

# Newsletter Term 1 Week 7

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL TO CLOVERDALE FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,

Even though this term has been very quiet, we have had some interesting things happen over the last two weeks.

### **ALL THINGS SWIMMING**

The CPS Swimming carnival was last week and all participants are to be congratulated on, not only their swimming but also on the maturity, responsibility and thoughtfulness they showed to each other and the staff. Mr Wood and Mrs Rawlings both shared with me how impressed they were with all the students involved. A big thank you to Mr Wood and Mrs Rawlings for the many hours they put into both the Swim Squad and the actual carnival...as always they demonstrated dedication and enthusiasm working with all students so that they were able to give their best.

Sadly, the Interschool Carnival will not be going ahead this year. COVID-19 and the need to limit the spread as much as possible has meant that, while we were able to run our carnival, we will not be participating in the Interschool Carnival.

In-Term Swimming lessons have also been cancelled for 2022.



### **ALL THINGS COVID-19**

COVID-19 and the issues surrounding managing it has, as you would have seen, had a big impact on Term 1. We hope that things will start to settle down in Term 2 but we will need to wait and see.

### **CASES**

As you would know from the many messages I send home(!), we have started to have positive cases in our student body. The school follows the directions of both the Department of Education and the Health Department to ensure the safety of all members of the school community. The Department of Education's Home page contains a lot of information for parents and community members. It can be accessed at [COVID-19 - Department of Education](#)

### **VISITING A SCHOOL**

As always, we welcome parents and carers onto our school site. At the moment, however, the Department is asking schools to implement a few changes while we are managing COVID-19 at a school level.

Parents and Carers:

- are permitted on school sites for drop-off and pick-up outside only
- should avoid gathering on school sites
- attend parent-teacher interviews online or over the phone
- wear a mask outdoors in line with public health requirements, where physical distancing cannot be maintained.

## MASKS



Thank you to all parents for supporting the students wearing masks in Years 3 to 6. This has been implemented very smoothly and your support has helped us with this. Children in Kindy to Year 2 do not have to wear masks but if you choose for your child to wear one, the school will support your decision. I would also like to commend the many parents who are wearing masks at all times on the school site, except if able to socially distance themselves. This sends a hugely positive message to your children which is appreciated by all my staff.

*Louise*  
Louise Burke  
Principal



## Physical Education News

Swim, swim, swim. And swim they did!!!

It was wonderful to see the hard work that both the students and their parents have put in over the last 5 weeks come to fruition. Cloverdale held its Swimming Championships at Belmont Oasis last Thursday and it was fantastic to see each and every student involved trying their hardest and improving their personal best times in almost every race. Although we only had a small section of the student body competing this year the standard was very high and a direct reflection of the effort the children have been putting in at Swim Squad. Everyone involved should be very proud of themselves.

Unfortunately, due to COVID, the BASSA Interschool Swimming Championships have been cancelled this year. Fingers crossed that this time next year all will be well and our high achieving students will be able to showcase their skills against all the other schools in our area. I have no doubt that they will do themselves and our school proud.



Year 3 Champion girl: Heidi  
Year 3 Runner-up: Valentina Houston



Year 5 Champion boy: Levi Wallis  
Year 5 Runner-up: Max McGuire



Year 5 Champion girl: Hanna Park  
Year 5 Champion girl: Leah Dillon



Year 6 Champion girl: Azaleigha Wright  
Year 6 Runner-up: Jessica Carmichael

A very special mention must go out to Spencer Lau and Briar Tinsley, our only competitors from year 4. Spencer and Briar made the very brave decision to be part of the carnival at the very last minute. Due to a lack of numbers in their year group they had to compete against the Year 5's. Both athletes gave their all and gave the older kids a real run for their money. Well done to both of you and we look forward to bigger and better things next year. Thank you also to Mrs Rawlings and Ms Bellenger who have selflessly given up their time on Tuesday and Thursday mornings to ensure that Swim Squad could proceed. Your commitment to the growth of our students is greatly appreciated.



Year 6 Champion boy: Boston Wallis  
Year 6 Runner up: Ryan Hoier

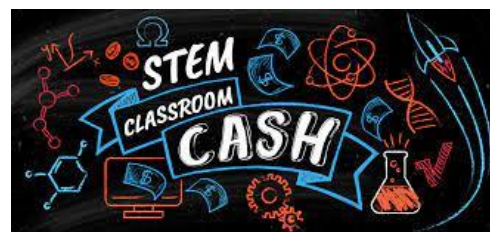
The next big moment for Cloverdale Primary School sport is the 2022 BASSA interschool Cricket Carnival. This year the carnival will be held in Week 10 at Kent Street High School. Training for team selection will begin at school this week, so any students from Year 4 through to Year 6 who think they may be interested should come to the oval. This year we will be fielding both a boys and a girls team.

Stay safe and play fair.

Mr Lance Wood, Physical Education Teacher

### STEM Classroom Cash

Cloverdale has registered to win up to \$5,000 in WA Newspaper's STEM Classroom Cash competition. We have already collected more than 40 vouchers from page 177 of last weekend's Saturday paper - with three Saturday's to go!



Parents and guardians are encouraged to send vouchers to school with their children and ask their extended family to also contribute. They are being collected in the front office, TA7 and the Science Room for the next four weeks.

### Green Team News

With diesel and petrol prices at record highs, feeling safe might be a big ask.

Fuel prices aside, in our remote southwest corner of the universe, we remain 'relatively' safe. We observe COVID making our lives less safe, but we're not directly impacted by the uncivil behaviour of others. However, the spike in fuel prices caused by the Ukrainian conflict, so soon after the Nullarbor floods disrupted the supply of goods to our supermarket shelves, suggests that saving energy and resources has never been more important than right now.

