SCHOOL NEWS

02 November 2018



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not." Dr Seuss

This famous quote by the imaginative Dr Seuss captures the theme of the last two weeks here at Clarke Road School. There have been many people who have been giving, big and small, to ensure that our students have vibrant, positive and meaningful educational programs and learning opportunities whilst at school. THANK YOU to you all! Here are only some of the highlights from the last 2 weeks:



Irene Newtown is celebrated!

Congratulations to Irene Newtown for becoming one of three finalists for the NSW Grandparent of the Year Award. Irene, along with

Dates to Remember



Cluck Road Farm Opening

Thursday 8 November -10.00am

Rotary Celebration BBQ

Monday 12 November 6.30pm

School Formal

Wednesday 5 December

Presentation Day

Thursday 13 December

and celebrated for the contributions they make within their communities. Irene has been a dedicated Clarke Road School volunteer since 2014 and is Will's grandmother.

Patricia Totenhofer and Warwick Bedford, were acknowledged

P.B.E.L. NEWS

Playgrounds and other areas around the school provide our students with a wonderful opportunity to practise Being A Friend. Sharing, taking turns and playing together are an important part of being a friend. Look at our wonderful students sharing, taking turns and playing/working together around the school:





Eva, Cody and Michelle sharing the seesaw in Ironbark playground.



Jagraj and Eleanor working together to get popcorn bags ready for canteen orders.



Julian, Jayme, Lachlan, Bene and Viet sharing pool mats and playing together in the swimming pool.

Benji and Shaaun playing together in Gumnut playground.



Diane Robertson continues to advocate.

Diane Robertson, continues to create opportunities and advocate for relevant educational outcomes for our

children and young people. The Hills School and Clarke Road School staff were invited to showcase their teaching practices, structures and key frameworks such as The Communication Passport, and In the Zone for Learning to staff within the Department of Education. Over the next few weeks, Department of Education staff will be visiting Clarke Road to further discuss and observe our classrooms and teaching practices.

The wider community are also recognising Diane's contribution to our community. Take a look at the Sydney Morning Herald article:

https://www.smh.com.au/business/workplace/school-

principal-diane-robertson-sits-at-the-head-of-the-class-20181028-p50ciu.html



Discussing The Communication Passport, In the Zone for Learning and other programs at the new Department of Education Parramatta office.

Great teams working together.

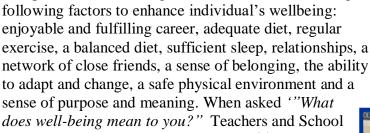
Within any vibrant school there will be many different teams contributing towards their part within the school. The P&C is one example of this. These parents and community members are contributing to our school community in several different ways, from being a representative on our Success for Complex Learners project to making a dish for upcoming events to coordinating weekend discos!



Another great team that contributes significantly to Clarke Road is Ku-ring-gai Rotary. You are all invited to the opening of Cluck Road Farm (8 Nov at 10am) and the Rotary BBQ (12 Nov at 6.30pm) to celebrate and thank Ku-ring-gai Rotary for their generosity and continued support. We hope to see you there.

What does well-being mean to you?

What does well-being mean? What does well-being mean to you? These were some of the questions that were asked by Amy Owen during our professional learning time. The World Health Organisation has found the



Learning Support Officers responded with "positive mindset and attitude, gratitude, exercise, eating healthy, living in the present and many more". So, we ask you, what does well-being mean to you? What are some practices that you can do?

Well-being matters because students matter.

Here at Clarke Road School we understand that great educational programs make a difference. Personalised programming and learning is essential because it builds the foundations of learning and prepares the

person for their future and for their community. Most weeks we come together as a community and celebrate learning at the junior and senior assemblies.



Warm regards Kavi Razzaghi-Pour Relieving Principal

Creating a Voice (CaV) Project

Structured Teaching and Creating a Voice go hand in hand

During the holidays Shanaya and Amy went to Melbourne to learn about the TEACCH program and how it could benefit our children. They were amazed how many links there were to the CaV passport and came away with many Aaha moments.

TEACCH's goals are to create life long learners through independence, flexibility, self-advocacy, generalization, wellbeing; happy healthy self-efficacy and competence. All of these skills are developed and nurtured through the passport which enables us to dig deeper and understand more about each individual and help them on their learning journey through the use of explicit teaching and well-designed tasks.

Another important message that came through the course was the need to break down a task to its simplest forms then build it back together, for example the task of planting a plant! Easy right? No, some of the questions we needed to ask ourselves in order for the student to be successful included.

Where to dig a hole?

What is a hole?

How big does the hole need to be?

How far apart do the holes need to be?

Where to put the plant?

Water the plant, how much water? and where do you put the water?

These are just a few of the questions we had to solve in order for the task of planting a plant took place.

Our Creating a Voice team have looked at the need to drill down deep in order for us to help our children achieve their own individualised learning goals.



Awareness Anticipation Intentional Imitation First - Then Categorising Problem Solving Critical Thinking

Bunya at Swim School

The Bunya boys have had a great week at swim school. They love the water and the intensive two week program is exactly what they need to improve their water safely and confidence.











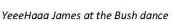




BURU CLASS; A Yearly Snapshot.









Having a spot of lunch at Hornsby food court Aman surveying Rotary's new Chook shed





Impromptu conducting performance by Tom
James getting cognitive with a set activity





And so is Chris. Well done!



Buru Boys travel training to Hornsby Pool



They are there trust me!



