



Clare Connection

Challenges and learning - the heart of our community

Term 3, Week 6

Newsletter Date: Tuesday 23rd August 2016

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Community Members

This week the NAPLAN results have been released, it is important to remember that this test only takes into consideration the results of our students in one test on one day amounting to less than four hours, four times throughout a student's years of schooling. They do not however assess the skills or attributes of the students in other areas of interest such as sport, music or art. NAPLAN does however help parents and educators to see if children are meeting important numeracy and literacy standards, mapping progress but also identifying strengths and weaknesses in teaching programs. If parents or carers have any questions or concerns relating to the NAPLAN results please feel free to contact me through the school.

Today I had the opportunity to sit in and watch our students engage in the Southwest Arts "Threads of our Communities" program visit. Students were provided with the opportunity to take part in French or Tomboy Knitting and were able to create some masterpieces of their own. All students are to be commended in the way in which they actively and enthusiastically participated in the program.

In the coming weeks we will be introducing the Accelerated Reader program into the school. The Accelerated Reader is highly engaging and motivates students to read and improves their reading age and comprehension. From my past experience in using the program I believe it is highly effective and has proven results in improving students' reading and comprehension. Once students have completed reading a book, they take a short online quiz which provides both students and the teacher with immediate feedback towards their reading goals, improvement in reading and recommends available books that the student may be interested in.

Benjamin Carter

Calendar Dates

Southwest Arts Visit	23/8
Riverina Primary Athletics Carnival	2/9
Last Day of Term	22/9
Students Return Term 4	10/10
Melbourne Cup Luncheon	1/11

Notes home this week



Students of the Week

Week 5

Skye Fitzgerald

Becoming more willing to experiment with new concepts



Week 6

Larah Butler

Positive attitude and effort all week



Merit Awards

Week 5 - Ollie Fitzgerald "Improved attitude towards work"

Week 6 - Liam Butler and Jake Brumby “Great work in creating a Lego Movie”



Check Out What We Are Learning - Exaggerated Poetry

My mum is so nice she lets us have pancakes and ice cream for dinner.

My mum is so nice I have to tell the other mums to leave her alone.

My mum is so nice she makes rocks soft.

My mum is so nice she makes cauliflower and Brussel sprouts taste nice.

My mum is so nice she gets all the monsters out of my bed.

By Jack Jones year 6

EXAGGERATION POEMS

COOLEST FAMILY

My mum is so cool that she gives me \$100 to spend at school and she's that pretty she should be a model.

My dad is even cooler because he can shear 500 sheep in 25 minutes and he drafts 50000 in 50 minutes.

My brothers are even cooler because they can do all their school work in one whole hour. And they are so fast at swimming their flippers fall off.

I'm so cool that when I jump 5 meters I can do 5 back flips.

By Larah Butler year 4

Exaggeration poem

my awesome family

My Dad is so strong he can lift a car.

My Dad is so cool he can shear a sheep in 2 seconds.

My dad is so strong he can lift an airplane.

My dad is cool people call him rock and roll.

My mum is so cool she doesn't make me eat all of my vegetables.

My brothers are so cool they teach me how to speak French and give me anything.

By Skye Fitzgerald year 4

My Exaggeration Poem

Our White car is louder than lightning.

Our white car is so loud, skyscrapers in the city collapse! Our white car is so loud that people in china can hear it! Our white car is louder than all of the cars in the world turned on! Our White car is louder than 20 V8's running!



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 81 Phone and Windows 81 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 81 Windows Phone or Windows 81/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 81 version Windows Phones, or Windows 81 and 10 devices.



Term 3 - Diary Dates

Please find below the current Term 3 calendar as it stands. Please note that this is subject to change and keep an eye out for any notes that come home.

