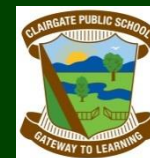


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Term 1, Week 4

Wednesday, 17th February 2021

Term 1 - Important Dates to Remember

Friday 19 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• St Marys PSSA District Trials
Wednesday 24 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Induction Ceremony for School Leaders
Friday 26 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PSSA District Swimming Carnival

A note from the Principal

Welcome to the Clairgate Chronicle for this fortnight – and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for an amazing first few weeks at Clairgate. All classes are “full steam ahead” with their learning and our playground areas are full of happy children – what a great school!

Congratulations to our new Sports Leadership Team

Last week the students in each sports house voted for their 2021 leaders – congratulations to these students:

Jackson Captains – Romey and Russell, Vice Captains – Mia and Aden

Gasnier Captains – Imogen and Cohan, Vice Captains – Tylie and Daniel

McKay Captains – Gabriela and Aaren, Vice Captains – Charlotte and Darius

Newcombe Captains – Krisha and Natu, Vice Captains – Jordan and Kyle

Our new leaders have already started their jobs by leading their houses during our Swimming Carnival last week. They will also have some extra lunchtime duties organising and refereeing several games and activities for our younger students. Well done to all our leaders!

Induction Ceremony for our new School Leaders

Next Wednesday, 24th February, the school will be presenting badges to students in the following positions: Sports Captains and Vice Captains, SRC class

representatives and Library monitors. We will still be following the COVID protocols instigated last year – therefore unfortunately no parents will be on site for this induction ceremony. A photographic slideshow will be compiled for viewing that afternoon. Congratulations to all!

Swimming Carnival Catch up

Huge thanks to Miss Bartlett and Mrs Thurling for their wonderful Swimming Carnival organisation last week. Thank you also to all the teachers, SLSOs and parents who helped us run a great carnival. It was so lovely to be able to have this carnival – I enjoyed seeing big smiles on all faces! Please catch up with the Swimming Carnival report later in the newsletter.

Congratulations to our Kinder students...

Our Kindergarten students are amazing – they have integrated very well onto the “big” playground with lots of support from the teachers and also from all other students. Well done children.

It has been heartening to see our beautiful kinder students walking the last few steps into the classrooms in the mornings by themselves. This is building their confidence and I encourage all kinder parents to let their children walk from the blue line. The Kinder classrooms are open from 8.45am for this to happen. If you arrive before this time – the children have to walk to the main canteen quad area where there is teacher supervision.

*The Kinder afternoon pick-up seems to be going well. If you would like to meet your kinder child at either the Shearer St gate or the Park gate instead of on the front grass, **could you please let your child's classroom teacher know**. From tomorrow (Thursday, 18th Feb), we will have a teacher aide walk these kinder students to either of these gates to meet parents at 3.00pm. We will of course continue the front grass pick-up as usual.*

Our Morning Routine

Our morning routine changed a little last year to accommodate COVID protocols and we have continued this routine. Children walk into school by themselves, however if parents need to walk their children into the school they must stop at the BLUE line on the pathways and then children walk by themselves to either the main quad area (between 8.30am and 8.50am) or to their classroom (from 8.50am to 9.00am). If children are late to school (after 9.00am) they will need to go to the front office for a late note. All late arrivals need to be explained.

At 8.45am all children in the main quad area sit down for a few calming minutes. They then walk to their classrooms in grade groups as directed. We have found this more settled start to have great benefits in the classroom. Students are actually in their class ready to begin work, and they have had several minutes to calm down and ready themselves for the day.

Our new Absence App

Thank you for adapting to the new SMS system explaining absent days and lateness.

An important part of our transition into the new School Administration System (SAS) is sending SMS messages to inform of student absences. You will receive an SMS message to let you know your child has been recorded as absent on the morning of their absence. We will endeavour to send this by 9:45 am every day. This will reassure you of your child's arrival at school and make it easier to keep your child's attendance record up to date when they are absent. Similarly, students who are late will require a response as well.

You simply reply via SMS, with your child's name and the reason for your child's absence and we will update our records. If you do not reply, your child's absence will be recorded as "unexplained". For unexpected absences, responding to the SMS will streamline our processes. We still appreciate receiving advanced notice of planned absences.

Very important: please note, if you have multiple children absent, please provide individual explanations as this is an automated system that transfers this message directly to each child's roll class.

Welcome to the 2021 P&C Executive

I attended our AGM last week in the park – it was a delightful meeting I have to say. Thank you to all who came to the meeting – and to Jacqui for organising this. Our new P&C executive are as follows:

President	Jacqui Ledger
Vice Presidents	Tania Warhurst, Nicole Kelly
Secretary	Kelly Scales
Treasurer	Judy Rudd
Fundraising	Ashleigh Hanson, Kristie Dib
Uniform Shop	Di Cook, Melissa Seabrook
2 nd Hand Clothing	Tania Warhurst, Rebecca Tonks

Some general housekeeping...

