This week is the last week of Term 3 for 2014. School finishes at 2.45 pm on Friday 19 September. School will then break for the two-week Spring Holidays.

School will resume for students and staff alike, on Tuesday 7 October 2014. Just be reminded that the Labour Day Holiday is on Monday 6 October.

Next term we welcome:
- Miss Kirra Middling who will be teaching the Prep C Classroom
- Mrs Zina Deamer will be teaching the Yr 5/6 Classroom
- Miss Hannah Phillips who will be teaching the Yr 6C classroom
- Miss Kelly Chadburn who will be teaching the Yr 7B classroom for the last eight weeks of Term 4.

Kate Stagg is our Business Services Manager and ensures that all of our school accounts are kept in order. In addition, Kate manages the facility upkeep as well as being our school’s Human Resources Manager. Kate does a fantastic job and we are lucky to have her.
Ivan Fatnowna and Sharon Ghee are our School Facilities Officers and they do a wonderful job of ensuring that the school grounds are maintained in tip-top condition. They also work hard in fixing, repairing and setting up for school functions and school operations.

**STAFF CHANGES FOR NEXT TERM**

Sadly we say farewell to Mrs September O’Connor who has resigned her teaching position at our school in order to pursue other adventures in life. We thank Mrs O’Connor for her warm and caring support of the students in Prep C over this past year.

Mrs Cathy Couch has completed her contract assignment on the Yr 5/6 class. We really appreciate Mrs Couch and the commitment that she brings to the teaching profession. We are glad that we will still have Mrs Couch teaching at our school in a different capacity next term.

Mrs Tracey Moyle finishes her teaching assignment with the Yr 6C class at the end of this term. We wish Ms Moyle well as she prepares for the impending birth of her newborn child. We thank Ms Moyle for her work with the Yr 6s over the past several months.

The end of this week also marks the retirement of Sally Lodder from our school. We salute Mrs Lodder and her distinguished career and express our thanks for her teaching service over many years at Clinton. Mrs Lodder is an outstanding educator and will be a huge loss to our school community. We wish her well for the future and trust that she enjoys the fruits and rewards of her well-earned retirement.

I will be taking Long Service Leave for the last eight weeks of Term 4. Mrs Heidi James will be relieving behind me as Acting Principal. Mr Ron Barron will be relieving behind Mrs James as Acting Deputy Principal for that time. (NB – I will assisting with supervision on the Yr 6 camp in the first week back at school in Term 4 and Mrs James will be Acting Principal for that time).

**SCHOOL FAIR**

The School Fair was an amazing success. We thank you for your support of this major fundraising event for our school. Special thanks goes to Mrs Gail Molloy and Mrs Tracey Dunnett who carried the leadership burden for all of the organisation of this remarkable evening. Special thanks goes to all of the school staff who spent many hours of their own time and resources to man stalls and run events on the evening. Lastly thanks to our ever-hard-working P&C who have achieved such a wonderful outcome for all of their efforts. Every dollar raised last week will go to benefit all of the students at Clinton SS, in one way or another.

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE BREAKFAST**

There will be no Breakfast Club in the first week of Term 4. However, the Sausage Sizzle breakfast will start back in the 2nd week (Tues 14 Oct). We greatly appreciate the work that Father Daniel and the Anglican Church do in this regard for our school. The church offers this as a free service for all children and they pay for all of the resources.

**PHAT TIME**

All of the students who have attained Gold Level Behaviour status will be invited to participate in PHAT (Pretty Huge Activity Time) throughout next week. Students who have not received a White Referral Card over the last 5 weeks, will be moving up a behaviour level. This means that students can move from Bronze to Silver or from Silver to Gold.

**BOOK WORK AWARDS**

The End of Term Book Work Awards were issued on parade yesterday by Mr and Mrs Alexander (Past Principal and Past Teacher). It was wonderful to see the outstanding quality of the students’ book work.

Congratulations to:

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**Yr 1**
- Norman Ding
- Isabelle Pearce
- Leona Valeroso
- Victoria George

**Yr 1**
- Zahraa Wan

**Yr 2**
- Breanna Howard
- Morgan Legg
- Brianna Ward
- Taufiq Lubis
- Roianne Gulay

**Yr 2**
- Jodie Lee Horan

**Yr 3**
- Bronson Noble
- Jack Mattson
- Kayla Busk
- Lily Watson

**Yr 3**
- Gargi Sapte

**Yr 4**
- Zoe Josefski
- Courtney Buck
- Ashlea-Kate Johnston

**Yr 4**
- Jenai Taylor

**Yr 5**
- Sarah Kadel
- Mackayla Ryan
- Locklin Dennis
- Giaan Eggmolesse

**Yr 5**
- Sierra Knopke

**Yr 6**
- Abby Gavins
- Georgie Kanahs Tanner
- Shara Watson
- Ngarangi Thompson

**Yr 6**
- Heath Laner

**Yr 7**
- Lanie English
- Adia Bazyar

**Yr 7**
- Keeley Dillon

**LOTE**
- Rohan Rahman
- Farhan Khondaker

Overall Winners

1st Place
- Ebony Trembath 3B

3rd Place
- Jodie Lee Horan

2nd Place
- Heath Laner

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**DOLL & TEDDY COMPETITION**

