

# Clayton South

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**THURSDAY: 26 NOVEMBER 2023**

As always, it has been another busy fortnight at Clayton South. It has been very pleasing to see the continued great work occurring in our classrooms.

#### **World Teachers Day**

Today we celebrated World Teachers Day at CSPA! We certainly are privileged to have such a dedicated team of high-quality teachers working with our students! This was a great opportunity for us to be able to acknowledge and say 'thank-you' to our teachers for their ongoing hard work and dedication. All our teachers have nothing but the best interests of our students and school at heart, and absolutely go above and beyond every single day, so thank you, we really do appreciate everything you do.

#### **Art Trail**

We are very excited that this year will see the return of the CSPA Art Trail, being held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November (next week) from 3:30pm – 6:00pm. The Art Trail is a celebration of all the students amazing work created in Art with Senorita. The work will be displayed throughout the school and there will be a fun family challenge activity to complete whilst viewing the art. We encourage you to put this date into your diaries, as having been privileged to previewing some of the work, it is shaping up to be a brilliant event!

#### **Upcoming Excursions**

It is very exciting that in the coming weeks we have a junior and senior school excursion booked for our students. Both groups will be going to Scienceworks in Melbourne but will be participating in very different programs.

- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November (Years Prep – 2)**

- **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November (Years 3 – 6)**

We were very fortunate to receive some additional funding for our students from the Department of Education, so there will be no cost to families for these excursions. Please keep an eye out for permission forms coming home soon.

#### **Hats**

A reminder for all students and families, that in line with our school and Department of Education Sunsmart policies, that all students must be wearing their wide brimmed school hats when outside during Term 4. School hats can be purchased online from FCW, or plain navy blue wide brimmed hats can be purchased at stores such as Kmart. Please ensure that hats are named as they are a commonly misplaced item! Students without school hats will be required to play in the undercover areas.

#### **Building Update**

With architects appointed, it is exciting that we are now in the very early design phase for our buildings project. This stage is about creating a high-level master plan of how our school may look (overall buildings on a map, not specific rooms and designs).

Last week our staff had a workshop with the architects and gave their feedback about our current school buildings / grounds and their hopes for the future. All of the classes are currently working on a feedback activity for the architects to see what our students think about our current school and their hopes for the future. School Council and families had the opportunity to submit feedback through a survey and School Council will also have the opportunity to meet the architects shortly.

A huge thank you to those families that completed the architects survey, I know that they highly value the feedback and input.

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#### Survey Results

Earlier this year our students in Years 4-6 participated in Attitudes to School surveys and parents were invited to complete the Parent Perception surveys about our school. These are an annual requirement from the Department of Education. The results have been released and we are very pleased with how they look. Across just about all the domains, our results are very positive, matching or exceeding the state averages. It is very rewarding to see our students and families acknowledging and celebrating what a great school we have!

#### Curriculum Days

Please be aware that there are some upcoming days where there is no school. We have one School Council approved School Closure Day and one Public Holiday. We have aimed to give you as much notice as possible, so that you can make alternate care arrangements for your children.

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November** – Report Writing Day (*no school*)

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November** – Cup Day Public Holiday (*no school*)

Youth Leadership Victoria will be running a full day program (there is a cost involved) on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November for those families requiring a care option on that day for their student. Please contact them direct to book in.

#### 2024 Enrolments

We are taking 2024 enrolments!

If you have friends or family with children looking to join our fantastic school, then please let them know that they are welcome to make a time to have a chat with us and that enrolments are currently being taken.

Step into Prep and orientation sessions are occurring throughout the term.

Please make all enrolment enquiries at the office.

Thanks for your ongoing support,

Craig.

