POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR LEARNING FOCUS
Warami is looking for students who speak politely e.g. using please & thankyou.

Athletics Carnival
What a fantastic day was had by one and all at our Athletics Carnival on Tuesday. The weather was perfect, the kids were great and tried really hard in all of the events. Congratulations to the students who were placed in an event.

Students who came first or second in their age group will shortly receive information and a permission note for the District Carnival which is held on Thursday 21st August for the track events and Friday 22nd August for the field events. Photos pages 15 & 16.

A big thank you to Mrs Goodwin and her helpers for all of their hard work in organising such a fantastic day.

STEPS Music Festival
Today the choir and dance group have been at rehearsals at the Evans Theatre Penrith in preparation for their performance in the STEPS Music Festival tonight. The many hours of practise will be demonstrated tonight. Thankyou to Mrs Clark, Mrs Minard and students for all of their hard work.

Westfield Mt Druitt Performance
On Wednesday 30th July our Choir, Dance Group and Senior Dance Sport team will be performing at 11.00 am on the stage at Mt Druitt shopping centre. Parents are encouraged to attend.

Open Day
Parents and carers are invited to attend a mini concert in the hall at 9.30am on Monday 28th July followed by Open Classrooms and morning tea with their children. See page 3

Book Fair
Next week the Library will be holding a book fair. This is an opportunity for you to purchase books at a discount price for your child at home or to donate to our school library.

Parents and students can view and purchase books before school Monday, Wednesday & Thursday and after school Monday & Thursday. The book Fair will also be open from 8.30am until 11.30am on Monday 28th July.

Judy Loader Principal
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**Principal’s Awards**

**Congratulations:**
Seth Garrow, Faith Gravina, Taylor Williams, Amara Wright, Louise Samia, Tyrese Coban

**Assembly News**

- **MONDAY 28 July - 9.30am Education Week Mini Concert**
- **MONDAY 4th August - Dance Group, Aussie of the Month, Excellence & Playground Star**
- **MONDAY 11th August - Class 15 Item & Merit Awards**

**For trading 5 Mini Merit Awards**

Seth Garrow, Louise Samia, Kiara Keogh, Bianca Gravina, Faith Gravina x 3, Rinoa Laranang, Jack Bugeja, Christine Pandelios, Billy Pandelios, Genevieve Russell, Caitlyn O’Brien, Hannah Bonwick x 2, Hayley Mician, Taylor Williams, Kyle Pollard, Angelina Gardner, Kayla Fairweather, Ruarc Hanrahan, Jonalyn Dizon, Denis Crowley, Owen Kendrick, Jasmine Rutledge, Maison Roberts, Sarah Roser, Isaiah Marsh, Faran Ahmad, Ethan James-Chatimba, Riley Fazekas, Tyrese Coban, Luis Contreras-Villajan, Craig Black, Qiyara Young-Ngaha, Elazaya Young-Ngaha, Mia Nikua x 2, Liam Ommundson x 2
Verse Speaking Champions Receive their Trophies

Congratulations to our Fantastic Verse Speaking Champions; Rochelle Chammas, Jorja Whelan, Taylah Williamson, Nathan Price, Athena Auw, Shakira Chalker, Judyann Sabbagh and Alec Price who received their Trophies at the end of Term 2.

If you would like to hear these students’ recite their verse, then come along to our Education Week Mini Concert on Monday 28th July at 9.30am in the Hall.

Education Week
Invitation to all parents, carers, friends and relatives

Monday 28th July
9.30 am - Mini Concert in the Hall
10.15 am - Open Classrooms
11.00am - Morning Tea with you child

Wednesday 30th July
11.00am - Choir, Dance group and Senior Dance Sport team will perform on Centre Stage at Westfield, Mt Druitt

Book Fair Open
Monday 28th - 8.30 -11.30 am,
Monday 28th - 2.45 - 3.30pm
Tuesday 29th - 3.00 -3.30pm
Wednesday 30th - 8.30 -9.00am
Thursday 31st - 8.30 -9.00am & 3.00 3.30pm

St Clair Public School
Fete

Sunday 26th October 2014

Some stalls still available

For our school fete!
Stall areas will be 3m x 3m
For $30.00

On the day we will have rides, sausage sizzle and much more!

Stall holders will be required to bring their own tables and covering if required.

Stalls will be located on the oval.

If you are interested please email:
stclairpandc@gmail.com
St Clair PS Playgroup

Parents, carers, babies and children aged 0 to school age come and relax in a friendly environment. All welcome!

