

### **Clifton Park Primary School**

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#### **Newsletter No 15 TERM 3**

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#### School Motto: With Dride We Strive

We are coming to the end of another term; a term that has been full of learning and many interesting events for the Clifton Park community including Incursions, Book Week, Excursions, School Photos, Winter Carnival, Father's Day Stall and Open Night. I wish to thank all members of the school staff, School P & C and School Council who have supported me throughout this term as I have taken on the role of Principal. It has been a pleasure and delight to lead this wonderful school. I wish you all a very happy term break and I look forward to continuing to work at supporting the learning of all students in the school as Deputy Principal in Term 4 when Mr Gates will return from leave.

#### SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT

What a wonderful celebration of learning took place on Thursday 1 September when the school hosted the annual Open Night! Our school was full of excited students and supportive family members, with a 93% attendance rate. The students eagerly showed their work and talked about their learning.

It is also always wonderful to catch up with past students who take the opportunity to come and say hello to their former teachers.

The rooms and corridor looked fantastic and there were many other displays to view.

Thank you to all the staff and students for all the hard work that went into preparing for the event.

Mrs Garton announced the winners of the Photographic Competition. (See details further in newsletter) before the night finished off with three songs being superbly sung by the school choir. Thank you to Mrs Kaitani for preparing the choir, who performed with excellence and joy.

Special acknowledgement goes to the Lawson family who, with the support of the P&C, cooked and served 300 sausages. What an incredible effort and a super sausage sizzle!

#### 12-23 Swimming Lessons No Lunch Orders 16 Last day of Term 3 No lunch orders Term Break: Monday 26 Sept – Monday 10 Oct October 10 School Development Day (Student Free) 11 Students' First Day of Term 4 14 Years 4–6 Triathlon – Swimming leg 24 School Development Day - (Students Free) 28 Years 4–6 Triathlon – Running and Bike leg

#### PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION



The student response to the Photographic Competition that Mrs Garton organised as part of this year's Book Week celebration was wonderful. All photos submitted were full of meaning and memories for the students and their families and all entrants should be proud of their efforts.

After a viewers' voting process, the winners of the competition were:

- Katie Year 3, for Student-taken Australian • Environment
- Seth Year 3, for Family Albums for Family History

Congratulations to both these students. Their photos were amazing and fun. Thank you Mrs Garton for running this very successful competition.

#### SPECIALIST ASSEMBLY

Last Friday those who attended the Specialist Assembly were entertained with all Year 1 – 6 students performing in either a Japanese or Music item. The range of items and skill level at which they were performed are testament to Mrs Kaitani and the work she does in these two learning areas. Her hard work and the support she received allowed the talented students to demonstrate the skills they are working on each week in class. We are fortunate to have such a creative and enthusiastic staff member teaching these skills to our students.

#### COMING EVENTS

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#### SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons commenced this week and all is running smoothly. Here are a few reminders:

- Students are required to wear normal school footwear to school, however they will be allowed to wear thongs or slip-on footwear to and from the pool. This is for the safety of the students.
- There will be NO Friday lunch orders for the two weeks swimming lessons are being conducted.
- Some students will be eating their recess and lunch food at differing times to what is normal. You may like to consider packing slightly more recess food to tide them over until lunch. Swimming can use up a lot of energy.
- Parents you are welcome to come to LLC and watch your children.

**PLEASE NOTE**: There will be NO Friday lunch orders for the two weeks while swimming lessons are being conducted.

#### SCHOOLS ARE NON SMOKING AREAS

Remember that school premises are strictly non-smoking. Please refrain from smoking whenever on the school grounds.



#### SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

As mentioned in the last newsletter our new school chaplain, Mrs Sue McDonald, commenced work on Thursday 1 September. Sue works at our school every Thursday. As a parent, you are welcome to avail yourself of this service. If you would like to make an appointment with Sue, please speak to her directly on a Thursday or leave a message at the school office. Sue will then organise a time to meet with you.

#### **TERM 4 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

Please take note and start making necessary plans for the **TWO** School Development Days that are taking place next term. These days are used for the staff to receive professional learning and for whole staff involvement in planning for 2017. Students do not attend school on:

- Week 1: Monday 10 October and
- Week 3: Monday 24 October.

We are aware that these days have the potential to cause some significant disruptions to your schedules hence the timely advice.



Swimming	Lesson	Times:
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	Bus leaves school	Start lesson	End lesson	Approx return
Years 2,4&5	10:40am	11:00am	11:40am	11:55am
Years 1&2/3	11:50am	12:10pm	12:50pm	1:05pm
Year 6&PP	12:35pm	12:55pm	1:35pm	1:50pm

Recess and lunch times have been modified for those classes affected.