We save energy by switching off the power or walking instead of driving, but we also save energy as a community by avoiding and recycling our waste - because energy is a cost that we pay for. 'Avoiding waste' means choosing to avoid unnecessary packaging. Energy and resources are invested in packaging - when we throw it away, that invested energy is lost.

Cloverdale Primary School has been applauded for creating the infrastructure necessary for students to recycle their recess and lunch waste - but if students choose not to be bothered, we are only recycling a fraction of what we could be. It is hoped that grant applications will allow Cloverdale to purchase an outdoor classroom of REPLAS seats. REPLAS use the Redcycle plastics we collect to make useful items such as seats. Consequently, students will observe the 'closing of the loop' - that their waste-sorting efforts result in the manufacture of tangible and useful products.

Last week, I audited the Redcycle bins again. In the first 18 days of collection this term, we averaged 4 clip-lock bags per day; for the next 10 days of collection, we averaged 5 clip-lock bags per day. In just 28 days, we have filled half a handball court with clip lock bags. If you are still using clip-lock bags, please, encourage your child to bring them home, wash them, and turn them upside down to dry for use again tomorrow. It is only by modelling appropriate behaviours that your children will realise the enormity of their responsibility (and you'll save money).



The choice is simple: what choice do I make to CONSERVE the energy already invested in this item (or system)?

Mr Dan Luxton, on behalf of the Green Team.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Belmont Toy Library**, a local, not-for-profit organisation that aims to provide high quality toys for the benefit of families with children aged 0-8.

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[enquiries@belmonttoylibrary.org.au](mailto:enquiries@belmonttoylibrary.org.au)

website :

[www.belmonttoylibrary.org.au](http://www.belmonttoylibrary.org.au)

**Belmont Toy Library**

REGISTERED NO: A1010839F

STREET ADDRESS:  
CENTENARY PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE  
CNR DALY & BARKER STREETS, BELMONT WA 6104

POSTAL ADDRESS: PO Box 14 Cloverdale 6985

EMAIL: [enquiries@belmonttoylibrary.org.au](mailto:enquiries@belmonttoylibrary.org.au)

WEBSITE: [belmonttoylibrary.org.au](http://belmonttoylibrary.org.au)

FACEBOOK: [www.facebook.com/btlwa](https://www.facebook.com/btlwa)

TOY CATALOGUE: [btlwa.setls.com.au](http://btlwa.setls.com.au)

Opening Hours

SATURDAY 9:30 TO 11:30AM  
ALTERNATE WEDNESDAY 9:30 TO 10:30AM

NOTE: The Toy Library is closed for Christmas Holidays, Easter & Blockstate.

This program is supported by the City of Belmont's Community Contribution Fund

**IT'S PLAY TIME**

WA JUNIOR FOOTY

AFL

VISIT PLAY.AFL

**Redcliffe Eagles Junior Football Club** are on the lookout for Year 5 boys and girls to join their club.

You can scan the QR code that links directly to the registration page

Please contact Zee for more information.

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REGISTER NOW**



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# COVID-19

## Information for parents

### **Q. My child is a close contact. Do I need to isolate with my child?**

- A.** No. Only close contacts of a positive case need to isolate. However parents or guardians of close contacts need to take extra precautions and limit interaction with the person who is a close contact where possible. It is important to monitor for symptoms. If you experience symptoms consistent with COVID-19, you should get tested immediately. Your child can continue going to school or childcare if they are a close contact, other than a household close contact, and have no symptoms.



### **Q. My child has tested positive for COVID-19. What must I do?**

- A.** If your child tests positive, do not send them to school or day care. Your child must isolate for 7 days. Other members of the household become close contacts and must also isolate.

If you or someone in the household tests positive for COVID-19, then your child becomes a close contact and must not go to school or day care.



Note, the Omicron strain can present with less typical symptoms such as diarrhoea, particularly in children.



Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	<u>January 31</u> K1 Students Start School	<u>February 1</u> K1	2 K1 Early Close 2:30pm	3 K2	4 K2
2 Healthy Lunchbox Week	7 K1	8 K1	9 K2 Early Close 2:30pm	10 K2	11 K2
3	14 K1	15 K1 Swim squad	16 K1 Early Close 2:30pm	17 K2 Swim squad	18 K2
4	21 K1	22 K1 Swim squad	23 K2 Early Close 2:30pm	24 K2 Swim squad	25 K2
5	28 K1	<u>March 1</u> K1 Swim squad	2 K1 Early Close 2:30pm	3 K2 Swim squad	4 K2
6	7 K1 <b>Labour Day Public Holiday</b>	8 K1 Swim squad	9 K2 Early Close 2:30pm	10 K2 Swim squad CPS swimming championships 9am-12pm	11 K2
7	14 K1	15 K1 Swim squad	16 K1 Early Close 2:30pm	17 K2 Swim squad	18 K2
8 Harmony Week	21 K1	22 K1 BASSA Swimming	23 K2 Early Close 2:30pm	24 K2 NAPLAN Coordinated Practice Test Yrs 3 & 5	25 K2 National Ride2School Day
9	28 K1	29 K1	30 K1 Early Close 2:30pm	31 K2	April 1 K2
10	4 K1	5 K1	6 K2 BASSA Cricket Early Close 2:30pm	7 K2	8 K2

**First Day Back For Students In Term 2 ~ WEDNESDAY 27 APRIL 2022**

Staff commence Tuesday 26 April 2022