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## PREP UPDATE

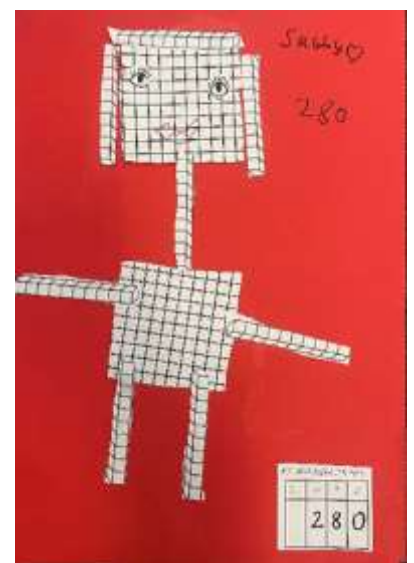
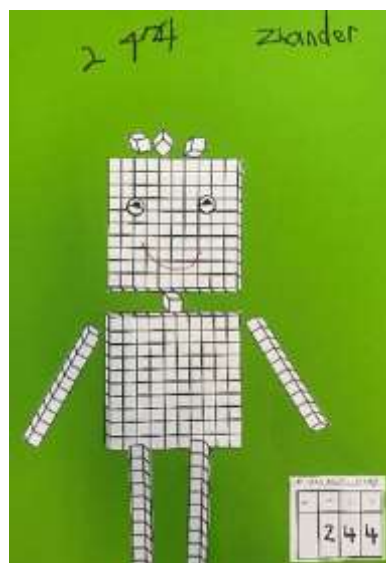
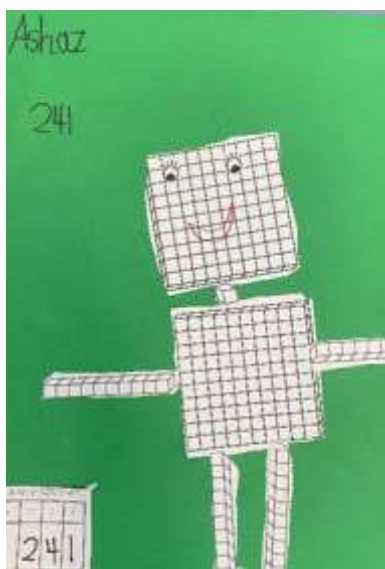
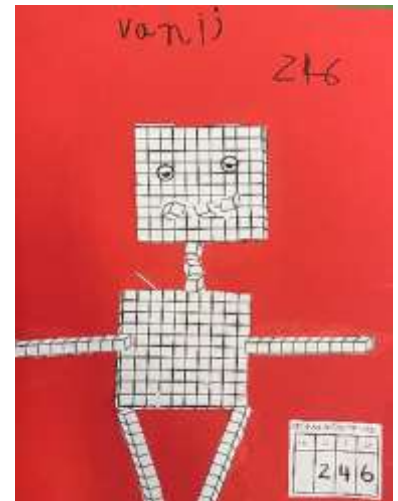
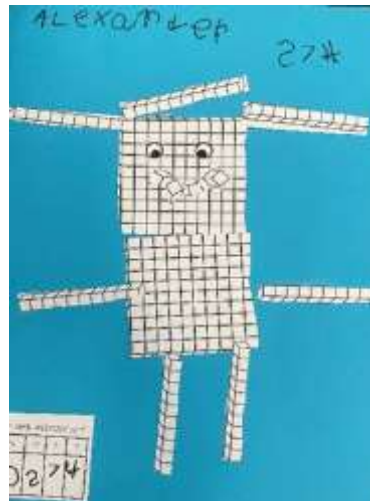
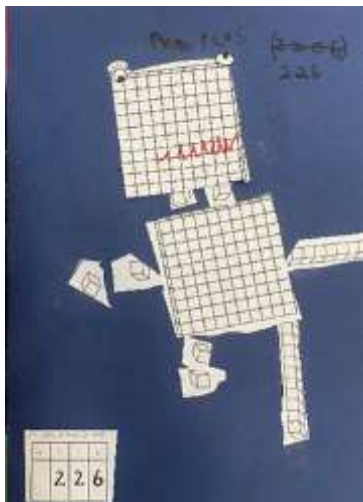
Prep students have been investigating the use of MABs (Multi-base Arithmetic Blocks) throughout our Maths lessons.

