



# Clifton Park Primary School

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## **School Motto: With Pride We Strive**

This week I celebrate my 12 month anniversary of being at Clifton Park Primary School. The time has gone incredibly fast, and I look at the year with appreciation and joy. Today also is the celebration of World Teacher's Day, where we as a community recognise the teaching profession and all that teachers contribute to our very lucky students. On behalf of our community I would like to acknowledge the outstanding efforts and dedication of our teaching staff. Of course, we also have many support staff whose work should never be overlooked – they enable and support our teachers to be the very best they can be for our students. Please join with me today, and every day, in supporting and thanking our staff.

### **BUILDINGS AND WORKS**

We have been looking carefully at our grounds and how we can improve them over the next 12-18 months. The Minister for Education recently announced additional funding to be provided to schools of which Clifton Park received approximately \$30,000 to use on maintenance and improvements. The Department also funds many maintenance tasks within our school. You may have noticed in the holidays we unfortunately needed to remove some dead trees to ensure our school environment was safe. We are working towards a revegetation plan for these areas to ensure we maintain our natural environment we are renowned for.

### **STUDENT DRESS CODE**

As you know, our School Council has been working with the school to review our Student Dress Code. Your child should now have received their hat, which was kindly donated by the P&C to support families in this change. They do look fantastic and it is great to see the students consistently wearing them around the school. In the event you require an additional hat, they are available for purchase through the uniform shop for \$10 each.

### **SCHOOL REVIEW**

Our school will be undergoing a Department of Education School Review on 29 October. This review will provide us with feedback about what we are doing well at our school, and help us to identify areas for improvement. The School Council and staff have been involved in rigorous self-assessment over the last few months to provide the review team with detailed information about where we have identified our strengths and areas of improvement. The school environment will be as it always is – orderly, engaging, productive and happy. I look forward to sharing the School Review report with families on the conclusion of the process.

### **SCHOOL AWARDS AND GRADUATION ASSEMBLY**

Please mark in your diaries the date for this very important event in the school calendar. This will take place in Week 10, Term 4 on **Tuesday 17 December** and will commence at **9:00am** in the undercover area.



## PLANNING FOR 2020

Planning for 2020 is underway at our school and we are at the stage of gathering information in regards to student numbers and staffing. To help us plan we need to know about the intentions of parents. If you already know that your child will not be returning to Clifton Park Primary School in 2020 please contact the office to let us know. This will enable us to more accurately work out class sizes and funding for next year.



## SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

Our school grounds are a lovely area to play and we acknowledge the community using our school facilities outside of school hours. We have had some reports in the office about unsafe behaviour such as climbing to the top of the cricket nets and basketball court fencing, along with reports of disrespectful behaviours towards each other (including physical violence and swearing). Although the school does not have duty of care at these times, it is our expectation that our school grounds are being treated with respect, and that our students are modelling our behaviour expectations through their interactions with other community members, especially when still in school uniform. I have spoken with all students, but I do ask that families reinforce this at home, and ask their children to own their actions if they are playing around the school grounds. I would also like to remind parents that students should be suitably supervised so that adults are able to coach social disagreements and respond to negative behaviours that might arise.

## TERM PLANNER

A copy of the Term 4 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.

## CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

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

## SCHOOL HOURS

It is recommended that students arrive at school as close to 8:30am as possible. Prior to 8:35am adequate supervision cannot be guaranteed. If children arrive at school before 8:35am they are to wait outside the front office area. It is unsafe for students to be moving around the school, and we do ask that parents reinforce this with their children. Once the siren sounds at 8:35am students then move to their classroom.

## ATTENDANCE PROCESSES (REPEAT)



We have completed a review of our attendance processes, and have implemented some improvements in this area to ensure we meet Department of Education policy requirements.

Families may notice an increased focus on following up on unexplained absences, and clear processes for advising us if your child is going to be absent from school.

Please be advised that Skoolbag is our school's preferred method for families notifying the school of any absence, and a copy of your notification is now forwarded to your child's classroom teacher. It is a requirement of the School Education Act that we follow up on every absence from school.



## STAY SAFE FROM SWOOPING MAGPIES

The Department of Parks and Wildlife would like to remind you that the magpie breeding season is upon us. During this time, magpies often display territorial behaviour to protect their young, including swooping at passers-by. There are a few techniques that can be used to avoid or minimise the chance of a magpie attack. The best is to simply avoid the area where magpies are known to be swooping.

