



# Clare State School 'THE MESSENGER'

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## Dump Open

- Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August
- Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August

## Reminders

- Clare Athletic Carnival — 28<sup>th</sup> July
- Musica Viva (at Giru State School) 11<sup>th</sup> — August
- Combined Small Schools Athletics Carnival (at Clare State School) — 14<sup>th</sup> August
- Snow White (Burdekin Theatre) — 18<sup>th</sup> August

## Attachments

- Tuckshop Order Form—Combined Schools Athletics Carnival
- Musica Viva Permission Form
- Musica Viva Transport Assistance
- Clare Police Station Newsletter
- School Opinion Survey Letter

## P&C Meetings

All P&C meetings are held at 3.30pm in the school library unless otherwise advised. All parents, carers and friends are welcome to come along to these meetings.

Meeting Dates this Term:

- 10th August
- 7th September
- 12th October

## Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to week 3 Term 3.

As you can see from the newsletters there are lots of events planned this term. These events play important roles in the children's social, emotional and physical development. I hope the children all enjoy attending and participating in these events.

## Inter-house Sport Carnival

Clare, Millaroo and Maidavale State Schools will be combining **tomorrow, 28th July**, for our annual Inter-house Sports Carnival. We look forward to a great day of running, throwing, jumping and games. Parents are welcome to attend. All children need to be at the oval by 8.45am for a 9.00am start. Children can wear their respective house colours i.e red for Landers and blue for Dalrymple. Parents need to remember that this is a school day and if children are not participating in an event then they need to be sitting with their 'house' where they will be supervised by a staff member. Children are not to be wandering around with parents or siblings as they need to be accounted for on the day. May the best team win!

## Combined Small Schools Athletics Carnival

This year's combined small school athletics carnival will be held on **Friday 14th August, at Clare State School**. All children from Clare State School will be required to participate in the day and all staff will be in attendance at the event. All students are asked to be at school no later than 8.45am on this day.

Brandon State School P&C will be running the tuckshop for this event. Attached to this newsletter is the tuckshop order form for food for the main lunch break on the day as the lunch food must be pre-ordered. The attached form needs to be returned to the school office by **Thursday 6th August**. There will also be snacks and drinks available for purchase from this tuckshop throughout the day.

## Enrolments

Enrolments for 2016 are now being taken. We encourage you to let your family, friends and workers know. Prep enrolment in 2016 requires the child to be born between 1st July 2010 and 31st June 2011.

Children who are younger than the prescribed age for Prep may be enrolled in Prep if:

- they turn 5 years by 31 July in the year of proposed attendance, ie they will turn 5 by the 31st July; and
- the principal is satisfied the child is ready for education in Prep, having regard to their attributes (including ability, aptitude, social and emotional competence, physical development, and level of knowledge and understanding).

If anyone is interested in enrolling for Prep in 2016 please ask them to contact the school office on 4782 7133.

Clare State School is also interested in encouraging children from older year levels to join us at Clare. If you know anyone that has a school aged child, is living close to Clare, and is currently driving to Ayr, please encourage them to come and have a chat with us about what our school can offer.

## Prep open days

The Prep open days for students wishing to enrol at Clare State School for Prep in 2016 are:

- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 9am
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 9am
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 9am

More information on these Prep open days will be provided in upcoming newsletters.



## Student of the Week

Week 1: Daniel  
Braney  
Week 2: Joel  
Rapisarda

## Congratulations!

### Woolworths Earn and Learn Vouchers

The Woolworths Earn and Learn program started on **Wednesday 15th July**. Don't forget to drop your stickers off in our Clare State School collection box (and we will stick them onto the sticker cards) or into the school office. Please encourage all your family and friends to donate their stickers to Clare State School as these stickers enable us to purchase additional sport and educational resources. The program closes on **Tuesday 8th September**.

### Homework Tips for Parents

Research has found that homework enhances both a child's learning and the development of essential skills that children need to succeed in school and in life such as; organisation, problem solving, attention, memory, goal-setting and "stick-to-it-ness"

If completing homework is a challenge for your child here are a few tips to make homework time more successful:

- Recognise your role as a parent is to help, not do. Sometimes in our quest to help our kids succeed, we may get carried away providing too much help.
- Praise your child's efforts and not just the "end product." Kids need to learn the importance of hard work and effort and homework provides a great opportunity for you to reinforce their perseverance.
- Insist homework be their responsibility not yours. Resist the temptation of always sitting next to them and offer your help only when it's really needed.
- Agree together upon specific times for doing homework ahead of time and then stick to it. You may want to even post your agreement in a visible place and then sign it. Many kids need a break after school, while others like to complete their homework right in. Find your child's best work time and consistently reinforce it.

### Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of these students in school on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

In 2013, 10% of Queensland state schools participated in the first year of implementation. In 2014, two thirds of Queensland schools participated and in 2015 all schools are required to collect this data.

