



Clare State School 'THE MESSENGER'

ISSUE 16

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27TH OCTOBER

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dump open:

1st November

Audit:

Thursday 30th October

Swimming Carnival:

Wednesday 26th November

Christmas Concert:

Wednesday 3rd December

Graduation:

Monday 8th December

Reminders:

- Prep Enrolment
Forms due Friday
31st October

ATTACHMENTS:

No attachments

P&C Meetings

All meetings are held on
a Monday at 3.30pm
unless otherwise advised

- 10th November
- 8th December

Dear Parents and Carers,

Daniel Morcombe Foundation

By wearing red on Day for Daniel, **this Friday 31st October**, students and parents will be joining tens of thousands of people across Australia in making the day a success. Students are asked to donate a gold coin for this red day.

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 31 October. 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.

For more information, go to www.dayfordaniel.com.au



World Teachers day

Next Friday, 31st October, is World Teachers' Day. Celebrated in more than 100 countries, World Teachers' Day acknowledges the efforts of teachers in an increasingly complex society. Every day teachers are building skills that translate into future careers.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the teachers, and all of our other staff (cleaner, admin and teacher aides) for dedicating much of their lives to this vocation. They all do a wonderful job and are educating your children at the highest standard.

Before School Procedure

Just a reminder that there are to be no children at school before 8am. Children are allowed at school from 8am but are to remain seated in the undercover eating area until the bell goes at 8.30am. This is important as teachers are busy working around the school and it helps to ensure the safety of your child.

- 8.00am— Children to sit in under cover area
- 8.30am— Bell goes, children can play handball and move around
- 8.50am— First session starts.
- 11.00am—Morning tea
- 11.30am—Second session starts
- 1.00 pm— Lunch
- 1.40pm— Final session starts
- 2.50pm— School finishes

Front Garden

You may have noticed the work going on in the front garden of the school. We have taken out all plants and are currently replacing them with decorative pencils and new plants. There are 7 pencils and each one has its own message. The majority of the messages are single words that are made up of our school values. Keep your eyes out as we progress with this project.

Our core values are: **Seek Knowledge**, **Care and Compassion**, **Respect**, **Personal Responsibility**, **Tolerance**, **Honesty** and **Optimism**.



Student of the week

Week 2 – Georgia Tomasetig

Week 3 – Joshua Mio

Quote of the Week:

*“When one door of
happiness closes,
another opens, but
often we look so long
at the closed door
that we do not see the
one that has been
opened for us.”
- Helen Keller*

You Can Do It! Program (YCDI)

As mentioned in a previous newsletter we have utilised YCDI for a number of years and regularly talk to our children on parade about each one of them. The Student of the Week is always chosen with a YCDI key in mind. We have now decided to focus on one Key area at a time, allowing us to teach and reinforce as required. We will be working on **Organisation** this week.

Organisation means setting a goal to do your best in your school work, listening carefully to your teacher's instructions, planning your time so that you are not rushed, having all your supplies ready and keeping track of your assignments' due dates. Examples of organised behaviour include making sure you understand the teacher's instructions before you begin work, having all your school supplies ready at a neat desk, recording your assignments and their due dates, and planning when you're going to do your homework so that you have enough time.

Positive Habits of the Mind that help develop a young person's Organisation include:

- Setting Goals- thinking that setting a goal can help me to be more successful at a task.
- Planning My Time- thinking about how long it will take me to do my schoolwork and planning enough time to get it done.

Please take some time to have a conversation with your child about organisation. Ask them what their current goals are. Share some stories about when you have needed to be organised, what do you have to do? Talk about a time you weren't organised, what happened?

EVERY DAY COUNTS

EVERY DAY COUNTSbecause children achieve better when they attend school all day.

EVERY DAY COUNTS.....because going to school means a better chance at life.

EVERY DAY COUNTS.....because school helps children build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience.

EVERY DAY COUNTS.....because going to school is a legal requirement.

What the Law says....

Under the law, you must make sure your child is enrolled and attends school on ALL school days unless you have a reasonable excuse.

You must not keep your child away from school for minor reasons.

Under the law, schools must monitor attendance of students and follow up with parents and caregivers any unexplained absences.

Date changes

In the previous newsletter we advertised a number of events. Due to circumstance out of our hands for each of these events we are postponing or moving to another night. The days and dates are as follows:

Swimming Carnival—Wednesday 26th November (no Change)

Christmas Concert—Wednesday 3rd December (changed)

Graduation—Monday 8th December (changed)

Audit

Please be aware that we have our Teaching and Learning and Discipline audit this Thursday. During the visit the Auditor would like to speak to staff as well as some of our parents. I ask that you be honest and answer the questions in the best way you can. For example the auditor might ask questions surrounding behaviour, community engagement, teacher quality. This will be conducted by random phone calls to most of you. The P&C President will also be meeting with the Auditor just before school, but the bus will run as normal.

Pre-Prep Day

Our first Pre-Prep Day for this Term is next **Monday 3rd November**. The session will be from 9.00am—11.30am. During this session children will engage in some fun activities with our staff members as well as get to know some of the other children in our school. They will need to bring healthy snack and little lunch as they will get to sit and eat with the rest of the children and also interact with them at playtime. They can be collected at 11.30am when the bell rings for middle session. Other Pre-Prep dates this term will be **Monday 17th November and Monday 1st December**.

Trivia Night Cancelled

Due to community events taking place on the 8th November and not many teams being able to attend, we have decided to postpone Trivia Night to Term 1 in 2015. We will notify you of the new date next year.

Important Dates for term 4

Audit: 30th October

Swimming Carnival: Wednesday 26th November

Christmas Concert: Wednesday 3rd December

Graduation: Monday 8th December

This Week (27th—31st October):

Monday	STL&N Yr 6 SAS
Tuesday	LOTE Yr 6 Yr 4 and 6 SAS
Wednesday	PE Music—swimming RE LOTE Yr 7
Thursday	T&L Discipline Audit Yr 4 and 6 SAS
Friday	Yr 4 SAS Parade Wear Red for Daniel Day

Next Week (3rd—7th November)

Monday	Pre-Prep Day 9-11.30 Yr 6 SAS STL&N
Tuesday	LOTE Yr 6 Yr 4 and 6 SAS
Wednesday	PE Music—swimming RE LOTE Yr 7
Thursday	Parade 2.30pm Yr 4 and 6 SAS
Friday	Yr 4 SAS

Thank you

Lee Braney,
Principal

