

# Clarkson Primary School

## An Independent Public School

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Newsletter - Special Edition  
19th December 2019

The final week of every school year always comes with a mix of joy and sadness. Joy because we can now spend quality time with families celebrating another fantastic year and sadness because it is that time when we farewell staff, students and families who have been a part of the Clarkson family for many years. The Year 6 Graduation is over and we have sent our current group off to the various High Schools they will be attending armed with the knowledge and skills required to be successful in the next chapter of their lives. I am sure you will all join me in wishing them all the best for the future and we are all extremely proud of what they have all achieved. They will all be missed but are always welcome back to visit.

### Farewell

**Miss Sophie Maguire** – is leaving us after 6 years. Sophie is taking up a new position at Grandis Primary School and we wish her all the best. She has done an outstanding job for the students of CPS and Grandis is very lucky to be getting her.

**Miss Renae Anthony** – Renae has been with us since the start of term 4 teaching Health. She has done a wonderful job and we wish her well.

**Mrs Cara Bracknell** – Cara will be on maternity leave in 2020. We wish her well with the pending addition to her family.

**Mrs Terri Murphy** – Terri has been with us since the beginning of term 2 supporting both our teaching staff and students in her role as an Education Assistant we wish her all the very best.

**Miss Leanne Traynor** – Leanne has been a part of our cleaning team whilst Dusko our Head cleaner has enjoyed his well earned long service leave. We wish her all the best.

### Arrivals

**Mrs Kerry Buhner** – Kerry spent time at CPS as our Acting Deputy in 2018 and is an experienced Level 3 teacher who will be teaching PrePrimary in 2020.

**Miss Brooke Lazarakis** – Brooke has been teaching our Year3/4 class this year since the beginning of term 3 and will be teaching Year 3 in 2020 on a Thursday and Friday sharing with Ms Pettit.

Our school numbers in 2020 are currently sitting on 331. The class structures for next year and teachers are as follows

**Ms Priscilla Grainger** – Priscilla will join our school community next year as our new School Psychologist we look forward to her joining our team.

**Kindy** – Mrs Barry & Mrs Nevil (ECE5)

**PrePrimary** – Mrs Rigby/Mrs Brennan (ECE 4) & Mrs Buhner/Mrs Nims (ECE 1)

**Year 1** – Mrs Grey (ECE 2) & Miss Little (ECE 3)

**Year 2** – Mrs Elieff (Room 3) & Mrs Mitchell (Room 4)

**Year 3** – Miss Salleo (Room 7) & Ms Pettit/Miss Lazarakis (Room 8)

**Year 4** – Miss Kennedy (Room 6) & Mrs Cooke (Room 5)

**Year 5** – Mrs Mayes (Room 10)

**Year 5/6** – Mr Shepherd (Room 16)

**Year 6** – Ms Penrose (Room 13)

**Specialist teachers** – Mr Mitskas (Music/PE) Mrs Boyer (IT/Science) Mrs McKeown (Digital Technologies Monday/Tuesday)

As always things change over the break so the structure may look a little different when the class lists go up on January 30<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup>.

On behalf of all the staff at CPS please have a safe, prosperous and happy Christmas and New Year. We look forward to seeing you all again in 2020.

Tony Shields  
Principal



## DATES TO REMEMBER



**Office re-opens for 2020**  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January

**Staff Professional Development Days**  
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> & Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January

**2020 School year (Term 1) commences**  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

### **Professional Development Dates 2020**

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December



**Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday break, enjoy the festive season and all the very best of wishes for 2020.**

## The Chaplain's Chat

The final weeks of school are upon us and I just wanted to thank you all for your warm welcome to Chaplaincy at CPS this term. It's been a joy to become a part of the CPS community.

Another BIG thank you to all students, staff, parents and caregivers for your beautiful and thoughtful donations to our "Christmas Cheer appeal" in partnership with Salvos Merriwa. Your kind gifts will go to those less fortunate this Christmas, thank you for your support.

I pray you all have a great Christmas and stay safe during this heat wave over the Christmas break, and enjoy your holidays with your loved ones.

I look forward to seeing you all in the new year and will be available on Tuesday's and Thursday in 2020 at CPS.

