

FROM THE PRINCIPAL TO CLOVERDALE FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,



Well, we are nearly there! What a term...with staff and students away such a lot, it has not always been easy – but we have all done the very best that we can to make sure that we all kept on track.

COVID-19

The WA government announced that from 10 June 2022, the mandatory vaccination policy would be updated in line with health advice. This means that staff in schools and residential facilities will no longer need to be vaccinated.

The triple dose vaccination requirements only remain in place for those working in healthcare and health support, workers in residential aged care, and workers in residential disability settings.

The change also means that parents and carers who regularly visit, volunteers, third-party providers and contractors are not required to be vaccinated to enter a school or residential facility.



It is also important to remember that the removal of the vaccine mandate does not mean the pandemic is over. We continue to follow health advice and COVID-19 safe protocols, such as staying home when sick, wearing a mask as required, taking a daily RAT when identified as a close contact, and having good hand hygiene. I encourage you to visit the HealthyWA website for further information about COVID-19.

The virus continues to have an impact on our school. We have had many staff off and at times we have had difficulty replacing them. Please be assured that we are doing everything we can to replace staff but relief staff are sometimes hard to get as they are unwell too! Please keep your children home if they are unwell, especially with COVID-like symptoms, and notify the school if they are diagnosed with COVID-19.

CLOVERDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND EDUCATION SUPPORT CENTRE PARENTS & CITIZENS GROUP

The combined schools P&C held its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 14 June 2022. There was a great turnout of parents for this meeting which was wonderful to see. The majority of parents attending came from families with children in the Cloverdale Education Support Centre. As the P&C is there for both schools, it would be great if we could get more parents with children in Cloverdale Primary School turning up for meetings and getting involved in the Canteen and Fundraising for both schools. I know that there are also community members with no children currently enrolled at either school, who are very interested in joining the P&C as well. The more, the merrier, I say!!

CLOVERDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD

As well as the P&C, both the Education Support Centre and Cloverdale Primary School have their own school board. The board of a public school works with the school community to achieve the best outcomes for students.

In addition, it also plays an important role in contributing to good school governance so that school resources are used efficiently, and community expectations and the school's priorities reflect the needs of students.

Being a member of a council or board is an important and rewarding role that contributes greatly to the success of a school. Members include the principal, parents, students (who are 15 years or will reach that age during the year), staff, and others from the wider community who can lend their skills and expertise to the school. Parents and community members must form the majority.

When a vacancy occurs on a council or board, the principal seeks nominations to fill those vacancies. There are also [criminal history screening](#) requirements for parents and community members. The term for which members sit on a council and board is determined by each school council or board in accordance with legislation.

All council and board members are obliged to act in the best interests of the school and its students.

For more information on the work of school boards, please follow this link:

[School councils and boards - Department of Education](#)

CANTEEN

The Canteen has been very busy this term, with many students, and staff, taking advantage of the opportunity to have access to food that not only tastes good but is good for you. And, remember, the more that you use the Canteen, the more likely it will be that the Canteen will be able to look at opening for another day.

Please support the Canteen in their providing an important service to our community.

CHEWING GUM AT SCHOOL

As I said last week...no.

Or to put it another way...no.

Students should not have chewing gum or bubble gum at school. Any child found with it will have it removed from them and returned at the end of the day.

BULLYINGⁱ

We all agree that bullying should not take place in any area of our community and especially in schools. We sometimes use the term "bullying" to describe any type of conflict or disagreement between people – both children and adults can be victims of bullying and we all have a responsibility to speak up when we see bullying occurring.



To properly define bullying it needs to meet three conditions:

- The action is unwanted and aggressive.
- The action can or is repeated over time.
- An imbalance of power or strength exists.

There are some behaviours that while they are unpleasant are not bullying.

Not liking someone is not bullying. It is human nature to not like every person you encounter. While it may not feel good to know someone doesn't like you, verbal and non-verbal messages of "I don't like you" are not acts of bullying. It is important to remember that while you may not like everyone, everyone deserves to be respected.

Exclusion can be very unpleasant but, just like you won't like everyone you encounter, it is normal for people to gather with their friends or play a game at the playground with just their friends. However, acts such as shunning, alienating, and leaving someone out on purpose can be considered acts of bullying.

Occasionally being teased is not uncommon and when everyone involved is not offended it is not considered bullying. However, when the intention of the act is to be hurtful or harmful it becomes bullying.

People disagree about lots of different things. However, when a power imbalance exists or the intent is to be mean or control someone else that is bullying. So, in situations when a power imbalance does not exist or both kids do not perceive a power imbalance this is not considered bullying.

