



Iluka Public School Newsletter 16

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Principal: Mr Phil Bradmore



P&C MEETING TONIGHT 7pm in the Staffroom: All Welcome.

Principal's News

Last Wednesday, Principals of Clarence Valley Schools and their team members were asked to attend a meeting at the Westlawn Public School. The meeting, attended by at least 30 executive (including high school) were asked to present ideas on how they could show real and actual evidence that their school was providing 'excellence' to their students. Our very own Mr Jones was applauded for the way he had presented Iluka's ideas. I felt very proud that his work was seen as something the Department of Education in Bridge Street, Sydney might be interested in looking at. Congratulations Mr Jones.

I also want to say a big thank you to Mrs Howard and the staff for a marvelous Craft Day on Friday. The day really started after recess when each class completed three activities. This included, clay modelling, a memento box, sewing and finger puppets.



I believe all students loved it so much they have requested another day.... (possibly next year).

Today we will complete the Spelling Bee heats when all of Stage 3 students will get the opportunity to compete. This will then leave four students from each of the stages to compete in the Iluka Public School Grand Final on Friday June 17 starting before our Whole School Assembly at 11:30 am. We wish all our competitors the very best of luck. The selected winners will then go on to compete against the Clarence Valley Schools on Thursday June 23 at the Iluka Community Hall.

This Thursday, the big school welcomes our Pre-School friends as they join us for the morning. They will be working and playing creatively in the classrooms adjusting to their routines in readiness for possibly 2017. It is so pleasing to see a positive relationship building between the two schools. We



Term 2 Events

Tuesday June 7

**P&C Meeting 7pm
School Staffroom**

Thursday June 9

**Pre-school students
join us for the morning**

Wednesday June 16

School Photos

Thursday June 23

**Spelling Bee Grand
Final Clarence Valley
Schools at Iluka
Community Hall**

Friday June 24

**Mongolia projects are
due**

Friday July 3

**CWA presentation
awards for Mongolia
projects**

Home Baking For The Canteen

Donations for Canteen

Monday June 20 is by

Years 3 Parents

**(Mrs Cunningham's
class) All donations
will be appreciated.**

Please see Canteen

News

look forward to this developing into a strong partnership.

Just quickly;

- Jumpers or jackets being worn to school must be school uniform red or grey.
- School photos are being held on Thursday June 16. Envelopes have gone home.
- "Mongolia" projects are due back to school by Friday June 24.
- A fundraising disco is being planned for the K-6 students during the last week of this term.
- CWA presentation of awards for Mongolia projects is on Friday July 3.

And finally, I am still hearing rave reviews about Iluka's efforts at the dance Eisteddfod last week. As part of our School Plan we want to enhance **all** of our students' opportunities by allowing them access to express themselves despite the isolation factor of being in a small village. Have a great week Phil

School Photos Thursday June 16, 2016

Please note the school does not carry change so we will be unable change any notes. All envelopes should be returned to school by **Tuesday June 14.**

Family Photos envelopes are available from the office.

Class News—Week 7 Term 2

Kinder Class News

Hats and Jumpers-Parents could you please ensure that your child's hat and jacket are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Crafty Creative Arts Day-The Kindergarten students learnt the joys of sewing, when making their finger puppets last Friday. Patience and waiting your turn were valuable social skills also learnt. To Mrs Leah Speirs and Mrs Webster a big thank you for answering my call for parent assistance. Your support was greatly appreciated. The students will take home their finger puppets this Friday.

Physical Education-The students have shown great improvement in their endurance running during our 'Huff and Puff' lessons, with every child now being able to complete 5 laps of our running circuit within the 5 minute time frame. The students have also been practising for our Infants Athletics Carnival coming up next term.

Reminders:

**Library day for Kinder this term is Tuesday.*

**Spare clothes need to be packed in your child's bag.*

Lynne



Year 1 Class News

Welcome to Week 7!

