

Award's last 3 weeks of Term 1

Principals Awards First Name	Class
Sienna	5J
Bhavnoor	1H
Charlotte	2T
Flynn	6N
Hayden	4D
Codie	4G
Ibrahim	2T
Evie	2S
Ella	4D
Jonas	6J
Kahan	5R
Codee	5/6X
Jake	2C
Payton	2T
Phoebe	6N
Amelia	2T
Luke	4G
Charlize	3F
Evan	5R
Ellie	4D
Mia	3G
Jayden	SU4B
Mia	6N
Violet	1M
Blake	6N
Ella	2C
Annabel	5J
Ava	5/6X

Honour Awards First Name	Class
Lucas	5/6X
Korbyn	6N
Jayda	4G
Christiana	3G
Payton	2T
Phoebe	6N
Amelia	2T
Luke	4G
Lily	4/5M
Codee	5/6X

Medallion Phoebe	6N
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2021 Staff Principal - Ms S Le Ban Deputy Principal - Mrs D Puckeridge

Kindergarten

KC	Ms Cremona (Assistant Principal - Kinder)
KM	Mrs McPherson
KG	Miss Cohen
KP	Miss Pierce
KV	Mrs Vleeskens

Year 1

1B	Mrs Browne
1C	Mrs Blanch
1H	Miss Homan
1M	Mrs McNamee

Year 2

2T	Ms Tanner (Assistant Principal - Years 1/2)
2C	Mrs Custodio
2H	Mr Hadley
2S	Miss Sorensen

Year 3

3K	Mrs Kenny (Assistant Principal – Years 3/4)
3G	Mrs Graham
3F	Mrs Fenech

Year 4

4G	Miss Gauci
4D	Mrs Dutton
4/5M	Miss Morawsky

Year 5

5R	Mrs Ritter
5J	Mr Jackson
5/6X	Mr Xuereb

Year 6

6N	Mr Nicholls (Assistant Principal – Years 5/6)
6J	Mrs Jackson

Support Unit Staff

Ms Speed (Assistant Principal)
Miss Moore - Teacher
Mrs Atallah – Teacher
Mr Baltetsch – Teacher
Mrs Dianna Gett – RFF Teacher
Mrs Trivarelli – School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Walton - School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Torrington - School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Riley – School Learning Support Officer

Support Teachers

Mrs McCracken, Ms James, Mrs Fotakopoulos, Miss Li, Mrs Dhawan, Mr Smith, Mrs Kennedy, Miss Carson, Miss Swan and Mrs Azzopardi

Instructional Leader - Mrs Vassiliadis

Librarian - Mrs Griffiths

Administration Staff

Mrs Rolls (School Admin Manager)
Mrs McQuillan Mrs Taylor Mrs Ryan

General Assistant - Mr Brown

School Learning Support Officers

Mrs Rokobauer	Mrs Thomas
Mrs Curtis	Mrs Powell
Mrs Galka	Ms Crammond
Mrs Eade	Mrs Edmundson
Miss Faithwater	

Psychologist

Mrs Marsh and Mrs Housbey



Claremont Meadows Public School

Term 2 2021

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had a lovely break.

As Term 2 is much colder, please ensure your child comes to school each day with warm clothing. Full school uniform is expected every day. Once it gets very cold a large jacket is acceptable as long as full school uniform is worn underneath. Remember all our classrooms are well heated so large items are quickly removed by children once they are in their classrooms. I highly recommend that you put your child's name on the inside of all their clothing so that if they take it off and misplace it, we can return the item correctly to them.

This week we successfully held our Cross Country carnival, the event went off very smoothly, it was great to see about 100 parents / grandparents join us and our students performed very well. We were even very fortunate to have great weather. A huge thanks to everyone for their organisation and work on the day.

Many of the prior COVID restrictions have now been lifted and hopefully they will remain that way. We still have limits on activities in enclosed spaces, but we are working to allow as many activities as possible to still operate. This week our **ANZAC Day ceremony** will be held under the COLA facing the flag poles and parents and carers are welcome to join us. This will commence at 2pm.

Assemblies will recommence next week – we are also conducting these under the COLA in a modified format. Partly due to school size (we cannot fit everyone seated in the hall) and class items have not yet resumed.

Koomurri Aboriginal Incursion: we have booked the Koomurri staff to come to our school on Friday 28th May. Their program is for all students and is an immersion in Aboriginal culture, craft, history, music and story telling. We used this company in 2018 and 2019 and both days were highly successful, students had a wonderful learning experience and rotated through a range of engaging activities. Permission notes will be coming home in the next couple of days. The cost is \$10 per student and I encourage full participation – it is a great day!

Teacher Professional Learning- Change of Term 3 Staff Development Day: I am seeking permission to move our Staff Development Day that occurs on the first day back in Term 3 to the last day of school in Term 2. For students and families this means school will finish on Thursday 24th June (the day of parent / teacher interviews) and recommence on Monday 12th July. The purpose of this change is so that we can access a specialist consultant to run a full workshop with all staff on further developing our skills and practices in the area of Visible Learning. You may hear your children talk about learning intentions, success criteria, personal learning goals and effective feedback, these are some of the key features we are implementing. The consultant is not available on the Monday of Term 3. The YMCA has agreed to the move and will offer vacation care on Friday 25th June. I am providing this advanced notice so that you can make any necessary plans around these dates. Should there be a major problem for you please contact the school. Your support in this change is greatly appreciated and I thank you for your understanding.