¹ Extracted from [What is Bullying vs. What is NOT Bullying - STARS \(starsnashville.org\)](http://www.starsnashville.org)

REPORTING TO PARENTS SEMESTER 1 2022

As you are aware, COVID-19 continues to impact our school community and has presented us with challenges in managing both student and staff attendance. I am pleased that together, we have been able to make the best of this situation and ensure your child's continued learning.

As we navigate through these challenges, we will need to do some things differently to ensure our focus remains on your child's daily learning program. For this reason, Semester 1 reporting will look different to what we shared with you at the start of the year.



The report will include the A to E grades for required learning areas. Information regarding your child's attitude, behaviour and effort will also be reported. Our school will not be providing written comments on reports. Additional information on your child's progress, be discussed at our Reporting to Parents meetings in Week 10.

You will need to book an appointment to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their report. The information regarding how to do this has been sent out to all families via Connect and Skoolbag. The meetings will be held on

Tuesday, 28 June 2022 between 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm (the last interview is at 5:50 pm).

The **school will close at 11:45 am** with the first interview commencing at 12:00 pm.

Parents can book interview times by going to the booking link below:

<http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/g3wft>

Please make sure to make your **interview booking before Monday, 27 June at 3:00 pm.**

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement as we work together to provide the best learning opportunities for our students. As we progress, I'll be sure to keep you updated with any new information.

BYE BYE!

I hope that you all get the opportunity to spend lots of time with your children over the next 2 weeks. This wish also extends to my school staff who have worked exceptionally hard making sure that your children feel successful and valued at all times. Your children are fortunate to be surrounded at Cloverdale Primary School by so many wonderful adults who care for them.

I look forward to seeing everyone return bright, happy and recharged for another busy term at our wonderful school.

Louise

Louise Burke
Principal



Cloverdale Primary School Facebook Page

Cloverdale Primary School now has an official Facebook page.
Please visit <https://www.facebook.com/cloverdaleps/>

This social media platform allows our school to celebrate our students' successes; to provide families with current information and updated events, and to support our local community.



Physical Education News

WOW!! It has been a fantastic week for sport at Cloverdale Primary.

On Tuesday, 50 students from year 4 to 6 headed off to Kewdale Primary School to represent our school and compete in the 2022 Inter school Winter Sports Carnival. The students who were selected in their respective teams had shown throughout the term that they had the determination and willingness to stand out from the crowd to be selected in the team by their coaches. Selection in any inter-school team is a fantastic individual result, so no matter what the results were on the day, all the students should be immensely proud of their efforts.



2020 Inter-School Winter Sports Team



Collecting the Champions trophies

We had four teams representing the school. AFL Football, Netball A, Netball B and Soccer. Congratulations must go out to the AFL and Netball A teams who displayed outstanding skills and teamwork to finish the day as Champion in their divisions. The Netball B and Soccer teams also dug deep and put in exceptional efforts to finish runner up in their divisions. If the standard of sportsmanship, endeavour and behaviour that all our students displayed on the day is any indication then I can safely say that the future sporting successes of Cloverdale Primary is in safe hands.

It would be remiss not to mention the staff members, many of whom take on coaching rolls outside their comfort zones, who work tirelessly to ensure that each child has the opportunity to reach higher and shine brighter than they think they can.

As we move forward with Term Three, the sport focus is going to shift from winter team sports to athletics. This is going to provide the students a fantastic opportunity to build on their personal fitness and resilience level as running, throwing and jumping take centre stage.

The next dates that you may like to keep your eye on are;

- Jump Rope for Heart jump off day. Wednesday 29th June
- Cloverdale Primary School Athletics Carnival. Friday 16th September
- BASSA Inter-school Athletics Carnival. Early Term Four

Take care and see you in Term Three.

Lance Wood, Physical Education Teacher

Music News

This year Cloverdale Primary School will be performing at Wakakirri.

We are asking all Cloverdale families if they are able to assist in donating any of the following items to the Wakakirri performance stage/props and costumes:

- Boxes- all sizes. We need lots of these!
- Cardboard rolls- toilet and paper towel (empty)
- Costume jewellery
- Empty unused black bin bags
- Fabrics- green/brown/gold (any type)



Any donations would be greatly appreciated at the Music Room.

Michelle Bellenger, Music and Classroom Teacher

Green Team News

Batteries are being collected by SUEZ in Week 10. Please take your dead batteries to Ms Knuiman in the library.



Soon it will be Plastic Free Term 3. We encourage parents and guardians to eliminate all plastic from your child's lunchbox. A bento box allows you to place foods in different sections without the need for any wrapping. Our soft plastic bin audits indicate 4 or 5 single-use clip lock bags are coming to school every day. While that's a pretty good statistic given the number of students at our school, let's see if we can eliminate these last few.

