CLINTON SS NEWSLETTER
8 September 2015 No.29/2015

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SCHOOL ETHOS

OUR VISION: Every Day, Every Child, Safe Respectful Learners

OUR MISSION: CLINT - Champion, Literacy, Improvement, Numeracy, Teaching

OUR MOTTO: Continually Striving to Succeed

PRINCIPAL’S PIECE

TEACHER AIDE DAY

We acknowledge and thank our teacher aides for their hard work and commitment to supporting the education of our young people here at Clinton. Last Thursday, we celebrated Teacher Aide Day and recognised the important role they play in teaching and learning. Teacher aides work closely with teachers to develop resources, support students’ learning, and assist with practical duties in the classroom.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 8th September 2015 Eisteddfod
Junior and Senior Choir

Thursday 10th September
School Fair

Monday 14th September
Whole School Parade in the Hall at 2.00 – Book Work Prizes

Monday 14th September - Thursday 17 September
PHAT (Pretty Huge Activity Time) for Gold Level

Friday 18th September
Last Day of Term 3 2015

Monday 21st September – Friday 2nd October 2015
Spring School Holidays

Monday 5th October
Labour Day Holiday

Tuesday 6th October
First Day of Term 4 2015

Monday 12th October
Whole School Parade in the Hall at 2.00 – Book Work Prizes

Monday 19th September
Cohort Parades
2/3 in the Hall at 1.30pm
P/1 in the Hall at 2.15pm
4/5/6 in the UCA at 2.15pm
Congratulations to all of our students who competed in the Gladstone Eisteddfod last week. The children performed wonderfully! The results are: School Band - 85pts (one point behind the third place getter), Small instrumental ensemble - Highly Commended, String Orchestra - 3rd place. This week, our school choir are performing at the Eisteddfod and we wish them well.

FATHERS’ DAY STALL
A big thanks to our P&C and all our volunteers who assisted with the Fathers’ Day Stall held last week. We really appreciate their assistance and work in giving the students the opportunity of purchasing a gift bag for Dad.

SCHOOL FAIR
Our School Fair is coming up this Thursday 10 September. There will be lots of fun rides, games and activities for the children to enjoy. ‘Ticket Books’ for rides are available for purchase. These tickets will enable students to go on a ride multiple times throughout the evening.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE BREAKFAST
Next Tuesday will be the last day that the Breakfast Club will be held this term. There will be no Breakfast Club on the first week back from holidays. Breakfast Club will reconvene in the second week of Term 4 on Tuesday 12th October.

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 received 1 or less White Referral Card will be moving up a behaviour level. This means that students can move from Bronze to Silver or from Silver to Gold.

END OF TERM
Next Friday (18 September) is the last day of Term 3. School will resume on Tuesday 6 October and this is the first day back for students in Term 4. Please note that Monday 5 October is a Public Holiday for Labour Day.

BOOK WORK AWARDS
The End of Term Book Work Awards will be judged next week and awards will be issued on parade by Mr and Mrs Alexander (Past Principal and Past Teacher). It will be wonderful to see the outstanding quality of the students’ book work.

SKATEBOARDS and ROLLER BLADES
Please note that students are not allowed to bring skateboards or roller blades to school. This is part of our School Policy and one of our school rules. These items will be confiscated for the day if they are brought to school. The reason for this is that these items are less safe than scooters and bikes. In addition, due to the easier access to these items, there is potential for property theft and/or loss. As a result these items sit within the ‘toys, cards and games’ category of items not to be brought to school.

P&C MEETING
The next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 20 September in the Library at 6.00 pm. All parents are very welcome.

SCHOOL FACEBOOK
You are invited to ‘Like’ ‘Clinton State School’ on Facebook. We are up to 1080 ‘likes’ for our school page which is marvellous. Thank you for your support. It is a great way to keep up to date with what is happening at our wonderful school.

Regards
Reid Thompson
Principal
CLINTON HAPPENINGS

BUDDY CHAIRS

Clinton is in the process of getting a new BUDDY CHAIR. We currently have one in the Prep playground and one in the Year 1 playground. The idea behind the Buddy Chair is to build friendships, communication and resilience in children. A Buddy Chair is a SAFE PLACE and we encourage children to visit the chair:

- If they would like a new friend to play with.
- If they would like to be included in a playground activity.
- If they would like to sit and talk to someone quietly.