The Department of Environment and Resource Management also suggest the following safety tips: *If you are swooped, don't stop or run, just walk away. And, most importantly, never deliberately provoke or harass a magpie.*

*Cathy Allen*  
PRINCIPAL



## **RUNNERS CLUB @ CPPS Thursdays 8am**

*We invite all students and families to meet us on the oval every Thursday morning at 8am*



# My Home Reading

A steady stream of excited students with their reading journals in hand have been visiting Mrs Jolliffe's office each day. They celebrate their reading milestones with her and enjoy selecting from the range of reading related materials linked to each level. The students who get to the 200 night milestone (100 nights for Pre Primary) not only choose a book to add to their personal library, but also go into the end of year raffle where the lucky winner receives a major prize. Keep up the great regular reading!



## Woolworths Earn & Learn program 2019



Early this year our school was one of 15,737 schools who collected Earn and Learn stickers.

We used the 19,920 stickers we collected to select fun items for our students to use including sand play buckets and spades, dress up capes and a huge box of Lego.

Thank you to the whole school community for supporting the school in this way.





# CPPS Choir

@ LLC Concert



On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October, our school choir sang at a concert for YouthCARE Chaplaincy.

YouthCARE is the Department of Education's approved employer of chaplains in public school in Western Australia. Chaplains offer pastoral care to students, school staff and members of the community irrespective of their faith or cultural backgrounds.

Our students represented our school with pride and sang their bracket of songs beautifully.

It was great to be able to support such a valuable program.

Thank you students.

*Mrs Kaitani*  
Music Teacher



# P & C NEWS

## Clifton Park Primary School P&C and **CLIFTON PARK DADS CAMP OUT!**

From 3pm, Saturday 2nd November  
Clifton Park Primary School Oval  
Cost: \$ 20 per family

For the past few years the annual Camp Out has helped Clifton Park Primary students and their dads or father figure build stronger relationships.

Again this year there will be a range of fun activities including sports shed games, sausage sizzle, and a torch-light message hunt (plus more to be announced soon!)

All children must be accompanied by their own dad or father figure and if unavailable, mums are also welcome.

**- NO BUSY BEE -**

Permission slips due back to School by  
Wed 30<sup>th</sup> October for catering purposes.

## UNIFORM SHOP OPEN DAYS

TERM 4

Week 2 - Friday 25/10 8.45am - 9.15am

Week 4 - Friday 8/11 8.45am - 9.15am

Week 8 - Thursday 5/12 8.45am - 9.15am

Week 10 - Thursday 19/12 8.45am - 9.15am

JANUARY 2020

Tuesday 28/1/2020 8.30am - 11am

BE SURE TO GET IN EARLY FOR ALL YOUR  
2020 UNIFORM NEEDS!

Keep up to date with upcoming events, uniform shop news & exciting things that are happening around the school on our FaceBook page - Clifton Park Primary School P&C

Find us on  
Facebook

## PLEASE HELP US TO RAISE VALUABLE FUNDS BY PROMOTING OUR "SUNSATIONAL" SUMMER ESSENTIALS FUNDRAISER TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

We have the opportunity to purchase two Australian owned and made products to protect your family over the summer months. For every product purchased the P&C will collect \$3.00 to go back to the school community.



### Australian Owned & Made SPF50+ 200ml Sunscreen

- \*Rubs on easily and Clear
- \*Water resistant and Quick Drying.
- \*Free from Titanium Dioxide, Zinc oxide, Nanoparticles and PABA.
- \*Contains Vitamin E.

\$14.00

### Australian Owned & Made Insect Repellent 125ml spray bottle.

\*Natural product containing Orange, Citronella, Lavender, Lemon, Teatree, Cedarwood and Aloe Vera.

\*Cooling and refreshing mist with pleasant aroma.

\*Does not dry out skin.

\*Controlled pump spray reduces wastage.

\$11.00



## Life Lessons

### Emotional & Mindful Management



As part of Operation Bunbury, our P&C will be partnering with Life Lessons Australia to offer the online course, 'Mind Ninja', to parents for the special price of \$50. Of which, our school P&C will receive \$20 per sale.

