

# Clarkson Primary School

## An Independent Public School

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## The Principal's Pen

With the end of the school year just over 5 weeks away I know that many of you start to get anxious about which classrooms and teachers your children will have in the new year. Clarkson Primary School has a transiency rate of 17.5%, which means it is almost impossible to accurately plan classes before the start of the new year. We do have a plan for how we would like to structure the school but unfortunately are unable to give any clarity around this at this time of the year. Each year rumors circulate and requests are put into the office asking for specific teachers, each of which are given serious consideration. In a perfect world I would be able to announce classes and teachers well before the end of the year but this is rarely possible.

### Staffing 2020

I can confirm that all of our current staff will be returning in 2020 with the exception of Miss Sophie Maguire and our school psychologist Mrs Ilse Webster. Miss Maguire has won a new position at Grandis Primary School and after starting her teaching career here about 6 years ago, will be sorely missed. I congratulate Sophie on winning this new position and wish her all the best for the future. Miss Maguire's replacement will be announced soon.

Mrs Webster was with us for 7 years and she and her family are moving to London to take up a new job opportunity. Ilse has been an integral part of our staff contributing to the success of Clarkson Primary School. I also wish her all the very best for the future. We will also announce our new School Psychologist before the end of the year.

### P & C

Thanks to the hard work of our dedicated band of volunteers who make up the P&C. Your children have been and will be involved in some fantastic fun events, last week's Colour Explosion and in a fortnight all students PP-6 will be attending SciTech at no cost as your P&C is partially funding this event. It was great to see so many willing volunteers at the colour explosion and a strong, positive P&C is fantastic for our school. If you have ever thought of joining the team now is a perfect time to do so. The next meeting will be at 6pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November in the school staffroom. Come along and be a part of helping your child have a positive educational journey at Clarkson.

**Tony Shields**  
Principal



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov  
SCIENCE WEEK

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Clarkson Community High School  
Orientation Day

Wednesday & Thursday  
27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Sci-Tech Excursion

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec  
School Board Meeting 3pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Yr 6 BIG DAYS OUT

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec  
NAIDOC Display

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Book Awards & End of Year  
Concert

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Kindy End of Year Concerts

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Volunteers Morning Tea

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Year 6 Graduation Assembly

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec  
End of the 2019 School Year

## CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

Hello wonderful Parents, Grandparents and Carers,

My name is Lauren D'Castro and I'm privileged to be Clarkson Primary School's new Chaplain from Term 4 and going into 2020. I am passionate about delivering a high level of pastoral care to your little people and the families of CPS. I am a parent myself to a beautiful little 4-year-old girl, so I understand personally the joys and challenges of parenthood and feel privileged to walk alongside students and families in their vital schooling years.

### Experience and Background

I have extensive experience in working with children and young people, youth at risk and in the local community. I am passionate about social and the emotional wellbeing of all students, and place great emphasis on the importance of building positive self-esteem and self-worth among students I work with. I have a heart for encouraging students and families one conversation at a time. I have worked in the Community Services field for over 10 years and have a Bachelor of Social Science with a double major in Community Welfare and Youth Work which transfers into a therapeutic-style of Chaplaincy. I am available to students and families at the school Tuesday to Thursdays. In 2020 my work days will change to Tuesdays and Fridays.

### Christmas Hamper Donation

It's already that time of year! If Christmas is a financially hard time of the year for you please see Lauren who has partnered up with the Salvation Army, and discuss the possibility of a Christmas Hamper which includes a present for each child in the family. Please understand to qualify for a hamper you need to be on a pension or a healthcare card holder and will need to declare your f/n income on the application and supply a photo of these IDs with a catchment address. Please come see Lauren for an application form before November 29<sup>th</sup> 2019.

### Christmas Cheer Appeal

CPS will be joining in on the Christmas Cheer Appeal this year if you'd like to donate any items or toys for children and families in need please place your items in the boxes in the office. Please see Lauren our School Chaplain for any more enquiries.