Fortnightly on Thursdays from: 9.15 to 11.00 am

Starting: Thursday 7th & 21 August, 4th & 18th September

Where: Room 20

Contact: St Clair Public school- 9670 1966 or Catherine Harding– 4732 7914

- Playgroup gives children an opportunity to have fun, make new friends and develop new skills through informal play
- Playgroup provides parents and carers with an opportunity to meet other parents and carers, make friends and share ideas and experiences
- Playgroup also allows parents and carers to spend quality time with their children, encouraging, helping or simply playing with their children
- Playgroup provides lots of exciting activities for the children - painting, play dough, cutting, pasting, dressing up, sand play, climbing and jumping, building with blocks and so much more
- Playgroup will be held once a fortnight.

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN

2015

Please see office for enrolment form.

Please let your friends and neighbours know if they have a child who is turning 5 before 31 July 2015.

Orientation Interviews and meetings are being organised for Friday 8th August 2013.

Each Week the Koori Club members work with Ms Young to develop their Literacy skills. Throughout Term 2 they participated in a variety of activities that culminated in an assembly performance. Their acting skills told of the story of How the Koala lost it’s Tail. What a fantastic performance. Well Done!
Stage 3
Camp to Bathurst
More Stage 3 Camp Photos! Wow! It looks like they had a lot of fun!
P&C News

Welcome back for term 3!!! We hope everyone had a lovely break and was able to keep warm during those cold days!!

Just a reminder to make sure that you label your children’s clothes to ensure when the weather warms up and jumpers/jackets are being removed that they can be returned if they end up in lost property.

With only 14 weeks to go until our school fete we are happy to say that we have received over 40 stall bookings so far, including candles, jewellery, toys, air brush tattoos, photo booth, plaster painting and lots more! The Norwest Thunderdogs will be there performing agility and flyball demonstrations throughout the day. We will also have performances from St Clair Physical Culture Club, Carol Murray Dance School and Goju Ryu Karate. There will also be visits from the Fire Brigade and the SES as well as many exciting rides and activities!!! If you would like to keep updated with what’s happening at our fete, please check out our “Fete News” on the school notice board!!!

We are excited to let everyone know of the awesome rides that we will be having on the day. There will be a jumping castle, rock climbing wall, chair-o-plane, giant inflatable clown slide, Jurassic Park and dodgem cars! These will all be available to ride using the pre-purchased arm bands for $25 unlimited all day rides. We will be selling these before and after school closer to the day. Arm bands will also be available for purchase on the day for $30 and single rides will also be able to be purchased. We will also have water balls which are not be included in the arm band purchase.

We have had a great response from our request for volunteers on the day of our fete however, we still need more. If you can spare as little as an hour between the hours of 8.00 – 3.30 on Sunday 26th October 2014, please consider helping to make our day a great success. We will need some help manning our school stalls which will be a cake stall, used book stall and show bags, as well as needing assistance at our “Side Show Alley” games. That will leave you plenty of time to enjoy the fete yourself with your family. We will also be giving our volunteers a 20% off voucher for Payless Shoes who generously donated to our fete.

We would like to congratulate the winners of the Art Competition to design a fete poster. Our winners of the gift certificates were Jennifer Morrison for K-2 and Fine Nikua for 3-6 and the runner’s up were Josh Goraya for K-2 and Jessalyn Dizon for 3-6 who received a Merit Award. Keep your eye out for their professionally printed posters.

Canteen News

We are planning to trial reopening the canteen on Wednesdays during Term 3. We would also like to announce that everything on the menu will be available to be ordered every day from Term 3 (so if you want a pie on Monday, you can have a pie on Monday). The canteen will commence opening on Wednesdays from 6th August 2014.

Can you help in our canteen??? If you can help out please see Mandy before or after school or ask at the office.

We have set up a Facebook page to notify our families of upcoming events at school and keep everyone updated about our fete! Check it out at:

http://www.facebook.com/stclairpublicschoolpandc

P & C Calendar

4th September – Father’s Day Stall
26th October – School Fete

All the money we raise this year will be going towards the purchase and installation of the new air-conditioners for the classrooms.

Next Meeting Date: - Tuesday 29th July 7.00pm in the staffroom.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Future Dates:  Term 3 - Tuesday 29th July & Tuesday 2nd September,
Term 4 - Tuesday 21st October & Tuesday 25th November.
PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

As an integral part of the Talking and Listening syllabus, students in Years 3-6 will once again practice their skills in the St Clair Public Speaking Competition. Below are the topics and criteria to help your child plan, practice and present their speech.

All students in Years 3-6 are expected to plan and present their speech at a class level.

**TOPICS**

Year 3  
Lost

Year 4  
Come travel with me

Year 5 and Year 6 are allowed to write a speech based on a topic of their own choosing.

