Welcome back to school as we embark on the third term of the 2015 School Year. We are looking forward to the coming weeks as our students learn, grow and reach their full potential.

**CLINTON STATE SCHOOL VISION** – What do we want Clinton SS to look like?
‘Every Child, Every Day – Safe, Respectful Learners’

**CLINTON STATE SCHOOL SPIRIT**
Mascot - Clint the Frog, School Song - ‘Champions at Clinton’, School Motto - ‘Continually Striving to Succeed’

**CLINTON STATE SCHOOL MISSION/PURPOSE** – Preparing/Equipping children with knowledge, skills and confidence through:

**C** - Champions: ‘Stronger -Smarter’
Mission Statement - ‘Strong Mind, Strong Body, Strong Community’ (Health and Wellbeing focus for students and staff) TEAMS – Staff Wellbeing, Behaviour, Data, Student Needs, Differentiation, EATSIPS and ‘Achieving Results’ (Analysing data in a timely, student focussed and future improvement manner)

**L** – Literacy: ‘Learning to Read, Reading to Learn, Writing to Communicate’
Mission Statement – To focus on the explicit teaching of reading and writing
TEAMS – Reading and Writing TEAM
I – Improvement: ‘Getting Feedback, Getting Better’
Mission Statement – To coach and provide goal centered feedback for students and staff
TEAMS – Mentoring TEAM

N – Numeracy: ‘Our Students Count’
Mission Statement – To focus on the explicit teaching of Numeracy
TEAMS – Numeracy TEAM

T – Teaching: ‘Quality Teaching = Quality Outcomes’
Mission Statement – To explicitly teach for the attainment of high standard student results
TEAMS – Explicit Instruction TEAM, Curriculum TEAM

Clinton State School’s Values and Beliefs about Teaching and Learning
Our school achieves success through:
• An intentional and collaborative approach to improving the progress of every student
• Communicating expectations clearly to staff and students
• Strong, innovative and sustainable partnerships that are established with with our local community

We believe that:
• All teachers can teach using high quality, evidence-based teaching practices focused on success for every student.
• Everyone can succeed at achieving high standards of professionalism
• Teachers are the single most important influence (outside of the home) on improving student achievement
• Successful learners are students that engage in learning and achievement and successfully transition to High School
• Students can learn when:
• There is a collective ownership of student achievement (by home and school)
• There are good quality student-teacher relationships in place
• Clear expectations are communicated to our students, teachers, teacher aides, all staff and admin
• Timely feedback is given about student performance by teachers (eg. student work being marked)
• There is a quality classroom tone based on safe and respectful learning

MOBILE PHONES
Students are required to leave phones at home while attending school. Our communication system in our school is effective and there is no need for students to bring mobile phones to school. If mobile phones are brought to school, they must be handed into the office, where they will be stored securely.

BREAKFAST CLUB
Special thanks to Father Daniel and the Anglican Church (along with Bendigo Bank)

who provide the Breakfast Club on Tuesday mornings for all students.
All students who wish to have a ‘Sausage in the Bread’ meal before the start of the school day are welcome to access this free service from 8.00 – 8.35 on Tuesday mornings..

FAREWELL and WELCOME
We congratulate Mrs Kylie Richards who has taken a position at Gladstone West State School as Acting Business Services Manager. Mrs Eileen Shannon will be replacing Mrs Richards for the duration of this term.

Mr Damien Bryant moves from being the teacher of the Yr 2/3 to a part-time role as Health Teacher for the Upper School. We welcome Miss Hannah Phillips back to the Yr 2/3 Classroom in her teaching role.

We welcome back Ms Lisa Plumridge, who along with Mrs Tracey Dunnett will be teaching the P/1 classroom.

Mrs Valerie Little will re-join the Clinton Team as teacher of the Yr 1C class when Ms Melissa Reimer goes on Maternity Leave. We wish Ms Reimer all the very best for her impending birth.

NAIDOC
Whilst last week was officially NAIDOC Week, we will be celebrating our own NAIDOC next week, here at Clinton SS (we move the celebrations forward one week to accommodate the ‘Getting Back to School Routines’ after the holidays). NAIDOC stands for National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee.

PHAT THANKS
A big thanks goes to Mrs Gehle for her work in providing exciting activities for the students who participated in PHAT at the end of last term. We also thank Mrs Gayle Sunderland and her husband who donated the use of the Jumping Castles for this purpose.

END OF SEMESTER REPORTS
Your child will be issued with their ‘End of Semester’ Report this coming Friday 18th July. This report is summary of your child’s achievement over the first two terms of the current school year. Please don’t hesitate to make an appointment with your child’s teacher should you wish to discuss the report.

P&C MEETING
The P&C Meeting is on next Tuesday 21st July commencing at 6 pm in the Library and you are welcome to attend. We would love to see you there.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC WORKSHOPS
Instrumental Music Workshops are being held this week from Wednesday 15th July – Friday 17 July.
Regards
Reid Thompson
Principal
CLINTON HAPPENINGS

Woolworths Earn & Learn

Start collecting for your school now

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program gives Schools and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn new educational resources.

