



Our students are confident learners and caring citizens prepared for their futures.

**– September –**

Mon 20	6/7 excursion to Parliament House & Adelaide Oval
Tue 21	2/3 & 4/5 Classes to Warriparinga
Wed 22	R/1 Class to Cleland Wildlife Park
Thu 23	Whole School Photo Day: every child must bring their photo envelope (even if you do not order photos)
Fri 24	Final Day of Term 3 – <b>Casual Day</b> – please bring a gold coin donation to go towards Penelope’s fundraising for the Cancer Council: <i>Remember early dismissal @ 2.20pm</i>

**– October –**

Mon 11	Student-Free Day
Tue 12	First Day of Term 4

**– December –**

Wed 1	End of Year Concert @ 6.30pm
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**New Chickens...and can you help in the holidays?**

Welcome to our new chickens Sunflower and Ladybug, donated by Daniel who manages our site’s IT.

Speaking of chickens, if you are able to help out by coming in over the school holidays to ensure their water is flowing and food is topped up, please let us know via email: [kelly.mudie97@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:kelly.mudie97@schools.sa.edu.au) what dates you are available. We may also need some seedlings watered to ensure they last the distance, but the task will not be too onerous.

Thanks in advance.



**Welcome to the Week 9 Newsletter**

These last few weeks of Term 3 have been a great reminder of the range of learning experiences we are proud to offer the students at Clarendon Primary School. While our Site Improvement Plan clearly articulates our actions and goals for improving learning outcomes in Literacy and Numeracy, I get just as much joy in seeing the students develop and grow in independence, curiosity, creativity, problem-solving skills and in their relationships with others.

We aim to provide opportunities for learning outside of the classroom too and for students to develop and to showcase passions and skills outside of the everyday curriculum.

This term, these opportunities have included:

- Nature Play Day
- Reach Out and Blind Soccer
- 2/3 and 4/5 excursion to Warriparinga
- 6/7 excursion to Parliament House and Adelaide Oval
- R/1 excursion to Cleland Wildlife Park
- SAPSASA Athletics
- YEL excursion to Belair National Park

And next term, we will have:

- Dance with Julie-anne leading to our...
- End of Year Concert
- Sports in Schools
- 6/7 Aquatics camp and more!

I think back to my days at school and it is certainly these kinds of events and opportunities that I look back on fondly.

On the concert, we are already busy preparing for an awesome night. If you see Brad (Crosby’s Dad) around in the mornings filming with his camera, it is part of the show. Please smile and carry on your normal morning and you may see the footage as part of the Clarendon PS short films at concert night.

I hope all families have a wonderful holiday break.

*David Hodges*, Principal

**Hats are compulsory for outside play**

Please be sure your child has a suitable hat so they do not miss out on outdoor class activities or break time play.

## Some Photos from Nature Play Day #2



### We're Skipping Through the Term



Jump Rope for Heart is well underway and it's great to see so many children out in the yard skipping with smiles on their faces. Thank you to all those families who have been fundraising.

It's not long until our Jump Off Day next Friday (the last day of Term 3) so keep on practicing those tricks! And remember to share your online fundraising page with friends and family to raise money for a great cause! If you still need to sign up online, just follow this link and enter your details:

[www.jumprope.org.au/parents](http://www.jumprope.org.au/parents)

### Olympian Visit: Kiana Elliott

We were lucky enough to have Olympian Kiana Elliott visit our school during the week to inspire our students to reach their own personal goals. Kiana shared her story, which saw her give up gymnastics as a result



of injury, and transition to weightlifting; she competed this year in the Olympics and achieved a personal best, lifting an impressive 101kg. Following her presentation, Kiana fielded questions from our students then spent time outside to chat with some keen gymnasts.

"We did handstand competitions to see who could do the longest handstand. She showed us how her socks even had the Olympic colours and logo." **Ezri, year 4**

"It was amazing that she did two sports: gymnastics and weightlifting. She taught me how to do the splits – I can get down lower now because I practised every day like she said." **Layla, year 4**



## SAPSASA Athletics & Soccer

Congratulations to Clarendon: the Onkaparinga North SAPSASA Athletics Champion School, back-to-back! Selected Years 4 to 7 students competed at Athletics last week, and were very excited to come home with the overall win (based on school size and number of firsts, seconds and thirds).

