



Newsletter 6
Term 2, Week 4
19/5/23

Cape Clear Primary School

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

I hope everyone had a lovely Mother's Day with their families on Sunday. It was great to see the effort the students put into making something for their special people in their lives.

This week we acknowledged Education Support week. A time in which we take the opportunity to thank our amazing support staff for everything they do around our school. Often we underestimate the amount of effort our ES staff put in to try and understand each of our students needs on a daily basis. While it may be their 'job', they do it with great kindness, empathy and often a wicked sense of humour which the kids love. Thank you Jeff, Janet, Tracey, Peta, Lachlan C and Jessica for being an amazing support.

I would like to acknowledge and notify our community that Lachlan Day has been successfully appointed substantive Principal at Meredith Primary School. We pass on our congratulations to Lachlan and he has asked I share the following message to our school community...

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Cape Clear Primary School community. When I started as Principal at Cape Clear Primary School, I was positively welcomed by staff, students, families and the community. One of my proudest achievements was having the opportunity to celebrate and share with the wider community the amazing school Cape Clear PS was and is. It is full of committed staff, brilliant students and a supportive community. I was lucky enough to walk into an environment that was a great education facility, and as a team we put Cape Clear PS back on the stage, in the spotlight, to remind everyone how brilliant a country school Cape Clear PS is. I will always have a special connection to the Cape Clear Primary School community. I would like to thank the staff and School Council for their support over the years, and look forward to seeing Cape Clear Primary School continue to thrive into the future"

Kind regards,

Lachlan Day

As a result of Lachlan's appointment, I will remain in the Acting Principal position until the substantive position is advertised. This process will get underway as soon as possible. Our Senior Education Improvement Leader will work through the Department of Education selection process with the School Council. I look forward to continuing to work with and support our school community in the meantime.

Warm regards,
Lynly Doherty

Respect
Confidence
Commitment
Responsibility

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY

Monday 22nd
-Assembly 2:45pm

Monday 29th
- Ballarat Art Gallery Excursion
(Whole School F-6)

Wednesday 31st
-Depart for Camp

JUNE

Friday 2nd
-Campers Return

Thursday 8th
-Winter Sports (Grade 4,5,6)

Monday 12th
-Kings Birthday (Public Holiday)

Tuesday 13th
-Curriculum Day
(Student Free Day)

Thursday 15th
-Winter Sports (Grade 4,5,6)

2023 TERM DATES

TERM 1: 30 January – 6 April

TERM 2: 24 April – 23 June

TERM 3: 10 July – 15 September

TERM 4: 2 October – 20 December

Learning Updates

4-6 Classroom

Students have been learning about the Australian Gold Rush and relating this to the local history of the area. We've been finding out about what life was like on the goldfields for different groups of people and the various mining techniques used. Each week, the students have been enjoying participating in a "Race to Eureka Game", where they practise their panning skills in groups and pan for 'gold' (tiny gold painted stones) within a 5 minute timeframe. The gold found by each group is then washed, taken to the banker (Jeff) who weighs it on digital scales and the amount of gold is recorded for each group in ounces. This week, one group's bucket was randomly allocated more gold, making it more authentic to be able to relate to the experience of gold prospectors in the 1800's. In the following weeks, the groups will experience being taxed on their gold, claim jumping and having to pay unfair licence fees.

We've also recently enjoyed taking part in LegoMasters Challenges during Respectful Relationships. With tasks requiring students to hone their creative and technical skills and work at practising terrific teamwork. We've talked about demonstrating the school values of Respect, Responsibility, Commitment and Confidence in our groups and the fact that when we work together we won't always agree on everything, but we'll respectfully come to a solution.



Learning Updates

ART

On Thursday, in Art we were lucky enough to have Ella from the Geelong Gallery visit and teach us about an artist named Kate Beynon. We took a look at some of Kate's artworks that are displayed at the gallery and then created our own 'lucky charms' which were objects that we thought represented us. All of the students did a fantastic job creating their own, unique pieces by drawing, sewing, cutting, stuffing and painting. We can't wait to see the finished products!



Wellbeing Update

CHAPLAINS WORD

When we listen to music it activates almost all of the brain. Music activates our parts of the brain which regulate emotions, memory, our motor system and focus. Have you ever heard of the fun fact where if you pretend to laugh out loud, it turns into a real laugh and releases endorphins. The same is true for music. If we are feeling sad and listen to music which has a sad memory attached to it, then we will stay in our state of sadness. However, if we are sad and begin listening to some upbeat music, often the music helps us to climb out of our sadness and enables us to experience more emotions like joy, relief, peace, and even energizes us! This is why many people get more cleaning done when music is turned on in the background. The chores actually become less of a task and easier to do! In our families, what areas can we incorporate music which will help with those mundane tasks? Homework, chores, cleaning, cooking, exercise... all these areas become that little bit easier just by turning on some rock 'n' roll.



