

Newsletter 4  
Term 1, Week 7  
15/3/24

# Cape Clear Primary School

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone,

This week our Grade 3 and 5 students participated in the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). The students did a wonderful job of participating. While for some students the thought of NAPLAN can be a worry, this was not the case. All students who participated came in with enthusiasm and a positive mindset– I think they may even have enjoyed it, which is great.

Next Wednesday we have our school Athletics Day at Smythesdale Recreation Reserve. This is always a fun day out and the students have been working hard to practice their techniques in Physical Education. We look forward to seeing you all there.

In 2023, 41% of our students averaged over 20 days absent over the year. This is very concerning for many reasons, particularly for student's long term academic growth and attitude to learning. Obviously when a child is unwell they should stay home and we thank parents who support this. However, our school does have a history of poor attendance rates. At Cape Clear Primary School, it is one of our goals to bring this number down. We understand that there are times for exceptional circumstances. These circumstances are usually in the minority, and we are always open to working with and supporting families to assist. Our staff work hard to maintain communication and provide flexible and engaging learning experiences for all our students. As a school community we look forward to working closely with families to bring this statistic down.

Recently I have noticed some of our students excitedly running from car to car after school to see their friends or chat to other families. My concern for safety has been raised. I appreciate the parents who are reminding their children to watch and keep an eye out for cars coming in, the staff will also be reminding the students of this each night before leaving school. We love seeing the happiness at the gate in the morning and afternoons. We want to make sure the car park remains a safe place to enter and depart each afternoon.

Happy birthday to one of our **PINK** fans who will be celebrating her 7th birthday On Sunday. **Happy Birthday Maddy.** A big Happy Birthday also to Mr D who celebrates another 21st on Friday.

Thank you for your support, have a great weekend.

Lynly Doherty  
Principal

Respect  
Confidence  
Commitment  
Responsibility

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### MARCH

##### Monday 18th

- Assembly 2:45pm

##### Wednesday 20th

- Athletics Day

##### Friday 22nd

-Athletics back up day

##### Thursday 28th

-Last Day of term

-casual clothes day (gold coin)

-2:00pm finish

#### APRIL

##### Monday 22nd

-Cross Country event (Gr 4-6)

#### MAY

##### Friday 10th

-Mothers Day breakfast  
8:30-9:30am

##### Friday 10th

-Winter Sports Day 1 (Grade 4-6)

##### Wednesday 15th—17th

-Whole school Camp

##### Friday 24th

-Winter Sports Day 2 (Grade 4-6)

##### Friday 31st

-Winter Sports Day 3 (Grade 4-6)

#### 2024 TERM DATES

**TERM 1:** 30 January – 28 March

**TERM 2:** 15 April – 28 June

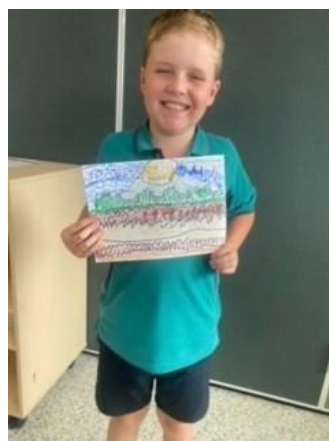
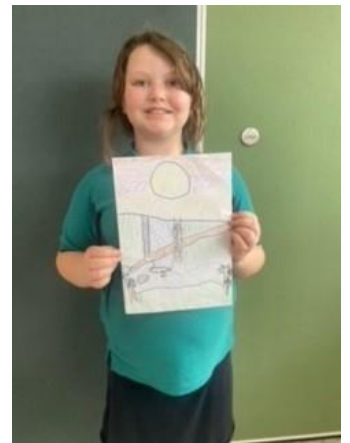
**TERM 3:** 15 July – 20 September

**TERM 4:** 7 October – 20 December

# Learning Updates

## ART Classroom

Over the last few weeks in Art, we have been learning about the element of line. We have learnt that lines can be used to define shapes and figures, but also to indicate motion, emotion, and other elements. We have been developing Line Landscapes throughout our sessions and the students have done a fantastic job experimenting with lines throughout their artworks. Take a look at some of our artworks in progress below:



# Community News



## Easter Raffle - Donations Needed:

Our annual Easter Raffle is taking place this term and we are requesting donations for the raffle. All donations can be delivered to the school office. A massive thank you to those families who have made donations. A reminder we do have some students who are dairy free. Alternatives to chocolate are welcome.