'Mind Ninja' is a compilation of video tutorials and activities which teach the strategies from the ENTIRE program at Life Lessons Australia. This course will transform the way children manage their thoughts, emotions and challenges.

If interested please email [info@lifelessonsaustralia.com](mailto:info@lifelessonsaustralia.com)



If you like to see my feature on GWN7 NEWS to showcase my program to your school: type in <https://youtu.be/48tUU1J-VDs>

Joelene Lavrick, B.A (Psychology), GradDipEd



# Community News

Small changes,  
big differences.



## Positive Parenting Seminar

Come along to this session to find out effective ways to encourage positive behaviour & development in children. This session offers parents positive strategies for managing children's misbehaviour.

- Seminar One: The Power of Positive Parenting- Tues 12<sup>th</sup> November

No cost: For parents/carers of children aged 3 to 8 years

**VENUE:** Australind Primary School, Barnes Avenue Australind  
**TIME:** 12:50pm – 2:50pm  
**FACILITATORS:** Cheryl Mackenzie & Nikki Johnston – School Health Nurses  
**CRECHE:** No creche available

For Bookings or Information:

Phone Australind PS on 9796 3900 or visit our website

<https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/au-uk/en/find-help/triple-p-parenting-in-western-australia/>

[www.triplep.net](http://www.triplep.net)



Government of Western Australia  
WA Country Health Service



## Bunbury Children's Health Community Cafe

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Join us for a morning tea to discuss your experiences with local health services

Are you a parent or carer of child under the age of 12 who has accessed our health services in the Bunbury area?  
If so we want to hear from you.

We are holding a Community Café in Bunbury to hear about your experiences of our health services including our

- Children's ward at Bunbury Hospital,
- Child Health Nurses in the community or
- School Health Nurses in your local primary school,
- Child Development Services (Allied Health) or
- Mental Health (CAMHS).

This will be an informal way for you to feedback about our services.  
We'd love to see you there.

We have limited places available to attend this session so register your details ASAP via Eventbrite here

Free crèche facilities will be available. Bookings essential for all children call 9795 2246.

### To be held

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
 South West Sports Centre  
 1 Rotary Ave, Hay Park, Bunbury  
 9:30 – 11:30 am  
 Morning tea will be provided

Places are limited  
 RSVP essential via Eventbrite  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/bunbury-childrens-health-community-cafe-tickets-75979638143>

Queries:  
[Hannah.Thomas@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:Hannah.Thomas@health.wa.gov.au)  
 phone 97536462



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## GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION AT BUNBURY SHS



A gifted and talented education program is offered at nine public secondary metropolitan schools, one regional school (Bunbury SHS) and online. Children foster advanced analytical, critical and creative thinking skills. They follow a program that matches individual learning needs and accelerates learning by extending their skills with advanced and in-depth study.

A key feature of these programs is the extension and extracurricular activities where children can be involved in international, national and state competitions, leadership programs, community service, university extension programs and study tours.

Selection into these programs is based on the results of the Academic Selective Entrance Test (ASET).

**PARENT INFORMATION SESSION** – A special information session will be held at Bunbury SHS on **24<sup>th</sup> October 2019** from 6pm in our school Library on Haig Crescent. Please register your interest with the Deputy Principal, Ms Kelly Anderson, by emailing [Kelly.Anderson@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Kelly.Anderson@education.wa.edu.au), or calling on 08 9781 2500.

Parents of current Year 4 and 5 students are encouraged to come along. Students in Year 8 or 9 in 2020 can also apply to enter the program in 2021.

**Applications to sit the testing for 2021 close in February 2020.**  
<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/gifted-and-talented>  
 to apply.

# ★ FIGHT the BITE ★

**PROTECT YOURSELF**

**DISEASE-CARRYING MOSQUITOES**

★ COVER UP. REPEL. CLEAN UP. ★

**WEAR LONG, LOOSE-FITTING, CLOTHING.**

**USE INSECT REPELLENT.**

**REMOVE THE WATER THEY BREED IN.**

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# Community News



## Teen Triple P Seminars

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program® knows all parents have different needs. That's why Triple P has many different ways for you to get your parenting help. So you can choose what will suit you and your family best.

