Our Vision
Our school learning community strives to prepare students for their future.

Values
We believe in developing respect, responsibility and resilience through a challenging and diverse learning environment.

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COMING EVENTS CALENDAR
Thursday 18th September
- Year 6 Toastmasters Evening
Friday 19th September
- Last Day of Term 3 – 2.30pm Finish
Monday 6th October
- Term 4 Starts
Monday 6th October
- Junior Swimming Commences
   (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri)
Wednesday 10th October
- Student Laptop Payment Due
Monday 27th October
- School Council Meeting – 5.00pm
Monday 3rd November
- Curriculum Day – Student Free Day
Tuesday 4th November
- Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday

Principal Report 17th September 2014

School Production
What an incredible event. Congratulations to all those involved. Our students were amazing and did a wonderful job learning their dance moves and songs. It is a brilliant opportunity for our students to see how a real theatre works.
To the production team, they must have been so happy and proud with how all their hard work paid off. The sets were great and the costumes were fantastic.
I think these events show how special the Clyde Primary School community is, with parents and staff working so hard to create such a special opportunity for the students of Clyde PS.
As principal of Clyde PS I was lucky to sit in the audience and watch as ‘Trouble at the Zoo’ unfolded. I can honestly say I am always incredibly proud of our school.
Well Done! and Thank You! to all those involved in this year’s production, from the writing to the choreographing.

School Web Page
If you have yet to download our school web page and associated apps please do so as this will allow you to find out all the exciting things that are happening around our school. If you need any assistance with downloading the apps please do not hesitate to ask at the office and we will arrange for someone to show you.
Enrolments
We are still taking enrolments for 2015 and if you know of anyone who has yet to make their decision please suggest that they call me to arrange a tour of our school.

Early Assembly
This Friday, 19th September our assembly will be at 9am due to our early dismissal at 2.30pm.

Ice Bucket Challenge
Ms Sanderson, Mr Pumpa and I have been challenged to the ‘Ice Bucket Challenge’ for ALS. We thank Ben K for this!! So next Friday, 19th September at 2.20pm we will be doing our ice bucket challenge.

We are asking for our school community to support this challenge. Staff have been asked to donate $5.00 and students a gold coin donation. Half of the fund raising money will go to ALS and the other half will be divided three ways a go to the following groups: MS Society, Orange Pigeon and Wild Life Rescue Victoria.

The students who donate the most money will have the chance to pour the buckets of ice water over the staff member.

Amyotrophic lateral Sclerosis (ALS), often referred to as "Lou Gehrig's Disease," is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord. Motor neurons reach from the brain to the spinal cord and from the spinal cord to the muscles throughout the body.

We hope you will support this challenge and we look forward to seeing you there.

Term 4
Term 4 commences at 9am on Monday 6th October. We hope you have a restful and safe holiday.

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Welfare News
Feeling Safe Together: Our last ‘Feeling Safe Together’ sessions have been completed this week. I am sure all students found these sessions beneficial and have many ideas and strategies that they can use from these sessions. Remember to talk to your children consistently about their helpful and unhelpful feelings and being safe in different environments.

Peer Mediation: Our year 5 students have recently participated in a peer mediation program. This program will begin next year and is designed to provide our year 5 students with the skills to assist students who have minor conflicts in the yard. It also has provided these students with ways to help them deal with their own minor conflicts. Mr Pumpa will participate in a teacher session to provide us with more information about this program. More information will come as we begin to implement this program.

Michael Grose Article: The article I chose this week is ‘Building Deep Relationships with Kids’. This article highlights the importance of promoting positive relationships with your children, particularly with one-on-one time with each of them. See if you can schedule some time with each child these holidays.

Make sure you have a relaxing and safe holiday and we will see everyone in term 4.
Building deep relationships with kids

Building a strong relationship with their children is every parent’s dream. Here are some time-honoured ways of doing this ... if you can stick to them.

Every parent I know wants a great relationship with their children.

An effective way of promoting such relationships is through rituals and traditions. Rituals and traditions build close families.

For example, most strong families I know are underpinned by a strong food culture. In these families, every kid, no matter what their age, is expected to come to the meal table. Kids in these families are generally also expected to participate in other rituals and traditions.

This can require some parenting spine, but these rituals build wide relationships – that is, they gather the tribe together creating a wide relationship circle.