Term 3 Clare Public School 2016						
Term Three	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 1	18 July SDD	19 July Students Return Rachel	20 July Rachel	21 July Small Schools Combined Athletics Carnival @ Moulamein	22 July Kara	23 24 July
3	25 July Kara	26 July	27 July Rachel	28 July Kara	29 July Tooleybuc Zone Athletics	30 31 July
3	1 August Leaders Luncheon @ Moulamein Rachel Kara	2 August Rachel	3 August Rachel	4 August Kara	5 August Short Week	6 7 Aug
4	8 August	9 August	10 August Flying Padre Visit Rachel	11 August Kara	12 August Short Week	13 14 Aug
5	15 August Kara	16 August P&C Meeting	17 August Rachel	18 August	19 August Kara	20 21 Aug
6	22 August Kara	23 August	24 August Rachel Kara	25 August Rachel Kara	26 August Short Week	27 28 Aug
7	29 August Kara	30 August Rachel	31 August Rachel	1 September Rachel	2 September Riverina Athletics Kara	3 4 Sep
8	5 September	6 September Rachel	7 September Rachel	8 September Kara	9 September Short Week	10 11 Sep
9	12 September Kara	13 September Rachel	14 September Rachel	15 September Rachel	16 September Kara	17 18 Sep
10	19 September Kara	20 September Rachel	21 September Rachel	22 September Kara	23 September Short Week	24 25 Sep
Hols	26 September	27 September	28 September	29 September	30 September	1 2 Oct
Hols	3 October	4 October	5 October	6 October	7 October	8 9 Oct

Community News

If you wish to have any community news or announcements included in the
CLARE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER.

Please forward all items to: clare-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Subject: Newsletter articles

The CLARE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER will be published each fortnight.

Timetable Term 3
2016
Fax: 69934970
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Monday 18th July
To
Friday 23rd September

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	18.7.2016 Wanganella Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	19.7.2016 Staff Office Day	20.7.2016 Booligal Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	21.7.2016 Goolgowi Care 9.30-3.00	22.7.2016 Carrathool Care 9.00-3.00
Week 2	25.7.2016 Clare Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	26.7.2016 Maudie Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	27.7.2016 Staff training day	28.7.2016 Coly Care 10.00-3.00	29.7.2016 FBC FBC
Week 3	1.8.2016 Wanganella Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	2.8.2016 Clare Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	3.8.2016 Booligal Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	4.8.2016 Goolgowi Care 9.30-3.00	5.8.2016 Carrathool Care 9.00-3.00
Week 4	8.8.2016 Clare Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	9.8.2016 Maudie Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	10.8.2016 Yamma Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	11.8.2016 Coly Care 10.00-3.00	12.8.2016 FBC FBC
Week 5	15.8.2016 Wanganella Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	16.8.2016 Clare Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	17.8.2016 Booligal Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	18.8.2016 Goolgowi Care 9.30-3.00	19.8.2016 Carrathool Care 9.00-3.00
Week 6	22.8.2016 Clare Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	23.8.2016 Maudie care 9.00-3.00 FBC	24.8.2016 Yamma care 10.00-3.00 FBC	25.8.2016 Coly Care 10.00-3.00	26.8.2016 FBC FBC
Week 7	29.8.2016 Wanganella Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	30.8.2016 Clare Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	31.8.2016 Booligal Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	1.9.2016 Goolgowi Care 9.30-3.00	2.9.2016 Carrathool Care 9.00-3.00
Week 8	5.9.2016 Clare Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	6.9.2016 Maudie Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	7.9.2016 Yamma Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	8.9.2016 Coly Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	9.9.2016 FBC FBC
Week 9	12.9.2016 Wanganella Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	13.9.2016 Staff Office Day	14.9.2016 Booligal Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	15.9.2016 Goolgowi Care 9.30-3.00	16.9.2016 Carrathool Care 9.00-3.00
Week 10	19.9.2016 Clare Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	20.9.2016 Maudie Care 9.00-3.00 FBC	21.9.2016 Yamma Care 10.00-3.00 FBC	22.9.2016 Coly Care 10.00-3.00	23.9.2016 FBC FBC

**Attention all Ladies –
Don't miss the bus to Broken Hill!!**
The Wentworth Rural Women's Group
have booked accommodation and a bus
to travel to Broken Hill for the
2016 Rural Women's Gathering
28th – 31st October.
We are looking for ladies who would
like to join us for a long week-end
of guest speakers, workshops and
great company.
For enquiries, contact:
Jann Lawrence-0427886806
Chris Larwood-0350270220
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Country Women's Association of NSW

2016 CWA Awareness Week 3-10 September: highlighting the impacts of poor internet connectivity on health, education and crime

What: The Country Women's Association (CWA) of NSW's Ivanhoe branch is launching its annual Awareness Week campaign, to be held from 3-10 September 2016.

