



Clifton Park Primary School

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School Motto: With Pride We Strive

COMING EVENTS

February

- 8 PP Parent Meeting 8:50am
- 18 Clifton Park P&C AGM 7pm
- 26 P&C Kindy Meet & Greet 9am
- 27 School Photos

March

- 1 School Development Day (SDD) -
Students do not attend
- 5-8 YR 6 Camp
- 15 TA 4 Assembly 2pm

April

- 3 Faction Field Events
- 5 Faction Athletics Carnival
- 9 Interschool Sports Day
- 12 ANZAC Assembly 9am
Last Day of Term 1

STUDENT TERM DATES

Term 1
4 February - 12 April

Term 2
29 April - 5 July

Term 3
23 July - 27 September

Term 4
15 October - 19 December

Welcome to all of our families for the 2019 school year. I would also like to welcome our new families to our community. I hope that you enjoy your time here at Clifton Park PS, and encourage you to become an engaged part of our school parent group.

The beginning of the year is a time of change. It is always an important time to have conversations with children around resilience to change, and how we can build our skills in this area. We are looking forward to opportunities that the class structuring will provide, and we thank parents (and students) for their understanding during this complex process. I trust that parents have made contact with their child's classroom teacher, and are starting to get familiar with the routines of the room.

TERM PLANNER

A copy of the Term 1 Planner is included in this newsletter, it can also be found on the webpage and Skoolbag app. Please refer to it for important dates and future reference. This term is incredibly busy – we are hitting the ground running with some major school events. In particular, we have the Year 6 Camp (permission forms will come home this week); Photo Day, Athletics Carnival week, and our first assembly for 2019.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY (SDD)

I would like to make particular note of the School Development Day (meaning that students do not attend school) on **Friday 1st March**. This date was selected to provide opportunity for our staff to attend a workshop on Writing with other local schools. It also provides a great chance for families to take advantage of the long weekend, and have a four-day break. Term 1 is always a tiring term for our students, so hopefully the break will provide a much needed rest part way through the term.

CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

Please notify the school office if any change of address or phone number occurs as soon as possible.

SCHOOL HOURS

It is recommended that students arrive at school as close to 8:30am as possible, as adequate supervision cannot be guaranteed. If children arrive at school before 8:30am they are to wait outside the front office area. Once the siren sounds at 8:35am students then move to their classroom.

 School Hours	
First siren:	8:35am
Start of school day:	8:50am
Recess:	11:00am to 11:20am
Lunch:	12:40pm to 1:20pm
Close:	3:00pm


8:15am to 3:30pm

OUR STAFF - FEBRUARY 2019

Principal: Cathy Allen	
Deputy Principal: Deborah Jolliffe	
Manager of Corporate Services: Kylie Clarke	
School Officer: Jodie Clayton	
CLASSES	STAFF
Kindergarten Teacher	Moira George
Kindergarten Ed. Assistant	Lisa Cooper
Pre-Primary Teachers	Michelle Clifton and Anke Hynes
Pre-Primary Ed Assistants	Jodie Harkness and Kirsty Webley- Hurrell
Year 1/2 Teacher (TA 6)	Marian Colling
Year 2/3 Teacher (TA 4)	Kurt Jones
Year 3/4 Teacher (TA 5)	Robyn Gerace and Rebecca Dignan
Year 4/5 Teacher (TA 3)	Christopher Deane
Year 5/6 Teacher (TA 2)	Geoff Kelly
Art Teacher	Peta Van Wyk
Japanese and Music Teacher	Shani Kaitani
Education Assistant (Special Needs)	Alison Bryant
Education Assistant (Special Needs)	Michelle Buswell
Education Assistant (Special Needs)	Kellie Depiazzi
Education Assistant (Special Needs)	Diana Evans
Education Assistant (Special Needs)	Joanne Lawson
Education Assistant (Special Needs)	Sonja McBride
Education Assistant (Special Needs)	Katelyn Yates
Library Officers	Carolyn Garton and Janine Franklin
Gardener	Gavin Brede
Cleaner in Charge	Terry Mostert
Cleaners	Janelle Reale and Joshua Castle
Chaplain	Mr Jono

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

We are pleased to announce that Mr Jono will be here back on Tuesdays and Fridays. School Chaplaincy aims to support the emotional wellbeing of students through the provision of pastoral care services and strategies that support the emotional wellbeing of the broader school community. If you wish your child to see the Chaplain, please contact the front office.

