

Clare Connection

Kathy's Corner.....

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Reminder to all about the School times:

Students start at 9am and finish at 3:17pm.

If you are going to be early to school or are running late in the afternoon, please let staff at school know by email or phone call.

Also if anyone has any issues or problems please ring the school and make an appointment to see Kathy.

03 5020 6896

Hello, and welcome back to another school year. Depending on what timeline you are using, we may be beginning Week 7 or Week 5. I prefer Week 5 as it enables a level of comfort and is more of a perfect fit with where we are in terms of learning and administration.

Firstly, may I warmly welcome Oliver Scott and his family to our Clare PS family. Oliver is enjoying a spectacular start to Big School, and we are enjoying discovering what makes Oliver ticks. I am sure that Oliver is enjoying doing the same with all of us.

This year we have continuity of school staff and routines. We have chosen to remain as a whole class group as we believe a multi-stage class yields positives for every child, and teaching staff. We have children in every class year from Kindy- year 5. As all our children's learning is personalised to their specific needs it makes sense to share our whole days together. Belonging, cohesiveness and collaboration are all enhanced. Plus, we get to enjoy the special place and moments we have built together in my time as Teaching Principal.

An example of this occurred on Friday afternoon. Sharing that Kara Scott was lucky to be seeing Ed Sheeran in concert, I was met with a resounding, 'who'? Our year 5, Annabelle shared my astonishment and suggested we play an Ed Sheeran song. Moans met us as we sang along. So, I invited suggestions for a well-liked song. "She's my Ute" echoed from the other children. I thought they were joking, and Annabelle moaned. To end, everyone shared their why for their musical preference and we discussed how songs tell stories. The magic in the moment was that all of us learnt from each other and as one child shared, 'everyone has their own like or dislike and by sharing we learn to accept other people's ideas'. So true...and a perfect ending to hear previous learning applied to this activity.

Thank you to all parents, children and teaching staff who made our Swimming School week in Mildura and attendance at the Small Schools Swimming Carnival a resounding success. Congratulations to Annabelle, Cate and Edie who qualified for the Dareton Swimming Carnival.

We are looking forward to the year ahead and commend all children on their wonderful start.

Keep Smiling!

Kathy Bourke— Teaching Principal

WELCOME BACK FOR 2023

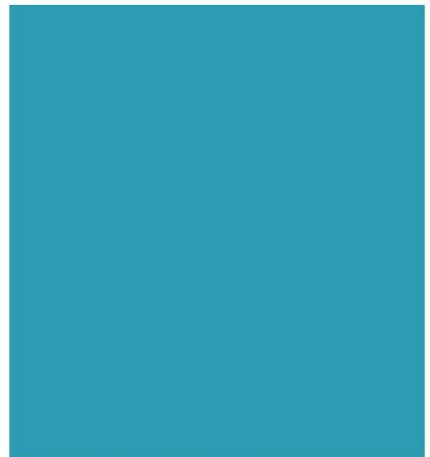
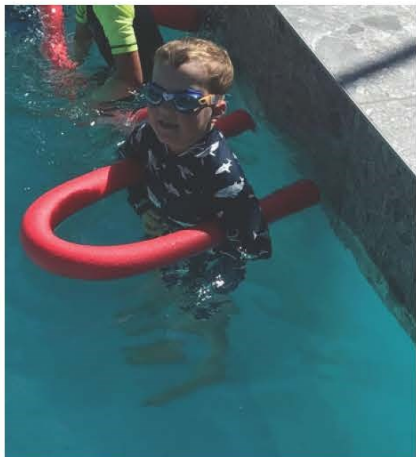
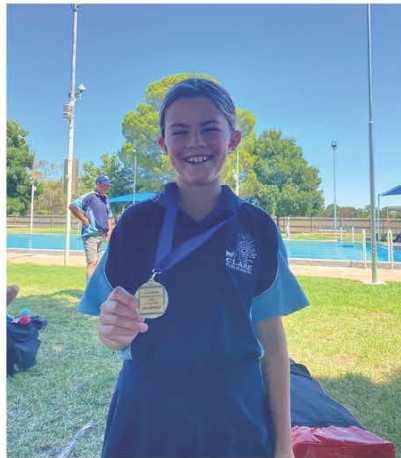
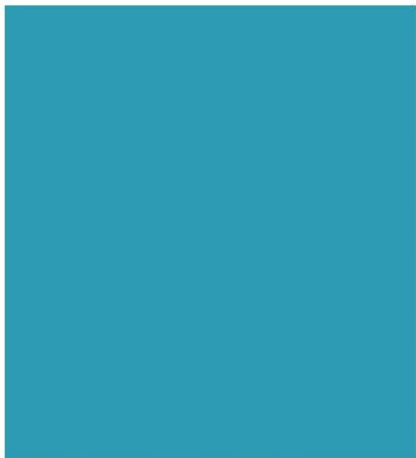


*Welcome
back to school
students, staff
and
parents.
A big
welcome to
the newest
student for
our little
school
Oliver who
started
Kindergarten
this year.*

PRESENTATION DAY 2022



SWIMMING CARNIVAL HIGHLIGHTS





Swim school 2023





One of the pleasures of the beginning of the year is creating our new 'We All Belong' wall display.



Reading a Book Repeatedly:

- A**dvances vocabulary
- B**oosts comprehension
- C**ultivates fluency
- D**evelops decoding skills
- E**ncourages deeper learning
- F**acilitates prediction
- G**ives pleasure & comfort



www.StoriesAndChildren.com



"The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you." — B.B. King

ENJOY
THE
LITTLE THINGS



Clare Public School would like to Farewell Pete our cleaner who has left to pursue another job elsewhere. Good luck Pete at your next job and thank you for all your wonderful cleaning and also the little extra jobs you did for us here at Clare PS.