Requirements:

- Bathers/Towel/Goggles
- School Uniform and underwear
- Strong plastic bag for wet clothing carried in a recycling shopping bag

Please ensure your child's name is on all possessions.



#### STUDENT LEADERS

The Term 3 Student Councillors will be finishing next week and, on behalf of the school, I would like to sincerely thank Zarah Schluter and Seth Russell for the great job that they have done for our school. I know that they really enjoyed the

leadership opportunity and learned much about how to go about it. Welcome to our Term 4 Councillors, Isabella Ferrari and



Beau Depiazzi, I am confident that they will serve their school well and that they will also learn more about leadership.

### SCHOOL AWARDS AND GRADUATION ASSEMBLY (REPEAT)

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 13 December.** This will be a morning event commencing at 9:00am.

#### PLANNING FOR 2017 – IMPORTANT INFORMATION (REPEAT)

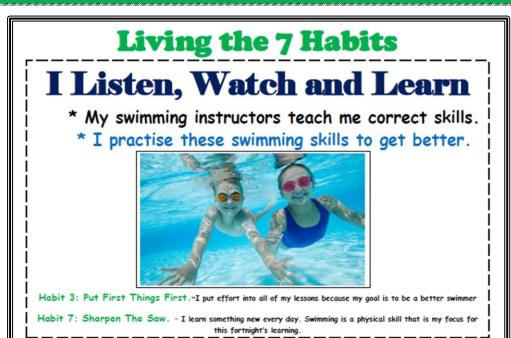
Planning for 2017 is underway at our school and we are at the stage of gathering information in regards to student numbers and staffing. To help us plan we need to know about the intentions of parents. If you already know that your child will not be returning to Clifton Park Primary School in 2017 can you please contact the office to let us know. This will enable us to more accurately work out class sizes and funding for next year.

> Deborah Jolliffe PRINCIPAL



#### Social and Emotional Focus

Each fortnight you will see a poster in the classrooms and around the school. In 2016 the school has raised the awareness of social and emotional literacy by focusing on resilience. Keep an eye out for this fortnight's poster.



Active Bodies – Positive Minds





Our school has been successful in its application for a 'Sporting Schools Grant' and has the support of WA Triathlon in providing a unique experience in the school's physical education curriculum. Students in Year 4, 5 and 6 classes are participating in a specialist Triathlon Program on Friday mornings, delivered by local Junior Triathlon Coach, Cory van Dijk. The students will have 6 sessions covering the three disciplines of a triathlon

(running, cycling and swimming). In Term 4 the program will culminate with:

Stage 1-Triathlon Event - Week 1, Friday October 14 Swimming and transition to bike.

Stage 2 - Triathlon Event - Week 3, Friday October 28 Cycle and Run.

If you have an interest in this sport, or are just a supportive school community member, we would be keen for your assistance as these events require considerable adult supervision.

If you are interested in volunteering and/or require further information please contact the school on 9725 2400 or contact Peta.Vanwyk@education.wa.edu.au



### Year 4 Class

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September Year Four went to the Bunbury Art Gallery to see an exhibition by Shaun Tan, a West Australian author and illustrator.

The children were fascinated and created 'lost things' of their own and wrote stories about them. During technology they worked in groups of four and constructed an animated story of their 'things'.

We would like to thank Ryley Clarke for her awesome help and support in our class on Tuesdays for technology. She has been on work experience and we appreciated her care and commitment.

Mrs Gerace Year 4 Teacher



#### THE LOST THING

One day in a gloomy, sad city three friends got together. Their names were Luke Chicken Ferrari, Zavier Duck Philips and Adam fang Mcguigan. Then they found the lost tissue box that was squirting tissues with boogers on them all over the place. When they had calmed it down they took it to lost things 'N' lost stuff centre to buy it some supercalafragalisticexpialadocius warming food. After that the lost tissue box was very happy. They then tried to find its home. After looking from luxury dog houses to rat caves they went down the dead alleyway. This was where they found a rubbish bin. Coming from inside was a bright light. They jumped in and found a magical world full of lovely creatures. When they got back to the surface they told everyone the story I just told you. After that the city was a happy and fun place to be. THE END <sup>Angus wrote this book</sup>

The lost Thing

Once there was a blue and sparkly bowl. It has eyes, a mouth, legs and a spoon. It can speak like a cat. It can also speak Australian. He was all alone he went to the lost things he said, "look at this I belong here" he made friends so he stayed there.