Be reassured that the Department of Education and Training (the Department) will not any data that can identify an individual student on to another organisation. The only data being collected at the school level that will be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you. If you do not wish for your child's details to be included in the national collection of data, please let me know.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the Department's website: <http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html>

Australian Government Department of Education website: <http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

### School Opinion Survey

Attached to this newsletter is a letter containing the details of the 2015 School Opinion Survey. This letter includes the web address and the codes required to complete the survey.

I strongly encourage your completion of the School Opinion Survey as this survey is an important part of school's planning. Additionally the survey is an important tool for assessing how well the school is going. Later in the year, the school will receive a report outlining the results of the survey for our school. The results will help the school to evaluate and to reflect on how well the school is going, and to identify areas for future development. The survey results are also an important part of the school's annual report, which is published on the School's website. I strongly encourage you to complete the survey to help make this school a better place. If you have any questions or concerns about the survey, please contact the school. **Please complete they survey online by July 31st.**

### Musica Viva

On **Tuesday 11th August** our School will be travelling to Giru State School to watch a performance by Musica Viva. A permission slip and transport note for this event will be sent home next week. The cost of Musica Viva is \$6. If there aren't enough parents to transport we will have to look at hiring a bus, which will then increase the cost of the show. Musica Viva starts at 9.30am, which means we will be leaving Clare by 8.40am, returning to school by 11.00am. Please return the notes no later than **Thursday 6th August** so we can plan our transport options. .

Thank you.



**Lee Braney**  
Principal

Week 3 Term 3 27 <sup>th</sup> –31 <sup>st</sup> July	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	STL&N
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Inter-house Sports Carnival
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	LOTE Religion
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup>	Parade 2.00pm
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Responses to school opinion survey due

Week 4 Term 3 3 <sup>rd</sup> –7 <sup>th</sup> August	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	STL&N
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	PE
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	LOTE Religion
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>	Final Day—Tuckshop orders for Small School Sports Day at Clare SS Parade 2.00pm
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	



## Best of Brass

performing *Brassed Off!*

presented by Musica Viva In Schools

### INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Musica Viva has been inspiring students throughout Australia for over thirty years. More than thirty groups from all genres of music tour to over 1000 schools each year. This year there will be a performance at your child's school by Best of Brass.

If you've ever thought you need a marching band just to get students' attention, Bob's your uncle. Introduce students to the larger-than-life brass family with five of Queensland's best brass players. Bob - Best of Brass explores the unique mechanics, tone and versatile nature of these instruments in a fun and interactive performance. Featuring horn, trumpets and trombones, BoB's repertoire stretches from stirring tango to classical, contemporary Australian music to improvisation and jazz. If you want a musical experience that will blow students away, this is it.

This performance is part of your school's learning program and builds on preparatory work done in the classroom utilising the Best of Brass resource kit. The kit's teaching resources are linked directly to the music curriculum as well as other curriculum areas especially literacy and numeracy.

We would be delighted if you could come to the performance. There is no charge for parents/guardians and community members.

For more information on Musica Viva concerts and related activities around Australia and internationally, visit [musicaviva.com.au/education](http://musicaviva.com.au/education)



**Musica Viva—Giru State School**

**9.30am Tuesday 11th August, 2105**

*for all students*

Please return this form to the school office by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2015

I,.....give permission / do not give permission for my child /children

.....  
to attend Musica Viva at the Giru State School at 9.30am on Tuesday 11th August. I understand that my child /children will be transported to and from Clare State School by bus to this event. I understand that transport will be provided by private motor vehicle. I also understand that the cost of this event is \$6 per child and I have enclosed the total amount payable for my child / children with this permission form.

..... /.../2015

*(Parent/Guardian Name)*

*(Parent/Guardian Signature)*

*Date*

**Payment Details**

Student Names:

Amount: \$6 per Child

..... \$ .....

..... \$ .....

..... \$ .....

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Transport Assistance for Musica Viva**

I can / cannot provide transport on this day. (please circle)

If you are able to provide transport on this day, please indicate how many children you are able to take:

I am able in take ..... (insert number) of children including my own to Musica Viva.

..... /.../2015

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Name

Date

**Variation to School Routine Using Private Transport**

Thank you for offering to transport children for an upcoming school event. To ensure the safety of all children, the Department of Education and Training requires schools to follow specific procedures when using private transport.

Please complete the details below to assist us in the safety of our students and return it to the school office. Thank you for your assistance.

Name of Driver: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Excursion: 11/08/2015

Driver's Licence No: \_\_\_\_\_ Is your Driver's Licence current: Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_

Registration No: \_\_\_\_\_ Compulsory Third Party Insurance cover: Yes:\_\_\_ No:\_\_\_

Number of Operational Seat Belts: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of students your can transport: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please note that each passenger must comfortably be secured by a seatbelt.)*