After presenting at class level, teachers will select students from each year to compete in the school finals on Monday 15th September 2014 (Week 10) from 1.30pm.

In this competition, Students are:

- encouraged to speak from palm cards.
- expected to present from the stage without the use of a lectern or microphone.
- not allowed to use props or any external aids during the speeches.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Students must NOT introduce themselves, greet or thank the audience. The allocated time must be used solely for the purpose of addressing the topic.

**CRITERIA**

- Contents of speech
- Voice projection
- Sequence of ideas
- Performance / presentation
- Time

Years 3 & 4 are to speak for 2 minutes

Years 5 & 6 are to speak for 3 minutes

**Note:** a loss of points for every 5 seconds, or part thereof, outside these set times

Also: a 10 point deduction from each judge will occur if

- props are used
- students prowl the stage

Class teachers will send home more information in the coming weeks of when your child will be presenting their speech to the class.

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SCHOOL TIMES

**Just a reminder that classes begin at 9.00am and finish at 3.00pm.**

Lately we are having 10 to 20 students arriving after the bell each morning. It is important for your child to be at school before 9.00am so they can go into class with their peers and have the same instructions as the other students to begin the lesson.

Lessons also conclude at 3.00pm, it may take your child a few minutes to pack up and exit the classroom and walk out to the gate.

Please remember children do need to know who is picking them up and from where. We have had several students left at school after the bell unaware of who they are to go home with or where they are to meet the person picking them up.

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RUNNING LATE TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD

If you are running late to pick up your child from school, please phone the Office before 2.55pm so a message can be given to your child to come to the office to wait.

Once the bell has gone it is possible for your child to leave the school grounds and go to their usually waiting spot without being told you are running late.

For the safety of your child please call before 2.55pm.
Astronomy Nights
Saturday 26 July (7pm – 9pm)
IS ANYONE OUT THERE? - The hunt for ET

Saturday, 2 August (7pm – 9pm)
SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLES AND THE UNIFIED MODEL

Many galaxies contain super massive black holes in their centres, whose gigantic forces are enough to power a show of cosmic fireworks. But why do they look so different? Could they all be the same? We’ll look at what black holes and their super massive versions are, and how the Unified Model explains that very different-looking galaxies may be essentially the same.

These nights will also include a 3D astronomy movie that will run for 15-20 minutes, a tour of the dome area and stargazing through various computerised telescopes. Our programs will run regardless of the weather.

Cost: $15 adult, $10 child/concession and $40 family

Bookings are essential: Book online: www.uws.edu.au/observatory.

Enquires: Phone (02) 4736 0135 or email r.mccourt@uws.edu.au
Office Hours Mon, Wed, Thurs 8.30am-3.00pm
Play Cricket!

2014/15 Season Approaching Fast!
Fun, exciting games for ages 5 through to Adult. Maximum participation for all players is encouraged through modified game formats.

Milo Program for 5 to 8 year olds teaches basic skills, run during the week for 10 weeks, Oct to Dec. All other ages (from 6 to 15 years old) play on a Saturday morning. Girls are most welcome.

Competition begins mid-September.

Men’s competition also available on Saturday afternoons.

Pay registration in full at any registration day and go in the draw to win a fully stocked cricket kit

Registration Dates - 10am – 2pm
St Clair Shopping Centre
27th July, 3rd, 10th & 17th August
St Marys Shopping Village
3rd & 17th August

For more information
Website: stclairhawks.nsw.cricket.com.au Email: stclairhawksc@gmail.com
Ph: 0410-448569 Facebook – www.facebook.com/stclairhawks

Introduction to Coffee Shop
Do you want to learn more about the Hospitality Industry?

Opportunities
- This course will help you to get into further education, training and employment in the hospitality industry.
- It will give you practical experience in the modern coffee shop environment.

Subjects
- Prepare and serve espresso coffee
- Prepare Food
- Follow workplace hygiene procedures
- Clean and maintain kitchen premises
- Work with colleagues and customers
- Communicate with customers in a range of contexts
- Record routine written information
- Read and interpret a range of familiar texts

Entry Requirement
You must be able to read, write, understand and discuss printed information in English.

No previous hospitality skills are necessary.
KIDZ ARCADE

A fun & safe environment for children 8-12 years
To make new friends and get involved in a creative program filled with art, cooking & fun activities!

WHEN: Every Thursday during school terms
3.30pm -5pm
WHERE: St Clair Youth Centre
(97A Cook Parade, St Clair).
COST: $5
Light refreshments provided

For further information please contact TeRina on 9834 2708,
info@scynt.org.au

SCYNT gratefully acknowledge support received from
Family and Community Services—Community Services

The Last Crumb

Come along and enjoy
tea, coffee and yummy
fresh baked cakes!