Assessments - In class, students are undertaking a variety of assessments to gauge their learning and to assist with writing Semester One reports.

Craft Day - The students thoroughly enjoyed the craft day last Friday and had the opportunity to work with a variety materials. Thank you Mrs Howard for organising the day.

Speaking Topics - This week's topic is 'My Favourite Hat' and next week is 'My Favourite Sport'.

Reminders:

** Practise poems for the Maclean Eisteddfod*

** Homework due on Friday*

Kristy

1/2 Class News

Hello everyone and welcome to Week 7.

HSIE- We are currently working on a unit of work titled "Past and Present Family Life". This unit provides a study of past and present family life within the context of the students' own world. The students have been working on a variety of tasks in class, including completing a simple family tree. Today I sent home a more detailed family tree for the students to complete with the assistance of their parents or carers. It is due next Monday.

Writing- This week we are beginning to focus on 'Procedures' in our writing sessions. Yesterday the students wrote a simple recipe on how to make a cheese sandwich. On Thursday, we will be making 'Apple Race Car Snacks' before writing a procedure on how they were made. To make the race cars, we require apples. If you are able to send an extra apple to school on Thursday it will be greatly appreciated. If not, I will have extras available for the students to use. I will also supply the other items that are needed to create the snacks.

Sustainability Lesson- Tomorrow afternoon the students will be participating in their next sustainability lesson with Mrs Howard. We are all looking forward to seeing what she has planned for us.

Have a great week.

Stacey

Yr. 3 Class News

HSIE: As a part of our unit 'Our World' the students have chosen a country to study. They have been working on their project and there is a strong focus on the use of geographical inquiry and skills. The students will collect and record their relevant information and data and present their findings in a PowerPoint presentation to the class in week 8.

Please note: this is not the CWA project on Mongolia. The CWA project is to be completed at home.

Home reading journals are to be submitted every Wednesday.

It was disappointing that only nine students submitted their journals last week. Hopefully that will improve next week. Homework went home yesterday and needs to be returned on Friday.

Cheers Bek



4/5 Class News

Hello All

It has been a pleasure to teach the class over the past week in Mr Melrose's absence. While we have tried to keep things as routine as possible, the students have been very welcoming and shown me what mature, flexible and enthusiastic learners they are.

The Creative Arts day held last Friday was a huge hit with the students. I hope their wonderful clay creations made it home safe and sound. Not only were the end results creative but the process of making them was fun and gave us all a chance to explore with different materials. Thank you again to Mrs Howard for organising this fantastic opportunity.

Homework will be sent home today. Thank you to those families who are returning absence notes when their child has been away. There are a lot of lurgies floating around at the moment and we are all trying not to spread our germs!!

The students will begin gymnastics with Mandy this Thursday. Library is still on Friday.

Just a reminder the CWA Mongolia project is due on Friday June 24.

Enjoy the long weekend, Michelle Adey



5/6 Class News

Well, here we are in Week 7 already.

Maths: time with the Year 5 children will involve some assessment tasks. It is time to see how much content has been retained and can be reproduced during test conditions.

English: time involves the study of different reading texts at varying levels. The children are working well on developing their comprehension skills. Writing tasks involve the development of presenting ideas with strong sentence structure and supporting detail.

Spelling Bee: It was Stage 3 students today and I was impressed with the children that were prepared to give this activity a go. Congratulations to the students that have made it on Deacon Hunt, Elana Smith, Ashlen Cowen how have made it through to the finals.

Environmental Studies: this week we will be looking at the nasty/harmful and good bugs that make up our garden.

Homework: response was much better this week and it needs to continue so.

What fabulous rain over the weekend.

Enjoy your week. Di

Library / Technology News

Many students are still forgetting to bring their library bags to school on their library day. if your child does not own a library bag we have high quality ones for sale here in the library for \$2 each. Below is the class library timetable for each class.