NAPLAN:

This will occur for Grades 3 and 5 and will be held during weeks 4 and 5 of this term, 10-21st May. This is completed online except for Year 3 writing. Students will be assessed in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. Please ensure your child is at school so that they do not miss out on completing their tests. This supports teacher in identifying areas of need for all students and helps set school targets and priorities. If you are concerned about your child completing NAPLAN, please contact the school asap.

Check In assessment:

Students in Years 4 and 6, will participate in a reading and numeracy check-in assessment.

The check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning.

The check-in assessment will supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to identified student needs. This assessment is completed online and will occur next week, Monday 26th – Friday 30th April.

Staffing changes:

Mrs Rolls our School Administration Manager has been on sick leave and has taken long service leave for all of this term. In her absence, Mrs McQuillan will continue in the School Administration Manager position and Mrs Curtis will continue in the role of a School Administration Officer.

Student Reports:

Semester 1 reports will be written and distributed at the end of the term. It is anticipated that they will be sent home on Monday 21st June 2021. Parent/ Teacher interviews will be held Thursday 24th June between 3.10pm and 7.00pm. A separate note will be sent home later in the term with interview times available.

Camps:

Camps will be operating again this year. Unfortunately we could not book Canberra this year (once again as a consequence of COVID) so we will be offering the Great Aussie Bush camp to Years 5 & 6. Notes for these camps have already gone out. The dates for these camps are:

Year 5 Mon – Wed 6-8th September.

Year 6 Wed – Fri 8-10th September.

Notes will soon be going out for the Year 3 and 4 camps. We are still waiting on a couple of date confirmations, but it will be occurring in November and will include a sleep over at Taronnga Zoo!

Year 2 Excursion:

You may have heard earlier in the year an offer for free visits to the new Sydney zoo at Bungarribee being provided to schools through Harvey Norman. We have been successful in gaining this. There will still be a cost, as the free aspect is just the zoo entry, there will still be a cost for bus transport and a special in zoo experience. Notes for this will be coming out next week and the date booked is Friday 18th June.

Kindergarten and Year 1 will, later in the year, be going on an excursion to Calmsly Hill farm.

Scripture Lessons:

Lessons were on hold due to COVID but we are now anticipating starting again and these will commence on Thursday 6th May between 2-3pm. If you have not yet informed us of your religious preferences or wanting to change, please let the office know as soon as possible.

Lunchtime Activity Clubs:

Last term we commenced running a variety of activities during the lunch break for students to participate in. They were keenly received by the students and will continue this term. For your information the clubs operating this term will be:

Monday – Mindfulness and Gardening

Tuesday – Lego/ Stem and Chess

Wednesday - Board Games, Dance and Choir

Thursday – Songwriting and Creative Play

Friday – Minecraft

Many thanks to the P & C and parents for donating resources to help with these clubs.

P&C – Mother's Day:

On Monday 3rd May 2021 we will be holding a Mufti Day-crazy sock day as a fund raiser for the P&C Mother's Day Stall. Students are asked to donate a gold coin for wearing a pair of crazy socks. This money will go towards the purchase of gifts for the Mother's Day Stall. These can be any colour, style, even favourite football team socks. Normal school shoes need to be worn.

Our Mother's Day stall will be held on Wednesday 5th May 2021. Gifts will be available for \$2.50 **and** \$5.00. Students will need to bring money with them on the day and may purchase up to 2 gifts each. Your support in our activities is always greatly appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 23rd April – District Cross country carnival – qualifying competitors only

Friday 30th April – 2pm ANZAC Day service.

Monday 3rd May – Gold coin donation for Mother's Day,

Wednesday 5th May – Mother's Day Stall

Monday 10th May – NAPLAN commences

Thursday 6th May – Scripture classes commence

Tuesday 11th May - P & C Meeting 7pm

Friday 28th May - Koomurri Incursion (in school)

Friday 4th June – K-2 Ditto Bravehearts Incursion (in school)

Tuesday 8th June – P & C Meeting 7pm

Monday 14th June – Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Friday 18th June – Year 2 Zoo Excursion

Monday 21st June – Reports sent home to parents

Thursday 24th June – Parent / teacher interviews 3.10pm -7pm

Thursday 24th June – **Last day for students**

Friday 25th June - Teacher Professional Learning day (in lieu of Term 3 SDD)

Please note: Monday 12th July is the start of Term 3 **for both staff and students.**

Voluntary Contributions:

Voluntary contributions assist in the purchasing of resources for our school.

This year's contributions are:

\$50.00 per child or \$100 per family.

Payments can be made online or placed in a sealed envelope, clearly labelled with your child's name and 'voluntary contribution' written on the envelope and sent to the front office.

Many thanks for your continued support of our school.