A message from the Principal

SCHOOL REVIEW COMMUNITY SURVEY
All schools participate in a performance review every four years as part of their school review cycle. Clarkefield Primary School is being reviewed this year and an element of the review process is to seek school community feedback on student learning. School Council seeks your feedback on the three questions in the survey which parents will receive after their child’s Student Led Conference. I would appreciate if all parents could complete the community feedback survey and return it to your classroom teacher by Friday 5 September. Thank you.

2015 PREP AND GRADES 1-6 ENROLMENTS:
Enrolments for 2015 are still open. Families wanting a tour may contact the General Office to arrange a suitable time. We ask that as a School Community we all take every opportunity to promote our school to potential families.

CLARKEFIELD BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY
As part of celebrating reading and books during Book Week, we are encouraging students to ‘dress up as your favourite book character’ on Friday 29th August. Be as creative as you like - it could be as simple as a hat, face paint, a symbol or a fully dressed costume (no swords or guns) If you are having trouble with ideas or obtaining costume pieces, we are happy to help.

Some ideas could be Harry Potter, Spot, Franklin, Cat in the Hat, Cinderella, Snow White, Mr Men, Where’s Wally, Alice in Wonderland, Dora the Explorer, Geronimo Stilton, Billie B Brown, Zac Power, football players (from the AFL kids’ books) Goldilocks, Rainbow Fairies, Cinderella - the list is endless.

Please note that this is not a compulsory activity but we would love to see as many students as possible participate in our special day. Engaging students in the magic of reading fosters a lifelong love of reading! There is no cost involved for this activity.

LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK
This week we celebrate Literacy and Numeracy Week with a range of whole school activities. ‘WEAR a WORD’ Day will be held on Thursday 28th and all senior students are asked to find and ‘wear’ an interesting word on the day. (The junior room will be making their words in class to reflect their letter of the week)

This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate and learn new and interesting vocabulary. The students are also asked to know the meaning of the word and find synonyms (words that mean the same thing) for their word e.g. rambunctious (difficult to control, wildly boisterous). On Thursday all students will be asked to read and explain their word to their class and complete a range of fun activities to further develop a love of interesting vocabulary.

Student of the Week
These awards are in recognition of the effort individual students make during the week.

P-2 Stella for always doing her best work in the classroom.

3-6 Kiara, for her consistency in playing the recorder and improving her range and skills.
Students will also be discovering and learning numeracy skills by participating in the ‘Reach for the Stars’ activity from the official National Literacy and Numeracy Week website. This activity is linked to the numeracy learning continuum of the Australian Curriculum: Mathematics.

All students will participate in the activity ‘All about drinking water’ which connects to the cross-curriculum priority of sustainability http://www.literacyandnumeracy.gov.au/reach-stars

Students will answer questions such as:

What is the major source of drinking water at our school? How many water bottles does our class have today? How many of each type and capacity? Is there any water other than in water bottles in our classroom? How much water does the rain tanks hold? How many water bottles can be filled from one rain tank? Excluding water bottles, how many metres away is the nearest drinking water from our classroom doorway? I look forward to an interesting and fun week.

Michael

Junior Literacy

The Junior grade read half of the Australian Book Council's shortlisted book Parachute by Danny Parker. It is the story of Toby, a little boy who likes to explore.

Without knowing what might happen at the end, the students were asked to make up their own ending to the book. Rayan thought Toby might have fallen into a prickly bush!

Art/Science

We are collecting boxes of all shapes and sizes for some exciting recycled art projects. Could you please send along boxes, large and small. There will be a collection area in each of the classrooms.

In addition to boxes could you please send along clean, (empty/washed) 2 litre soft drink bottles and milk containers. Both the junior and senior room are using these items.

Clarkefield Primary School
Pre-Prep Program Term 3
Friday 5 September 2.00pm – 3.30pm
Friday 19 September 9.00am – 11.00am

See website for Term 4 dates

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Respect  Co-operation  Responsibility  Caring  Honesty