**By** Izzy, Yr 4

#### The Lost Thing

One day I was walking to school and I saw a lost thing. So I put that lost thing in my bag and took it school. I was going to do show and tell but it was making a lot of noise. The teacher heard it and I got suspended. I went home and did some research and it is one of the noisiest thing in the world. So I upgraded it and now it is the quietest thing in the world. Bought to you by the Lost Thing, it is a movie.

By Lily, Yr 4

#### Jhe lost thing

One day a little girl was walking to the park. She loves going to the park. One day she saw a pink thing. She walked over to it. It smiled at her. She noticeals that it had a walking stick. She said "Are you ok?" it said yes! In a growling way. She took it home. She love it and it loved her too. After 5 years it died. She was so sad she made a model of it and keep it safe.

BY LEONIE Yr 4



Start your own worm farm on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

The Year Four class will be selling worms and worm juice from 8:00am until 8:30am at the front of our school.

> Exciting creatures, recycling waste, makes superb fertiliser and only \$6 for a container of worms.

> > or

Buy worm juice at only \$3:00 a container to give your plants a boost of nutrients. See you worm lovers there!

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# C.H.A.T.

(Changing Health Acting Together)

## Just mucking around is good for you

### Good Idea

Suggest that the family set aside a time each week when you don't have to do anything or be anywhere in particular. No television, no computer games, no playstation-just general mucking around. It may be hard at first, but you'll come to love it.

TOP TIP Some kids who lie around watching TV to pass the time may seem relaxed but often they feel exhausted. What they need is some fresh air and physical activity. Life can be stressful for adults and kids too, and everyone benefits from a rest now and then. These days many people have forgotten the art of 'just mucking around'. It means not doing anything in particular, not being organised or structured.

It can seem like a waste of time, but it's one of the healthiest thing you can do, especially as a family. Hanging around, laughing over silly things, just watching the clouds go by is relaxing and refreshing. It helps your mind turn off for a while and it lets your body relax.

### What you can do NOW

- Resist the urge to tell kids to keep busy
- Show the way by taking time out and enjoying yourself rather than always trying to get things done
- Stock up on board games suitable for the whole family to play



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#### UNIFORM SHOP OPEN DATES FOR TERM 4

9am - 9:30am

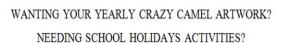
#### Monday 17 October

#### More dates to be confirmed

School Uniform Order Forms are available at the front office. Complete and place them in the uniform box in the front office and they will be processed as soon as possible.

> Lauree Sims Uniform Coordinator Monday–Friday During school hours 0400 239 144





The P & C can help you with these...

The Art work paper together with an order form can be found on the P &C table outside the staff room.

The special paper is provided with instructions on the reverse side of the paper, please take the time to read these to ensure you do receive the masterpiece you are expecting.

All Art work, order forms and money are due back week 1 of Term 4, Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October, please return these in the plastic sleeves provided. Your childs artwork can be produced on any of the following

#### CALENDARS

- FAMILY PLANNERS
- PILLOW CASES
- PACKS OF CARDS
- DIARIES
- NOTEBOOKS
- SKETCH PADS
  IPHONE CASES
- TEA TOWELS

If you are stuck on ideas you can get some inspiration from the following link:

#### http://www.crazycamel.com.au/art-ideas



#### VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR THE SCHOLASTIC

#### BOOK CLUB CO-ORDINATOR

Scholastic has partnered with Australian schools for over 45 years to instil a love of reading in children. They have provided millions of opportunities for children to access quality, age-appropriate books and safely choose their own independent reading material, thereby supporting our teachers' efforts to foster literacy through a love of books, a desire to

learn and the joy of reading for pleasure.

We are looking for your help, it's easy-

Role:

- Distribute Pamphlets to each class twice a term
- Order books twice a term
- Distribute books twice a term
- Co-ordinate the Scholastic Book Fair twice a year

Jodie Harkness, the current co-ordinator, is happy to do a thorough hand over.

Please phone the school on 9725 2400 if you are interested and arrangements can be made. Thank you Jodie Harkness, we have really appreciated the work you have done as the book club coordinator.

#### **FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY**

CPPS P&C has the opportunity to obtain a series of donations from the ANZ Bank.

If you know anyone who is arranging a home loan through the ANZ Australind bank, they only have to tell the bank that they have a connection to our P&C and we can earn 0.5 % of the loan, that's \$500 per \$100,000. The connection can be anyone who just knows of our P&C, they don't even need to have children at our school.

Our P&C bank with the ANZ Australind and they also support our children by providing the service of students' school banking. Spread the news!!



# **Community News**