WEBPAGE AND SKOOLBAG APP

Follow this web address to access our website www.cliftonpark.wa.edu.au

Included on the website is school information, newsletters, P & C information, forms and lots more.

The free Skoolbag app can be downloaded by smart phone users.



CHOIR

Notes for the 2019 School Choir were handed out to students yesterday Wednesday 6 February. Choir is open for all students in Year 4 through to Year 6. Practice is before school on Wednesday mornings 8:00am - 8:40am. Choir will commence Wednesday 13th February. The school choir perform at special school assemblies such as ANZAC and Graduation as well as participating in the Bunbury City Eisteddfod, and visiting Bethanie Fields to entertain the residents.



SIGNING IN AT THE OFFICE WHEN ON THE SCHOOL SITE

Any visitor to the school, be it a tradesperson, salespeople, other school's staff, community members or even a parent or guardian coming into the school must sign in at the front office. For parents and guardians this means that if you volunteer to work at the school in any way you must come to the office and sign in the register when you arrive. If you are coming in to drop something off to your child at any time during the day you must also come to the office to sign in. This is to safeguard our students and also it allows us to know who is on the site in case a fire or another emergency occurs.

STUDENTS SIGNED IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL

Any student who arrives after the siren is required to come to the school front office with their parent or guardian to be signed in. Late students cannot be dropped off in the car park and be left to come into the school by themselves. This is also the case if a student is being taken out of school before the end of the day. A parent or guardian must come to the office and follow the sign out procedure. Please make sure that you adhere to these policies at all times.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

School Voluntary Contributions are collected by the school to supplement school expenditure in curriculum related areas. While contributions are voluntary, the quality of our teaching and learning programs will be maximised when each family contribute, thus supplementing the funding from other sources, including State and Commonwealth governments. This year's Kindergarten to Year 6 voluntary contributions are \$50.00 per child.

Payment may be made by any of the following methods:

1. Pay in person – Forward payment (by cash or cheque) in an envelope to the front office in the first term of 2019. Please make cheques payable to "Clifton Park Primary School".
2. Direct Deposit
ACCOUNT NAME: Clifton Park Primary School
BSB: 016515
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 262705449
(Reference: Please use your family surname as the reference, family payments can be made in a single transaction).

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Please make yourself familiar with our uniform policy by finding it on our school website or ask for copy at the office.

HATS AND WATER

Our school has a policy for sun protection stating 'No hat no play in the sun' for our students. This applies for Terms 1 and 4 in particular. Please apply sunscreen, as appropriate, in the morning for each day.



MOSQUITOES

'Mossies' often are found at the school and have the potential to cause problems. As such you may like to think about applying insect repellent before coming to school. We also encourage 'rub not scratch' as it does help to avoid secondary skin infections (however I'm aware that this is easier said than done).



ALLERGIES

Please ensure the school is notified of any allergies your child may have and the correct procedures if an attack occurs. As you are no doubt aware, the number of children suffering from some kind of an allergy is on the increase, so as a school we need to be sensitive to it. This is no longer a 'toughen up Princess' type of situation. The problems are real. You are all parents and as such you can empathise with a fellow parent who has seen their child being violently ill, or their life threatened, after coming into contact with the allergen. We can not protect our children from all triggers, but as a school we are educating our students about these allergies and how we can avoid serious or life threatening reactions for allergic children. NEVER sharing food with others and ALWAYS washing hands after eating are two good ways to help out.



MEDICATION

Staff must have written parental permission to administer prescribed medications to students using a "Medical Request Form" available from the front office. Staff are unable to administer analgesics to students. Emergency medication, such as that used for insect stings, should be provided with the correct instructions attached. Please let your child's teacher know if your child is taking regular medication or may require emergency medication.

Cathy Allen
PRINCIPAL



SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING! Wednesday 27 February 2019



Approximately two weeks prior to the photo day every student will receive a Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home.

The recommended method of ordering your photos is **online** through Kapture's website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time.

If you pay online, there is no need to return the order envelope to school.