Tom Bustn' a move during senior dance



Robert best dressed on yellow Be a friend day



Tony and Chris Rockn out during Rhythm Village



Aman with his new feathered friend



CLUCK ROAD FARM IS BUILT: CELEBRATE WITH US! COME MEET OUR MEMBERS!

Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai

invites you to a

CELEBRATION BBQ

WHEN: 12 NOV at

6.30PM

WHERE: CLARKE ROAD SCHOOL

on 9487 2652

RSVP: by 5 Nov, attendance and dietary requirements





You are invited to the opening of

Clarke Road School's Shed & Farmyard

Clarke Road School

Thurs day 8th November
at 10 am

Followed by morning tea.

RSVP NOV 5th 02 9487 2652 or clarkerd-sschool@det.nsw.edu.au

Supported by Ku-ring-gai Rotary and Westfield Hornsby

Toilet Training Workshop



Started toilet training, but with limited success?

Not sure where to begin?

Can't decide if your child is ready or not?

Then this workshop is for you!

Come along to meet Psychologist Mimi Fraser, joined by members of the St Lucy's Therapy team, to learn strategies for successfully toilet training your child.

Fime: Thursday 8th November, 2018, 5:30-8:30pm

Location: Possibility Space, St Lucy's, 21 Cleveland St, Wahroonga

Registration: Bookings essential. Please book using this link or QR code

https://www.trybooking.com/ZAGG

Cost: Free!

Tea and coffee will be provided.



For further information and bookings please contact:

Steve Davies Head of Therapy Services Phone: (02) 9487 1277

St Lucy's School Key Word Sign Basic Workshop





The workshop covers the use of Key Word Sign and natural gesture to assist individuals who have difficulties with receptive and/or expressive communication. This workshop is relevant for anyone living or working

with a person with communication difficulties including families, teachers, health professionals, child care workers and volunteers. No previ-

Wednesday 14th November 9.00am – 3.00pm St Lucy's School, 21 Cleveland St, Wahroonga



Presented by St Lucy's accredited KWS trainers
Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided

Bookings essential, open til 7th November at https://www.trybooking.com/WQHY or use the QR Code

Cancellations: If the school is notified before 7th November, refunds available. Between 7th and 12th November, credit note available. After 12th November, no refunds or credit notes available



Completing the Key Word Sign Basic Workshop will contribute 6 hours of QTC Registered PD addressing 1.22, 1.4.2; 1.6.2, 2.1.2, 2.8.2, 4.1.2, from the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW.



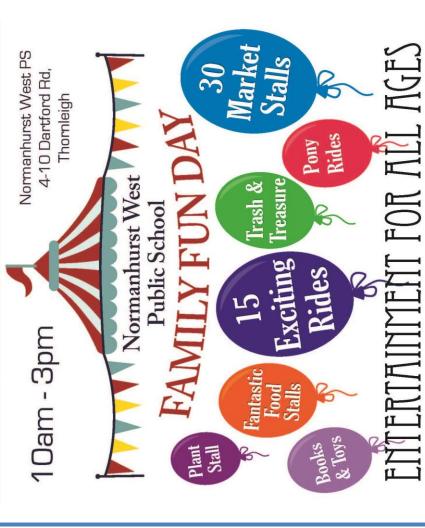
Phone: (02) 9487 1277
Email: steved@stlucys.nsw.edu.au
Cost:
St Lucy's families: \$110
Others: \$140

-or further information please contact:

Steve Davies

Financial assistance is available for St Lucy's families. Please contact Steve for more information.

Sunday 4th November 2018



Purchase Unlimited Ride Tickets Online Now \$30.

Great value for 15 rides & 5 hours of fun!

Anyone, even if you don't attend NWVPS, can get this great eanly bird deal on rides tickets, just go to www.flexischools.com.au & search for Normanhurst West PS

Henna Tattoos • Huge Toys, Clothes & Trash & Treasure Stall

Ambulance, Fire Engine, Police Displays • Showbags • Side Show Alley Games • Face Painting

Food Stalls: BBQ, Turkish, Thai, Hot Dogs, Fairy Floss, Snow Cones, Cake & Lolly Stall

For more details and to check out the rides go to www.normanhurstwestpandc.com.au or Find us on 4 @NWPSPandC

CareFlight's Christmas Magic Mania

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"CAREFLIGHT'S Christmas MAGIC MANIA"

A project by Magic Mania for special needs children and families throughout New South Wales

There are three (3) available show times commencing promptly at 12.30pm, 2.30pm and 4.30pm, although we ask We would like to invite any special needs children and their families from your organisation to "MAGIC MANIA". It will be held on Saturday 15th December 2018 at QUAYSIDE (Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre), Homebush. those needing assistance to arrive at least 30 minutes prior.

We are offering FREE tickers to this event to all special needs as well as care givers and family members who would like to attend. These tickets to you are completely FREE OF CHARGE and made possible by the genetrosity of your local business and professional people. If you could please reply by email or fax by Wednesday 6* December. We request that you email or fax us the number of tickets you require. If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to call Jenny Goodman during business hours on

02 9699 3925

Yours sincerely

Jenny Goodman project cordinator Magic Mania

FOR YOUR FREE TICKETS PLEASE EMAIL FAX: 02 9690 1280 careflightsmagicandmoviemania@magicmania.com.au

SHOW 1 @ 12.30PM NUMBER OF TICKETS: SHOW 2 @ 2.30PM

SHOW 3 @ 4.30PM

CONTACT NAME:

ORGANISATION from or heard about show from

Your Fax:

POSTAL ADDRESS:

Your Tel:

YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS:

Please tick if you would like your tickets emailed (saves paper and postage) Proudy supporting