Make a difference for your local school
- Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent.*
- Stick the Woolworths Stickers onto the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet inside.
- Once it’s complete, pop it into a Collection Box at your school or local store. You can download more Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets from our website woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

*valid until 3rd November 2013

KID’S CAFÉ
Wednesday 15 July: Carol Power, Lehr Pollock, Kristy Robertson, Tracy Brown.
Thursday 16 July: Pam Wode, Elizabeth Hall, Vicky Fawkes, Tanya Prentis
Pikelets: Hayley Taylor
Friday 17 July: Ruth Williams, Shirley Wright, Abiola Alabi, Nicole Hughes, Marise Warren
Pikelets: Connie Fredericks.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Students in Grade 6 will be bringing home an information letter from Toolooa State High School outlining the enrolment process for Yr 7.

HOP into adventure.......with Kareeba Joey Scouts.

Do you know how to cook chocolate spiders or make frog puppets? Can you build a bird box or a spaceship from scrap items? Have you ever grown a plant or hiked in the bush? These are all things you can learn when you are a Joey Scout!

If you’re into Adventure, Fun and making Friends, Kareeba Joey Scouts is for you. Joeys is the start of your journey through Scouting and is for boys and girls aged 6 to 7½.

Our motto is “HOP” which stands for “Help Other People” and this year we are celebrating 25 years of Joeys. You’ll also learn heaps of useful stuff, like what to do in an emergency.

This term our program theme is “Our Environment”, we’ll be having heaps of fun learning about nature, native birds and animals at our Den, 21 Yaralla Street, Barney Point, Thursday afternoons from 5:30pm.

You might fly a kite, go bushwalking, go to the beach, or visit a fire station, zoo or farm.

When you join in different activities and learn new things, you and your mates in the Mob can earn special badges to sew on to your Joey Scout shirts.

Come along and join in the fun and games contact:
Peter Vaissiere, Group Leader
Kareeba Scout Group
Mob: 044 779 7100
Email: scoutskareeba@yahoo.com.au

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This week our SWPBS lesson is:

**Be Responsible for your own learning.**

- Listen for learning during class desk time, carpet time, group time
- Embrace learning activities
- Do your best
- Complete your work
- Be a team member when learning in cooperative groups

What does this mean for students?
- Be organised for the day with your equipment ready
- Listen & concentrate fully
- Ask questions for clarification
- Keep hands to yourself
- Follow instructions
- Work cooperatively in groups
- Stay focussed on the task
- Enter / leave the room quietly
- Use manners
- Sit still and quietly
- Use an indoor voice
- Complete all work
- Respect others’ ideas
- Welcome visitors
- Show respect

**GREEN CARDS**

- **Noah Boon** PE
- **Charleeze Hancock** PE
- **Sophie Logan** PE
- **Taila Arstall** 1A
- **Kodi James** 1A
- **Chelsea Rowe** 1A
- **Rose Tyler Kiernan** 2A
- **Isabelle Pearce** 2A
- **Jiana Bruhn** 2D
- **Ryan McCabe** 2D
- **Rylee Subritzky** 2D
- **Victoria Tabeagbaw** 2D
- **Lana Zettl** 2D
- **Flynn Else** 3A

**ATTENDANCE**

- Whole School – 93.90%
- Prep – 93.20%
- Yr 1 – 94.80%
- Yr 2 – 94.30%
- Yr 3 – 95.00% -met the school goal – great going Yr 3s!
- Congratulations on topping the school attendance figures!
- Yr 4 – 94.60%
- Yr 5 – 93.80%
- Yr 6 – 91.30%

**NUMERACY STRATEGIES**

Our mental computation strategy for this is **estimating**. 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’.

Estimation is the process of making a judgment regarding the worth, amount, size, weight of or total calculation of something. Estimation applies to all four operations equally. If we were to add 354 and 256 mentally, we would need to look at the leading digits, first the 3 and the 2 in this instance indicate that the answer will be more than 500 a quick glance at the numbers in the tens place tells that actually there is another 100 there so the answer will be a little over 600.

It is also important when using mental strategies to always have a reasonable idea of the expected answer. All too often children make silly mistakes when they compute.
**Registering**

The Botanic to Bridge is a fantastic event which encourages families to embrace healthy and active lifestyles, and provides an opportunity to invest funds into our local schools and community. Over the past five years, Botanic to Bridge has contributed over $125,000 to our regional schools, funding sport and recreation equipment and initiatives. Student participation ensures that funding is directed to our schools, with all registration fees directed to the nominated school. Students can register as individuals, in a team, or as part of a family registration. A family registration consists of up to five people (two adults and up to three school age children). Families with more than three children or two adults will need to register additional members individually.

Children four years and under are free. If they are not travelling in a pram they will need to be registered.

**AFTER SCHOOL DUTY**

We have instigated a new procedure for those parents/caregivers and students who choose to remain on school grounds at the end of the day to avoid the traffic congestion on Harvey Rd.

All parents/caregivers and students are to sit in the Year One Eating area at the end of the day. This will enable staff to identify those students who are remaining in the school grounds when they are expected to go straight home. This will assist in identifying those students who are here without their parents/caregivers permission and who are wanting to stay and play with their friends.

Your support with this new procedure is greatly appreciated.