Welcome back to school as we embark on the second term of the 2015 School Year. We are looking forward to the coming weeks as our students learn and grow.

CROSS COUNTRY
Well done to all of our Cross Country Stars who competed in the Clinton Cross Country Race at the end of last term. Thanks to Mr Hitchcock for his excellent work on organising the event. Thank you also for your support of the Fun Run which raised approx. $9500.
ANZAC DAY CEREMONIES
This Friday (24 April), we will be having our School ANZAC Service on parade at 9.00 in the Hall. You are very welcome to attend. The School Student Council (and all students should they wish to) are invited to represent our school in full school uniform at the Gladstone ANZAC Day Dawn Service commencing at 5 am at the Valley Shopping Centre in Goondoon Street. Miss Norris will be leading our school at this event.

The children are invited to come dressed in full school uniform to represent our school in the ANZAC DAY March this Saturday 25 April. Everyone is asked to assemble with Mr Thompson in Goondoon Street (near the Westpac Bank) at 10 am to get ready for the march. It would be great to see as many students as possible at this public time of memorial for those Australian Men and Women who have given their lives in battle for the freedoms that we enjoy today.

POPPY SALE
The School Council are selling poppies in the Undercovered area in honour of ANZAC Day. Please support this by sending 50c to school to buy a poppy on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

STAFFING
We welcome Mr Damien Bryant back to Clinton. Mr Bryant will be the new teacher of Year 2/3. It is great to have him back.

CLASS NEWSLETTERS
Some of our teachers will be sending home class newsletters to ensure that you are kept informed about the happenings in your child’s classroom. You should receive your child’s class copy this week.

SCHOOL VISION and MISSION
As we start back to school in a new term, it is a timely reminder to note that Our School Vision is: Every Child, Every Day – Safe, Respectful Learners.

Our School Mission has been based on our mascot’s name - Clint the Frog. 😊

C is for Champions: ‘Results Matter’ (Analysing data in a timely, student focussed and future improvement manner and ‘Being Good, Being Well, Being Healthy’ (Health and Wellbeing focus for students and staff)

L is for Literacy: ‘Learning to Read and Reading to Learn’ (Unrelentent focus on the explicit teaching of reading)

B is for Being: ‘Being Good, Being Well, Being Healthy’ (Health and Wellbeing focus for students and staff)

I is for Improvement: ‘Getting Feedback, Getting Better’ (Coaching and feedback for students and staff)

N is for Numeracy: ‘Our Students Count’ (Unrelenting focus on the explicit teaching of mathematics)

T is for Teaching: ‘Quality Teaching = Quality Outcomes’ (Explicit Teaching for high standard results)

CLINTON SS BOAT ENTRY
Well done to the Clinton Staff on their nautical efforts at the Gladstone Harbour Festival Raft Race over Easter. Congratulations to Captains Rebecca Duggan and her team who successfully competed in the Gladstone Boat Harbour Festival Race. We really appreciated the many students and their families who came down to support the Clinton Team. It was a great day. Special thanks to Mrs Duggan and the Clinton School Spirit Team for all their work in preparing the rafts for the race in order to promote the good work of the school.

CLINTON’S FLOAT IN HARBOUR FESTIVAL PARADE
Clinton State School participated in the Harbour Festival Parade this year and were awarded first place. Special thanks to the support of the school families and the children who walked with us. Special thanks to Mrs Duggan and the Clinton School Spirit Team on their work with the float. We especially appreciated the generosity of the Gray family who loaned us their truck for this special occasion.

P&C MEETING
Our next P&C Meeting will be held next Tuesday 28th April at 6.00pm in the library. All parents are very welcome to attend.

Regards
Reid Thompson
Principal
EARLY YEARS NEWS

Children’s educational outcomes are improved if they participate in quality early learning experiences, giving them a positive start to their early development and learning journey. DETE is working with stakeholders to develop a new early childhood strategy that will build on the strong foundations of Queensland’s existing vibrant early childhood and care sector. The strategy will focus on improved outcomes for Queensland children and their families, including successful transitions to school.

OUR OUTCOMES
Queensland children engaged in quality early years programs and making successful transitions to school.

COLLABORATIVE EMPOWERMENT
Successful learners
- Support Queensland families to participate and engage their children in early childhood programs, with a focus on those families most in need
- Enhance the focus on children’s development, continuity and connection of services across early childhood settings and the early years of school
- Develop strategies to support our most vulnerable children to access and participate in early education

Great people
- Support a highly qualified and sustainable early childhood education and care workforce through up-skilling programs, and targeted training
- Work with the early childhood sector to ensure early years initiatives are effectively targeted and inclusive

Engaged partners
- Support parents and carers to be actively engaged in their child’s learning and development
- Improve the integration of early childhood services across community and government agencies with responsibilities for early childhood development

DELIVERING OUR OUTCOMES
- Participation in early childhood education programs
- Services and programs meet the National Quality Standards
- Access to integrated services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and vulnerable children and families

KID’S CAFÉ
Wednesday 22 April: Carol Power, Kristy Robertson, Lehr Pollock, Tracy Brown, Diana Hayman.
Thursday 23 April: Pam Wode, Elizabeth Hall, Vicky Fawkes.
Friday 24 April: Ruth Williams, Shirley Wright, Abiola Alabi, Nicole Hughes, Deirdre McEvoy.

A new tuckshop menu has been sent home today with the newsletter.

BOOKCLUB
Bookclub catalogues have been sent home today. All orders are due in by 8 May. Please use the LOOP ordering system. Please remember no cash is accepted for bookclub orders.
This week, our SWPBS focus lesson is that the students will discuss that this involves LISTENING for LEARNING during class time, EMBRACING learning activities, DOING their BEST, COMPLETING their WORK, being a TEAM member and being CO-OPERATIVE when in groups.

BEING RESPONSIBLE for your learning LOOKS LIKE:

- Being organised for the day
- Listening & concentrating fully
- Asking questions for clarification
- Keeping hands to yourself
- Following instructions
- Working cooperatively in groups
- Staying focussed on the task
- Entering / leaving the room quietly
- Using manners
- Sitting still and quietly
- Using an indoor voice
- Completing all work
- Respecting others’ ideas
- Welcoming visitors
- Showing respect

GREEN CARDS

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ATTENDANCE

Last week’s (Week 9 - Term 1, 2015) Student Attendance average was:

- Whole School – 93.98%
- Prep – 95.74% - met the school goal – great going Preps!
- Yr 1 – 93.14%
- Yr 2 – 93.04 %
- Yr 3 – 95.70% – met the school goal – great going Yr 3s!
- Yr 4 – 90.66%
- Yr 5 – 93.57%
- Yr 6 – 96.06% – met the school goal – great going Yr 6s! Congratulations on topping the school attendance figures!

NUMERACY

Mental Computation Strategy

In 2015, Numeracy is a major learning priority at Clinton State School and much work has already been undertaken. This week, the focus is on the mental computation strategy of **friendly numbers**.

**Friendly numbers** are numbers ending in 0. They are called ‘friendly’ because they are very easy to add a single digit number to. It is important that students notice and can explain what happens when a number is added to 10. Practise adding to friendly numbers lays the foundation for the **bridging through 10 strategy** as well as with understanding the additive feature of two digit numbers. For example, 36 is actually 30 and 6 more.

MUSIC NEWS

Please note all band, orchestra and instrumental lessons will commence this week.

LIBRARY NEWS

A huge thankyou to Jan Moran for covering 700 of our library books it was an enormous effort on your part and the school thanks you very much.