



# Clarkson Primary School

## An Independent Public School

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Newsletter  
21<sup>st</sup> August 2020

Dear Parents/Caregivers

We have reached the middle of term 3 and all your children are making great progress. The lack of disruptions to teaching time has been one of the few positive things that has come out of this crazy year. As I walk through classrooms each day it has been very evident just how much all children are enjoying their learning. As teachers this is why we come to school each day and there is nothing more satisfying than seeing the great things that children can achieve. Your children are fantastic, please cherish every moment you have with them as all our futures are in their hands.

### COVID 19

I think it is always important to remember that this pandemic is, according to our governments & medical experts, far from over and we need to remain aware of this at all times. We have our faction carnival and swimming lessons coming up and it is very important that we continue to observe correct social distancing and hygiene processes. The Clarkson Primary School Community has been outstanding throughout this and set a perfect example for all children and communities alike, but we cannot get complacent. Please keep looking out for each other, stay safe and set the right example for your children - after all they are the most important thing.

### New Playground Equipment

As mentioned earlier in the year CPS was allocated funds to purchase new playground equipment thanks to our fantastic Manager of Corporate Services, Mrs Shackleton. We have had several discussions with our Student Voice team as well as staff and parents which resulted in some great ideas. The main thing that came up was that the play area around the top Basketball court was badly in need of an upgrade. It was also important to all that we put something new in each of the year 1 to year 6 play areas as they have had nothing new for some time. I can confirm that this is all now approved and work should commence soon and hopefully this will be completed late September or early October.

### FACTION CARNIVAL FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup> September.

There has been a slight adjustment to the date of our much anticipated 2020 Faction Carnival. This will now be held on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September. The Jumps, Throws, 200 metres and 400 metre events will be held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September and all other running events will take place on the Friday. There will be no tabloid events this year. Your P&C will be running a Sausage Sizzle as usual. More details will be coming out soon but please save that date.

### BIKE SAFETY

We always encourage your children to ride or walk to school if possible but of late there have been some near misses with cars mainly due to children not observing the road rules. Please talk to your children and remind them of the safest way to do things. We understand that many people don't wear helmets but it is a great way to stay safe and I urge you to get your child to wear one.

Stay safe & look out for each other.

Kind regards  
Mr Tony Shields

## STUDENT SERVICES

The Keeping Kids in School (KKIS) program operates through the support of the WA Police Force, Department of Education and local businesses. The KKIS program aims to reduce truancy levels by discouraging students from accessing shopping centres during school hours.

The program sends a common message to the community that students of compulsory school age need to be at school and not at the shops during school time.

The program encourages shop owners to promote a clear message to students that they are more than welcome outside of school hours but they will not be served during school hours.



### Message to Parents

As our children's education is vital to their future and the future of our community, in a bid to encourage regular student attendance at school, 'Keeping Kids in School' was implemented in 2008.

Under this program **your child can be refused service** by local businesses displaying a sign, similar in look to this handout, in their shop front or entrance. These businesses have the right to refuse to serve school-aged students who are not at school during normal school hours if they do not have a valid leave pass.

Schools will be contacted immediately by shop owners if students who are absent from school without an appropriate leave pass are found in their premises.

Parents are encouraged to talk with their children and ensure they understand what this information means.



### Message to Students

Our community is working together in a bid to encourage students to attend school every day.

To help ensure you don't miss out, local businesses will **refuse to serve you during school hours** and contact your school to report your unauthorised absence. However, if you have a legitimate reason for being away from school during school hours you will require a valid Leave Pass.

Every day away from school adds up!

If you miss	This equals	From PP – Yr 12 adds up to	Which is equivalent to:
1 day per fortnight	1 month per year	nearly 1 ½ years	part-way through year 11
1 day per week	2 months per year	over 2 ½ years	part-way through year 10
2 days per week	4 months per year	over 5 years	the end of year 7
3 days per week	6 months per year	nearly 8 years	the end of year 4



## Meet Our Social Worker Prac Student from ECE – Sandra Fitzgerald Bloomer

Hello everyone, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Sandra Fitzgerald Bloomer and I am a third-year social work prac student from Edith Cowan University. So far, I have had the opportunity to meet many of your wonderful children and have enjoyed interacting with them both in the classroom and in the playground. I firmly believe that every child can reach their full potential providing they get the support and encouragement they deserve. My goal at Clarkson Primary school is to support your children as best as I can that will allow them to engage in school activities that will enhance their learning.