LIBRARY DAYS:

Monday - Mrs Gardner's Year 1s

Tuesday - Ms Essery's Kindy and Ms Andersons 1/2s

Wednesday - Mrs Cunningham's Year 3s

Thursday - Mrs Howard's 5/6s

Friday - Mr Melrose's 4/5s

We have had some walls on the stage painted Canton Jade and this will enable students do some green screening to create more engaging and creative videos. So look out for some very cool projects being created by the students in the near future.

Have a great week everyone and have a safe long weekend, Mr Jones.

Crafty Creative Day

It appeared from all accounts the children really enjoyed the chance to be involved with 3 different hands on activities where they could create and construct a project. I know all the children that visited my room had a wonderful, fun and satisfying time. I'd like to thank the teachers for organising the materials and activities in their rooms. Any feedback from parents regarding this special day would be gratefully appreciated. Di Howard

Lower Clarence Music Eisteddfod Schools Day

The countdown has begun! Two weeks left before our Years 1/2 verse speaking team and school choir perform at the Maclean Eisteddfod on Monday 20th June, in the Maclean Community Town Hall. All students in the verse speaking team and school choir should be continuing to practice their poems/songs each night. An information sheet and permission note was sent home today.

L. Essery

NAIDOC DAY

On June 24 (Week 9) the whole school will travel to Shark Bay to participate in NAIDOC DAY activities. The students will be split into groups with their peers and they will participate in a range of activities such as sand modelling, craft and aboriginal games. We will be having a picnic lunch again this year, as it was a huge success last year. Therefore, each family will need to supply some food for all of the students to share. A note will be sent home soon providing all of the important details.

NAIDOC DAY is a time for us all to appreciate, and show respect, to our Aboriginal culture and heritage.

Stacey Anderson

Spelling Bee Finals 2016

The Iluka Spelling Bee has been a great success engaging many students across the various stages. A special thank you to Mr Jones and Mr Bradmore for your support and hard work. The finals will be held at school on Friday June 17, at 11:30am. Congratulations to the following finalists:

Early Stage: 1 Beau Corston, Jessica Hinde, Indi Hoddle, Sylvie Holmes and Zyra McElligott

Stage: 1 Reef Speirs, Bradley Bringham MJ McElligott, Torna Stack

Stage: 2 Millie Speirs, Cadynce Hunt

Stage: 3 Deacon Hunt, Elana Smith, Ashlen Cowen

Cheers Bek Cunningham

Healthy Lunchbox Campaign

Thank you to COLES - Yamba Fair for supporting our healthy lunchbox campaign with \$50 worth of really cool food and drink containers. ***To get a ticket in the draw to win, just have your healthy lunchbox at recess, (with your sandwich and fruit etc.) plus at least one vegetable and no more than one packaged food.***

The students will really benefit from the nutrients supplied by a **HEALTHY LUNCHBOX**.

Thank you for your support Jo Haupt

School Banking

Remember school banking is on Fridays

Jess 0478091039

Iluka Boardriders

Our June club contest is on this Sunday June 12. Open heats start early Kids sign on and supervised surfing from 8:30am. Supervised surfing is not a competition, but is a chance to get some surfing tips and have a surf with your mates. Participating kids get a free sausage. We have seen consistent results and improvement this year. Our open participation and support has dwindled. If you would like to be part of the club and inspire and help our young up and coming local surfers, please join us. Old and New Members Welcome.

We will be holding our surf coaching mornings in the school holidays, those interested please contact Mulan or Chris Spiers.

Don't forget to support our weekly club raffles Saturdays 5:30 - 7:30 pm at Sedgers. These raffles help subsidise our surf coaching

Happy Surfing.





Term 2

Monday 13 June - Public Holiday - closed.

Monday 20 June - Jodi Lane, Nikki Kelso, Kylie Kerr.

Monday 27 June - Cassandra McClelland, Kay Graham, Karla Morrison.

Please ring Karla (0405638768) or Cassandra (0413044405) if you are unable to work.

