



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

– January 2022 –

Mon 31	Day 1: it's a great idea to arrive early, ready for the warning bell at 8.55am, for class to begin at 9am
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– February –

Nothing yet...watch this space! 😊

– March –

Mon 14	Adelaide Cup Day
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– April –

Thu 14	Final Day of Term 1
Fri 15	Good Friday

Working Bee

Thanks to our parent Nick for co-ordinating the Working Bee a couple of weeks ago; thank you to the volunteers who were able to attend and successfully complete some jobs around the yard. A big thank you also to Nick for pressure cleaning the kitchen deck and steps in time for the installation of the new bench seating – we really appreciate it...and it looks *amazing*.

Yesterday at the Rose Ceremony, Tristan in Reception presented Mr Hodges with a farewell rose.



Our Last Newsletter for 2021

We made it! It's been a big few weeks with concert, graduation, sleepover and excursions but so many fond and happy memories!

I'd like to thank the whole school community for supporting our end of year events.

The feedback I have received regarding concert has been amazing, I'm glad the night was enjoyed by families. The students' dance performances were sensational!

Our classes and staffing to begin next year is now finalised:

Reception/Year 1 with Mrs Hunt

Year 1/2 with Ms Eckert from Monday to Thursday and Ms Best on Friday

Year 3/4 with Mrs Riches

Year 5/6 with Ms Mackenzie from Monday to Thursday and Ms Birrell on Friday

Ms Best will again be teaching Kitchen/Garden & STEAM and Bu Lyndal will continue to teach Indonesian.

All our wonderful SSOs will be back and Annara as Pastoral Care Worker.

Ms Roach is also aiming to return in Term 2, in a part-time role still to be finalised.

This year has been full of so many wonderful highlights and special occasions, there are too many to mention!

Like I said at concert, a huge thank you to students, staff and the community for your contributions to our school this year.

Farewell and good luck to our graduating students and families, many who have volunteered and contributed to our school for many years!

Finally, good bye and thank you.

Clarendon Primary School and this special community will hold a place in my heart forever. I have loved working at this school and with your amazing children!

David Hodges.

Principal

Clarendon Primary School Seniors – it's been a busy fortnight!

Our Clarendon seniors savoured their final week as primary school students; it has been one of the busiest weeks of the year for them. They:

- walked up Mount Lofty
- attended the Oak Tree Ceremony (aka Graduation) with family here at school under our glorious oak tree
- had dinner and a sleepover here at school, camping out in the library with mattresses and sleeping bags
- went on an excursion to Woodhouse Activity Centre where they climbed, jumped, weaved and swung (all on very minimal sleep!)
- had an assembly to farewell them from our school
- walked to the local bowls club today for a surprise game



Here are some excerpts from the kids' speeches at the Oak Tree Ceremony; some will make you laugh, others may bring a tear to your eye.

All of my class mates have made me feel happy and grateful that I am at this school. **Callum, year 6**

These have been the best 7 years of my life. My first 4 months of this school I would come to this school and cry because I didn't want mum to leave but now it is totally different – I just want to leave mum for a while (sorry mum). **Miller, year 6**

My years at Clarendon have been amazing, and I'm really sad to go. I have spent more years here than my own home and I'm glad because if I spent more times at home I wouldn't have realised how important this school is to me. I will miss this place and the people in it because this place has been my life and I'm glad my life was here. There is no school I would rather spend 7 years at than Clarendon Primary. **Audrey, year 6**

I had challenges fitting in but now I have lots of friends...but fitting in wasn't the only hard thing, there was also maths, spelling, writing, reading, PHP, Indo and the list goes on. **Patrick, year 6**

My top two favourite principals are Mr A and Mr H, but they were my only principals. **Eli, year 6**

At Clarendon everyone knows everyone so we are basically all friends that is something I really love about Clarendon. Over all the years friends come and go but some will always be there for you, like most of the people in the class this year. I have had so much fun and made so many wonderful memories that I will never forget. Even though we are leaving primary school and going off to do bigger better thing I really hope to keep close with all my friends here. **Sienna, year 7**

Miss Mackenzie, I loved everything about this year even math. Miss Mackenzie made everything so fun, but my favourite memory was in break time we all stayed inside and talked...we even watched the Olympics. **Ella, year 7**

Mr H...my favorite time was when we played a dart game with a partner but the person that was next to me was away so you asked me to play with you. Now, you were so sure you were going to win so we played on the big screen TV so that everyone could see when you won, but I came back with a ripping win and everyone saw how you lost to me and I will never forget. **Bella, year 6**

I have met a lot of friends on the journey – I hope we stay friends till we are 60 with wrinkles and bad knees so we can tell our grandchildren our memories about primary school and how we got in trouble and we would have to sit on the chairs out front of the office. **Josh, year 7**

I'd like thank my teachers for making learning here so fun, they even managed to make learning math fun, the teachers here are very special people, I hope there able to make learning fun for many generations to come.

Molise, year 6

My funniest memory is probably when at the final Nature Play Day during the water fight when Miller and Macy tricked Mr H into going behind the big tree on the oval and dumped a bucket of water on him. **Matthew, year 6**



To be completely honest with you all when I heard that Ms. Birrell wasn't going to be teaching us I was really disappointed and thought we wouldn't get another amazing teacher like her but then Ms Mackenzie arrived and she was so understanding, funny and kind and I am really grateful that we had her. **Rosie, year 7**

One of my favourite early memories was when the old garden shed was up and pretty much every break me, Macy, Sienna and Emily would stand around the garden shed and we would sing *Hard Knock Life* from Annie, it was really funny. **Marnie, year 6**

End of Year Concert – what a great night!

“I was nervous. I’m proud of myself because it’s my first time on the stage. I felt happy.” Scarlett, Reception

“I liked being a troll.” Etta, Reception



Julie-anne gave a stellar performance in the front row to help the littlies.

...then provided everyone assistance in the finale