Doll and Teddy Bear results are below:

- **The Best Dressed**: Ebony Trembath 3B
- **The Cuddliest**: Hayden Baker 2B
- **The Trendiest**: Kaylee Smith PB
- **The Smallest**: Riley Underwood 2A

If you did not bring back your money boxes used for this competition please do so as soon as possible so they can be returned to the owners.

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Helping Hands Vacation Care program commences next Monday 22nd September 2014.

Programs and Booking forms have been distributed. Please return your form to the service as early as possible.

For enrolments, bookings & enquires phone: 0448 138 438

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**STEPPING STONES TRIPLE P PARENTING SEMINAR**

Where: Leo Zussno Building, Central Queensland University Marina, Gladstone

When: Wednesday 22 October

Time: 10am – 12pm

Cost: Free

Who: Any parent/caregiver of a child with a disability age 2 – 12 years

For more information please contact Belinda O’Sullivan or Katrina Dalton on 49768317

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**TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER**

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015 for their 3.5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan and USA will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at [www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au), email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

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**CLINTON HAPPENINGS**

**KID’S CAFÉ**

Wednesday 17 September: Carol Power, Deidre McEvoy, Sherine Maitland

Thursday 18 September: Pam Wode, Vicki Fawkes, Elizabeth Hall.

Pikelets: Hayley Taylor

Regards

Reid Thompson
Principal
In Term 4, swimming lessons will run for 4 weeks from Week 3 to Week 6 on **TUESDAYS** at South State School, Toolooa St, Gladstone.  
**Dates are TUESDAYS:** 21st October; 28th October; 4th November; 11th November

The total cost of the swimming lessons is $40 for the term. This includes pool entry and bus fare. Please note that the payment is not for swimming tuition because the teaching of swimming is currently part of the provision of our school’s curriculum. This amount is to be paid in full before 14th October. Part payments will not be accepted without prior approval from the Business Services Manager. Possible refunds for missed lessons may be made at the discretion of the Business Services Manager.

- Each class will engage in 1 x 25 min lesson per week
- 4 weeks of lessons equals a total of 4 lessons for each child
- For lessons LATE in the day, students collected by their parents MUST sign out with Mr Bryant
- A minimum of 3 parent volunteers for each lesson is required. These parents would be working under the instruction of Mr Damien Bryant. If you can assist, please notify the office or your child’s classroom teacher. If you are able to assist with another child’s class, please contact the office.
- Non-swimmers will be allocated across classes remaining at school

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Your child will need togs, thongs, towel, swim shirt and bag. Goggles are optional. However, they are strongly recommended for beginning swimmers. Bathing caps or hair restraints are necessary for children with long hair.

Departmental Health and Safety Regulations require the removal of all jewellery and a bathing cap is essential.

Departmental Health and Safety Regulations require all students to wear swim shirts during swimming lessons. If parents are unable to provide a swim shirt, the student may wear a t-shirt. Students will not be allowed to attend lessons without a swim shirt or t-shirt.

Due to time constraints, students will be getting dressed into their togs at School and will be changing into their uniform at the pool.

**ATTENDANCE**

**EVERY DAY COUNTS**

As we reach the end of Term 3, parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school on every school day unless there is a reasonable excuse for the student to be away, such as illness. Research shows that students who have a good attendance record are more likely to achieve high results. Going shopping, visiting family, staying up late, being tired or extending school holidays are not acceptable reasons to be away from school. Visit the Department of Education and Training website for more information: [www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts)

Last week’s Student Attendance average was: **90.54%** - Our goal is **95%** (decreased from last week 😞)

- Prep – 87.08 %
- Yr 1 – 89.24 %
- Yr 2 – 91.84 %
- Yr 3 – 93.90 % (increase from last week)

Congratulations Yr 3 on topping the attendance figures.

- Yr 4 – 89.58 %
- Yr 5 – 89.90 %
- Yr 6 – 92.32 % (increase from last week)
- Yr 7 – 91.18 %

**SCHOOL STARTS AT 8.45AM!!**
IT’S NOT COOL TO MISS SCHOOL
IT’S NOT GREAT TO BE LATE