# Clayton South

**Primary School** 

**Important Diary Dates** 



# 2021

# **MARCH**

- 12 Swimming Prog Finishes
- 18 SEDA Basketball Clinic P-6
- 22 HARMONY WEEK
- **26 NEWSLETTER**

# **APRIL**

**LAST DAY OF TERM 1 School Finishes 2.30pm** 

The **Bunnings BBQ** Fundraiser for Clayton South PS held Saturday 27/2 made a total profit

of \$1.383.69 Thanks to staff for volunteering their time and putting in a tremendous



effort on the day and in the lead

up 😊

Term I **Icy Poles** available for

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# **Under the** Gazebo



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Dear Clayton South Primary School families,

The final instalment in our 3 part curriculum series looks at how we teach numeracy at Clayton South Primary School.

Beginning with our youngest students, our Prep to Year 2 classrooms all follow a similar model. Numeracy lessons take a hands-on approach to learning and games, repetition and modelling are a big focus. Every Friday, the junior classes use a program called 'Footsteps' which breaks the Junior School curriculum into smaller, achievable 'steps' rather than the generalised statements on the Victorian Curriculum. This also allows the students to set their own goals, parents can view the progress and 'next steps' for their child, and teachers can plan their lessons around where the majority of the students are sitting in terms of learning progression.

Our senior school uses Nelson Mathematics as a guide for lesson progression. Students are explicitly taught number concepts to begin the week, before applying their knowledge using problem solving. Students also learn about Measurement, geometry, statistics and probability in the latter parts of the week. We use 'Essential Assessment' to gauge an understanding of where each student sits on the continuum, but also where the class sits, to better plan our teaching to the point of need for both the class, and individual students.

Teachers use picture books as a prompt to begin lessons linked to the curriculum focus from a company called 'Top Ten Maths Resources', which also provides hands-on activities linked to subject areas.

Please make the time to visit your child's classroom after school to see the wonderful learning taking place. In particular, the junior classes will have your child's progress on display so that you can take note of any areas for future learning that you can help with in the home.

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# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (cont.)

# **Communication App**

As promised, I will share with you an App that will allow



you to communicate with your child's classroom teacher. The app is called 'Class Dojo' and allows direct communication with the teacher. The teacher can SMS you to alert you of upcoming events, learning goals, work samples, and anything else that you need to know. You can also message the classroom teacher directly with any queries. Please be mindful that staff will respond at a time that suits them. Your child's teacher will shortly send home a link to their Class Dojo account, which you can download and log in to. We anticipate that this will improve the homeschool connections within the school and allow teachers to inform parents of learning goals being worked on in the classroom that can also be followed up on at home.

# **School Council**

Our new look School Council has been finalised and I am pleased to announce the following members: Greg Clement, Larry Hay, Irene Dornau, Eve Angeles, Valeska Castillo, Carly Collison (President), Marsha Zinas, Tiffany Backhaus, Maria Pagomenos, Houman Dargahi, Gov Iyengar, Vishal Sangwan, Santhini Barratt, Deepesh Shrestha, and Joanna Karamaditris (Community member). Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place at the school at 6pm on Tuesday March 23 to say goodbye to our departing members (Miranda Snowball, Abdul Wadood Bahhari, Kylie Jones-Wilson and Honorine Bocks) to thank them for their service to the school, and welcome our new members on board. School Council members will receive an email next week regarding our meeting.

# **Easter Raffle**

The Easter Raffle will be held on the final day of school. Please send your child to school with a donation, such as soft toy rabbit/duck, chocolate eggs, chocolate bunnies,



etc which we will separate into several baskets as prizes.

Tickets will go home next week and will cost \$1 each. You can buy as many as you like And there are more available for sale at the office. Put your child's name and class on the tickets you wish to purchase and send them in along with the money to your classroom teacher by March 22

# **Library Bags Fundraiser**

A local company based in Clayton South called 'Boomerang Bags' have asked for donations of materials and pre-loved sheets (pre-washed) which can then be turned into library bags for the children. They are also after light coloured fabrics which the students can decorate, and also old pillow cases for the same reason.

These will be turned into bags for the students to purchase for \$3 as a fundraiser for the school. They look like they would make the perfect library bag, or small shopping bag. Any donations can be brought to my office and I will collect these for a future art lesson for the students.



# **Free STEM sessions**

On top of our STEM sessions at John Monash Science School on Wednesday's, a former student who is now a teacher, has offered to provide STEM sessions to our Year 5/6 students in Term 2. There will be 2 x 2 hour sessions provided free of charge and a note will go home regarding this later in the term.

