BOOK WEEK CELEBRATION DAY
This year’s Book Week Celebration Day (remember last year we had the Dr Zeuss Day and the year before we had the Roald Dahl Day) will be held on Wednesday 13th August. The Morning session will consist of Years P-3 undertaking their activities and the Yrs 4-7 will have their activities in the afternoon session.

The Theme of this Year’s Book Week is ‘Connecting with Books’ so the children can ‘pretty much’ choose to dress up as any favourite book character that they like! The Library will have a competition running during book week as well and Mrs Dunnett will explain this in the coming days.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC EXCURSION
The Qld Symphony Orchestra Concert is being offered to students in our school Instrumental Program. As we have only one bus to transport the students, the first 50 students who pay will be attending. Any students who wish to attend once the bus allocation is full will be put onto a waiting list and contacted if a position becomes available.

This education concert is proudly presented free to Gladstone and surrounding schools by Australia Pacific LNG and supported as a Community Event by the Gladstone Entertainment Centre Project Expansion Partners.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2014

Week 4 Mon 4 Aug to 8 Aug
Yr 7 Camp to Currimundi

Wed 6 August
Gladstone Show Holiday

Mon 11 August
Prep and Yr 1 Excursion to see ‘The Gruffalo’

Monday 11 August
Cohort Parades
1.30 – 2.00 for Yrs 2/3/4 in the Hall
2.15 – 2.45 for Prep-Yr 1 in the Hall
2.15 – 2.45 for Yrs 5/6/7 in the Undercovered Area

Monday 18 August
Whole School Parade at 2.15 in the Hall

Wednesday 13 August
Book Week Celebration Day – Dress Up

Thursday 11 September
School Fair 40th Party
YR 7 CAMP
We wish all of our Yr 7s the very best as they embark on
camp this week. The Yr 7s will be enjoying a week of
camping activities at Currimundi Recreational Centre
on the Sunshine Coast.

GLADSTONE SHOW HOLIDAY
Tomorrow Wednesday, 6 August, is the Gladstone Show
Holiday. As a result, there will be no school on this day.

BOTANIC TO BRIDGE
ONLY WEEKS TO GO!!!! Register now!
See if you can beat Mrs Rowe, Mr Bryant and Mrs
Brown in Botanic to Bridge race. Botanic to Bridge is
coming up very soon!!!!

This is a very easy way for us to fundraise for our school
with all student entries being donated directly back to the
school. Last year the GPA also matched this amount for
each school. With adult and teacher entries half of the
entry fee is also donated back to the school. We are
promoting this event to the students. Mrs Rowe will be
running in both the 8km and the 3km again this year. So
who is going to join her!??!! In at least the 3km. Let’s
face it we could all walk 3kms. So who wants to join
us???? It was fun racing last year and it is the easiest
way to raise money for the school. Turn up, walk/ run
3km, enjoy the expo after and then go home!!!

SUN SAFETY – WIDE BRIMMED/BUCKET SCHOOL
HATS ONLY
Our school policy on Sun Safety is a very simple one:
‘No Hat – No Play’. Students are encouraged to actively
engage in sports training, games, physical education
activities and social interactions as a balance to
classroom work. At all times when students are
outdoors, this policy is in place. Students who forget
their school hats are directed to play under the covered
area or to become engaged in library activities. All staff
model the appropriate sun safety strategies while they
are on playground duty or attending physical education
lessons.

TELEPHONE MESSAGES
Whilst in class, generally, teachers and ancillary staff are
not available to come to the phone. Calls that are not of
an emergency nature should be made before school or
during recesses.

TRANSFERS
If you are transferring your child to another school,
please contact the school office detailing their last day
and if possible the school name where the student/s will
be enrolling. Student files will be forwarded onto the
appropriate school on request from the school they are
enrolling.

CLINTON SS FREE DRESS DAY POLICY
As a school community we seek to support groups and
agencies that undertake work for varying charities. We
believe that this is an effective way of raising the
awareness of our students about people who are less
fortunate than themselves and we believe this is an
important part of our school vision, especially in the area
of ‘Respect’, as we seek to develop Safe, Respectful
Learners.

As our school actively encourages our students to wear
the school uniform daily, we believe that facilitating
‘Free Dress Days’ creates an element of fun and
variance in school life, as well as providing an expedient
opportunity for students to raise funds for different
causes.

To prevent the situation where ‘Free Dress Days’
become too regular, lose their impact and possibly begin
to undermine our School Dress Code, we have
determined the following schedule of ‘Free Dress Days’
throughout a year:

- A maximum of 8 Free Dress Days be held
  throughout a school year
- That four of those days be allocated to
  management of the Student Council to manage
  through fund raising initiatives (60% of the funds
  would go to the receiving agency and 40%
  would go toward the Student Council to utilise in
  school based projects)
- That the other four days be determined by
  Admin (based on the advice from staff) that
  would enhance the enjoyment of other special
  events held throughout the year
- This policy also covers individual class free
dress days
- A gold coin will be requested from each student
  in free dress

Free Dress Day Schedule
Term 1 – Charity (as determined by Student Council)
FDD and ‘School Project’ FDD
Term 2 – Book Week FDD and Charity (as determined
by Student Council) FDD
Term 3 – Relay for Life FDD and Science FDD
Term 4 – Red Day for Daniel FDD and Children’s’ Xmas
Box Appeal Postage FDD

Regards
Reid Thompson
Principal
Clinton State School is helping out others in need and are asking for small, light gifts that can be easily transported. Please no food/lollies, breakable or perishable items. We also need show boxes to collect the items in.