- Just a reminder about any change of legal circumstances – we need to see any court orders (originals) or documents pertaining to access to students – and if these orders are rescinded or changed we also need these details in writing.
- Our staff car parks are for Department of Education staff only. The only exceptions are for those people with a current disability permit. This can either be the RMS official permit or our Clairgate permit which is issued under special circumstances. The car park at the back of the school is for some staff overflow and for the Department of Education Transport staff to pick up and drop off students in Wingaru. Some people who are not entitled to do so, are using the car parks as a drop off or pick up point. This is becoming both dangerous and frustrating for those who need to use our car parks. Please respect our school and do not drive into the carpark unless you are entitled to do so.
- Please adhere to the "BLUE" line procedure – if you pass the blue line to go to the office for example – you will need to sign on using the Service NSW app as well as sign our Department forms. This is a NSW Department of Education requirement. Even if you are dropping something off at the office – you need to follow these procedures. It is much easier to send any letters, money for the office etc with your child, rather than have to sign on twice.

Have a wonderful fortnight,

Kind regards,
Michelle Lawrow



to our 2021 House captains
we look forward to lots of fun sporting memories being made this year.



Cohan, Imogen, Natu, Krisha, Aaren, Gabriela, Russell, Romey
Daniel, Tylie, Kyle, Jordan, Darius, Charlotte, Aden, Mia

Clairgate's Swimming Carnival 2021

Clairgate's 2021 Swimming Carnival was held at Emerton Pool on Wednesday, 10th of February - What a great day!

Congratulations to all the students who attended. Your behaviour, participation and "have a go" attitude was fantastic. Also, your support of fellow competitors displayed wonderful sportsmanship. Special congratulations to our 2021 House Captains and Vice Captains, your school spirit was outstanding.

Many thanks to our teachers who worked all day in the heat and ensured the smooth running of the day and to all the parents who came along to support our students.

Thank you all for a wonderful carnival.

Miss Bartlett

Carnival Organiser





Library

The Library is all a buzz with excitement for our new "Other Worlds" space theme.

The children have explored stories and information books about the planets, moon and stars.

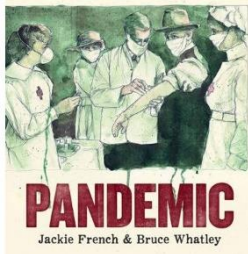
Wingaruru have enjoyed their mobile Library visits and listened to some favourite stories including Macca the Alpaca and a fun story about how animals show Kindness to their friends.

Kindergarten have been enjoying stories and have had a practice at borrowing in their classroom. This week they will all have the opportunity to borrow from the Library.

Years one and two have been excited to explore the Junior Fiction section of the Library and have eagerly been borrowing books by some of their favourite authors and featuring their favourite characters such as Pig the Pug, Macca the Alpaca and that crazy Pigeon who is not allowed to drive the bus! We read a lovely story about a penguin who wanted to be an astronaut.



Years three, four, five and six have been working on their information technology skills using our class set of laptops. All classes have been keen to get set up in our Library Google Classroom.



5/6D enjoyed a book by Australian author Jackie French entitled Pandemic which depicts how a small town rallied together during the Spanish flu pandemic in 1917. We compared how it was similar and different to our current global crisis.

Please help your child remember their Library book to return on their Library day and ensure they have their Library bag clearly labelled.

Thank you to those wonderful families who have been able to donate plastic and eco friendly bags for spare library bags.



Monday: 2T, 4R, 3/4W, 1L

Tuesday: 3B, 5/6D, 2R, Wingaru

Wednesday: 5/6G, 5/6C, 4c

Thursday: 1/2K, 1G, KB, 5/6A

Friday: KSK, K/1P

Book Club order forms went home last week.

This is an important event for our school. Not only does it help provide books for children to read at home or school also it helps to fund new resources for our school Library.

If you have not received a Book Club catalogue from your child and would like one, please email donna.thurling@det.nsw.edu.au

What is **Book Club** ?



Ordering books through Book Club is the easiest and most affordable way to offer students the best in children's books for the home and to encourage independent reading for fun.

Book Club offers students a wide range of titles in each issue, from popular and award-winning fiction series and charming new picture books, to fascinating nonfiction titles and hands-on activities that stimulate creativity and encourage problem-solving.

Plus every order you place earns the school **FREE** books and learning resources. Book Club catalogues arrive to school up to twice a term, so make sure you keep an eye out for when it arrives home in your child's school bag!

HOW TO ORDER ON **Book Club**



1. Your child will bring home a Book Club catalogue from school

2. Discuss with, and help your child pick the books they would like to read

3. Order online via the Scholastic Australia **LOOP** website or app and the school will take care of the rest! (**LOOP** orders are electronically linked to your school in an easy, secure online process)

4. The books are delivered to your child's classroom.



LOOP is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club.

Log in, or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://www.scholastic.com.au/loop)

- 1.** If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile
- 2.** Click the **ORDER** tab, and select your school and child's class
- 3.** Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
- 4.** Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue
- 5.** Make payment via credit card.



