CLINTON SS NEWSLETTER
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SCHOOL ETHOS

OUR VISION: Every Day, Every Child, Safe Respectful Learners
OUR MISSION: Reading, Results, Wellbeing, Improvement, Teaching
OUR MOTTO: Continually Striving to Succeed

PRINCIPAL’S PIECE

KEEP A WATCH ON OUR SCHOOL THESE HOLIDAYS

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on 13 17 88. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school.

If you see something suspicious, please don’t intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

ATTENDANCE

Our overall attendance rate is currently 94.35%. Our goal is 95%. This is a very important time of the term, with a considerable amount of assessment being conducted across the school. It is vital that every child is present and working during the week until the Winter holidays.

Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year. More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/index.html

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 25th June
PHAT for Gold Levels

Friday 26th June
Excursion - Year 3 - 26 Storey Tree-House

Monday 13th July
First Day of Term 3 for all Staff and Students

Monday 13th July
Whole School Parade 2.15

Monday 13th July
Coming of the Light Play on Parade 2.15

Tuesday 14th July
Andy Griffith’s excursion

Wednesday 15th – Friday 17th July
Instrumental Music Workshops

Thursday 16th July
Coming of the Light Play on Parade 2.15

Friday 17th July
Prep Camp Day with Pyjamas

Friday 17th July
Report Cards are issued to Parents via students

Monday 20th July
Cohort Parades
DISCO THANKS
Special thanks to all those who assisted at the disco last Friday evening. It was a great night and we appreciate all of your work.

GLADSTONE AREA EXTENDED LEARNING PROGRAM
On Thursday 25 June, there will be two Extended Learning Programs held for Gladstone and area schools. Congratulations to Year 5 students Blake L, Emma B, Zach S and Colby O on their selection to attend the “Creative Mathematical Problem Solving” program at Kin Kora SS.

Year 6 students Keegan M, Georgia S, Gerimie F and Amy A will be participating in a Science program called “Brain Power” at Tannum Sands SS.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC WORKSHOPS
The Primary IMP workshops will be held at the Gladstone South State School (WBP) and Clinton State School (Strings) from Wednesday, 17 July to Friday, 19 July (first week of Term 3).

The Blue Group is essentially the more advanced year players. Their sessions are 8:00 to 11:30 am. The Red Group is essentially the beginning players. Their sessions are 12:30 to 3:30 pm.

Transport
Students in the Blue Group (morning) get to the respective venues by their own means. Buses are organised to change over the groups. The bus for each school or pair of schools will pick up the Blue Group at 11:30 am from the respective venue and take them to their school/s, pick up the Red Group, and return to the respective venues. Students in the Red Group (afternoon) leave the two respective venues by their own means.

Concerts
Each Group has its own concert. The venue for the Strings Concert in 2014 is Clinton State School Hall. The venue for the Woodwind, Brass and percussion Concert in 2014 is Gladstone State High School Hall.

The Strings Group’s Concert is from 5.30 – 6.10 pm on Friday, 18 July. The WBP Group’s Concert is from 7:00 to 7.40 pm on Friday, 18 July.

The Primary workshops are a major learning event for the Instrumental Music students and have been a positive highlight in the Instrumental Music Program.

P&C MEETING
Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st July at 6.00pm in the library. All parents are very welcome to attend (even if you have never been before).
SEMESTER ONE REPORT CARDS

Semester One Report Cards will be distributed to all learners on Friday 17 July 2014. These reports are an account of your child/ren’s learning over the first one hundred days of 2015 and detail their achievement and performance across each of the key learning areas, behaviour and homework.

END OF SCHOOL

This coming Friday marks the end of Term 2 for our 2015 School Year. School resumes for students on Monday 13 July. I wish to take this opportunity of wishing you a wonderful Winter Break with your family.

Regards

Reid Thompson
Principal

CLINTON HAPPENINGS

FRONT OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR – TEMPORARY TERM 3 2015

Applications are sought for the temporary position of Administrative Officer (AO2/AAEP) for Clinton State School Front Office for Term 3 – Monday 13 July to Friday 18 September 2015.

The hours will be 7.30am – 3.15pm, Monday to Friday. A job-share position could be considered. Please specify in your application if you would prefer to job-share.

The Role Description contains a list of duties and selection criteria, and it can be emailed or collected from the school by phoning (07) 49789333.

Applicants must respond to the selection criteria (‘How you will be assessed’) outlined in the role description in a maximum of two (2) A4 pages total (size 10 font minimum) and submit a resume and two current referees.

“The Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000 requires the preferred applicant to be subject to employment screening.”

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Please forward applications, by 4pm Wednesday 24 June, to:

Kate Stagg, Business Services Manager
Clinton State School, Harvey Road

Gladstone, QLD 4680

Or email kstag12@eq.edu.au

KID’S CAFÉ

Wednesday 17 June: Carol Power, Lehr Pollock, Kristy Robertson, Tracy Brown.
Thursday 18 June: Pam Wode, Elizabeth Hall, Vicky Fawkes, Tanya Prentis
Pikelets: Hayley Taylor
Friday 19 June: Ruth Williams, Shirley Wright, Abiola Alabi, Nicole Hughes, Marise Warren
Pikelets: Connie Fredericks.

COMMUNITY NOTICES
This week our SWPBS lesson is:

**BEHAVIOUR DURING PARADE**

Classes will discuss the following behaviour expectations for the students and also discuss the role that the teachers have during parade.

Children will be reminded that teachers:

- Will be constantly monitoring student behaviour during parade.
- Will be standing behind students during the National Anthem if they are not doing the right thing.
- Will be sitting students beside them at the start of parade in a pro-active attempt to limit their inappropriate behaviour if they have been regular offenders.
- Will be moving students DURING parade to sit beside them if they are not being respectful.

Children will be reminded that students:

- Will sit sensibly and listen respectfully during parade.
- Will sit in their designated area, on their bottoms with their legs crossed.
- Will wait patiently and quietly for parade to commence.
- Will be a respectful audience.
- Will respect the national anthem by standing with their arms by their side and singing.
- Will clap at the end of the presentation of awards and NOT during.
- Will settle quickly after the clapping and continue to sit quietly and respectfully.
- Will keep a centre pathway clear.

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**GREEN CARDS**

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**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%

**LIBRARY NEWS**

Library Books are due back now. Students who have been invited to Andy Griffith excursion need to
have completed forms returned to the front office no later than Tuesday 23 June 2015.

NUMERACY STRATEGIES
This week’s mental computation strategy is adding zero.
While it seems obvious that adding zero to a number leaves the number unchanged it is necessary to ensure that students understand why this is so and that they have opportunities to apply the rule. The empty hand is used to represent zero (nothing in the hand) so that when the contents of both hands are combined nothing changes to the total number of marbles.

P & C ASSOCIATION
Our current fundraiser is “inspiration at home”. A letter and note went home to every family last week.

We are working towards the upgrade of the year 2 – 3 playground oval.

Please complete the order form and return to the office by Monday 22 June. Please check your order form carefully and include payment in full – cash or cheque made out toClinton State School P & C Association.

The family with the highest sales will receive a free randomly chosen Balsamic Vinegar or olive oil.

We appreciate your support and look forward to another successful fundraising campaign.

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.