CLINTON SS NEWSLETTER
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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

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP FOR 2016

Congratulations to the new school leadership for 2016. The following students have been elected to the following leadership positions for 2016:

School Captains - Jake Duggan and Jacinta Anger
School Vice Captains - Bailey Somerville and Maiella Donohoe
Green Team Captain - Jessica Curr
Green Team Vice Captain - Mahalia Craigie
Green Team Members - Ashlea –Kate Johnston and Taneal Magic

Bunyip Captains - Lachlan Watt and Mia Scrivener
Bunyip Vice Captains - Seth Rowe and Ismari Van Der Westhuizen
Gowrie Captains - Nathan Bell and Sarah Jane Kiernan
Gowrie Vice Captains - Isaac Barkle and Haylee McDonald
Maroochi Captains - Colby O’Flanagan and Mikaela Brown
Maroochi Vice Captain - Blake Laner
Witchetty Captain - Jacob Harris and Carly Lingard
Witchetty Vice Captain - Brock Gray and Bailey Lowry


Band Captain - Janyane Josefski
Strings Captain - Jacinta Anger

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 9th December
Yr 6 Graduation Ceremony at 9.00 am in the Hall

Thursday 10th December
Break Up Day in Classrooms

Friday 11th December
Clean up Day

Friday 11th December
Last day of school

Monday 14th December – Tuesday 26 January
School Summer Holidays

Monday 18th January
School Office re-opens after Summer Holiday

Wednesday 20th January – Monday 25th January
Pupil Free Days

Tuesday 26th January
Australia Day Holiday

Wednesday 27th January
First Day Back for Students after the Summer Holidays

Monday 1st February
Student Leader Badge Ceremony

Saturday 6th February
Student Leader Breakfast 8.00 Kirkwood McDonalds
LOVE OF LEARNING CELEBRATION

Well done to all of our students and staff on their outstanding successes at the Love of Learning celebrations. Special thanks to Mrs Shannon, Mrs Harris and Mrs Gehle for their tireless work in ensuring that this year’s LOL was such a great triumph. Congratulations to the teachers and their students on their fine performances.

2016 STUDENT LEADER BADGE CEREMONY

All Parents and Friends are welcome to attend the 2016 Student Leader Badge Ceremony on Monday 1 February 2016 in the Hall at 2.00 pm. We plan on having Mr Glenn Butcher (MLA) attend as our official dignitary. Parents of the 2016 School Leaders will be asked to pin their child’s leader badge to their child’s shirt in the ceremony.

2016 STUDENT LEADERS’ BREAKFAST

All of our 2016 Student Leaders are especially invited to a 2016 Leader’s Breakfast to be convened at Kirkwood McDonalds on Saturday 6 February commencing at 8.00 am. Parents are asked to drop their children off for this time and then pick them up at 9.00 am. The Leaders’ Breakfast will be an opportunity for the 2016 Student Leadership Team to meet and plan for the year ahead.

YR 6 GRADUATION

The Yr 6 Graduation will be held on Wed 9 December commencing at 9.00 am. All Family and Friends are welcome to attend the Graduation Ceremony commencing in the Hall. The ceremony will conclude at approximately 10.30 with the cutting of the ‘Graduation Cake’.

FAREWELL TO STAFF

It is with sadness that we have to say goodbye to some of our wonderful staff this Friday.

Reading Teacher Aides - A huge THANK YOU goes to our fantastic Reading Teacher Aides who have worked with so many of our children throughout the year.  
Mrs Alisha Cotter - Thank you for your fabulous teaching over several years here at Clinton. We wish you well!  
Mrs Mikaela Pryor – Thank you for your wonderful work with the students over the past year. We wish you the very best for the future.
Mrs Jillian Cross – Jillian has been with us for several years and we will miss her greatly. Good Luck Jillian!

Miss Rachel Valent – All the very best to Rachel. Thank you for being our LOTE Teacher for the last few years.

Mrs Keegan Fysh – We wish Keegan all the very best for the future. She will be sadly missed.

Mr Damien Bryant – We wish Damien the very best for the future. Thank you for teaching Health over this last semester.

Mrs Kelly Chadburn – We will miss Kelly and her fine contribution to our school. All the best, Kelly.

REPORT CARDS
The End-of Semester Report Cards for students will be issued to the children this Thursday 10 December. This report is a summary of achievement for each child over the last two terms of schooling here at Clinton State School.

END OF YEAR
The end of the school year is fast approaching. The second last day of term, Thursday 10 Dec, has been designated as class breakup and party day. Your child’s teacher will make the necessary arrangements with their class about the details of this. If payment is involved then this needs to go directly to the class teacher (it doesn’t come through the front office). You will receive some notification about your child’s class arrangements over the coming week.

The last day of Term, Friday 11 Dec, has been designated as clean-up day. Children are invited to come in their ordinary day clothes. As such, this will be a ‘free dress day’ but no gold coin donation is needed. Students are reminded that they still need to come to school in closed-in shoes, with their broad-brim hat and shirts with sleeves.

FINAL ASSEMBLY
The final assembly for the year will be held on Breaking Up Day (Friday 11 December). It is anticipated the assembly will commence around 2:15pm in the Harold Duncan Multipurpose Hall and will include the holiday safety messages and farewells. Our Year Six students will be given the honour of a ‘Guard of Honour’ as the first cohort to be dismissed at 2:45pm. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Regards

Reid Thompson
Principal

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CLINTON HAPPENINGS

DATE CLAIMER - NAPLAN 2016

Parents and carers, below are the dates for NAPLAN 2016 so that where possible, family commitments are not planned during test week.

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School Banking

There will be no school banking this week. Banking will start again the second week back in term 1 2016.

GREEN CARDS

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KID’S CAFÉ

Wednesday 9 December: Carol Power, Kristy Robertson, Sherine Maitland Tracy Brown
Thursday 10 December: Pam Wode, Elizabeth Hall, Vicki Fawkes, Tanya Verner
Pikelets: Hayley Taylor
Friday 11 December: No Tuckshop

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Helping Hands Clinton

Vacation Care program will be operating from 14th -18th Dec 2015 and 4th – 25th Jan 2016.

Please note that Monday 25th January 2016 is a Pupil Free Day. Our service will provide a full day of care for families on this day.

Program and bookings forms will be out soon. Spaces on Excursion days are limited so be sure to get your bookings in early.

For all enquiries, please phone our Coordinator on: 0448 138 438 or email: clinton@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au