Types of ideas are:
- Pencils
- Stickers
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Hair ties
- T-shirts
- Doll
- Soft toy
- Marbles
- Soaps
- Comb
- Brush.

If you can help by donating anything at all the children would be very appreciative. If you would like further information please contact Michelle Emery mreme0@eq.edu.au or come and see me after school in P/1/2. Items can be delivered to the P/1/2 classroom or the office.

**THE GRUFFALO – PREP AND YEAR 1**

Parents are reminded that payment and permission for Prep and Year 1 students to attend the performance of The Gruffalo at the Gladstone Entertainment Centre is due by 6 August.

Numbers must be confirmed on 6 August with the Entertainment Centre so no late payments can be accepted.

A reminder to Year 1 parents that their show does not finish until approximately 2.30pm so students are likely to be later than 2.45pm returning to school.

**VISUAL ART EXTENDED LEARNING PROGRAM**

Last Friday, 1 August, Clinton SS welcomed Year 4 students from across the Gladstone/Boyne/Tannum/Calliope area for an extended learning program focussed on Aboriginal Art. This program was facilitated by Mrs Amanda Power and students explored various techniques for painting and also ochres used in painting themselves. This photo shows the wonderful art work of the participating Clinton students – Larissa, Colby and Carly.

**LIFE EDUCATION**

Life Education is a non-government, not-for-profit organisation that works with our partner schools to deliver an essential curriculum-based program empowering children to make safe and healthy lifestyle choices that could impact on their futures. We have been around for over 35 years and reached around 5 million children in that time. Our school program consists of 15 age-appropriate modules that complement the Australian curriculum. The Life Education program is coming to Clinton State School from Monday 25 August to Tuesday 9 September.

The free parent information session with presenter Kimberly Sayre will be held on Monday 25 August from 1.45-2.45pm. Student sessions are $4.00 per student and this includes the module presentation and a student booklet for follow-up classroom activities. Please return the parent slip and student permission and payment to the school.

Further information about Life Education can be found at [http://www.lifeeducation.org.au/](http://www.lifeeducation.org.au/)

**YEAR 4A BOOKSTALL**

For the school fair 4A are doing a book stall. We are looking for donations of books. If you have any children’s picture books and chapter books you are able to donate please take them to 4A.

**KID’S CAFÉ**

Thursday 7 August: Pam Wode, Jennifer Wang, Elizabeth Hall.
Pikelets: Hayley Taylor
Friday 8 August: Ruth Williams, Shirley Wright, Abiola Alabi, Deidre McEvoy, Nicole Hughes.

**SCHOOL FAIR**

Our school P&C will be holding its annual School Fair on the 11 September. If anyone is able to donate a prize towards the multi-draw raffle or the grocery raffle it would be appreciated. We will collect the grocery items closer to the fair date, however any donations for the multi-draw raffle can be handed into either the office or library anytime. Thank you for supporting our school.
This week at Clinton, our SWPBS focus is NO HAT, NO PLAY. Children are reminded that wide brimmed hats (including our new bucket hats) are essential for sun safety, so if they don’t have one on, they can’t play on the ovals. Children are reminded that caps are NOT allowed at Clinton.

We enjoyed making farmers using our own photos

We were very fortunate to have two visiting groups from the Queensland Symphony Orchestra visit our school last week. Both groups were impressed with the behaviour of their audiences here at Clinton School and commented afterwards about the interesting questions that some of the students put to them. Our Instrumental students are being offered the chance to see a free QSO concert on Friday 15th August at the Gladstone Marina Stage. We only have one bus for transport so the first 50 students who return their form and money will be able to attend. Notes with details of this event have been sent home and the cost for the bus is $5.50.

We have another musical group visiting our school on Thursday August 21. This group called The Chambermaids is sponsored by Musica Viva, an Australia wide association which promotes live music to over 400,000 students and is supported by all state Education Departments. Details of this concert will be coming home shortly. Cost $4 per student.

Books for All Ages

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
Where the Sidewalk Ends: the Poems and Drawing of Shel Silverstein by Shel Silverstein
Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum
Heidi by Johanna Spyri

Books for Preschoolers

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister
Corduroy by Don Freeman
The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats
The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise
Guess How Much I Love You by Sam McBratney

Books for Children Ages 4-8

The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg
Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss
What book character will you be coming as next Wednesday? Hopefully the top 100 books has given you some clues.