Students have been exploring the significance of digits' placement in numbers, using tens and ones, further more exploring numbers beyond one hundred.

Prep students have constructed their own MAB monster creation and have found the value using the place value chart.

Through engaging activities and hands on projects, students are building solid mathematical foundations, paving the way for mathematical success beyond Prep.

Check out some of our finished projects.



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## STEP INTO PREP 2023

Ready Set - Step into Prep!

Step into Prep is an outstanding program designed to prepare your child for school.

The program runs during **Term 4** in our dedicated Step into Prep room or in the Prep classrooms.

Our wonderful, experienced teachers conduct the lessons. The program enables your child to mix and form new friendships with other students who will be coming to Clayton South Primary School in 2024.

Your child will be engaged in educational experiences preparing them for a wonderful school life.

Parents are warmly invited to stay and watch if they choose, and we think it's an excellent way to see the school in action and meet the staff.

**This is a FREE PROGRAM for children starting Prep at Clayton South Primary School in 2024.**

If you would like to find out more, please contact us on 9558 0599 to reserve your child's place in the Step into Prep program.

### PREP 2024 IMPORTANT DATES:

#### Term 4

#### October

19<sup>th</sup> October: Step into Prep 2:30-3:30

#### November

**2<sup>nd</sup> November: Step into prep 2:30-3:30**

16<sup>th</sup> November: Step into prep 2:30-3:30

30<sup>th</sup> November: step into prep 2:30-3:30

**State Wide Transition: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

*For 2024 Prep and Year 7 students.*



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ADVERTISING



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for supporting our school to be the best it can be, especially through fundraising. We are currently fundraising towards updating our playground facilities / resources for our students with a Colour Explosion School Fun Run organised through Australian Fundraising!

The Colour Explosion School Fun Run will be on 1<sup>st</sup> December from 2:00pm to 3:30pm.

- Please make sure students wear a WHITE shirt and closed in shoes.
- Students will be given free sunglasses and a rainbow headband for the event.
- Students will be covered in non-toxic, biodegradable colour powder from head to toe.
- Colour Powder is made of high-quality corn starch and permitted food colours. Safety data is available upon request.

### How Do We Fundraise?

Fundraising for our Colour Explosion School Fun Run is entirely online. Follow the instructions in your child's sponsorship booklet to create a cybersafe, online profile page at [www.australianfundraising.com.au](http://www.australianfundraising.com.au). At the end of our fundraiser, student's incentive prizes are ordered automatically based on their fundraising total and Golden Coins. Students can earn up to 15 unique incentive prizes!

Please note: all cash donations must be converted to online donations before 1<sup>st</sup> December. We cannot accept any cash donations for this fundraiser.

### Extra Incentives to Fundraise!

- ★ Online Golden Coins – complete fun online tasks to redeem an extra \$75 towards your prize credit.
- ★ Monty the Monstar's Bonus Prizes – achieve milestones to unlock Monty's bonus prizes.
- ★ \$10,000 JB HI FI Spending Spree for one organisation's highest fundraising student – it could be you!
- ★ Our school will win an extra \$5,000 if we have the highest average fundraised amount per student in 2023.

Happy Fundraising!





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STEP INSIDE A WORLD OF COLOUR

- I can't wait to see you all at the Art Trail on Thursday 2nd November.  
Please come and see the amazing work your children are doing in the art room.  
The students are looking forward to showing you their beautiful art work.

Love from Señorita Castillo

## Clayton South Primary School Art Trail

Thursday, 2nd of November  
From 3.30 to 6 pm

Come and see the amazing artwork  
the students have created

Friends and Family Welcome

Sausage Sizzle