Term 4, Week 3

Student of the week: Jesse Mate S1E

Jesse is a pleasure to have in the classroom. He is always keen, enthusiastic and eager to learn. Jesse shows persistent effort and determination. He has developed wonderful work habits and can be relied upon to do his best. Jesse likes to play with his friends. He is a polite and friendly student, with a great sense of humour. Jesse enjoys all aspects of school. Congratulations Jesse!!

Student Achievement:
Great work Tayla Howarth, Paige Hensley-Turner and Emily Layzell are currently part of the Dungog and District Community of Schools Gifted and Talented Arts Program.

Congratulations to Emily Lightfoot, Samara Archer and Caitlin Lightfoot for their excellent citizenship in all areas across the school.

Diary Dates

Monday 19 October
CANTEEN CLOSED

Tuesday 20 October
P&C Meeting 7pm

Wednesday 21 October
Grandparents Day

Thursday 22 October
Reg Kelly Cricket match vs Seaham P.S.

Tuesday 27 October
Kinder Information Night

Friday 30 October
P&C Halloween Disco

Wednesday 9 December
Presentation Day

Thursday 10 December
Year 6 Farewell
Principal's News
Welcome to Week 3 and Grandparents Week, we are very excited to be hosting Grandparents Day tomorrow and all classes are keen to see their grandparents arrive to share their work. Grandparents are amazing and have a very important role to play the lives of our students. Many of our Grandparents have parenting responsibilities either by caring full time for their grandchildren or by caring for their grandchildren before and after school. We also have several grandparents who volunteer in our school canteen and assist in classrooms. There is nothing quite like the love and care of a grandparent and this week we will be celebrating that at Clarence Town Public School.

Our busy term continues this week with:
- Stage 2 and 3 Swimming for Sport – Stage 3 on Wednesday and Stage 2 on Friday. Please remember that students need rash shirts or similar and hats to attend and there has been a price rise at the pool and entry is now $2.10 (please try and have the correct money to avoid delays with change.)
- Grandparents Day – Wednesday 21 October from 12:30-3:00pm.
- Thursday 22 October – Clarence Town PS Cricket team will be playing in the Reg Kelly Shield. They play Seaham PS at Clarence Town Oval and the game will start at approximately 10.00am for all spectators. Good Luck!

Last week our K-2 students enjoyed a wonderful visit with a very well trained dog for the Responsible Pet Workshop. The students learnt how to treat a pet, care for a pet and how to approach a dog safely. As always the presentation was very professional and held an important message.

Last Friday Emily Layzell, Paige Hensley-Turner and Tayla Howarth represented Clarence Town Public School at the Dungog and District Community of Schools (D&DCoS) Gifted and Talented (GATS) Arts Program. This is the next chapter of our combine GATS programs and carries on from our Writing Program at the end of 2014 and the Technology Program last term. The students are working with a local author and illustrator to develop their Art, drawing and colour skills. Over the next few weeks they will be participating in Adobe Connect sessions where they stay at school and communicate with the Illustrator and other students though technology and the virtual classroom model. The students had a wonderful time on Friday when they met face to face with the rest of the group at Vacy PS. These programs not only support GATS students but also support transition to High School and making firmer connections across our wider community.

Next week we celebrate Bandana Day and Bandanas will be on sale all week through the office and we will all wear our Bandanas on Friday 30th October to support the charity CANTEEN.

Permission Notes & Payments Due

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Awards

Wednesday 14 October

ES1L
Ellee Maytom, Mark Bates

S1E
Sally Croxton, Jesse, Charlie Jones

S1/2 K
Kyla Radford, Xavier Hicks, Isabella Dunning

S2/3L
Leila Kelly, Brodi Longbottom, Jade Smith

S3G
Gabrielle Fren, Patrick Neilson, Seth, Tahlia Thew
This week we will focus on our Respect indicators in PBL:

- Care for Property and Equipment
- Follow Instructions the First time
- Use Positive Language

I would encourage parents and carers to talk about these indicators at home, what it look like and how we can improve in these areas. Our particular focus during this time is developing resilience, being organised, being persistent and developing confidence.

The Student Welfare Program is progressing well with our Tawny 5 Rules:

- I can listen
- I can put up my hand and wait
- I can work quietly
- I can follow instructions
- I can control what I do and Sa

Have a great week.
Louise Blakemore
Principal

Reg Kelly Cricket

Clarence Town Public School Cricket Team will play in the Reg Kelly Shield against Seaham Public School on Thursday 22 October 2015 starting at 10.00am at Clarence Town Oval. Supporters are welcome.