Talking of soft plastics and other sustainability related topics, we can make some announcements: we pitched for and won a \$5,400.00 grant from Waste Sorted Schools, and a \$1,000.00 grant from Landcare.

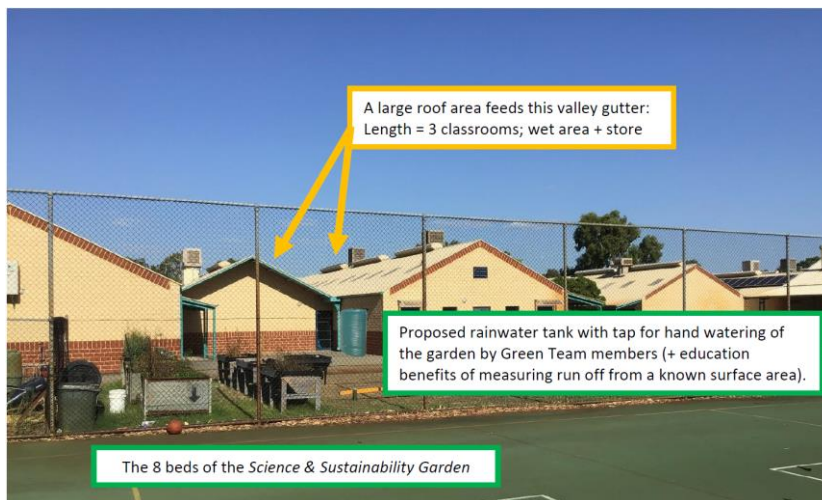
The Landcare grant application was entitled, 'The Driest State in the Driest Continent', and pitched for an 1100 litre rainwater tank to collect run off from the roof of the senior block. As well as watering the gardens, it will provide mathematical challenges relating to area and volume. View more details at <https://woolworthsgrantsmap.juniorlandcare.org.au/grant-round-4/the-driest-state-in-the-driest-continent/>

The Waste Sorted Schools grant, entitled "Closing the Loop", aimed to showcase for students, complete waste-recovery cycles. The soft plastics collected by us and deposited in REDcycle bins outside your local supermarket, are turned into useful products by REPLAS. We pitched to buy 5 REPLAS bench seats for an outdoor classroom. We also pitched to expand the ability of our garden beds to absorb compost by giving them natural shade (passionfruit and grape vines) and creating a system that allows watering to their roots. This will allow the garden beds to be used all year, and consequently absorb more compost. With the canteen also contributing food waste to our composting facilities, we are drowning in it!



This website simply lists Cloverdale as one of the grant recipients <https://www.wasteauthority.wa.gov.au/programs/view/wastesorted-schools-grants>

Cloverdale's gardener, Michael Black, hopes to have everything installed by the end of Term 3.



Dan Luxton, Science Teacher

Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club is available for all students, and will be open **Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays** in the wet area of **TB1** from **8:15am to 8:30am** for students ready to commence school at 8:45am.



Merit Certificates

Congratulations to the students who received Merit Certificates at the last assembly on Friday, 17 June 2022:

TAP1	Vihaan C Aaira P	TAP2	Theo D Tui T	TA2	Zaid K Wajih O	TA5	Beau F Aryan M
TA6	Rhys L Joy S	TA7	Heidi C Khariz S	TA8	Candace C Benjamin S	TA9	Elijah H Ruby T
TA10	Rhys B Daisy F	TA11	Jazmyn B Riley L	TA12	Chloe M Azaleigha W	TA13	Nevaeh G Finn O
Music	Aryan M TA5 Mina P TA11	Congratulations everyone					

School Uniforms

We have partnered with well known uniform supplier Uniform Concepts by Nell Grey to provide a high quality durable, and practicable new uniform range. This partnership enables families to take advantage of online ordering <https://www.nellgray.com.au/Schools>, EFTPOS, home delivery, lay-by facilities, and in store sizing assistance at the Uniform Concepts Super Store.



The store is located at 834 Beaufort Street, Inglewood and is open as follows:

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9am to 5pm
- Thursday 9am to 6pm
- Saturday 9am to 1pm



P&C Facebook Page



Want to keep up to date with what the Cloverdale Schools P&C are doing? Follow their Facebook Page. If you are interested to help out with fundraising events, please message the P&C via Facebook or email them on cloverdale.pandc@gmail.com.

Cloverdale Dental Therapy Centre News

Our July School Holiday opening hours are as follows:

- **Open** week 1 4 to 8 July 2022
- **Closed** week 2 11 to 15 July 2022

In an emergency between 11 to 15 July 2022 please contact Mt Henry DTC on 9313 0552.

For after-hours emergencies, please call your private dentist or contact the emergency service on 1800 098 818

Cloverdale Dental Therapy Centre

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