



# ClareStateSchool

## “The Messenger”



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, two weeks of the final term are already over. There are now only 8 weeks of term 4 remaining and 10 weeks until Christmas. Everyone has started this term well by putting in a huge effort, especially with the current poetry assessments we are all doing in English. Keep up the great effort everyone.

### Attendance

At the start of 2013 Clare SS set a target of maintaining 95% attendance across the school. Our attendance achievements this year are: In Term 1 - 94.6%; Term 2 – 93.8%; and Term 3 – 95%. We have 1 student, who to this point hasn't missed a day due to sickness or 'other' reasons. In this data, students who attend sports days are considered to be at school. Well done to Amber Rapisarda 100 % attendance. I wonder whether you can keep it up until the Christmas holidays.

### Swimming

Just a reminder to all families, that swimming does form a part of our school curriculum. Therefore, it is compulsory that your child attend each lesson, on a Monday, prepared to swim. If your child is unable to swim for any reason, you are required under Education Queensland policy to provide a written note for the teacher. I thank you for your support of our swimming program.

### Camp

Three weeks until camp, that is only 21 days. I hope you are all getting excited and have started packing (only joking).

Thank you to all the families who have returned their forms and money. If you are attending camp please ensure all forms are returned by this Thursday. More information will come out over the coming 2 weeks.

### Wear Red on Day for Daniel

Denise and Bruce Morcombe have actively promoted child safety in Queensland since 2005 through the Daniel Morcombe Foundation, and they have invited Queenslanders to help promote child safety awareness by wearing red on 25 October. Our children, staff and parents are asked to contribute a coin donation towards

this day. It is not a Free Dress Day but a Dress in Red Day.

The Day for Daniel is a National Day of Action to raise awareness of child safety, protection and harm prevention. It is about educating children and adults about keeping kids safe through child safety and protection initiatives. It aims to help empower our children to 'Recognise, React and Report' if they feel something is not right.

The foundation aims to make the world a safer place for children through **Day for Daniel**, an annual event which helps educate children about their personal safety.

### Oral Health

Attached to this newsletter are Oral Health forms for your child. The covering letter explains what you need to do. If you would like an appointment for your child, forms need to be returned at the school office by **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October**.

### Reminders

Bookclub is due back by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October. All forms and monies can be handed into the school office.

### Important dates for Term 4:

- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Maths Day in Millaroo
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Interhouse Swimming Carnival
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Clare SS Christmas Concert & Science Day (CSIRO) in Clare
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Yr 7 Graduation Night and Bowling Day for whole school
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – End of Year Parade

### Trivia Night

P&C are having a Trivia Night on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** at the Clare Club. Teams will consist of 6-8 people at a cost of \$10 per head. Teams can bring along their own snacks for their tables and all drinks can be purchased at the club. There will be lucky spot prizes, fun competitions and table prizes each round. Up to \$800 will be 'First Prize' for the winning team. *Nomination Forms are attached with this newsletter.*

## Congratulations to the Students of the Week:



Thank you,

Week 2 – Connor Hall

Lee Braney  
Acting Principal

## **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**This Week (21<sup>st</sup> October to 25<sup>th</sup> October):**

Monday	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday	LOTE – Year 7 Music
Wednesday	LOTE – Year 6 RE
Thursday	Parade 'Red' For Daniel day

### ***Quote of the Week:***

*“Those that know, do. Those that understand, teach.”*

- *Aristotle*

**Next Week (28<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November):**

Monday	Swimming - PE
Tuesday	LOTE - Year 7
Wednesday	LOTE – Year 6 RE
Thursday	Music Parade

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- Trivia Night – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November
- Maths in Millaroo – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November
- Yr 5-7 Camp – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November
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### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- Rural Health Flyer
- Trivia Night Flyer and Nomination Form
- Dental Forms
- Ekindy Flyer