



# Clifton Park Primary School

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### School Motto: With Pride We Strive

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#### COMING EVENTS

##### October

- 24 P&C Meeting
- 26 Yr 2 Assembly 2pm
- 26 Uniform Shop Open 3pm-3:30pm

##### November

- 1 Count Us In Song (Years 1-6)  
ANZ Student Banking (8:35am - 8:50am)

#### WELCOME TO TERM 4

Welcome back to the final term of 2018. This is always an exciting term, particularly for our Year 6 students who are now in their final term of primary school. Events to look forward to this term include: Assemblies hosted by Year 2 and Year 5, Interschool Basketball Carnival (selected students), Leonardo Science Day (Yr 5), Book fair and the Awards and Graduation Ceremony.

#### NEW PRINCIPAL

I am pleased to announce that the new Principal, Mrs Cathy Allen, will be commencing at the school on October 23. I have met with Mrs Allen and have introduced her to the staff and students. I was impressed with her approach, professionalism and enthusiasm, and I am confident that the school will be in very good hands.

#### FAREWELL FROM MR GATES

I am sitting in my office trying to find the words that can adequately sum up the thoughts streaming through my mind as I reflect on my impending retirement, and in particular what this school has meant to me. You know that I have never been backward in showing my feelings, so I'm sure you all are aware of how much I care about this school. It will always have a special place in my heart and I am so pleased that I have retired from this school as, for me, if I went to any other school it would pale in comparison.

I have been blessed to have worked with so many wonderful and caring staff here at this school and I sincerely thank them for the genuine care that they show to the students, the community and each other. Thank you staff. Thank you parents for the support, trust and faith you have shown in me.

Thank you to the parent volunteers (P&C, Council etc) for the significant roles you have taken on for the school. And finally, a special thanks to the current and past students because you are the reason I put so much effort into the role. It's been my pleasure to have worked with you all.

I trust that you will remember me as someone who cared and made a difference. If I have helped you in any way, it has been a privilege.

Thank you Clifton Park Primary School.

**Ric Gates**  
**PRINCIPAL**

#### 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.

#### NO HAT, NO PLAY IN THE SUN

Term 4 brings back the rule of No Hat, No Play in the Sun, so please supply a hat for your children (broad brimmed hats are recommended, however caps are acceptable). As it is warming up you also may choose to apply sunscreen and mosquito repellent to your children before school if you feel it is needed.



## 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. Once the siren sounds at 8:35am students then move to their classroom.

## PLANNING FOR 2019

Planning for 2019 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 2019 please contact the office to let us know. This will enable us to more accurately work out class sizes and funding for next year.

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## ANZ SCHOOL BANKING

A representative from the ANZ Bank, Australind, will be in the school corridor between 8:35am and 8:50am to assist with your child's banking. Term 4 dates are 1 November and 29 November. These dates are on the term planner. Teach your child to save by banking at the school every month. New customers are welcome. For more information, please contact ANZ Australind Branch 6164 2303.



## 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 11 December** and will commence at **9:00am** in the undercover area.



## 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:

- ❖ wear a hat, helmet or sunglasses
- ❖ get off your bike and walk
- ❖ walk in a group
- ❖ never approach a baby magpie
- ❖ keep an eye on the magpie, as they don't tend to swoop when being watched.

*If you are swooped, don't stop or run, just walk away. And, most importantly, never deliberately provoke or harass a magpie.* See the Department's website for the latest information. [www.dpaw.wa.gov.au](http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au)

## HERE ARE FOUR THINGS A FAMILY CAN DO TO RAISE A GREAT READER

(BY VARIOUS UNIVERSITY STUDIES)



### They are:

- **Bedtime Matters** - Children with irregular bedtimes or going to bed after 9pm did poorly in reading tests, a University College London study found. Routines are important for children.
- **Up Their Omega 3s** - A six-month study published in the Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry found that 9 and 10 year olds who were given a supplement of the omega-3 acids DHA and EPA, plus a small amount of omega-6, were better able to read aloud, had superior pronunciation and had less trouble reading a series of letters quickly than those given a placebo. Only 6% of Aussie kids get enough omega-3.

- **Read Aloud Continuously** - When we read aloud to children we read books that are beyond their ability, so they're being introduced to new vocabulary; and the size of their vocabulary is the best predictor of how they'll do at school. A recent Australian survey found that the number of parents who are reading to their children on a regular basis rapidly declines from the age of six, with only 4% doing so after they've turned 9.
- **Turn Real Pages** - It's important children see their parents reading a physical book. A lot of parents read on devices but children don't know that's what they're doing. They could be flicking through their Instagram feed! When you've got a book in your hand, there's no mistaking you're reading. This is a great model for children to follow.

# Money Wars

Each year, WA Telethon fundraises an incredible amount of money that is used to assist with children's health. Telethon 2018 takes place this weekend. Your family may have donated to this very worthy cause in the past.

Clifton Park Primary School Student Leaders have organised a fundraiser which they have titled '*Money Wars*'. All the details are on the poster. It would be wonderful if you would consider making your 2018 donation to Telethon via our school. Our school will then forward all proceeds to Telethon and the total donation will be from Clifton Park Primary School.

Your generous donation will be appreciated.