*Lauren D'Castro*  
School Chaplain

## Support-a-Reader Thank You Morning Tea

During this year, and past years, we have been fortunate to have a committed group of volunteers, community members and parents, who have set aside at least one hour a day to support students with their reading. These tutors all make a difference to the reading progress of many of our students. Staff and students would like to extend their appreciation to this very important group of people.

If you have an hour to spare each week and would like to be part of this valuable program next year, please let the Office know at the start of the school year in 2020. More tutors are always needed and welcomed.



*Left to right back row - Shirley Gwinnet, Christine Peters, Ayr Jabr, Tanya Price*  
*Left to right front row - Bruce Stanton, Maureen Boel, Angela Sudweeks, Vera Hunt, Belinda Munro*  
*Absent - Joan Martin, Ginette Jackson*



## **INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL 2019**

In 2019, Clarkson Primary School participated in the Innovation Partnership Schools initiative which brought together schools and expert external parties to explore innovative practices that increase student engagement, participation and achievement in Digital Technologies.

Our Digital Technology team began the implementation of Seesaw across the school to build staff and student capacity in the use of digital technologies in the classroom. Seesaw is a tool that teachers and students can record and share what's happening in the classroom. It gives students a place to document their learning, be creative and learn how to use a variety of digital technologies.

In November, we were invited to share our work at the Resources Technology Showcase held at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre. This provided our school with the opportunity to showcase the innovative practices developed throughout our involvement in the Innovation Partnership.



## **NAIDOC OPEN NIGHT DISPLAY**

Throughout the year the students at Clarkson Primary School have been learning about indigenous culture. In particular, during NAIDOC week in July, the students celebrated the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, participating in a range of activities. At the beginning of this term, the students participating in Aboriginal song and dance workshops or an art workshop, run by talented Aboriginal artist, Jade Dolman from J. D. Penangke.

The year's work culminated in a fantastic display showcasing some of the work completed by the students.



*Class of 2019 – Year 6 Award Recipients*

<i>DUX</i>	<i>Annabelle Schachenmayr</i>
<i>Citizenship</i>	<i>Naiomh Cole</i>
<i>Principal's Award</i>	<i>Kunaal Kumar</i>
<i>English</i>	<i>Annabelle Schachenmayr</i>
<i>Mathematics</i>	<i>Thomas Woods</i>
<i>Humanities and Social Sciences</i>	<i>Hristos Ballios</i>
<i>Science</i>	<i>Scarlett Hayward &amp; Zane Edwards</i>
<i>Sportswoman</i>	<i>Naiomh Cole</i>
<i>Sportsman</i>	<i>Dani Hendi</i>
<i>Music</i>	<i>Anastasija Zdrunkovic</i>
<i>ICT</i>	<i>Adrian Gonzales</i>
<i>Commitment to Excellence</i>	<i>Scarlett Hayward</i>
<i>PELC Striving for Excellence</i>	<i>Sean Hampton</i>

*We wish ALL our graduation students the very best of wishes for the future.*



*Congratulations to our 2020 Student Council*

*Head Girls*

*Ashleigh Hayter and Isabelle Smith*



*Councillors*

*Joel Farrell*

*Danilo King*

*Chaniekah Little*

*Reece Reader*



What a fantastic time our Graduation Year 6 students have had over the past two weeks. Their adventurous BIG DAYS OUT included indoor/outdoor activities..... A fun day on the school oval and finally a day trip to Rottnest Island. From the photos below it looks like a great time was had by all and they have created some lasting memories as part of their final year in primary school.

2019 Year 6 BIG DAYS  
Movies, Climbing Ropes, Latitude, Bubble Soccer, Archery, Rottnest Island







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## Congratulations to our 2019 Book Award Recipients

ECE 1 = Pre Primary	Finlay	Khloe
ECE 2 - Pre Primary	Georgia	Kobe
ROOM 3 - Year 1	Polly	Lynx
ROOM 4 - Year 1	John	Violet
ROOM 5 - Year 5	Liam	
ROOM 6 - Year 4	Tyran	Kiran
ROOM 7 - Year 3	Keenan	Mia
ROOM 8 - Year 3	Corey	Fia
ROOM 9 - Year 3/4	Emily	Ayvah
ROOM 10 - Year 2	Vannarith	Elise
ROOM 11 - Year 2	Charlotte	Jack
ROOM 12 - Year 5	Yusaf	Callum







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- healthy alternatives to pre-packaged snacks
- label reading
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