# **Reading Software - Pilot School**

It's all happening here at Clayton South PS with regards to reading. Our students are so lucky! On top of other school's reaching out to view our reading lessons across our Junior School next week (our reputation for highquality reading instruction is expanding), we have also been selected as 1 of 5 pilot schools in Australia to trial new eye-tracking software which analyses eyemovements whilst reading, predicts future reading concerns, suggests appropriate intervention strategies, and tracks growth over the first 6 months of 2021. The assessor who visited the school was so impressed with the reading practices and intervention strategies already in place at the school, she has asked us to provide formal feedback on the program to be included on their website for future improvements. I have been trained in using the software, and will send an 'opt-out' form home to families who do not wish for their child to be included in the screening process. It only takes 4 minutes per child to complete the session, which are not referred to as 'tests', but reading activities. I can then share the results with families upon request.

Have a great weekend.

Greg Clement

**Principal** 

# **INTERNATIONAL DAY PROGRAM**



# <u>International Day Program</u>

# Thursday 25th March 2021

9:10-10:00 Clayton South Costume Parade

10:00-11:00 Clayton South Concert

11:30-12:00 Multicultural activities in the classroom/outside



12:00-1:00 Kita Performing Arts Company

International Lunch 1:00-1:40



2:30-3:30 International games/art/ gardening/cooking/outside games



# Term 1- NO HAT = NO PLAY

All children must wear hats during Term 1. NO HAT = NO PLAY rule will be enforced! Please ensure your child has a hat, clearly marked with their name (so it can be returned if found)

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Thanks in advance



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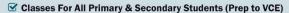




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Tinies (3-7yrs) Mondays 4pm-5.15pm

Sub-Juniors (8-10yrs) Mondays 4.15pm-6.15pm

Juniors (11-13yrs) Wednesdays 5pm-7pm

Intermediates (14-16yrs) Wednesdays 6.30pm-8.30pm

> Seniors (17yrs & over) Mondays 5.30pm-7.30pm

Masters (26yrs & over) Mondays 7.30pm-9.30pm





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# **HOURS**



Monday 10:00am-5.30pm Tuesday 9:30am-6.30pm Wednesday 10:00am-6:30pm Thursday 4:00pm-6:30pm Friday 10:00am-12:00pm Saturday 8:00am-2:00pm Sunday 8:00am- 12:00pm

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# **WORKING WITH PARENTS** AROUND SCHOOL REFUSAL

The workshop will be presented by:

25 March 2021

Staff from CYMHS Specialist Child Team

This workshop will focus on:

- Understanding school refusal
- Learning what can be done to prevent school refusal for primary aged children
- · Understanding how to help a child who is refusing to attend school re-integrate back into school

Staff working in a range of settings including education, child and Target audience: family services and youth services

Time: 9.30 AM to 12.30 PM

\$40.00 (including GST, and seminar materials) Cost:

Bookings & or complete the Registration Form and fax to 039870 7973 Registration:

Contact: Marion Bernard Community Engagement Seminars on 9871 7710

Seminar Location

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# SOUTH OAKLEIGH COLLEGE

# **OPEN NIGHT**

THURSDAY 29TH APRIL 2021

Doors Open at 6:00pm Information Session begins at **6:30pm** 

Applications for Year 7 Accelerated Program close on Friday 28 May

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# Selection Process for Year 6 Students

Entry into the Accelerated Program is through a selection process which assesses student aptitude in Maths, English & Science.

# Important Dates for Year 6 Students

Open Night: Thursday 29 April 2021 Doors Open at 6.00pm Information Session: 6.30pm Venue: South Oakleigh College

Accelerated Program Applications Due: Friday 28 May 2021

Test Date & Cost: Saturday 5 June 2021 Venue: South Oakleigh College Cost: \$40

Scholarship Program Closing Date: Friday 28 May 2021

#### **Application Process**

Applications for the accelerated program are to be submitted Online through the EduTest registration link found on the South Oakleigh College website.

#### Accelerated Class Structure

Students are grouped in separate classes for Mathematics, English and Science. This allows students to interact with their peers without compromising their social development and friendships.

The Accelerated Mathematics, English and Science classes are blocked at the same time as mainstream classes. This provides an opportunity for high-achieving students performing exceptionally well to move across to the accelerated classes, based on the recommendation of their teacher and the results achieved in their assessments

#### Opportunities in Senior School

- Access to a diverse range of VCE subjects
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