



# ClareStateSchool

## “The Messenger”



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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Holiday Message

As this is the last newsletter for Term 3, I wish all students and their families a happy and safe holiday. Likewise, I thank all our staff for another successful term and wish them a restful holiday as well.

I would also like to take the opportunity to once again thank all parents and families for their continuing support of our school.

### **Keep a watch on our school these holidays**

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on 13 17 88. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school.

If you see something suspicious, please don't intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

### NAPLAN

2013 NAPLAN results were released to schools on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September. The results we have seen so far are whole school reports and class reports. I am pleased to announce that all students that sat the NAPLAN tests in year 3, 5 and 7 have achieved at or above National Minimum Score. We have also seen some students achieve results in the upper 2 bands, which is a great result. All students should be proud of themselves. Well done everyone, your hard work has really paid off.

Student reports from the Queensland Studies Authority are now scheduled to occur in early Term 4.

### University of NSW tests

Congratulations to all students who participated in the UNSW tests this year. The tests were extremely hard and they really tested our thinking. We have received the results for Mathematics and English, with three students achieving results of note.

The following students have received notable results in English

#### **Credit:**

Year 5 – *Shai – Ellen Auer*

The following students have received notable results in Maths

#### **Credit:**

Year 6 – *Luke McNee*

#### **Distinction:**

Year 6 – *Matthew Schifilliti*

All students who have participated in these tests will receive a certificate when they arrive.

### Fancy Dress Ball

The annual Clare State School Fancy dress ball is on this **Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September**, starting at 7pm. Please ensure your child is at the club no later than 6.45pm. We look forward to a great night of fun and dance. Come dressed as a famous person and don't forget your dancing shoes.

### Fire Education

The prep – 2 students had a visit from the Fire Department last Monday. From all accounts the students had fun and were very excited when they had a go at using the hose. It is amusing to see some of the Preps wearing the Fireman's Jacket. (*Photos attached*)

### Election

Thank you to those families who cooked food for the P&C cake stall, at last week's election. The cakes and biscuits looked great and the ones I bought tasted even better. As a result the entire cake stall sold out by 11.00am. Thank you to the ladies who helped with the setup, clean up and selling of cakes. Well done everyone!

### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September

This Friday is the last day of term 3. It has been a long term, with this being week 11. We would like to invite everyone to come along for a shared lunch to help celebrate the end of term. It will also be **'Free Dress'** and we ask all students to bring in a gold coin donation for the student council.

## Camp

Tomorrow students in year 5, 6 and 7 will bring home a note and invoice for the up-coming Camp, to Fairbairn Dam. Remember we are going on Camp in **week 6 of Term 4, 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> November**. We have also asked for full payment to be paid by **11<sup>th</sup> October**, which is the first Friday back after the holidays. It would be appreciated if all money was in by this time so we can finalise the camp details. Thank you for your understanding and help.

## 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 will be available early next term. So start getting with your friends and form a team together for a great night of brain throbbing fun and laughter !!!

## P&C Meeting

It was great to see more parents attend the P&C Meeting last Wednesday. Great input and discussion was had in regards to the Fancy Dress Ball, Trivia Night and other matters.

## Public Holiday

School will resume on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October** as Monday is Labour Day Public Holiday.

## For Tender

**Yamaha CLP260 Clavinova keyboard and Stool.**

**Original Purchase 26/03/1992** (Photo attached)

If you are interested in placing a tender on this keyboard, please submit your name and price in a sealed envelope and hand it into the school by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October (week 1 Term 4). (Inspections during school hours are welcomed.)

Thank you,

Lee Braney  
Acting Principal

## *Quote of the Week:*

*Be not afraid of greatness: some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them.*

*- William Shakespeare*

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Parent Teacher Interviews – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> September
- Fancy Dress Ball – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September
- Last Day of Term/Free Dress Day – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September
- Trivia Night – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November
- Yr 5-7 Camp – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November

## ATTACHMENTS:

- Burdekin PCYC Flyer
- Home Hill Cricket Flyer
- P&C Newsletter

## Congratulations to the Students of the Week:



Week 9 – Nickolas Zimmerlie

Week 10 – Shai-Ellen Auer

## **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**This Week (16<sup>th</sup> September to 20<sup>th</sup> September):**

Monday	PE Parent/Teacher Interview
Tuesday	LOTE - Year 7 Parent/Teacher Interview
Wednesday	LOTE – Year 6 Parent/Teacher Interview Fancy Dress Ball
Friday	LAST DAY OF TERM ☺ Free Dress Day Shared Lunch