## 2020 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

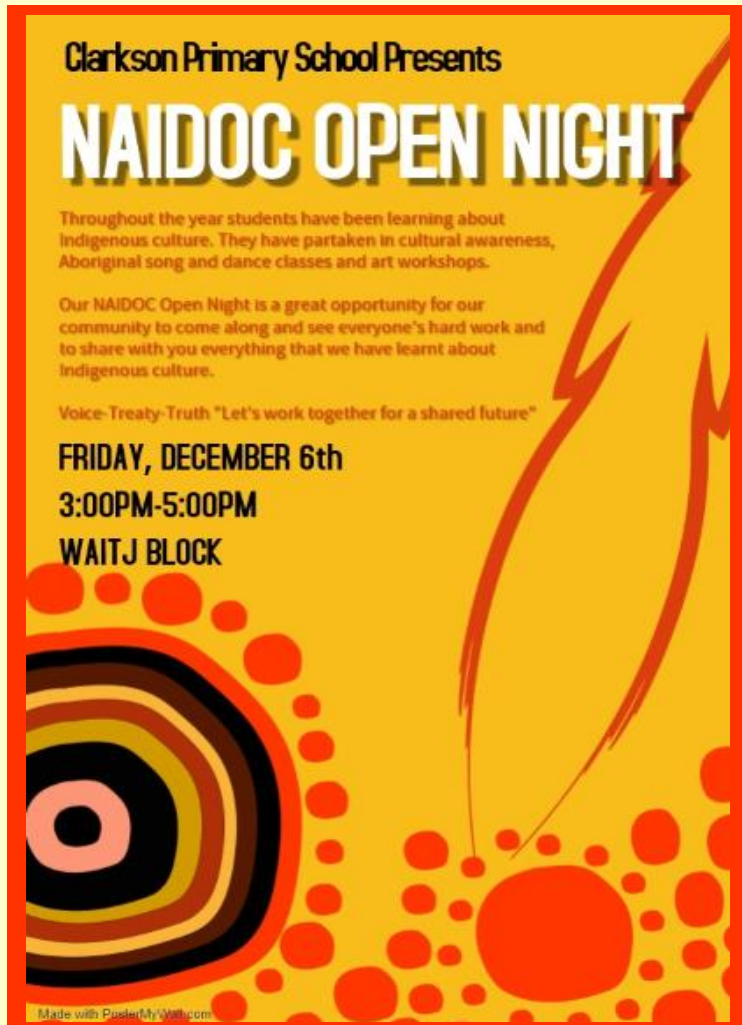
Please be advised the 2020 Staff Professional Development Days have been set and are as follows, please note the 2020 school year commences on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February.

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August**  
**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December**



## UP AND COMING SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mark your dairies, circle the dates on the calendar and set those mobile devices to ensure you join your school community as we celebrate the following events.



## FROG POND

A FROG pond supplied and built by Bunnings Mindarie with the help of our Kindy Classes in ECE4 and ECE5 is our latest addition to the CPS Community Garden. The Kindy students are currently learning about garden creatures and life cycles of plants and insects so this lovely morning in the garden tied in beautifully with their classroom topic.

Everyone involved enjoyed the activity and a huge thanks to Julie, Frank and Mitch from Bunnings Mindarie for making it happen. Students learned the importance of empathy for nature and caring for the environment and as it is said that frogs are the barometers of environmental health, if we do see frogs starting to appear in this space it would say great things for the balance of the local habitat.

Frog Ponds are being built and developed across the country as part of a new initiative involving the Australian Museum. The program is run through an App called FrogID. The idea is to get children and their families involved in helping scientists identify unknown frog species by the sound of their call.

The pond is situated in our School Vegetable Patch just past the science block so please come down and take a look and enjoy the space respectfully.



## CONGRATULATIONS

A HUGE congratulations to our year 6 student Scarlett. Scarlett has been awarded the Academic Extension Program (AEP) scholarship for Warwick SHS for 2020. Scarlett has gained entry to this prestigious program, which will see her extended and challenged in her MESH subjects (Mathematics, English, Science, HASS) and have direct access to university programs, guest speakers, competitions, seminars and Warwick's after school clubs. Warwick in 2017 was awarded the Meritorious Leadership Award in STEM, in the *Governor's STEM awards due to the very strong STEM program at the school. Warwick also won the Australian Education Awards-STEM program of the Year in 2018. We look forward to Scarlett and other AEP students accessing these unique opportunities in future years.*

## WANTED

Students have been busy creating some STEM projects in ICT Rm 1&2. If you are able to help us restock by sending in some of the following it would be greatly appreciated. Paper towel rolls, wrapping paper rolls (sorry - no toilet rolls), DVDs or cd's, small alfoil pie trays, packing foam, corks. Please forward via the office.



## WOOLWORTHS DISCOVERY GARDEN

Clarkson Primary were kindly been gifted a full set of collectable seedlings along with a raised garden bed and resources thanks to [Woolworths Ocean Keys](#) to add to and grow our own discovery garden within the school grounds. Our students in ECE2 have enjoyed planting and watching these seedlings grow.

## WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Thank you to everyone who assisted in collecting the Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers. Our resources have arrived and are being put to use in classrooms across the school.



## TERM 4 PLANNER

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6	18 <sup>th</sup> Nov Breakfast Club 8am Choir 3pm-3.40pm	19 <sup>th</sup> Nov Coding Club 3-4pm	20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	21 <sup>st</sup> Nov Junior Tech' Club 3-4pm Early Start Program 9am	22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov
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9	9 <sup>th</sup> Dec Breakfast Club 8am Book Awards/End of Year of Concert Assembly 9am BIG DAY OUT YR6 Bubble Soccer	10 <sup>th</sup> Dec END of YEAR KINDY CONCERT ECE 4&5	11 <sup>th</sup> Dec BIG DAY OUT YR6 Latitude	12 <sup>th</sup> Dec Junior Tech' Club 3-4pm Early Start Program 9am	13 <sup>th</sup> Dec BIG DAY OUT YR6 Rottneest
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Please note these dates are subject to change



## HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

Awarded at Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> November Assembly

ECE 1 - Finlay & Ruby  
ECE 2 - Elle & Jayden  
Room 3 - Peter & Holly  
Room 4 - John & Kyson  
Room 5 - Cambria  
Room 6 - Ewan & Jace

Room 7 - Tauakira & Mason  
Room 8 - Cassidy & Caitlin  
Room 9 - Makoi  
Room 10 - Naia & Eva  
Room 11 - Hannes & Nazah  
Room 12 - Harlan & Nathaniel  
Room 13 - Tyler & Annabelle

## OSHClub News Before School / After School Care Program



Hi Families,

Wow I can't believe it's term 4 already. At Oshclub we have been focusing on physical activity. We got pplay table tennis, learn basketball skills and played some fun group games.

We always like to bake and make our own afternoon tea here at Oshclub. We have had some yummy suggestions from our children and have made banana bread, pancakes wiith fruit, platters with dips, weetbix slice and much more!

Before we know it it will be school holidays again! We have some exciting incursions and excursions such as Deca Dance, The Simulation Centre, Scitech, Lego Bricks, magic show, Kings Park and Reptiles to name a few.

We do not offer a holiday program at Clarkson Primary School but we do offer at places such as East Butler, John Butler, Carramarr, Connolly, Francis Jordan, Joondalup and many more. Just hop onto the website below for more details.

We do have some casual and permanent bookings available at OSHCLUB. To find out more you can pop in and visit us in our OSHCLUB rooms or collect a pamphlet. You can also call us on the number or check out our website below.

Kind regards

Nyssa and Amy



### Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0478 100 318

Co-coordinator: Nyssa

Assistants: Amy

OSHClub Head Office: 9261 3200

*All families must be enrolled to attend the program. Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) All bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Co-coordinator direct at the program.*



## VACSWIM 2019-20

Enrol your children in swimming lessons during the summer holidays.

Choose from three programs:

**8 Days**

Program 1  
31 Dec - 10 January  
45 minute lessons  
Enrolments close  
10 November

\$30 per child / \$20 concession  
\$81 for a family of three or more /  
\$54 concession  
(plus pool entry).

**10 Days**

Program 2  
13 - 24 January  
35 minute lessons  
Enrolments close  
17 November

**5 Days**

Short program  
6 - 10 January  
35 minute lessons  
Enrolments close  
10 November

\$16 per child / \$10.50 concession  
\$41 for a family of three or more /  
\$27.50 concession  
(plus pool entry).

**Enrol now**

Visit [education.wa.edu.au/swimming](http://education.wa.edu.au/swimming) or call 9402 6412.



## BOOKLISTS

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\* Please note: Limited range of textbooks available

### Kurlangas Aboriginal Playgroup

Welcome to term 4!

This term at playgroup we are learning about shapes. Some of our activities will include shape painting, collage gluing shapes and shape stamp painting. We will also be doing art and craft activities in preparation for Christmas.

We will also have activities and experiences that promote physical skills, socialisation skills and language skills.

Messy play activities will also be continued throughout this term so don't forget to wear old clothes or bring a spare change of clothes! And as the weather is warming up can you also please bring a hat.

For our babies, there will be tummy time (to strengthen their back and neck muscles), push and pull toys, some wonderful books to look at, finger rhymes and songs to sing.

Playgroup is FREE and held every Monday at Clarkson Primary school during term times between 9.00-11.00am, for Aboriginal children up to 5yrs of age and their carers.

A morning tea of fresh fruit is provided for the children, and tea, coffee and biscuits for the adults. You do not need to have a child attending this school to attend.

Hope to see you there!

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