### Who is this for?

- parents of teenagers

### Teen Triple P can help

- build a better relationship with your teenager
- reduce conflict
- keep your teenager safe
- be realistic about parenting
- take care of yourself

### Is this you?

Your baby's almost an adult, or at least that's what he or she thinks. So life at home can be a little strained. Maybe your 13-year-old son grunts instead of speaking to you. Or your 14-year-old daughter wants to go to parties with people you don't even know. It's not that you've got a "wild" kid. You'd just like to make sure things don't get out of hand.

### What are Teen Triple P Seminars?

Teen Triple P Seminars are for large groups of parents – perhaps 20 or more. They're informal presentations, a little like a public forum.

There are three seminars in the Teen Triple P Seminar series. You can choose to do one, two or all three of them. They deal with the most common parenting issues we all face, such as how to encourage responsible behaviour, improve family relationships, deal with independence or manage problems at school or with friends.

### The three seminars are:

- Raising Responsible Teenagers
- Raising Competent Teenagers
- Getting Teenagers Connected

### What Happens at a Teen Triple P Seminar?

Each seminar lasts 90 minutes. There's no homework and no follow up. But you'll be given a tip sheet to take home to remind you of the great ideas you've heard. You'll be able to start positive parenting straight away, to get back on track with your teenager – or be ready for what's ahead.

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## COMING SOON TO BUNBURY!

Wednesday evenings, 6pm to 8pm  
November 27, December 4, December 11

NMSHS PAC Room, Hotchin St, BUNBURY

CATERING PROVIDED - PLEASE RSVP VIA TEXT OR EMAIL

Text only - no reply: 0400 207 827

samantha.curtis@health.wa.gov.au

ALL PARENTS, CARERS, GRANDPARENTS WELCOME

[www.triplep-parenting.net](http://www.triplep-parenting.net)

# 2019 TERM PLANNER (Date of events may be subject to change)

## Term Four

| Wk | Monday  | Tuesday                                    | Wednesday                                  | Thursday   | Friday  | Sat | Sun   |
|----|---|--|--|--|---|-----|-------|
| 1  | 14 Oct<br>School Development Day                                    | 15<br>Students resume                      | 16   | 17   | 18<br>Choir - Youth Care<br>Excursion   | 19  | 20    |
| 2  | 21 Oct  | 22   | 23   | 24   | 25<br>Uniform Shop<br>8:45am – 9:15am<br>Loud Shirt Day                           | 26  | 27    |
| 3  | 28 Oct<br>P&C Meeting   | 29   | 30   | 31   | 1 Nov   | 2   | 3     |
| 4  | 4 Nov<br>School Council Mtg   | 5  | 6  | 7<br>Count Us In Song (Yr 1-6)   | 8<br>Uniform Shop<br>8:45am – 9:15am<br>Assembly – Specialist<br>(Music/Japanese) | 9   | 10    |
| 5  | 11 Nov  | 12   | 13   | 14   | 15  | 16  | 17    |
| 6  | 18 Nov  | 19   | 20   | 21   | 22<br>Summer Carnival -<br>Basketball (Selected<br>Students)                      | 23  | 24    |
| 7  | 25 Nov<br>2020 Kindy Parent<br>Meeting 9.15am<br>School Council Mtg | 26<br>P&C Book Fair<br>8:30-9am 3 – 3:30pm | 27<br>P&C Book Fair<br>8:30-9am 3 – 3:30pm | 28   | 29<br>Leonardo Day (Yr5)  | 30  | 1 Dec |
| 8  | 2 Dec   | 3  | 4  | 5<br>Uniform Shop<br>8:45am – 9:15am<br>2020 Kindy<br>Orientation 1.30pm | 6<br>Assembly – TA5   | 7   | 8     |
| 9  | 9 Dec   | 10   | 11   | 12   | 13  | 14  | 15    |
| 10 | 16 Dec<br>Volunteer Morning<br>Tea – 11am                           | 17<br>Awards and<br>Graduation - 9am       | 18<br>Reports go home                      | 19<br>Students last day<br>Uniform Shop<br>8:45am – 9:15am               | 20<br>Teachers last day<br>School Development<br>Day                              | 21  | 22    |
| H  | 23 Dec  | 24   | 25<br>Christmas Day                        | 26<br>Boxing Day   | 27  | 28  | 29    |
| H  | 30 Dec  | 31   | 1 Jan 2020<br>New Year's Day               | 2  | 3   | 4   | 5     |

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