Individual parent-child relationships need to go deep. Deep relationships provide leverage. They also survive the potential storms of adolescence, during which relationships can become stormy and intense.

Certainly some ages are more amenable to positive relationship building than others. Developmentally, it’s easiest to build deep relationships in the opportunity years of latency: five through to ten years of age.

The easiest way to build a deep relationship between yourself and each of your kids is to spend regular one-on-one time together.

- Go somewhere for a whole day with a child.
- Go away for a weekend with just one child. Do things you enjoy.
- If possible, go camping.

These shared experiences can have a magic impact on relationships. They can sometimes lead to vast improvements in children’s behaviour.

Another way to build deep relationships is to share an interest with a child. Having something in common, whether it’s a shared love of sport, books or a hobby, creates an individual bond that goes deep. A shared interest also creates ‘natural’ opportunities for one-on-one time.

Make it happen

- One-on-one time needs to be organised.
- It generally won’t happen by accident.
- It takes time. It takes energy. It takes a support mechanism to make it happen.
- Most of all it takes permission.
- But one-on-one time is so worth the effort.
- One-on-one time is the coat hook upon which each of your children will hang their memories of you.
**JUNIOR SCHOOL UPDATE**

**School Production**
Congratulations to all of the students in the Learning Centre for their performance in the school production. Behaviour during the day for the dress rehearsal was excellent as was backstage on the night. Thank you again to the production committee for all of their hard work.

**Swimming Program**
The Junior School Swimming Program begins next term. Please return all notes and payments that are overdue.

**Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews**
If you did not manage to organise a time for Parent/Teacher interviews please organise to meet with your child’s teacher as soon as possible.

**Curriculum Day**
Monday 3rd November (the day before the Melbourne Cup) will be a Curriculum Day for all students at Clyde PS.

**Last day of term**
A reminder that Friday is the last day of term and school finishes at 2.30pm. Students may dress in their AFL team colours on this day. A gold coin donation for the ‘ice bucket’ challenge is requested.
I hope that everyone enjoys a safe and relaxing holiday break.

Nick Schneider (Assistant Principal)

**SENIOR SCHOOL UPDATE**

**Well done to all of the teachers, students and parents on a fantastic and productive term!**

**School Play**
Our school production was a huge success. Well done to all of the students, we are proud of you. Thank you to all of the parents and teachers who helped to ensure our students has this great opportunity.
Holiday Reading
Reading Adventure is continuing next term, the students will not have a Reading Adventure book to read over the holidays. Students need to read daily over the holidays and record this in their diaries.

Holiday Homework
On the holidays it would be great if students practise their timetables and mental computation. They can go onto Mathletics and Reading Express when bored.

Toastmasters
The year 6 students have participated in the Toastmasters Youth Leadership program this term. We can see the improvement in their confidence and skills already. The presentation evening is being held on Thursday 18th September at 7pm in the Learning Centre.

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences
If you have not yet met with your child’s teacher for an interview, please contact them to make one ASAP.

Please don’t hesitate to speak to any of the senior team if you have any questions. Have a safe holiday, read daily and maximize learning opportunities.

Tegan Sanderson

ICT/eSmart Report

5/6 Laptop Program
Last week I wrote about the Laptop Program. We have almost finished gathering information and prices for next year’s program. If your child will be in year 5 next year, we will have information out to you and we will run an information session early next term.

eSmart
Last week we were visited by Brett Owen who is a Leading Senior Constable with the Victorian Police. Brett came out to speak to the year 5 and 6 students about cyber-safety and being safe and responsible in today’s society.

A big thank you to Brett for making the effort to come out and speak to us. The students really enjoyed the session and gained some valuable insight into why we need to stay safe online.

ICT Survey
If you haven’t returned the ICT survey, please make an effort to complete it and return it to your class teacher before the end of term.
**Remember**
Every student at Clyde has an account for Mathletics and Reading Eggs. These sites are a great way to make sure your child builds on their learning over the holidays.

**Worth a Visit**
With the holidays approaching I’m sure some parents will be looking for ways to keep the children entertained over the break. I know I mention it most weeks but [www.commonsensemedia.org](http://www.commonsensemedia.org) is a great place to start. Take a bit of time to have a look around this site as it not only provides great tips for staying safe online at home but it also has a section reviewing websites, games, books and movies with how age relevant and worthwhile they are. Some great information around social media, cyber-bullying, screen time and more can be found on the site at [https://www.commonsensemedia.org/topic-centers](https://www.commonsensemedia.org/topic-centers).