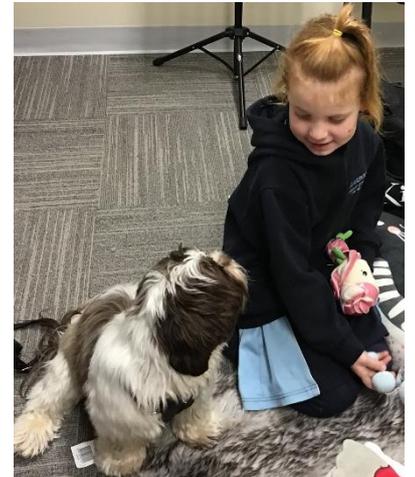


"It was really nerve-racking doing all the events but it was fun at the same time. I am going into States for long jump which is in a couple of weeks' time. It was really exciting to win the whole thing again but at the start (before it even started) we accidentally broke the trophy." **Lexi, year 5**

Meanwhile, **Miller** in year 6 competed in SAPSASA soccer recently and had this to say: "We won three, lost three and had two draws. I think we came third or fourth overall. There were a lot of girls from Pimpala and I was the only one who didn't play soccer for a club. It was fun but I'm sticking to footy and netball."

## A Day with Daisy

Recently, Daisy came to school with me to assist with wellbeing lessons, student meetings and play break. In our wellbeing lessons we talked about the benefits of caring for someone (or something) other than ourselves. I discussed how caring for Daisy can be hard work, but very rewarding. Research shows that we don't need to care for an animal or person to reap the benefits of caring for something. Caring for a plant can be incredibly beneficial for mental health. Every student in the Year 2/3 and 4/5 classes received a leaf clipping from a jade plant. With proper care, it will eventually turn into its own jade plant. This leaf clipping should be starting to form roots by now. So, if you have a child in the 2/3 class and their leaf clipping survived the day at school, as well as the trip home, encourage them to check on their plant. The 4/5 students are caring for their plants in their classroom. It is my hope that watching them grow, and caring for these plants, will bring them much joy!



**Annara Oxenham, Pastoral Care Worker**



## Blind Soccer

“The game uses a bell inside the ball so you can hear the ball and know what’s happening. The goal keeper is not vision impaired. It was really good and loads of people were able to realise what it’s like to be blind and still play soccer. I’ve played it before and it’s very fun – when everyone can’t see it’s lots more inclusive.” **Luke, year 4**



## Photo Day – Thursday, 23 September

Remember school photo day is next week, on Thursday, 23 September. You will have received your child’s envelope for orders from MSP Photography. If you have misplaced the envelope then please contact the office.

Please note that

**every child must bring their own envelope with them on photo day**

**to hand to the photographer.**

Envelopes must remain separate (do not seal envelopes inside each other). You may pay for all children in one envelope, however, each child needs to hold their own envelope on the day.

Parents can send the money to school in the envelope supplied, however, online ordering is available and is a much simpler method of payment. Family/sibling packages can also be ordered online. Online orders have been extended until 28 September. Family envelopes are available from the school office upon request and need to be ordered before or on photo day.

### Single Parent Families:

Parents can place multiple orders for children needing a second copy by either:

- Placing all orders on the one envelope.
- Handing in multiple order envelopes (an additional envelope can be collected from the school office and completed as usual). If this is the chosen method, please label the envelope either “Mum’s Copy” or “Dad’s Copy” so that upon delivery, the correct photo order is delivered to the appropriate parent.

The following photos will be taken:

- Individual photos
- Class photos
- Family groups (if you order one)
- Whole School
- SRC
- YEL (Young Environmental Leaders)
- Sports Team Captains
- Graduation (Year 7s)
- Ukulele

All students need to be in school uniform with hair neat and tidy for the photo day.

Please enclose correct money as no change is given. Cash, cheques, credit cards and money orders are accepted.

**Jackie Cooney**

**Thank you to Robin, Danielle, Pete  
& the team of helpers who made our second  
pizza fundraiser another success story!**