Walk Safely to School Day



WHOLE SCHOOL CAMP

If you have any questions or would like to find out more about Cottage By The Sea, please contact school or visit their website at <https://www.cottagebythesea.com.au>



Book Club

Hello Families.

Just a note to say that due to department policy, schools are no longer allowed to accept any cash for book club and we require all orders to be done online by parents. If you have any questions regarding this please contact the front office.

Thank you

Peta Byrne

Building works update



Cape Clear Primary School was formed on the lands of the Wathawurrung people of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respects to their elders; past, present and emerging.



On the 15th of May Ms Doherty, Jeff, Jett, Will and I went to Condors Automotive Restoration. They specialise in panel beating and modifying of classic cars. We met with Scott the owner of the business who proceeded to show us the workshop.

They had 4 HK Monaros, 2 Mustangs, a 1965 and a 1969. They also had a Jensen Interceptor that was owned by the king of Dubai. A C3 Corvette, XA Falcon Fairmont, and a GMC Truck-IT WAS HUGE!! There was also an 850hp EH Holden which was my favourite, but it is still a work in progress.

By Kade



Great News!



From 10 July 2023, child care will be cheaper for most families.

If your family earns under \$530,000, you'll get an increased Child Care Subsidy (CCS).

Our Before, After School and Holiday programs are designed to support school communities and busy families. We provide an engaging and educational environment for children to form friendships, learn life skills and prepare them for life beyond the classroom.

The changes to CCS will provide up to 50% off fees! This means even more families can access quality programs such as our 'Rise then Shine' before school program, 'Stay and Play' after school program, and our 'Ultimate Playdate' School Holiday programs at a very affordable rate.

All of our 460+ services across Australia are registered and approved by the Australian Government to ensure parents at our services can access CCS.

In most cases, you don't need to do anything to get the increased rate. If you get CCS, changes to your CCS will be automatically applied from 10 July 2023.

What if I don't currently get CCS and want to apply?

If your family earns under \$530,000 and meets the following requirements, you'll get an increased Child Care Subsidy (CCS) from 10 July 2023.

- You or your partner must meet all of the following:
- care for your child at least 2 nights per fortnight, or have 14% care
 - are liable for fees for care provided at an approved child care service. Every centre we run across Australia is registered and approved by the Australian Government
 - meet the **residence rules**
- Your child must also meet both of these:
- **immunisation requirements**
 - not be attending secondary school unless an exemption applies.
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How much can I get?

The Child Care Subsidy amount you're eligible for will be based on the following:

- your **family's income**
- the **hourly rate cap** based on the type of approved child care you use and your child's age
- the **hours of activity** you and your partner do
- the **number of children** in your care. The amount of subsidised childcare you can access per fortnight applies to each child.

You can use this **Payment and Service Finder** to estimate how much Child Care Subsidy (CCS) you may get.

How do I make a claim?

You need to set aside about 30 minutes to do the following:

1. Create a MyGov account and link it to Centrelink. If you've claimed a payment before, you can use your **Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN)** to link Centrelink to myGov.
2. Provide your **identity**. You can do this by providing one document from each of the following lists:
 - a) Australian birth certificate, Australian citizenship certificate, Australian passport, Australian Visa
 - b) Australian driver license, Australian Certificate of Registration by Descent, ImmiCard
 - c) You may also need to enter some details from your Medicare card.
3. As you complete your claim, you may be asked for certain documents or information. These will show as required in your claim. Documents may include:
 - Tax File Number, child's birth certificate, financial records, employment details (pay-slip) Health Card, relationship status, residence details if you have lived outside of Australia.
4. Confirm your enrolment by asking your childcare service for your enrolment details then confirm them by using your **Centrelink online account** through myGov. Select Family from the menu, followed by Child Care then Enrolments.

For help, use this [online guide to confirm your child's enrolment details](#).

What happens next?

Once your claim has been processed you will receive an Assessment Notice either by regular mail or via your MyGov Inbox.

The Assessment Notice will inform you of the following:

- if you're eligible
- the childcare fee assistance you'll receive
- the annual cap that applies to you
- the withholding amount

If you are eligible, the payment will be automatically applied to the fees billed by your childcare service. You don't have to do anything else.

It is your responsibility to then keep your information up to date. You can do this by regularly checking your details are correct in MyGov and tell them if:

- your **family's income** changes
- your or your partner's **activity levels** change
- your **relationship status** changes
- there are **any other changes to your or your partner's circumstances**.

Your information about your family circumstances needs to be accurate so you receive the correct amount of CCS.

How can I get help?

If you get stuck or need any assistance, give us a call on +61 1300 395 735

If you require more information about the changes to CCS, go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/changes-if-you-get-family-payments](#)