We will be working with our students to educate them about how to use the chair if THEY need it and what they can do if they see someone sitting in the Buddy Chair.

Spring Fair

Pre - Paid Ride Tickets: You can order your ride tickets by putting your money in an envelope with your name and how many tickets you require. The tuckshop will then process them and the tickets will be handed out on the day of the fair. Tickets cost; prepaid $27.00 and $32.00 on the night.

KID’S CAFÉ

Wednesday 9 September: Carol Power, Kristy Robertson, Lehr Pollock, Tracy Brown
Thursday 10 September: Pam Wode, Elizabeth Hall, Vicki Fawkes, Tanya Verner
Pikelets: Hayley Taylor
Friday 11 September: Ruth Williams, Shirley Wright, Nicole Hughes, Raelene Webb
Pikelets: Connie Fredericks.

Due to The School Fair on Thursday there will be no tuckshop on Thursday at second break. If you can give half an hour in the tuckshop on Thursday night that would be wonderful. The Kids Café is desperate for a few helpers either on a Wednesday or Friday. If you can spare a few hours please drop in and see either Gail or Mel. Tuckshop would be grateful for donations of pancake shake to make pikelets.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Woolworths Earn & Learn
The Woolworths Earn & Learn has now closed, please send in all your stickers or if you didn’t get stickers please send in your receipts so that we can get them sent off to be counted and then order our resources. Thank-you to everyone who has supported our school.

Helping Hands Clinton

Vacation Care Program

Helping Hands is pleased to be able to offer an opportunity for all the children at Clinton State School to attend a fun-filled and exciting Vacation Care program over the September/October school holidays at Clinton State School.

Helping Hands provides Vacation Care for school aged children in Prep to Year 6 during public school holidays. Vacation Care is a safe, supervised environment for children, and offers a range of fantastic incursions, excursions and centre activities.

The program encourages children to socialise, learn new skills and relax with free imaginative play experiences.

Qualified and experienced staff care for the children between the hours of 6.30am and 6.00pm.

For more information or to book onto the Helping Hands Vacation Care program please contact

Helping Hands Clinton on 0448 138 438 or email clinton@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au

Booking forms are also available from your school office.
This week at Clinton, our SWPBS lesson is: BE RESPECTFUL – TALK, WALK, SQUAWK. Students will be reminded that if someone is doing something they don’t like, they can TALK, WALK, SQUAWK. If something MAJOR happens, they are to go straight to a TEACHER. Students will also be reminded to think about, “I may not LIKE it, but I can STAND it.”

- Talk stage - Students tell the person of concern in an appropriate firm manner “Stop it!!! I don’t like when you …….”
- Walk stage - If the person of concern continues the undesirable behaviour the student’s next course of action is to say, “I have asked you to stop it and you haven’t so I’m now walking away”.
- Squawk stage – If the person of concern follows the student the student should report the incident to the teacher on duty by saying “……………….. is …………………. I’ve talked and I’ve walked and they are still doing it. Can you please help?”

NUMERACY STRATEGIES

Our mental computation strategy this week is Rainbow Fact Subtraction. Below is the poster with an explanation to assist Mums and Dads to help their child/ren in the area of mental computations or ‘number facts’.

Knowing our Rainbow Facts helps us to perform subtraction. For Rainbow Fact subtractions such as 10 – 3, encourage your child/ren to think of the other pair of the Rainbow Fact. Ask ‘how does knowing 7 + 3 as a Rainbow Fact help with the 10 – 3 ?’. This strategy also links with the Subtraction Undoes Addition strategy.

GREEN CARDS

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ATTENDANCE

Attendance average were:

- Whole School 90.9%
- Prep – 89.10%
- Yr 1 – 90.90%
- Yr 2 – 89.92%
- Yr 3 – 90.30%
- Yr 4 – 93.50% - Congratulations on topping the school attendance figures!
- Yr 5 – 92.40%
- Yr 6 – 91.70%