LAKE CLARENDON

A note to you, from our Principal, Ms Sandra Wright

**AIP—Annual Implementation Plan**

Our AIP for 2016 has been completed and approved by our school council. The full plan will be uploaded to our website shortly. The following are our Improvement Priorities for this year.

1. **Teaching Quality**—improve our performance (specifically in writing)
   - promote innovation
2. **Successful Learners**—personalise learning
   - engage learners
   - cultivate 21st Century Learning
3. **Build Positive Culture**—school performance
   - principal leadership
   - promote positive relationships and celebrate successes
4. **Enhanced School Facilities**

**I4S—Investing For Success**

Schools are provided with funds to improve student performance. The amount we receive is based on enrolment figures. We have been provided with an amount of $68,220. This is based on last years enrolment figure and will be increased in line with the Day 8 numbers this year. We are expecting to receive $73,060. These are targeted funds and must be used to support the strategies we have outlined in our I4S agreement. The agreement has been approved by our school council and is currently before the Director General for final approval. It will then be uploaded to our website. Our initiatives include;

- Provide intensive teaching and learning to students demonstrating high levels of achievement.
- Develop a whole school approach to teaching writing using Big Write program to provide intensive support in the areas of vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation.
- Develop a shared understanding of ‘data literacy’ and support teachers to effectively use data to inform targeted teaching.
- Develop teacher's capability to embed feedback in the teaching and learning cycle.
- Provide professional development for teachers to increase capability to initiate and implement innovative practices.

**Front Gate**

Please ensure you close this gate when you come through. It is essential for our students safety and also to the safety of little ones who come to drop off and pick up their siblings.

**Positive Comments**

We love to read or hear about the good things we are doing. It reassures us that we are moving in the right direction. Two recent emails we have received from parents.

Assessment Calendar—"What a brilliant idea, give parents the heads up on when our children are having assessments. I’m so impressed with Lake Clarendon SS. The more we get into the term the more surprises I’m getting. Please say a big thank-you to whomever is responsible for this and to you. “

Latte Lounge — “A quick note to say how much I enjoyed the Latte Lounge last week. I think it’s a good quality event for the new and returning parents to socialise and learn more about the school. Thank you for continuing to take such a proactive roll in building our school community. “
Good Ones
Congratulations to the Good One winners for:

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Rewarding positive behaviour
Your child receives a Good One as a reward for positive behaviour during the week. This Good One slip goes into a box in the office. One lucky name is drawn out on parade and that student receives a prize. All of the Good Ones are then entered into our behaviour system and sent home for you to keep. This is your chance to praise your child about positive behaviour & how important it is to help others.

Attendance Raffle
Congratulations to the attendance raffle winners for:

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These students & all other students who have attended school every day, have gone into a draw, for a chance to win one of our Attendance Badges.

Class Attendance Trophy
Wk5          Wk6            
Year 2       Year 1

LAKE CLARENDON CROSS COUNTRY
This year the Lake Clarendon cross country will be held on Monday 21st March. This event commences at 9:00am, with the preps running first. All parents, grandparents and friends are invited to come along watch.

Cross Country Practice
8.30am Tuesdays, back oval.
BYO water bottles x2, wear a training shirt/singlet and change into school uniform, roll on deodorant and your running legs:)

P&C AGM & Meeting
There is a change to the time of the P&C AGM & monthly meeting. It will now be held at 9:30am. The date remains the same Monday 14 March. Everyone is invited and welcome to attend.

Scholastic Book Club
Issue 2 brochures have been handed out to the students. Our school receives rewards to purchase books for our library when you order any item within these leaflets.

Payments can be made by cash, Credit cards & cheques are made payable to Scholastic Australia. If paying with cash please ensure correct money is given as we so not have any money for change at the school.

We are a LOOP school now, so online ordering and payment is also available.

All orders will be submitted immediately after this date to allow books to be back as soon as possible.

Local Election News
The Voting in Referendum ONLY will still be taking place at the school on Saturday the 19th March. The P&C will still be holding their cake stall, so tell all your family and friends to vote at our school and pick up a yummy treat to take home. Voting for Councillor and Mayor positions will take place as a postal vote on 16th April.

FAMILY INFORMATION
In the case of an emergency, it is very important to have all family information, especially address & phone numbers, kept up to date on our system. Please notify the office of any changes to any of your contact details promptly.
Note from the office:

Congratulations to Sharon Czislowski who won the $40 Coles Myer gift card for bringing in her children’s paperwork by the Monday deadline. Thankyou to all the families that brought their envelopes back—we had 110 children’s envelopes returned by Monday afternoon. Please drop your child’s in to the office this week if you haven’t already.

Year 5/6 Senior Camp has been booked for the 2-4th November, and will be held at Emu Gully Adventure Camp site at Helidon. Preliminary numbers have us estimating the camp will cost around $240 per student. It may be less due to the wonderful job project club are doing raising money for this camp. There is much more information to come about the camp itself as it draws closer, but for now the office can start taking part payments towards the cost if this helps your family budget. Payment is NOT REQUIRED yet, this is just an option. Full payment will be due the week before camp. This is a wonderful camp designed to promote team work, strategic thinking, decision making, leadership and physical fun. EFTPOS available and preferred!