A simple tip to keep children safe is to always make sure you know **what, when and where:**
What is your child doing while using technology? When/how often/how long/what time do they use technology? Where do they use technology?

Doug Pumpa.

**SPORT SPOT**

Rugby League has not been big at our school but last week it took a giant try forward. We entered a boy’s tackle team and a girl’s tag team into the Billy Slater Shield held at Casey Fields. In lovely weather the day began with clinic, a clinic big on discipline, some tackling skills and ball handling.

…… tag is fair…… Hollii
   It was fun, playing with my friends made it special and being able to tackle made it more exciting…….. Bailey

I first thought that we had no chance, that we were going to be smashed……….. When our first game finished with a draw we started to believe that we did have a chance and began to think more positively…….. Jaden

…… I got the first try of the day. This made me feel strong and I played with more confidence…..Sarah

Our girls won their first two games and drew in the third, they won their fourth and lost by a try in the fifth, the grand final. They brought home the runners up flag. A fantastic effort by a novice team which had very little instruction prior to this event.
Our boys won their first game also and managed to get to the semi-final by percentage. Everyone seemed to have had a great day, even Mr Newell and Mr Pumpa.
Casey South Division Athletics

This event is happening as we go to print, however I would like to wish those competing today all the best. Hailey and Kalanga are running in the 100m. Bailey is running in the 10 year old 1500metres. Jesse is competing in the 12year old discus. Stay tuned for results next newsletter.

**BIRTHDAYS!!!**

**SEPTEMBER**

18th  Hayden M  12A  
      Abbey M  12B  
21st  Ershad A  12B  
      Miki M  12C  
24th  Declan M  12A  
25th  Damon S  12B  
26th  Sabah T  12B  
      Montana M  56A  
27th  Harley F  34A  
      Livy S  34B  
30th  Jed N  12C  
      Rosey B  34B

**OCTOBER**

6th   Maddi h  56B  
9th   Ruby J  00B  
      Holly M  12B  
10th  Giselle R  00A  
      Georgia F  34B  
12th  Mia R  00B  
13th  Angelina T  12A
**VILLAWOOD SPONSORING PRODUCTION DVD**

The Clyde School Community would like to thank and acknowledge Villawood Properties’ Pasadena community for helping sponsor our Production DVD. Pasadena and Villawood Properties are valued partners of Clyde PS having helped with concreting and landscaping around our school over the past few years. Pasadena also provided the school with brand new jumpers for the school football team.

We look forward to continuing our relationship with both Villawood Properties and Pasadena in the future.

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**“CRANBOURNE CASH”**

Clyde Primary School is pleased to announce that we have joined The Good Guys “Cranbourne Cash” incentive program.

For every $25 spent at The Good Guys Cranbourne, we will be rewarded with $1 in Cranbourne Cash towards our tally. The amount raised will be used for necessary equipment &/or fundraising purposes.

To take advantage of this offer all you need to do the following:
* Advise your salesperson that you want Cranbourne Cash allocated to Clyde Primary School.

For example: If you purchase a washing machine for $500 we will receive $20 in Cranbourne Cash.

For further information regarding this program please contact Damien at The Good Guys Cranbourne on 5991 6000
PFA NEWS

The Parents and friends Association is always happy to welcome new members and extends this invitation to all but especially to our new families joining the school. The PFA objectives are to promote a spirit of genuine cooperation between parents, staff & students of the school and to provide financial assistance for the development of the school’s facilities and teaching resources.

Canteen
There note there will be no canteen on the 19th September

Donations
If anyone would like to donate items to our school Christmas raffle it would be greatly appreciated. - Please take any donations to the office. Thank you.

Cadbury’s Fundraiser

Thank you to all the families who have already brought back their chocolate money.

The money is now overdue.

Please return any unopened and undamaged chocolates to the front office ASAP.

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Bright Star Kids Fundraiser
Name Labels, Clothing, Wall Stickers & School Bags. Keep track of your kid’s belongings with great value Name Labels for school. Shop on line at http://www.FDR1525.brightstarkids.com.au

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Canteen Roster – Term 4

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