We are currently updating our list of volunteers. If you wish to help out could you please let either Karla or Cassandra know.

Next week's class to donate is Years 3 - Mrs Cunningham's. Any baked goods are appreciated but we also would love to see any home grown fruits and salads/vegies as well.

New menu coming soon. Also, we no longer have chicken nuggets or spring rolls available. We do, however, now sell chicken drumsticks - Honey Soy or Seasoned - for \$1.00.

Karla and Cassandra

HARWOOD ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS....

FINDING DORY

at **YAMBA CINEMA**

Friday 17th June, from 5.45pm
Movie screens @ 6.40pm

Tickets only \$14 each

Includes:- Hot Dog & Drink before the Movie.

TICKETS ONLY AVAILABLE FROM HARWOOD ISLAND SCHOOL OFFICE UNTIL WED 15TH JUNE.

Don't Miss out.... Get your tickets now by returning the slip below to your school office.

TICKETS ARE DEFINITELY LIMITED.

To reserve your tickets, return this slip to the school Office.
Tickets are limited and are only available until sold out.

Please reserve me _____ tickets @ \$14 each for "FINDING DORY"
(Adults & Children all only \$14 each)

I enclose \$ _____ Ph: _____ Class _____

Name: _____
Tickets to be sent home with student _____

CURRY NIGHT

Fund raising event

Iluka Public School needs help with their stage 2
excursion

Marracas Boatshed café

Friday 17th June 2016.... 6pm

Choice of three curries & dessert.....\$60.00 per head

*Green chicken curry, Massaman beef curry & North African
lamb curry*

Lime & coconut Posset

Auction on the night.....Bring your cash

Dress up Bollywood for fun

No BYO

Bookings 6646 6668

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MATHS COMPETITION 5

Please complete the attached Maths puzzle by Thursday afternoon for your chance to win a small prize.

6390 Conventions for working out expressions BODMAS

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Remember BODMAS. Any calculations inside brackets must be completed before any other part of the sequence.

Without using a calculator work out the answers to the following sequences:

1. $100 - (20 \times 3) =$

2. $(35 - 15) + (27 - 7) =$

3. $15 + (6 \times 6) =$

4. $(4 + 5) \times (3 + 6) =$

5. $(5 + 5) \times (5 - 2) =$

6. $50 - (6 \times 6) =$

7. $(4 + 8) \times (3 - 2) =$

8. $(9 - 3) + (6 \times 6) =$

9. $(5 \times 7) - (2 \times 5) =$

10. $56 - (4 \times 7) =$

11. $78 - (10 \times 7) =$

12. $(7 \times 7) + (4 \times 8) =$

13. $(45 - 23) + (5 \times 8) =$

14. $38 - (5 \times 7) =$

15. $(100 - 45) + (7 \times 7) =$

16. $45 - (9 \times 4) =$

Not so tricky eh! I bet you got all these correct!



Just a couple of trickier problems.

By putting in brackets in different places, how many different sums and answers can you find for these two sequences:

1. $4 + 4 \times 5 - 3 =$

2. $8 + 5 \times 1 + 3 - 6 =$

Maclean District Neighbourhood Watch

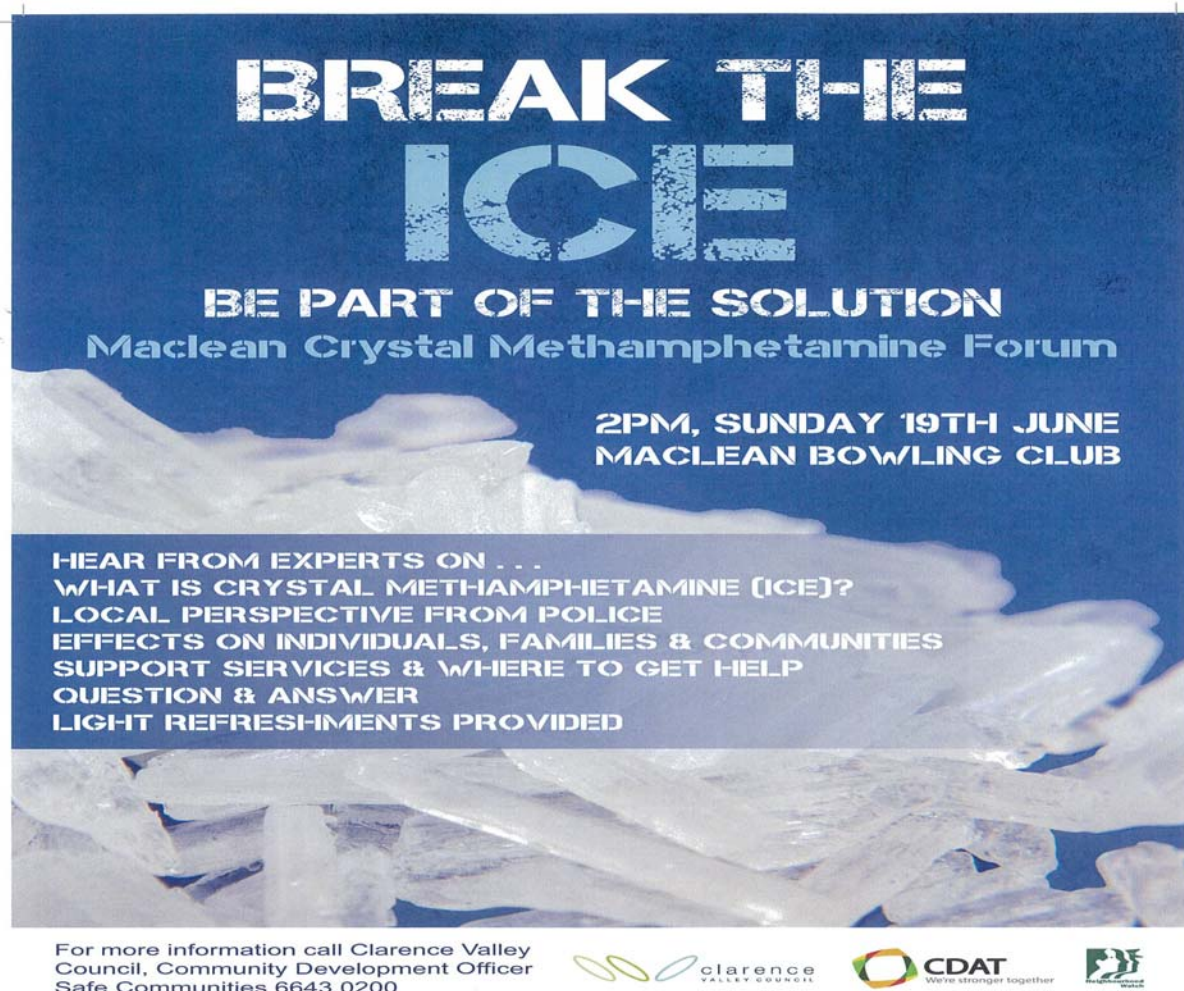
On Sunday June 19, the Maclean and District Neighbourhood Watch will be presenting a Public Forum in Maclean on the issues and problems relating to Methamphetamine ('Ice') drug use that is occurring in our communities. The forum, which will be held during National Drug Action Week, is being arranged in conjunction with full help and assistance from Clarence Valley Council, NSW Police, and State Government Health Services. The forum aims to increase public awareness and knowledge of the burgeoning rise of 'Ice' addiction and abuse within our community, and what we as a community can do about it. We will have four keynote speakers, with an agenda including:

- *what is Ice?*
- *local perspectives from Police and a doctor*
- *effects on individuals, families and communities*
- *support services and where to get help*
- *questions and answers*

DETAILS: Sunday June 19, 2016 - 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Maclean Bowling Club Auditorium (Light refreshments will be available)