## What's On at the Cape Clear Hall?

**Tai Chi** (every Wednesday during the school term (2pm—4pm))

**Coffee Social Gatherings** (every Thursday 1pm-4pm)

**Historical Society Social gatherings** (First Friday of the Month (1pm-3pm))

**Winter Solstice Bonfire** (Saturday 22nd June(6pm-9pm))

**Hall open on declared heat health days and days over 38C** (10am-4pm)

**Community Committee Meeting** (3rd Tuesday of the Month (7:30pm))

**Hall Committee Meeting** (1st Tuesday of each Month 7:30pm)

Activities are subject to change with additions made where possible. Please call Evelyn 0405411132 for up to date information or check out the [Cape Clear Community Facebook Page](#)

## Thank you

A big thank you to Maxine and Neville for their donation of home grown apples to be enjoyed by the students at our school.





# OPEN EVENING

Come along to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12.

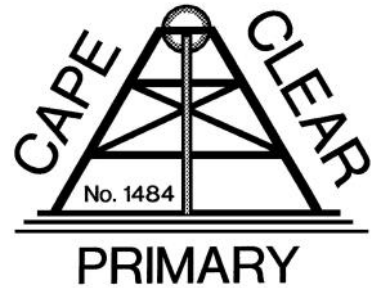
Our Open Evening will showcase our specialty areas and provide an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College. Join one of our tours to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12. The tours will showcase our extensive renovations and refurbishments and you will view our specialty areas and gain an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College.

To provide a more personal and interactive tour, we are placing a limit on the number of people in each group. Tours will be conducted at 15 minute intervals, and we ask that you register for a tour via our College's website and select a time that is most convenient to you.

All tours will commence from the College Main Entrance/Foyer. We look forward to meeting you.

**20 MARCH 2024**

Book tickets at  
[mountclearcollege.vic.edu.au](http://mountclearcollege.vic.edu.au)



## Prospective Family School Tours

I encourage our local families—new or returning to the area or new to primary education, to come along and see our beautiful school. Personal tours for prospective families are available by appointment, and can be made by calling the school on 03 53 422252 or 0448453697

Ms Doherty

### *Acknowledgement and Tribute* —Margaret Parker

For those who may remember, Margaret Parker was the bus driver for Cape Clear Primary School for many years until the service was discontinued. Marg (as she was known) showed wonderful dedication and care to the students of CCPS who travelled on the bus. My own children who attended CCPS loved travelling with Marg on the bus. Margaret passed away in January this year at the age of 65years.

Cape Clear Primary School and myself would like to extend sympathy to Snowy, Greg, Lauren and Families on the loss of Margaret.

- Janet



INVERLEIGH & DISTRICT GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

# FAMILY FUN DAY 2024

Friday  
29 March  
10am-5pm

All money raised goes to the Royal Children's Hospital

Located 25 minutes from Geelong - Victoria Park, 20 Park Street, Inverleigh. FREE ENTRY, FREE PARKING.



**Carnival Rides & Animal Farm**  
\$30 all day pass or \$7 per ride



**Larissa's Imaginarium Kid's Show**  
11am



**Easter Bunny Egg Hunt**  
12pm  
\$7 - Run in age groups



**Auctions**  
Live 3:30pm (Must register)  
Silent Ends 3:30pm  
Raffles & Spinning Wheel all day



**Live Animal Show**  
2pm




**Teddy Bear Hospital**  
All Day



**KF Dance**  
10:30am



**Emergency Services Display**



**Toy Workshop**  
10am - 12pm



**Rohan Windle Entertainment**  
1pm

**Classic Car Display, Food Vans, Market Stalls, Face Painting & More**  
All Day

Thanks to our major sponsors:

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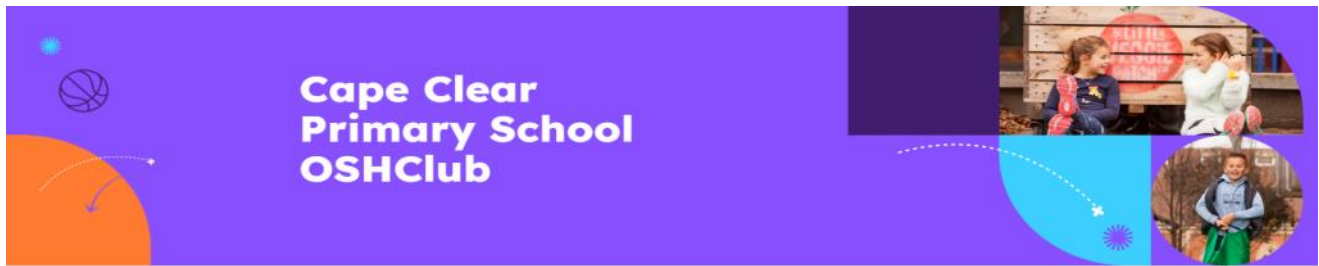
Stockdale & Leggo  
Bannockburn

CRT Hewitt and Whitty

INNOVATIVE WINEER SOLUTIONS

NO ALCOHOL, NO SMOKING, NO DOGS (excludes assistance dogs).

# Wellbeing Update



Each week the students in OSHClub plan out the meals for each night. This includes protein and a range of other sources of energy. This week the children in OSHCLUB tried kangaroo meat, made lasagne, bread and ice cream using the old fashioned way of churning. The children will be continuing their activities in croquet, golf, scooter riding and pogo sticks. OSHClub is open 5 days a week from 3pm to 6pm. Please call in and chat with Heather on 0458437963 to enrol your child.



## A word from our Chaplain

### Friendship



It's truly special when someone has a lifelong friend. It's such a rarity in people's lives, and helps us to see how vital it is to have skills of developing new relationships throughout life. According to the Australian Government in 2018 they brought out surveys around friendship and the amount of happiness they brought people. One of the statistics said that between the ages of 15-24 a whopping 21% of people often felt very lonely.

In the chaplaincy program we have been focussing on developing friendships and healthy communication skills. We have been using boardgames and outside ball games like tennis to grow patience and understanding for one another.

These skills are constantly growing and stretching throughout our lives. It's our hope at Cape Clear that we are helping children to grow not only academically, but also emotionally and socially to set them up for their future.

A big shout out to the students this week where I have seen great social skills at work and continuing to adapt to include others!

Here is a picture of Lincoln after completing the construction of a bulldozer which people have slowly tinkered and contributed towards.

Take Care—Jessica



# Athletics day Information

## MENU

THANK YOU FROM  
THE ROSS CREEK PFA

### HOT FOOD

PIE	\$5.00
VEGIE PASTIE	\$5.00
SAUSAGE ROLL	\$4.00
STEAM DIM SIM	\$1 EA
HOT DOG	\$4.00
CHICKEN & SALAD ROLL	\$7.00
HAM & SALAD ROLL	\$7.00
SALAD ROLL	\$6.00

### SWEETS

ICED DONUT	\$3.00
JAM DONUT	\$3.00
LOLLY BAG	\$2.00
ZOOPER DOOPER	50c

### COLD DRINKS

SOFT DRINK	\$2.50
WATER	\$1.50
JUICE BOX	\$2.00

### HELPERS/VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in *desperate* need of volunteers to assist on **Tuesday, 19th March at 12 noon at the Smythesdale Recreation Reserve**. Could anyone that can help please bring a shovel and wheelbarrow as we need to transfer sand to the long jump areas. Please contact Ms Doherty to let us know if you can help.

In addition, we need as many parents as possible to help with moving sand immediately after the athletics has completed on the day (20th March) from the oval.

### FREE SAND

**Can be collected immediately after athletics carnival**

Would you like free sand for your sand pit or something else? If so, we have it ready and waiting just for you! To collect, you just need to bring a wheelbarrow, shovel, bucket and trailer/ute to collect immediately at the conclusion of our Athletics Day.

### PARKING

There will be limited parking available at the Smythesdale Recreation Reserve. For the safety of all students, you will only be able to enter the Reserve from the Smythesdale/Snake Valley Road entrance and drive anti-clock wise only around the oval (one-way) and exit through the Loader Street gate. **YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO EXIT FROM THE SMYTHESDALE/SNAKE VALLEY ROAD GATE.** Thank you for your understanding. Due to the limited parking and for the safety of our young ones, it is highly recommended that you try and find a park outside the Reserve.