NSW Department of Education

Bushfire Danger Period Information for Parents and Carers

This brochure provides information for parents and carers about arrangements for the bushfire danger period.

The NSW Department of Education has engaged external experts to conduct assessments of all NSW government schools to identify schools at greater risk of impact from bushfires.

To support the health, safety and wellbeing of students and staff in your school, the department in consultation with NSW Rural Fire Service, will direct the school to temporarily cease operations on days when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating has been declared for your school's NSW Fire Area. Alternative learning arrangements will be put in place for these days.

In addition, schools may be made non-operational due to changing higher risk conditions and relevant advice from emergency services.



What is a Fire Danger Rating?

Fire Danger Ratings describe the potential level of danger should a fire start. The ratings are determined by a combination of factors including air temperature, relative humidity, wind speed and drought. The new Australian Fire Danger Rating System has four ratings; Moderate, High, Extreme and Catastrophic.

For further information on the Australian Fire Danger Rating System, visit - www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/news-and-media/fire-danger-ratings-are-changing-soon

Old Fire Danger Rating sign



New Fire Danger Rating sign





When will I know if my child's school has been made non-operational?

At approximately 4:00 pm each day the Fire Danger Rating is issued for the following day. This means that schools, including onsite preschools, will be notified after school hours that it will be non-operational the following day. Your school will notify you as soon as possible by the preferred method of communication.

Parents and carers are requested to:

- Provide up-to-date home and after-hours contact details to your school.
- Stay up-to-date with news and local media a through the bushfire danger period.



NSW School Updates app

Get the free NSW School Updates app to receive operational status updates for NSW public schools – education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/nsw-school-updates-app



What education arrangements will be in place if the school is non-operational?

When non-operational, your school will advise of alternative learning arrangements, including any relocation or learning from home plans.



Learn more

Be prepared and make sure you have your Bushfire Survival Plan in place. The NSW Rural Fire Service has resources for all residents to plan and prepare for the bushfire season. Consider whether your home is safe from bushfires and grassfires and be prepared to relocate to a safer place well in advance.

Find more information and resources on NSW Rural Fire Service – rfs.nsw.gov.au/plan-and-prepare

We appreciate your cooperation during the bushfire season. For further information about Fire Danger Ratings and the bushfire danger period, please refer to – **NSW Rural Fire Service – rfs.nsw.gov.au**

The department's School Safety website education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety provides up to date information during bushfires and grassfire emergencies.

Please contact your school with any additional questions you may have.



NSW Department of Education

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BALRANALD

WOMEN'S WELLBEING WORKSHOPS

COVID-19 & FLOOD RECOVERY

A day of exploration and restoration

An opportunity for productive time out
from everyday stresses & demands

- * reset priorities* remove obstacles
- * find clear pathways forwards
- * focus on rest and renewal.

registration
essential!

WHEN: Monday 27 March + Tuesday 28 March, 10am–3.30pm

Note: these are one-day events that will be run twice

WHERE: Balranald Art Gallery, 51 Mayall St, Balranald

COST: there is no charge for this event.

TO REGISTER: Marie 0429 674 307 / Marie.Kelly1@health.nsw.gov.au

I would recommend this to anyone' ... 'life changing' ... 'I now have a vision & a focus'



Our COVID/FLOOD recovery workshops use writing as a pathway to wellbeing. You do not have to be a 'writer' to come along!

The workshops are led by wellbeing-through-writing practitioner Stephanie Dale. Stephanie founded The Write Road, a pioneering wellbeing initiative for people in remote and rural areas. She is currently undertaking PhD research into the relationship between writing and wellbeing.



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Far West
Local Health District



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Regional Renewal





BALRANALD CUP

Saturday 18th March '23

STRICTLY NO BYO
ALL DAY CATERING
TAB & BOOKIES ON SITE

GATES OPEN 11AM
LIVE MUSIC
KIDS ENTERTAINMENT

*Marquee & Gazebo
Bookings Essential*

*Tickets \$20
Opens 11am*





MARQUEE & GAZEBO'S

Bookings  04 37 200475
balranaldrc@gmail.com

PARTY of 30 \$1950

6m x 6m Private Marquee
 Table / Chairs
 3 ea Hot / Cold Savoury
 & Fruit Platters
 6 x Slabs Beer / 9 x Btl wine
 15 x water & Soft drinks

PARTY of 20 \$1300

3.6 x 3.6m Private Marquee
 Table / Chairs
 2 ea Hot / Cold Savoury
 & Fruit Platters
 4 x Slabs Beer / 6 x Btl wine
 10 x water & Soft drinks

Party of 10 \$650

3 x 3m Private Gazebo
 Table / Chairs
 1 ea Hot / Cold Savoury
 & Fruit Platters
 2 x Slabs Beer / 3 x Btl Wine
 10 x water & soft drink

Marquees Only

3m Gazebo (10seater)
 \$200

6m Marquee
 (20seater)
 \$500

Tables and Chairs
 included





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| 10th March 2023 | RDO |
| 15th-23rd March 2023 | NAPLAN years 3 and 5 |
| 17th March 2023 | Incursion with the Sydney Opera House-Fruit Fly Circus @CPS |
| 24th March 2023 | RDO |
| 6th April 2023 | Last Day of Term |
| 7th April 2023 | Good Friday |
| 24th April 2023 | Staff Development Day |
| 25th April 2023 | ANZAC day Public Holiday |
| 26th April 2023 | Students return to school |
| 5th May 2023 | RDO |

