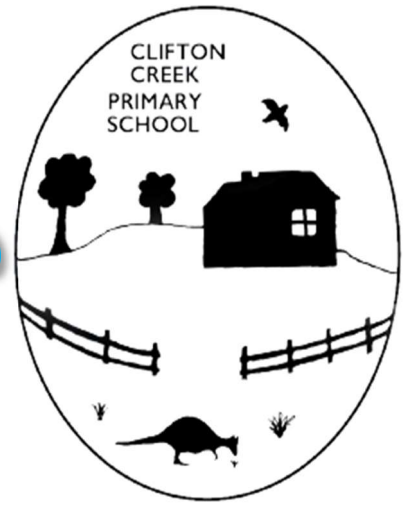


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Friday the 14th of November

Calendar

November

Friday 14th	Swimming Lessons
Friday 21st	Swimming Lessons
Thursday 27th	Last day of Kitchen Garden for 2025
Friday 28th	SURVIVAL Swimming Lessons

December

Tuesday 2nd	School Council Meeting
Wednesday 3rd	SCHOOL CONCERT
Friday 5th	Swimming Lessons
Monday 8th – Thursday 11th	Grade 3-6 Camp
Thursday 18th	Student Free Day
Friday 19th	Student Free Day

Save the Date – School Concert!

This year's School Concert will be held on Wednesday 3rd December at 6:00pm. More details to come.

Jane's Message

It's hard to believe we are already past the halfway mark of the term, with only five weeks to go. Over recent weeks, staff have been working closely with Nicki Bourbaud, a School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) Coach, as we continue to implement the SWPBS framework. This globally recognised, evidence-based approach helps schools build safe, positive, and inclusive environments where students and staff can thrive. I'd like to thank the many parents and staff who have contributed their ideas and perspectives throughout this process.

SWPBS aligns strongly with State priorities and the Victorian Teaching and Learning Model 2.0, supporting schools to establish consistent, whole-school systems that promote positive behaviour, wellbeing, and inclusion. These foundations create the right conditions for effective teaching, learning, and leadership across our school. Last week, we were delighted to welcome Alison Clark, Executive Director of Outer Gippsland, and Todd Macbeth, Executive Director of Wellbeing and Engagement (South Eastern Victoria). Both visitors were extremely impressed with our direction and the progress we have made this year.

I also recently attended the Outer Gippsland Area Principal Forum. It was a fantastic opportunity to connect with colleagues from across the region, all committed to improving student outcomes. A special thank you to Sarah Warner (Evie's mum) for providing the wonderful catering on the day.

Finally, looking ahead to 2026, I have committed to maintaining three classrooms. This structure will allow us to continue delivering targeted teaching and strong learning outcomes for all students.

Junior Room

It has been another busy and exciting fortnight in the Junior Room! The students have been working so hard and showing great focus as we continue through the term.

In Literacy, we have been learning the 'wh', 'ai', and 'ay' sounds. Students have also been exploring different types of sentences and the correct punctuation for each, including command, exclamation, question, and statement sentences. It's been fantastic to see students applying these skills in their writing!

In Maths, we have been practising fluency, exploring capacity and length, and working with three-digit numbers. The students are making excellent progress and it's wonderful to see how much quicker and more confident they are becoming with each session.

In SOSE, we have moved on to exploring the continent of Europe. Students have been learning about its countries, landmarks, and unique features, and have really enjoyed discovering new places around the world.

The last few weeks have also been assessment time! Well done to all students for their focus and effort during these tasks – it's amazing to see their hard work paying off.

It's been another productive fortnight in the Junior Room — well done, everyone!



EGUFC 2026 U15 GIRLS TEAM

Join us for Team Selections

Dates: 19th & 26th November

Venue: Howitt Park, Bairnsdale

Time: 6.15 – 7.30pm

Age Eligibility:

Born between 1 January 2011 &
31 December 2014 (11-14 years)

Contact: egufcjuniors@outlook.com
Find us on Facebook!

