Sleepover

Somers Camp

Good luck to Ashley and Jayden as they head off to the nine day Somers Camp tomorrow. Embrace every opportunity and create unforgettable memories!

Writer publishes

Well done Hayley! After almost a year, your story of *The Lovely Spies* is finally finished and published.



The children thoroughly enjoyed Hayley's ten chapter spy novel.

A mammoth effort Hayley.



SUNSMART

The CCPS SunSmart policy requires all of our school community to have sun protection from **September to the end of April**—hats are essential here at school or at any school excursion. Daily sun protection times—this week from

9.10 am to 4.50 pm.



We were delighted to watch as this King Parrot made itself at home last Thursday whilst we were sharing our kitchen garden lunch. Affectionately named Kisses, this little bird was so tame it even ate food from my hand!

School Council

Last Wednesday evening school council met. Items for discussion included The Strategic Review, Parent Opinion Survey, Mini fete, Whole School Sleepover, Budget and Education Fees for 2017 and Child Safety Standards. We warmly welcome Charlie's mum Linda onto council. We have one more meeting scheduled for 2017.

Whole School Sleepover.

As part of our Friday Wish program, we are holding a whole school sleepover here at school on Thursday December the 8th. All relevant information is attached to the newsletter. Please read and return all relevant paperwork as soon as possible.

Junior Rotary Challenge

Congratulations to Ashley who was presented with her Junior Community Rotary Award last Thursday evening. The award is broken into four parts. They are *Community Service; Physical Challenge; Skill Acquisition and Social Experience*. Ashley completed all the requirements and is now the proud owner of a Junior Community Rotary award. Well done Ash!



Get Well Soon

We wish Blair a speedy recovery after his surgery. We look forward to seeing your smiling face back at school very soon.



Marc Van

A reminder that this week it is Marc Van. Protective bags for safe transport of books is appreciated.

Pupil Free Day

Our final pupil-free day for 2016 has been approved by school council as a Report Writing Day on Monday 5th December. No students are required at school on this day.

Collegiate Team Work

As part of the FISO initiative, (Framework of Improved Student Outcomes) I am working in a teamlet with numerous leaders from schools in the area. Our focus has been on ‘What does *better* look like?’ The intent of the group is to meet, discuss and share individual ‘school actions’ that focus on ‘what *better* looks like’. I embrace any opportunity to work with my colleagues as it assists me at a local level to ensure Clifton Creek is the best it can be.

Friday Fang—

Please have orders and payments in by Thursday.

Remembrance Day

On Friday morning we stopped for a minute’s silence to pay our respects to all the soldiers who fought in the wars. The children made a wreath of hands and poppies. We discussed the significance of the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. We also discussed the significance of the poppies.



Lest We Forget.

Prep Stepping

A very special mention to our Transitioning Prep Annika who is settling into our school routines and environment beautifully. She even brought her dog Charlie on Pet Day! Well done Annika!

Kitchen/Garden

I planted some corn and harvested strawberries. Yum! I made a Boston bun. I did drying, sweeping and putting away. I loved eating most dishes.

Gareth

Today in the kitchen I cooked a potato stir fry and a normal stirfry with lots and lots of veggies. I learned how to peel a parsnip and how to put a tray in the hot oven without freaking out!!

In the garden we made a list of what we need to grow and harvest in November. Also we learned about annual and biannual plants. I planted some purple carrots and I spent some time caring for the chooks before I slipped over on the grass!

Hayley

Customer Loyalty Rewards

Thanks to those families who are directing their community credits towards Clifton Creek Primary School when they shop at Ritchies IGA stores and David Luckes Fresh Foods. We gain some very much appreciated funds and vouchers when you shop at these stores that help support our learning programs.

Bookings are now open for the **Library LEGO Club** being held at the Bairnsdale Library on Tuesday, 13 December from 4.00pm – 5.00pm. LEGO Club is for children aged 5 – 12 and bookings are essential.

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classroom news

What a great day Pet Day was! It was lovely to meet puppy dogs, ducks and kittens. I hope all the pets enjoyed the treats made by the children.

