Dear Parents and Carers,

Inter-house Sport Carnival

Congratulations Dalrymple for your athletics carnival victory. It was another great day at Clare State School. Thank you to all the parents who attended and encouraged your children throughout the day. The day was run in good spirits and all children tried their best. It was great to see all of our school participating, we had 100% attendance and participation of physically able children. Thank you to the P&C for the running of the tuckshop and any parents who helped out on the day.

Age Champions were: Joshua Mio, Bella Rapisarda, Luke McNee, Amber Rapisarda, Matthew Schifilliti and Lydia Scott.

School Photos

School Photos will be Monday 11th August, Week 5. Please ensure all children wear the full school uniform on this day, NOT senior shirts. However, please send the year 6 and 7 senior shirts with your child as they will have a photo with them as well.

Combined Small Schools Athletics Carnival

This year’s carnival will be held next Tuesday 5th August, at East Ayr SS. All children from Clare SS will be involved in the day and all staff will be in attendance. Therefore, there will be no supervision at Clare SS on the day. All students are asked to be at East Ayr State School no later than 8.45am. It is each family’s responsibility to make sure your child arrives on time. If you can’t drive your child in, we ask that you try to find alternate transport arrangements with another family. If you have exhausted all options please call the school and we will see if we can help in any way.

Burdekin Christian College is once again running the tuck-shop. On the day Burdekin Christian College will be holding an all day sausage sizzle and will have other refreshments available. They also have a menu for the 12.40pm break, which needs to be ordered. Tuckshop orders need to be in by 9am Wednesday 30th July, so we can send through to BCC.

Please find attached to this newsletter a copy of the program and a menu for the tuck-shop.

Attendance

At the beginning of this year we set a goal of 95% attendance. At the end of term 2 we achieved this goal with an attendance rate of 96%. For the entire 1st semester the data is 95.3%, so we are currently achieving our goal. Attendance is one of the indicators used to measure the success of a school. I am happy to say that our attendance data means that we are in the upper percentage of State schools across QLD. The highest attending year levels are Prep and Year 4 on 98.5%. Well done to these 2 year levels. Which year level will be the highest attending in term 3?

Enrolments

Enrolments for 2015 are now being taken. We encourage you to let your family, friends and workers know. Prep in 2015 requires the child to be born between 1st July 2009 and 31st June 2010. We are 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.
School Opinion Survey
Last week you all received an online access code for the School Opinion Survey. The Survey is an important part of school planning and a 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. Survey need to be completed online by Friday 1st August 2014.

Thank you to those parents who have already completed this.

Lolly Bags
The student council has a number of lolly bags left over from the sports carnival. On Friday 1st August we will have them for sale for $1. If your child would like one please ensure they have their money on Friday.

Scholastic Book Fair
Book Fair will be on from Monday 18th August to Thursday 21st August. More information will be given in the next newsletter.

P&C
The P&C are hosting a Tupperware party on Tues 8th September at 7pm in the school library. Parents and friends are welcome to attend. All Tupperware gifts "earned" by the P&C by hosting the Tupperware party will be used as raffle prizes at future school fundraising events. Hope to see you there.

The P&C have agreed to run a stall at Osborne State School's Centenary Fete on 13 September. The stall we will be running is a Chocolate Wheel. People will be able to spin a wheel (for a small fee) and win a chocolate prize that corresponds to the number they spin. All money raised at the stall will go to the P&C. Additionally we will be helping Osborne State School to have a successful day.

We are seeking donations of chocolate from our school community to be used to stock our supplies for the chocolate wheel. These donations can be made up of multi bags or small / large chocolate blocks. Any chocolate you can donate would be gratefully appreciated.

Donations can made up until the 12 September and can either be left at the Office or with a member of the P&C.

Forms of communication

Just a reminder of the forms of communication we use at our school.

Clare State School Website
Phone class / Text message
Face to Face

Clare State School Facebook page
Newsletters / notes
Email
Below are our contact details:
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Lee Braney email— lbran29@eq.edu.au
Administration— admin@claress.eq.edu.au
Kara Flanagan email— kflan18@eq.edu.au
Sharon Fahey email— sfahe4@eq.edu.au

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Lee Braney
Principal

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