When: Thursday, ___ / ___
Where: Room 20
Time: 2:00pm - 2:50pm

The Last Crumb is only open every last Thursday of the month. We also sell cakes, pies and cookie dough to take home. Stocks are limited so don’t miss out!

The Last Crumb is a fundraising event to support St Clair Public School Kitchen Garden Program. Other ways parents and community members can assist is by volunteering in the Kitchen Garden Program. Donations of labour, kitchen or garden goods, financial support are very gratefully received and can make a real difference to our school.
All the students in Years 3 to 6 enjoying the free AFL Clinic.
Our kitchen focus last week was about tree leaves. We learnt that not all leaves are edible and only certain ones are. As long as the tree is organic, non-poisonous, and was not sprayed with insecticides, the leaves are ok to eat. Lemon, figs, curry and bay leaves are great for cooking but they have to be prepared in a special way to be cooked.

Class 6 learnt that some leaves give flavour and scent to the food and in various parts of the world, leaves are used to wrap food in. The tree leaves we used last week were banana leaves and curry leaves. We are very fortunate that we have healthy banana trees growing in our garden for use in our cooking! Class 6 used them as baking sheets for their Banana Cake. The aroma in the kitchen was fantastic! Class 1 and Class 3 prepared Thai Style Pumpkin Soup and added curry leaves from our garden. In our soup we added carrots for extra colour, coriander for extra freshness in taste and of course our yummy sweet pumpkins.

Our garden is producing crops so well at the moment and the majority of our ingredients are coming from our garden. Sadly though, our lemons, limes and oranges did not produce much this winter so if you have any citrus fruits you would like to donate the students would put them to great use! Thank you to all students who were in the kitchen. Your help and hard work is greatly appreciated.

Happy Cooking!! Cazendra

Thank you parents for contributing items we need for this program. Our Kitchen Garden program is always in need of further assistance from the parents, community and local businesses.

If you are wishing to donate items we need a continuous supply of:

- White sugar
- Brown sugar
- Butter (unsalted)
- Olive Oil
- Plain Flour
- Self-Raising Flour
- Olive Oil
- Vegetable Oil

Also needed are jars with metal lids—to be used for preserves and jams.
Winter is well and truly upon us with frosty mornings, cold winds and slow growth for the plants. This is a time when essential repair and maintenance jobs can be done as there is less planting, pruning and picking to be done. Over the past few weeks a new watering system has been installed and is working brilliantly! I have plans to install irrigation over almost the whole garden, making it easier and faster to complete a good soaking of the garden when the long hot days of summer come.

One of the more interesting plants that has just been picked in the garden is a beautiful purple cauliflower (see attached photo). It tastes exactly the same as the white ones but has more anti-cancer fighting properties due to the anthocyanins which give it its purple colour. Many of the vegetables we eat have been bred to specific colours (orange carrots, green broccoli, white cauliflower), but many of them originally had multiple colours. There is a resurgence in growing heirloom varieties of vegetables and occasionally you can find white carrots, black tomatoes and purple broccoli in the fruit shops.

The frost has taken its toll on our tomato plants in the wicking beds, but the ones in the flagpole garden are still growing strong, due to the residual warmth of the brick wall behind them. And amazingly we still have 2 bushes of capsicums producing, despite the fact they normally have given up due to the cold! This beautiful yellow capsicum is ready to pick and will more than likely be used next week after the SAKG workshops have finished.

There is so much beauty to be seen all around the garden. This beautiful pink flower belongs to a strawberry plant and will soon lose its pretty petals and turn into a rich red fruit. This week the students have been photographing various parts of the garden and have captured some lovely images. A huge thank you to Mr & Mrs Renshaw and Mark Rutledge and my son Damian who were the only ones who came to the working bee at the end of last term. We got a lot done which has made working around the garden much easier. Until next time, happy gardening!

Cheers
Juanita

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**Donations wanted:**
- Vegetable & herb seeds, seedlings & fruit trees, shooting potatoes, onions, garlic
- Oven dried egg shells (for snail prevention)
- A continual supply of fertiliser (Seasol and Rocket Fuel)
- Irrigation materials i.e. hoses, sprinklers, tap connections, timers etc.

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**Special Thank You To Our Supporters of the Stephanie Alexander Garden Project**
- Fresh’n’fruity - St Clair Shopping Centre - donation of fresh vegetable leaves for chooks.
- Austas for the large wooden boxes
- Camden Farm Mushrooms - for free delivered mushroom compost
2014 Athletics Carnival