Middle Room

The past two weeks have flown by! We have been busy completing assessments and preparing to write end-of-year reports.

The students have also been enjoying our unit on *The Solar System* — their mobiles and dioramas are looking fantastic and really showcase their creativity and learning.

In Maths, we have been focusing on data investigation. Students have been learning how to collect and display data accurately using both picture and column graphs. They also completed their own statistical investigations based on the theme of “change around the school,” which produced some very interesting results.

In Literacy, we have been expanding our vocabulary while exploring our class novel *The One and Only Ivan*. Some of the new words we’ve learned include *timid*, *scrawny*, *irrational*, and *indifferent*. We have also been working on improving our writing by upgrading verbs — for example, instead of *slept*, students might now use *slumbered*, *napped*, *snoozed*, or *dozed*.

On Tuesday, we commemorated Remembrance Day. Students learned about what life was like during the First World War and the hardships soldiers endured. They also created their own wreaths to honour those who served.

Worm Fertilizer News

The students have been busy collecting, bottling, and labelling our worm fertilizer. I was so pleased to visit the grain store and discover that all the bottles we had left there had sold out! The store shared that there are returning customers asking for more, as the fertilizer has helped make their gardens lush and green.

We’ve now delivered a new batch and are hopeful it will receive the same wonderful response as the last one. The funds raised will go toward purchasing new seedlings for our garden, which will then be used in our Kitchen Garden program.

A big thank you to all the families who have supported this fantastic venture!

Pauline and Sarah





2026 School Captains

Over the past few weeks, our Grade 4 and 5 students have taken part in the selection process for our 2026 School Captains. Each candidate presented a speech to the school, outlining why they would make a strong leader. We were incredibly impressed with the confidence, enthusiasm, and thoughtful ideas shared by every student.

After the presentations, students cast their votes, and staff reviewed the results. We would like to congratulate all participants for their outstanding efforts and courage in putting themselves forward.

We are pleased to announce our 2026 School Captain team:

School Captains: Kade & Cia

School Vice-Captain: Andrew

We look forward to supporting them as they grow as leaders throughout the coming year.

Senior Room

During Literacy, we have been exploring the story of *Jandamarra* as part of our Nonfiction studies. Jandamarra was an Indigenous man who stood up for his community's rights when the early settlers arrived in the Kimberley region. Interestingly, this is the same area our main character, Mia, is from in our class novel *Dirraran*. As a class, we have been researching Jandamarra and Bunuba Country and developing our own factual recounts. The students are very excited to share their final pieces of writing with you soon!

In Numeracy, we have successfully completed our Fractions topic for the term. The students have had lots of fun learning through different activities, including fraction dice games and building fractions with LEGO. Next, we will begin exploring decimals and percentages.

The school concert is also quickly approaching! After a class vote, the students decided to perform "*I Want It That Way*" by the Backstreet Boys. We have been practising at school, and the students may enjoy rehearsing their singing and dance moves at home too.

During our Respectful Relationships lessons, we have been exploring cultural and personal strengths. The students have enjoyed engaging in a variety of activities, including drawings, brainstorming, scenarios, and fun role-playing exercises to deepen their understanding of this topic.



Remembrance Day

This week, our students took time to learn about the significance of Remembrance Day and to reflect on the sacrifices made by those who served in the war.

Students in each class created beautiful wreaths as a symbol of respect and remembrance. The students worked thoughtfully and with great care, to honour the soldiers who gave so much for our freedom.

The whole school gathered for a special ceremony. Students had the opportunity to lay their wreath at the front, creating a touching display of red and green. Aleah shared a lovely poem, which captured the spirit of reflection and gratitude.

The ceremony concluded with a minute of silence, where students and staff stood quietly together to remember and give thanks. It was a heartfelt occasion that reminded us all of the importance of remembering and honouring those who have served.

Lest we forget.