Alternatively you can pay by cash and return the provided envelope to the school **on the photography day**. Please note the photographers cannot open sealed envelopes and cannot provide change.

You also have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please note sibling orders will close at least one day before photo day. We suggest you place your online sibling order as soon as you receive your order envelope with your order instructions.

**Log on to kapture.com.au for your sibling photo and order by the cut-off date, Tuesday 26th February.
Late requests cannot be granted.**

Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture. You can place an order online for class or individual photographs at any time for the remainder of the current school year however a \$15 fee will apply if you order more than 10 days after photography.

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email enquiries@kapture.com.au.

All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should NOT be included in the photo shoot –please contact the school office on 9796 7300.

Whole School Home Reading Program

At Clifton Park Primary School, we value the importance of regular home reading. Our whole school approach, that includes the use of a Reading Journal, is explained below. This complements each class's reading program.



School Home Reading System

Each student from Year 1 - Year 6 (PP from Term 3) will use a 'My Home Reading' journal to record each day they read. These journals were purchased with a generous donation from our P & C.

The selection of what your child reads may be a combination of teacher directed and /or personal choice.

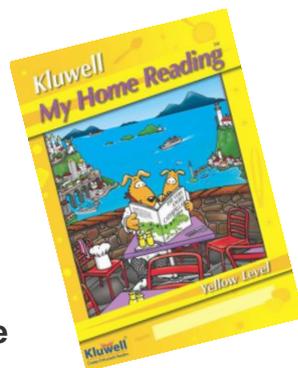
How Will the Journals Be Used?

- Start a new page in the journal each week.
- Date the top of the page for that week.
- Create a running record of the **number of the days** read by numbering each day using the right hand column on each page. Carry the number over from the previous week.
(See page 4 for an example)
- An adult or older sibling is required to sign the entry for the day.
- Comments can be written either by the adult or the student.
(See page 4 for samples)
- As each student reaches a certain number of days of reading, their effort will be acknowledged by a member of the admin/office staff.
- The student will receive an acknowledgement as listed below.

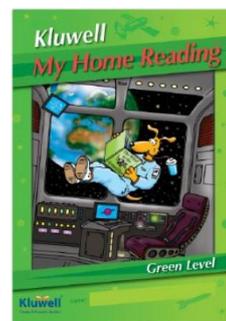
Reading Incentive Levels

Days of reading:

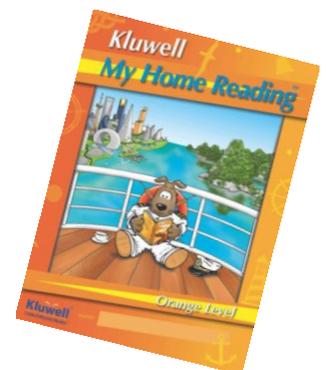
25 days	Sticker
50 days	Prize 1
75 days	Sticker
100 days	Prize 2
125 days	Sticker
150 days	Prize 3
175 days	Sticker
200 days	Book + Certificate



PP – Y2



Y3-Y4



Y5-Y6

Reading for enjoyment is the focus of the program.



Class Reading Program

The class's reading system is set up and managed by each teacher and may look quite different in each class. Each class teacher will explain their system to their students.

The selection of reading material for this component of the reading program is determined by the class teacher.

Be Screen Smart



Screen Smart Parent Tour: *facts and tips*

Social media

Fact: On average, children aged 10 to 14 years have 2 active social media accounts.

1. Talk regularly with your child about privacy settings on social media. Updating your own privacy settings set a great example and helps you understand potential safety issues. Be aware of any minimum age requirements.
2. Keep your ears and eyes open. Other parents and the media can be a great source of information when it comes to the latest or most preferred app.
3. Let your child know that you're really interested in how they're connecting with friends. They might be more inclined to talk openly about social media if you talk about what others (their friends and peers) are doing online.

Screen time

Fact: On average, outside of school, 10 to 14 year olds spend 23 hours online per week.

1. Try to encourage positive screen time, like content that you can view and enjoy together. Discourage anything that is overly aggressive or disrespectful.
2. Negotiate key rules together, such as when screens can be on and when they need to be turned off. Young teens are likely to respond better to rules that they've contributed to and see as being fair and consistent.
3. Agree ahead of time on the rules and strategies to get your child to switch off.