Currently I am helping run the breakfast club which is a great opportunity to provide many children with a positive start to their day. I look forward to continuing building rapport with the children and hopefully get to meet some of the parents and guardians along the way.

A little bit of background information about me, I was born and raised in Ireland and emigrated to Perth in 2006 with my husband and two children who are now young adults.

In my spare time I enjoy walking as I appreciate the importance of keeping active for the mind and body and love catching up with my children regularly for a family meal.



## 2021 SCHOOL PLANNING

Planning for 2021 has begun. If your child is NOT returning to Clarkson Primary School for 2021 could you please contact the office on 6207 5200.

Thank you

## KINDERGARTEN 2021

If you have a child that was born between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2017 please download an application for enrolment from our school website - [www.clarksonprimaryschool.com.au](http://www.clarksonprimaryschool.com.au). or pop in to the front office to collect.

Kindergarten is not compulsory and there are limited places. Please get your forms in as soon as possible if your child is able to attend Kindy in 2021.

Kindergarten children may be enrolled into one school only.

## ROAD SAFETY

Due to a recent series of accidents involving cars and students, please ensure your children are travelling to and from school safely! There have been reports from concerned parents and also a traffic warden of children's behaviours on the road which has put themselves and others at great risk. Please remember bike helmets are compulsory by law and research shows that helmets reduce head injuries by up to 74 per cent in crashes with motor vehicles.

## FREE POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM

The Triple P parenting program helps make raising kids easier. It gives you tips and ideas to help raise happy and confident kids; see more of the behaviours you like and less of the ones you don't and to have a better relationship you're your family.

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program is available to parents and carers of children in Western Australia, thanks to the Department of Education, Child and Adolescent Health Service, WA Country Health Service, and the Department of Communities.

Clarkson Primary School will be holding a FREE positive parenting program seminar series on Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup> August. Please contact the office on 6207 5200 to make a booking.

Morning tea and lunch will be provided.



## CLARKSON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

When changing schools and/or enrolling for high school, parents need to make an informed decision on their child's education. The link below provides a video which is designed specifically for prospective parents and students. Take and look and see what amazing things are going on at Clarkson Community High School.

<https://clarksonchs.wa.edu.au/index.php/news-1/blogosphere/student-services-a-chaplain-program/484-year-7-transition-2020-21>



## TERM PLANNER - TERM 3

Term 3 Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6	Aug 24 <sup>th</sup>	Aug 25 <sup>th</sup>	Aug 26 <sup>th</sup>	Aug 27 <sup>th</sup>	Aug 28 <sup>th</sup>
7	Aug 31 <sup>st</sup>	Sept 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup> P&C Meeting 6pm Staffroom	Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sept 4 <sup>th</sup>
8	Sept 7 <sup>th</sup> School Board Meeting 3pm Staffroom	Sept 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 10 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 11 <sup>th</sup> SWIMMING NOTES AND MONIES DUE
9	Sept 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 15 <sup>th</sup> Somerly Dental Therapy visit. PP, Yr. 3 and Yr. 6 students  Jumps & Throws 200m & 400m	Sept 16 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 17 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 18 <sup>th</sup> Faction Carnival PP-Yr. 6
10	Sept 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sept 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sept 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sept 24 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 25 <sup>th</sup> Newsletter Good Standing Term 3 concludes today Term 4 commences 12/10

## IN-TERM SWIMMING

### In-Term Swimming Lessons 2020

Swimming lessons will be conducted in term 4 in weeks 1 and 2. Parent information, permission slips and payment have been sent home via ALL students in Pre Primary - Year 6. Further copies are available from the front office. **PLEASE NOTE PAYMENT SLIPS ARE TO COME VIA THE OFFICE AND PERMISSION SLIPS ARE TO BE SENT TO THE CLASSROOM TEACHER.** Swimming timetables will be distributed at a later date.