ST MARYS BAND CLUB RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB



***SOCCER REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN UNTIL TEAMS ARE FULL**
If you are interested, pls call Greg our registrar on 0413 374 484 or for further details on our bandclubrangers facebook page



We also have an Expressions of Interest Trial for Girls from the age of 10 years on 20th Feb, 27th Feb & 6th Mar from 10am at our fields on Roper Road.



All registered players will receive a FREE pair of band club playing shorts and the first 50 girls participating in the EOI Trial and registered will receive a FREE training shirt.

***CURRENTLY WE HAVE VACANTIES IN BOYS, GIRLS & MIXED TEAMS. CALL OUR REGISTRAR FOR FURTHER DETAILS.**





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Clairgate Public School

2021 Summer Canteen Price List

SANDWICHES

Wholemeal or White Bread

	<u>Sandwich</u>	<u>Roll</u>
Buttered	80¢	+60¢
Vegemite	\$1.20	+60¢
Jam/Honey	\$1.20	+60¢
Cheese	\$2.00	+60¢
Devon & Sauce	\$2.00	+60¢
Tomato	\$2.00	+60¢
Cheese & Tomato	\$2.80	+60¢
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.20	+60¢
Ham & Cheese	\$3.40	+60¢
Cheese & Vegemite	\$2.50	+60¢
Egg	\$2.00	+60¢
Curried Egg	\$2.00	+60¢
Egg & Lettuce	\$2.50	+60¢
Ham	\$2.60	+60¢
Tuna	\$2.60	+60¢
Salad	\$4.00	+60¢
Chicken	\$2.60	+60¢
Ham & Salad	\$4.80	+60¢
Tuna & Salad	\$4.80	+60¢
Chicken & Salad	\$4.80	+60¢
Chicken, Avocado & Lettuce	\$4.50	+60¢
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$3.40	+60¢

WRAPS - with sauce

Chicken, lettuce, tomato & cheese	\$4.50
Ham, lettuce, tomato & cheese	\$4.50
Lettuce, tomato, carrot & cucumber	\$4.50
Chicken, avocado & lettuce	\$4.50
Egg & lettuce	\$3.00
Cheese & Tomato	\$3.00

BBQ, Mayo, Sweet chilli, Tomato Sauce

SALAD BOX - contains

Lettuce, tomato, cucumber & carrot	\$4.00
Add ham, Chicken or egg extra	80¢

SAUCES & Extras

Beetroot, Carrot, Lettuce	} each	80¢
Tomato, Cheese, Cucumber		
Avocado		\$1.00
Boiled Egg		80¢
Spoons & Forks each		10¢

Sauce Packets - Sweet & Sour, Tomato & BBQ each 30¢

DRINKS

Mount Franklin Water 600ml	\$2.00
Mount Franklin Lightly Sparkling Mango or Raspberry	\$2.00
Poppers - Apple, Orange, Tropical, Blackcurrant	\$2.00
Flavoured Milk - Chocolate, Strawberry	\$2.00
Oak Mini Shake (25% less sugar) -	
Chocolate or Strawberry	\$2.00
Chill J 250ml, Raspberry, Grape, Orange Passio	\$2.00

BURGERS

Chicken Patty only (flame grilled) & mayo	\$3.20
Chicken Burger with lettuce, tomato & mayo	\$4.00
Chicken Burger with lettuce, tomato, carrot & cucumber	\$4.80
Hamburger with lettuce, tomato & sauce	\$4.00
Hamburger with lettuce, tomato, Beetroot & sauce	\$4.80
Cheeseburger with cheese & sauce	\$3.60

HOT FOOD

Large Pie	\$3.40
Sausage Roll - Lite	\$2.60
Chicken Nuggets (limit 6)	60¢ each or 6 for \$3.60
Cheese & Bacon Roll	\$1.80
Pizza - Ham & Pineapple or Ham & Cheese	\$2.20
Garlic Bread - (Recess & Lunch)	80¢
Corn Cob	\$1.00
Chicken Chippees (limit 6)	60¢ each or 6 for \$3.60

RECESS FOODS

Cheese & Bacon Rolls	\$1.80
Vegemite Sao	40¢
Cheese Sao	50¢
Cheese & Tomato Sao	\$1.00
Red Rock Deli Chips - Sea Salt	\$1.20
Fruit Cup (seasonal)	\$1.00
Watermelon Slice (seasonal)	50¢
Apple, Orange, Bananas	\$1.00
Boiled Eggs	80¢

ICE CREAMS

Sold over the counter at Lunch time only

Orchy Cups - Orange, Apple	80¢
Sour TNT	80¢
Mini TNT	60¢
Zooper Dooper	50¢

LUNCH & RECESS ORDERS

Write your child's Name, class & order on a paper bag from home

Separate bag for Recess orders

Lunch orders & Drink orders please

THE CANTEEN

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