This year, CWA Ivanhoe branch, along with the 400 other CWA branches across NSW, have chosen to highlight the significant impact a lack of connectivity is having on their community.

CWA Ivanhoe branch believe a lack of internet connectivity is severely hindering people's ability to conduct business, as well as access education and healthcare — specifically mental health services — and can contribute to higher crime rates in regional and rural areas.

Why: The digital age is well and truly upon us, but unfortunately our district is not seeing the benefits. A lack of connectivity results in barriers to growth for our farmers and small business operators; barriers to a quality education for our students; and barriers to health services for our entire community.

While 78% of NSW regional residents love living in their community, they cite critical infrastructure, including telecommunications, as being under serviced. Only 37% of rural and regional Australians have good access to high-speed internet, with regional NSW being the worst. Across rural and regional Australia, 46% report poor access to mental health services and half (50%) have poor access to specialist health services.

CWA of NSW is assisting journalists with examples of the difficulties faced by country people in relation to such impacts. Contact one of our local members if you wish to contribute.

We welcome new members to our local branch. Visitors are welcome to attend our monthly meetings, generally on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 11am in our rooms in Columbus Street.



THE ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL *BALRANALD & DISTRICT* *PHONEBOOK 2017* IS GETTING READY FOR PRINT!!!

As a resident OR business if you need to amend your details, you can find large print copies of the 2014 phonebook at the following locations:

- St Joseph's School
- Clare Public School
- Balranald Central School
- Balranald Early Learning Centre
- Balranald Post Office
- Balranald Shire Office
- Homebush Historic Hotel
- Kyalite Hotel
- Maude Store

SIMPLY write the changes you would like made to your phonebook entry in the phonebook itself found at one of these locations.

If you would like to talk these changes through with someone please call Jess Griffiths on 0437 285 937 or 03 5020 1268

The 2014 Phonebook will be available for editing at the above mentioned locations from

Thursday 4th August until Friday 2nd September

Please Note: each residential entry is entitled to have two (2) numbers listed (this might be 1 landline and 1 mobile or 2 mobiles for example), additional phone / mobile / fax numbers are charged at \$10 each.

There are also advertising blocks available for purchase. See reverse of this leaflet for pricing and size details.

ADVERTISING in the ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL BALRANALD & DISTRICT PHONEBOOK 2017

The St Joseph's Primary School 2017 Balranald & District Phonebook is the 'go-to' local Phonebook that sells more than 600 copies when printed every 3 years. Do not miss your opportunity to advertise and be seen in this great local resource.

Ads must be placed by Friday 2nd September

Ad format and pricing is as follows:

BOLD UPPERCASE text in alphabetical listing of Phonebook (only) - \$25

1/6 page ad, **black & white INTERNAL pages** (approx. 6.5cm x 6.5cm) - \$250

1/6 page ad, **colour OUTSIDE front cover** (approx. 6.5cm x 6.5cm) - \$500

1/6 page ad, **colour OUTSIDE back cover** (approx. 6.5cm x 6.5cm) - \$400

1/6 page ad, **colour INSIDE front/back cover** (approx. 6.5cm x 6.5cm) - \$350

1/2 page ad, **black & white INTERNAL pages** (approx. 13.5cm x 9cm) - \$350

1/2 page ad, **colour OUTSIDE front cover** (approx. 13.5cm x 9cm) - \$600

1/2 page ad, **colour OUTSIDE back cover** (approx. 13.5cm x 9cm) - \$500

1/2 page ad, **colour INSIDE front / back cover** (approx. 13.5cm x 9cm) - \$450

Note all businesses and individuals who place an advertisement in the 2017 Phonebook will automatically have their name in **BOLD UPPERCASE** in the alphabetical listing of the Phonebook.

If you would like to purchase one of these valuable advertising spaces please phone 0438 248 583