**Dates** - Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020

**Time** - 40 minute lesson each day

**Cost** - \$36.00. This cost covers the pool entry. \$16.70 and bus hire \$19.30. Please be aware that the bus portion of the costs is non-refundable.

**Location** - HBF Arena Joondalup

**Requirements** - Bathers, Towel, goggles (if required) underwear and plastic bag. (Label all items, (including the plastic bag, with your child's name)

**Spectator fees** - \$2.60 per day





## REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN!

It's that time of year already! Winter is nearly over and it's time to register for cricket! At Quinns Rocks Junior Cricket Club, we welcome children of all ages and cater for both boys and girls.

	Competition Name	Age Group	Game time
	Junior Blast	5 - 7 (PP to Year 1)	1 hour
	Master Blast	7 - 8 (Year 2 to Year 3)	1.5 hours
	Star Blast	5 - 11 (PP to Year 6)	1 hour
	Girls U11's	8 - 10 (Year 3 to Year 5)	2 hours
	Girls U13's	11 - 12 (Year 6 to Year 7)	2 hours
	Girls U15's	13 - 14 (Year 8 to Year 9)	2.5 hours
	Junior 1 (U10 & U11)	9 - 10 (Year 4 to Year 5)	2 - 2.5 hours
	Junior 2 (U12)	11 (Year 6)	2.5 hours
	Junior Cricket	12 - 16 (Year 7 to Year 11)	Varies
	Youth Integrated Cricket League	12 - 17 (Year 7 to Year 12)	1 - 1.5 hours

So get all your friends together and join in on the excitement of playing cricket at Quinns. Simply go to [www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au) to register.

For more information on fees, uniforms, team formats and everything else you need to know about playing cricket at Quinns, please visit our website [www.gricc.com.au](http://www.gricc.com.au)

Registrations close on 31st August 2020, so don't wait or you'll miss out as teams fill up fast!

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Jade McMillan  
REGISTRAR  
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5yrs Old to 50+
From \$100

# REGISTRATION DAY

Tee-Ball, Machine Pitch, Baseball and Softball  
Junior & Senior Teams

Your One & Only Local Ball Club For Over 30yrs  
Come Along Check Us Out & Sign Up For The Season

OCEAN KEYS SC
25 JUL
9:00AM - 5:00PM

ADDISON PK MERRIWA
8 AUG
1:00PM - 4:00PM

Enquiries to: [registrar@northcoastballclub.asn.au](mailto:registrar@northcoastballclub.asn.au) or MBL 0450 476 083

ALKIMOS TITANS

August 23RD & 30TH  
all ages  
PUBLIC EVENT  
**COME & TRY**  
boys & girls  
teeball | junior baseball  
9:30-10:30AM  
mens & womens  
baseball  
10:30-12:30PM  
SPECIAL GUEST  
HEAT FLASH  
Richard Aldersea Reserve CLARKSON

## FEED IT FORWARD MAORI STYLZ WA

Feed it Forward Maori Stylz WA is a community-minded and registered not for profit charity.

With the dedication and support of many volunteers perfectly good vegetables, fruit, and pantry items are collected from supermarkets and redistributed to families in need. No judgement or questions asked.

They are based in Clarkson but have distributors in various locations across Perth. The founder also distributes food from his garage On Saturday mornings 12.30- 3 pm.

Join the Facebook group for further details.  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/577861689418823>



Department of Education

# VACSWIM 2020

Get ready for summer

Help your child stay safe and be confident in the water.

Enrol now for October holiday swimming lessons. Perfect for beginner, intermediate and advanced swimmers.

5 days - child \$16, family \$41  
9 days - child \$30, family \$81  
\*Concessions available.

Enrolments close 23 August 2020  
Visit [education.wa.edu.au/vacswim](http://education.wa.edu.au/vacswim)