Swimming Term 4: The school runs a swimming program in term 4 for all students that last year cost each participant around $40—more information is given in term 3.

Instrumental Music: Fees are due this week—please see office with your payment.

Parking and Road Rules

Before and after school are busy times around our car parks. Please follow all road rules especially during this time, as we do not want accidents occurring. PLEASE do not cross over the double lines at front of school to grab a car park. It is so dangerous and puts our kids lives at risk.

Yr 6 Maths Awards

Congratulations to our Walking-talking-Calculators: Jeremiah M, Travis S & Jake J.

They’ve successfully completed all 64 of the Basic Number Facts within five minutes. Their next step in repeat this but with Extension BNF. Well done boys!

PROJECT CLUB NEWS

Project club will be selling school coloured hair ties.

We are selling them for $4 each. The money made will go towards this year’s school camp.

If you want one come to Matisse, Abby, Hanna and Mikayla either before school or after school.

Project Club will also be selling Ice blocks

We will be selling them on Friday afternoon at the front of the school for 50c.

Thanks to the Hilton family for the kind donation of Ice blocks to sell—last week we made over $60!
WORDS FROM MRS STUART

**Word on the Street**

Our whole school words are from the school motto

“IT’S CLEAR AT THE LAKE – CELEBRATE LEARNING EXCELLENCE ATTITUDE RESPECT”

**Word of the Street Week 6 respect**

Action smile and nod to show approval

It means ……. To show that you admire or strongly approve of someone or something.

How it can be used ……..

* We must treat school property with respect.
* It is respectful to say hello when you meet someone.

Other words….. respectful respects respected respecting disrespect

**VCOP** - to improve students’ writing

**V** = Vocabulary - Use vocabulary, or ‘WOW’ words to make your sentences more interesting.

**C** = Connectives - Use connectives to extend sentences, joining two similar points together.

**O** = Openers - Use openers to begin sentences or paragraphs in an interesting way.

**P** = Punctuation - Use punctuation so your sentences make sense!

Look for the VCOP Walls in each classroom

Ask your child / children about them

Find WOW words at home and about

Explain the meanings of “big” words

Help to use better sentences in conversations

If they can’t say it ……. they can’t write it.

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**Prep Photos in the QT**

**This Friday 4 March** the QT photographer will be coming to our school at 1:30pm to take a photo of our Prep group. Please be aware that you may send your prep child in a different shirt for the morning but not to forget to send their school shirt in for the group photo. Your child will have the help of Mrs Denny to change into their school shirt.

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**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Advanced Life Photography will be coming to our school on **WEDNESDAY 23 March** to take our class photos. Children are expected to wear full school uniform on this day. Class photos will start at 9.00am on this day. **Envelopes with full details have been sent home with your child today.** Sibling envelopes are available at the office if you would like your children photographed together. There is also an option for our school captains and sport captains to be photographed together. At this stage there is no envelopes to send home, when they come in they will be handed out to those children.

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**Rewards Day**

Our term 1 Rewards day will be held on the last day of term, **Thursday 24th March**. All students who are on a Green, Blue or Gold behaviour level will be invited to have time on our special 5 in 1 Jumping Castle/Slide that we have hired for the day. Ask your child what behaviour level they are currently on! (Everyone starts on Green) Please note if your child has received 2 GRIM slips in the past term, they will not be eligible to attend a jumping session. Alternate arrangements will be made in class.

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**Open Afternoon Thursday 24th March**

The classroom doors will be flung open from 3-5pm on **Thursday 24th March** and we warmly invite all parents, grandparents, carers and family members to have a look at the work your students have completed this term. This will be an informal and friendly gathering for families and staff, with a BBQ dinner and drinks on sale from 5pm. A jumping castle will be at the school for students and siblings to play on. It should be a great afternoon to celebrate the end of term and the work your students have accomplished. We look forward to seeing you there!
CHAPPY’S CORNER

One of the worst traps in life we can fall prey to, is that of judging another. We tend to be so concerned with other people’s faults that we overlook our own. We should not feel that we are better than others, rather that we are all equal. All of us are susceptible to love, fear, grief, joy, pain, and eventually death. How we treat others has a profound bearing on how we feel ourselves. Often when we judge, we are guilty of the very same thing, but it takes the attention away from us. More often than not the problem is bigger in our lives than in the one we are judging or condemning. The Bible puts it like this... First take the log out of your own eye before you attempt to take the speck out of your brother’s eye.

Quotes

Just because people have the tendency to annoy, doesn’t make them wrong.
To judge another without the facts, requires little wisdom.
Seek their strengths not weaknesses, beauty rather than blemish. Overlook the fault to find the good and compliment frequently.

Finally.... The more mistakes I make the easier it is to forgive others.