Working with Children Declaration

All volunteers in our school are required to complete a Working with Children Check Declaration. Please find attached a copy of this form along with a copy of Proof of Identity information. All declarations must have 100 points of identity attached to the declaration. Please note the office is able to photocopy the identity check when Working with Children Check declaration is returned.

Any parents, who have completed the online Working With Children Check and has received a Working with Children Clearance letter, please supply the office with a copy of the letter. These parents are not required to complete the declaration. Please see the office if you have any questions.

Stage 2 & 3 Swimming for Sport

Students in Year 3,4,5 & 6 will again be participating in swimming for sport in Term 4. Year 3 & 4 will attend swimming on a Friday from 16 October to 4 December. Year 5 & 6 will attend swimming on a Wednesday from 14 October to 2 December. Students are required to bring $2.10 each day for entry to the pool (or their season pass).
Sporting Schools
This program will begin **this week 20 October** with basketball on a Tuesday and cycling on a Friday. Students who have been successful in enrolling in this program were given a letter last week. **Please note the Sporting School Program is full.**

Stage 2 & 3 Surf Safe Fun Day
This will be held on **Monday 9 November 2015** for Stage 2 & Stage 3 students. Please return your permission note and money by **Friday 30 October**. The cost is $30.00 per student.

Public Speaking
Public Speaking for **Wednesday 21 October 2015**. This will take place during our weekly school assembly. Parents are welcome to attend the Public Speaking. Our speakers will be Caitlin Lightfoot, Declan Middleton, Keeghan Stericker, Makiah Archer and Chloe Taylor. Good luck!!

Our winner from last week was Gabrielle Fren. Congratulations!!!

Year 6 Fundraiser
Year 6 are selling water ice-blocks on a Tuesday and Thursday at lunch time as part of their fundraising efforts for their gift to the school. Ice-blocks are 50c each and a range of flavours are available.

Library Bags
These library bags are available from the office at a cost of $2.00 per bag. They have the school logo on them.

Application for Year 7 selective high school placement in 2017
Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online between **13 October 2015 and 16 November 2015**. Applications will not be accepted after 16 November 2015.
All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on **Thursday 10 March 2016**. Forms are available from the school office if you don’t have access to a computer.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Di’s Pink Ribbon Morning Tea
**Monday 26 October 9am**
School of Arts Hall
**Raffles, Auctions and Fashion Parade by “ROCKMANS”**
Featuring local Models

Glen William Gymkhana
**Saturday 7 November 2015**
Pony Club events 10am/ Open events 1pm
Whether you are a rider or a spectator, join us for all the fun of our annual Gymkhana
**Enquiries phone Donna – 0428 255 944 or Sue – 49 965 528**
All Grandparents are invited to attend our 2015…

Wednesday 21 October 2015

12:30-1:30pm  Classrooms Activities
1:30-2:00pm  Devonshire Afternoon Tea
2.00-3.00pm  Special tribute to Grandparents
2:00-3:00pm  Special tribute to Grandparents Assembly

WANTED

The P&C are participating in the Dungog Shire Biggest Garage Sale and require your help:
- People to ‘man’ the garage sale stall on Saturday 24th October from 8am to 12 noon – if you can help by volunteering an hour of your time within this timeframe please let Matthew, Racquel, Kelly or Dannii know
- Donation of items suitable to sell – please note these items need to be in reasonable condition. Please contact the school office 49964156 before sending items in so storage arrangements can be made.

All proceeds from the garage sale will go towards the purchase of our new fixed equipment – we have nearly made our target!

We Need Your Help!

GARAGE SALE
The P&C is once again holding its annual Halloween Disco for K-6 students. The disco will be held on Friday 30 October in the school Hall. More details re: times, volunteers, etc will be in next week’s newsletter….

BUT…

We need lots and lots of decorations to make our school Hall look spooky!!!!

In the past our families have made very generous donations of decorations – both bought and home made and our Hall always looks sensational. If you can assist please send any decorations into the office.

Mrs Bagnall (Tammy) is also busy organising a menu for the Canteen which will be open and will have dinner food, snacks, cakes, lollies and drinks available