P & C NEWS



Clifton Park Primary School P&C Association NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Clifton Park Primary School P&C Association will be held on Monday 18 February at 7pm in the Staff Room.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect the office bearers for 2019, receive the audited financial statements for 2018 and to conduct any other business that may arise.

All positions on the P&C have been declared vacant and nominations are sought for the following positions:

President
Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary
Executive Committee
Fundraising Coordinator
Uniform Shop Coordinator
Bookclub Coordinator
Safety House Coordinator

Information and nominations for all vacant positions can be emailed prior to the meeting - cliftonparkpandc@gmail.com alternatively, nominations can be made at the meeting on the night.



WHAT IS THE P&C?

Parents playing a vital role in the education of their children!
A P&C is a group of community minded people who assist the school in providing feedback on school polices and activities, and additional resources to enhance student learning.

NEWS FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP

Week 3 – Friday 22 Feb 3pm-3:30pm

Week 7 – Wednesday 20 March 8:30am-9am

Week 10 - Monday 8 April 2:30pm – 3pm

UNIFORM SHOP COORDINATORS

Kristy Hamilton
0438 215 016
and
Sharman Lee
0411 174 866

Order forms are available from the front office. Once complete, please place in the box located in the hallway with payment. Orders will be delivered to your child's classroom once this has been processed.

Uniform Shop is now cashless!
Only EFTPOS and Direct Deposit available

Community News



St John Ambulance WA has released a new, free smart phone app, First Responder.

The St John First Responder app has a range of features, one being its unique first responder capability. The app allows qualified first aiders to sign up as a first responder and be notified when someone has called 000 for an ambulance within 500 metres of their current location and in a public place.

To become a first responder you will need to provide evidence of having completed a first aid course within the last three years. Minimum qualification level of HLTAID001 Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation. We now offer the ability to become a BASIC level first responder in the app, by uploading your Photo ID.

If you're not looking to sign up as a first responder yet, then that's okay! The app also contains a number of other resources, including:

- ▶ **First aid instruction guides** – helping you to treat a range of injuries and illnesses.
- ▶ **Triple zero (000) calling with automatic GPS location** – calling 000 from the app will send your GPS coordinates direct to the St John State Operation Centre, making it easier for an ambulance to locate you.
- ▶ **Defibrillator (AED) locator** - showing all the defibrillator locations near you.
- ▶ **Upload the location of new defibrillator (AED) locations** that aren't currently appearing on the app.
- ▶ **Locate nearest medical centres and emergency departments** - including live ED waiting time information.
- ▶ **Patient transport services information.**
- ▶ **Your first aid course information** and refresher reminder notices
- ▶ **First aid tips and special offers** - keeping you up to date with handy first aid information.

First Responder is a free app and available on [Apple's App Store](#) and [Google Play](#). You can find out more about how to use the app in our [First Aid Responder App Guide](#).

2019 Term 1 Planner (Date of events may be subject to change)

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
1	4 Feb Students resume	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	11 Feb	12	13	14	15	16	17
3	18 Feb P&C AGM 7pm	19	20	21	22 Uniform Shop Open 3-3:30pm	23	24
4	25 Feb	26 Kindy Meet & Greet 9am	27 School Photos (Kapture Photography)	28	1 March School Development Day	2	3
5	4 March Labour Day	5 YR 6 CAMP	6 YR 6 CAMP	7 YR 6 CAMP	8 YR 6 CAMP	9	10
6	11 March	12	13	14	15 Assembly TA4 Mrs Gerace/ Mrs Dignan	16	17
7	18 March	19	20 Uniform Shop Open 8:30am – 9am Constable Care Incursion	21	22	23	24
8	25 March	26	27	28	29	30	31
9	1 April	2	3 Faction Field Events	4	5 Faction Athletics Carnival	6	7
10	8 April Uniform Shop Open 2:30pm-3pm	9 Interschool Sports Carnival	10	11	12 Students last day ANZAC Assembly 9am	13	14
H	15 April	16	17	18	19 Good Friday	20	21
H	22 April Easter Monday	23	24	25 ANZAC Day	26	27	28

Start and End of Term
 Public Holidays
 School Holidays (students)
 School Development Days