Last week we also had time to focus on our literacy and numeracy learning, continuing with our spelling, writing, counting and reading programmes. We began to make our Maths City from multiplication buildings, wrote spelling words on balloons to be popped, used buzzers to identify punctuation, and practised our sound chants on the drums! We played a matching game called "Rivers, Roads and Rail" where we all worked together and helped each other. Each day we are enjoying a group game to further develop skills including concentrating, listening, problem solving, following rules, winning and losing, thinking strategically and just having fun together! What great boys!! We will miss Blair this week as he recovers from having his tonsils out and will make some Get Well Cards.

Kat

Last week the children provided me with very positive feedback about our combined Literacy and Numeracy block which I have called Mathrecy. On Friday each child was given a folder with individual learning tasks inside it. This style of teaching/learning provides the children with the opportunity to take responsibility for their own learning, manage their time effectively and learn at their own pace. Each folder is comprised of Soundwaves, individual spelling, reading tasks, writing tasks, quick maths and numeracy tasks.

Carol

Last Wednesday saw the kids investigate the Word of the Day- **concentric**, its origins, the significance of the date and a Quick Write. The concentric theme was based around "hailstones" and "hailstorms" with the significance of the date in 1950 when plate sized hailstones destroyed life and property in England. Our **Learning Intention** was to understand how and why hailstones formed and to look at some of the more amazing hail events. Students shared their pre knowledge before watching several scientific explanations and looked at diagrams. Students then "re-explained" in their own words the phenomenon of a hailstorm. We watched collections of videos of bizarre hailstorm events before completing a Quick Write of an experience escaping a hailstorm emergency at school.

Our Maths was a **problem solving** activity involving a collection of various denominations of dollar notes and how many possible combinations could buy a toaster costing \$195 etc. We finished off with **fluency** and **number pattern** work. After a short **theatre sport** skit involving setting up camp and cooking marshmallows, two groups each read through a play of *The Story of William Tell* before performing it to the class.

The Skeleton on the Dunny was our weekly "Round the Twist" episode and we did routine Mates Reading, SQUIRT and Vocab work.

Our Science involved the **principles of friction, amplification and conducting of sound** as the students made their own "duck orchestra" out of a plastic cup, a piece of string and some wet paper towel. Hopefully the "quacking" wasn't too annoying at home!

John

Creative Kids Program

Art and craft classes for your Kids are a wonderful way of making mess, having lots of fun and developing all sorts of skills.

The East Gippsland Art Gallery is proud to present our Creative Kids Program.

Group classes will take place after school, and run once a month to coincide with exhibitions in the gallery. Workshops will invite kids to get hands on with a variety of art techniques. After each class children will have a unique masterpiece to take home!

Run by Crystal Stubbs and volunteers from the art gallery, each workshop promises to be innovative, original, but more importantly fun!

Classes are suitable for Primary School aged students and are all free.

Each fun workshop is set in a small group atmosphere and includes all materials. We recommend that all budding artists bring an art smock.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Please book early to avoid disappointment
- Parents and guardians are welcome to stay for some or all of the lesson duration.
- Please provide a snack and water bottle for each child.
- All volunteers involved with workshops will have current working with children accreditation.

Workshop 1:

Wire Line Drawing

Tuesday 22nd November 3.45pm – 5.30pm

East Gippsland Art Gallery

2 Nicholson St, Bairnsdale 3875

The East Gippsland Art Gallery Creative Kids program is proud to offer 'Wire line drawing'. The first in a series of workshops designed for Primary School aged children will begin with a workshop inspired by our current exhibition 'Drawn in Space' by Leslie Prosser.

With the help of Crystal Stubbs and East Gippsland Art Gallery volunteers, budding artists will design figurative based line drawings that will be turned into wire sculptures.

Art works will be exhibited on the front lawn of the gallery for one week.

Finished works will be available for collection from Wednesday 30th November.

This is a free event and numbers are limited.

Bookings are essential

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