If any queries please contact me on 66454310, or MNHW President Brian Haselum on 66451895
Warren Rackham - Secretary MNHW



BREAK THE ICE


BE PART OF THE SOLUTION


Maclean Crystal Methamphetamine Forum


2PM, SUNDAY 19TH JUNE
MACLEAN BOWLING CLUB

HEAR FROM EXPERTS ON . . .
WHAT IS CRYSTAL METHAMPHETAMINE (ICE)?
LOCAL PERSPECTIVE FROM POLICE
EFFECTS ON INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES & COMMUNITIES
SUPPORT SERVICES & WHERE TO GET HELP
QUESTION & ANSWER
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

For more information call Clarence Valley Council, Community Development Officer
Safe Communities 6643 0200

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Parenting ideas

Parenting in the digital age

By Michael Grose

Frequently I hear parents talk about children's use of technology as if the technology is a problem. However technology is the context or background in which we must raise our kids to be safe, social and savvy. The bigger question we need to ask is: "What is good parenting in the digital age?"

Our job is to educate kids about technology – helping them be safe, smart and balanced users – so we need some guidelines to follow. Every parent needs to set their own guidelines suitable to their own situation. Here are some ideas to help:

1. Be a good role model

It's well established now that children will copy many of their parents' behaviours. Our behaviours and habits now extend to our use of communication technology, which is a good thing as we've got the chance to model smart, balanced technology habits. This means we need to be mindful of how often we have a mobile device in our hands when we are around kids. It means we need to take care that we don't use technology as an emotional pacifier when we feel stressed or under pressure. Model face-to-face communication and healthy ways to manage your stress levels so kids can learn these techniques too.

2. Think about expectations and rules for your kids in the digital world

You wouldn't drop your kids off for the day in the middle of the city and say, "Have fun. Stay safe!" Yet we often do the equivalent to our kids with technology. Most digital devices are set up for adults so when you introduce a piece of technology think carefully about its use and expectations before handing it over to your kids. Where possible and practical use restrictions under settings when you give a device to a child. And place your own restrictions around use and timing when kids use devices, rewarding responsible use with greater freedom.

3. Differentiate between uses

One use doesn't fit all. Digital technology has three purposes – communication, education and entertainment. Gender plays a part here with girls using digital technology more for communication and boys using digital devices more for entertainment. As a parent we need to be aware how our kids are using technology, which will influence how we respond to them. For instance, you should take a different approach to a child who spends all his time after school playing Minecraft to one who spends significant time online for educational purposes. Nuance your approach according to the children's technology use.

4. Create social media mantras and scripts to keep kids safe

Parents have always found ways to frame messages for children so that they rattle around inside their heads when parents aren't around. "Don't speak to strangers" still reverberates with me decades after my mother first drilled it in to me. She also gave me the scripts to use with strangers if ever I got lost, or found myself in trouble. So what scripting are you introducing to your child to keep them safe and also make them think about smart use while online? These include such mantras as "Is it worth posting?", "Take a deep breath before hitting the send or post button." "Do you want the principal to see this post?"

5. Create tech-free zones and times

Knowing when to cut off or leave technology is just as important as knowing when to use it appropriately. One way to teach appropriateness of technology use is to introduce tech-free zones and tech-free times into your family. For instance, dinner tables and mealtimes should be kept technology free to encourage in the moment face-to-face conversations. Bedrooms should be tech free particularly at night to encourage children to get a good night's sleep.

6. The family that plays together learns together

Technology can bring us together or keep us apart. I recently saw a mother and her early teen son walking down a busy street both with their faces in mobile devices, only glancing up occasionally from their screens to make sure they didn't bump into others. Although physically close, mentally they were worlds apart. On the other hand, a well-chosen game can easily connect parents with their kids. Choose games and activities that bring you together and provide opportunities to teach kids about sportsmanship and etiquette.