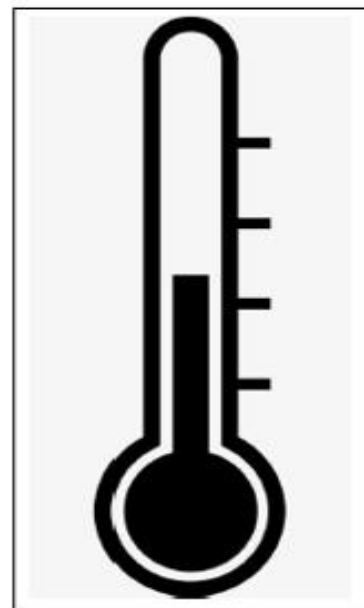


**What: Raise money for Telethon**

**When: Monday 15 Oct – Friday 19 Oct**

**How:**

- Classes will have a money collection container in their room.
- Family donations can be placed in the class container.
- The Student Leaders will count the money each day.
- Each day's total will be displayed on a progress thermometer chart located in the hallway.
- The class that raises the most money will have a fun games afternoon.



**All money raised will be donated to Telethon.**





# P & C NEWS



## Volunteers Needed!

### School Disco - Can you help?

The P&C are looking for volunteers to be on the organising committee for this year's School Disco.

We need ideas for a theme and activities, as well as help to sort out catering and decorations on the night.

If you are keen to help, please message the P&C Facebook page or contact

Renia Clarke on 0439 939 583



## Dad and Kids Sleep-out



The Clifton Park Dads group are busy organising the annual Dad and Kids Sleep-out.

Watch this space for details!

## Christmas Raffle



We will be putting a call out soon for donations for the annual P&C Christmas Raffle.

We hope to make this one bigger and better than ever!

## Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open in Term 4 on the following dates:

**Friday 26<sup>TH</sup> Oct 3pm – 3:30pm**

**Wednesday 14<sup>TH</sup> Nov 2:30pm – 3pm**

**Monday 3<sup>RD</sup> Dec 8:30am – 9am**

### Ordering Uniforms

#### **Monday – Friday: during school hours**

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.

**Reference:** Please use first three letters of student SURNAME along with UNI = Uniform or DON = P&C Donation

*Uniform Shop going cashless!*  
Only EFTPOS and Direct Deposit available

### Uniform Coordinators

All enquiries to: -

Kristy Hamilton 0438 215 016 or Sharman Lee 0411 174 866

# Community News



## Talking Drugs Parent Information Sessions

Parents/carers have a crucial role to play in reducing young people's risk of harm from alcohol and other drugs, including methamphetamine, through education and the promotion of good mental health.

SDERA (School Drug Education and Road Aware) is offering free Talking Drugs information sessions for parents/carers of students in all year levels.

Come along and find out about:

- SDERA and how we work with schools.
- Trends in student drug use.
- The role parents/carers play in school drug education.
- Tips on how to start a conversation with children.
- Where to go for help with a drug-related problem.

### Clifton Park Primary School

will be hosting an information session for parents with guest presenter Lisa Gartrell

**Date: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2018**

**Time: 2:00pm – 3:00pm**

**Place: Music/Japanese Room**

## Clifton Park Playgroup Health Nurse Visit!

Clifton Park Playgroup is excited to welcome back Rosemary from Eaton Child Health Clinic

Where: Clifton Park Playgroup

Clifton Park Primary School

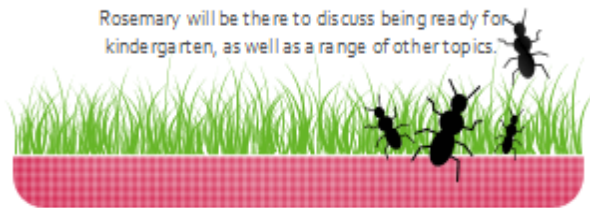
Time: 9.30am

Date: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October

What to bring: A piece of fruit for morning tea.

Price: FREE

Rosemary will be there to discuss being ready for kindergarten, as well as a range of other topics.



## LiveLighter Brunswick Show Sat. Oct 27<sup>th</sup>



Come along and check out the School Displays.

Participate in the Kids Discovery Trail and be in the running to win cash prizes on the day!!

Closing date for all kids and adults cooking, floral and craft (etc) entry forms is 7pm Wednesday October 24<sup>th</sup>

Free shuttle bus departs Bunbury, Eaton and Australind

Go to [www.brunswickshow.com](http://www.brunswickshow.com) for more details and bus schedule. Follow us on Facebook for instant updates.



## TUNING IN TO KIDS Parenting Workshop

A FREE SIX SESSION PARENTING PROGRAM FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF YOUNG CHILDREN AGED 3-10 YEARS.

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN HOW TO:

- Communicate with your child more effectively?
- Understand your child's needs?
- Help your child learn how to manage those difficult emotions?
- Prevent behavioural problems in your child?
- Help your child to problem solve and develop resilience?

### TUNING IN TO KIDS SHOWS YOU HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD DEVELOP EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE:

- Children with higher emotional intelligence:
- Have greater success with making and keeping friends
  - Have better concentration at school
  - Are more able to calm down when upset or angry
  - Tend to have fewer childhood illnesses

### EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE MAY BE A BETTER PREDICTOR OF ACADEMIC AND CAREER SUCCESS THAN IQ!

Where: Relationships Australia 71 Kent St Busseton 6280

When: Wednesday October 24 & 31<sup>st</sup>, November 7, 14, 21 & 28<sup>th</sup>. Time: 10am – 12.30pm.

Cost: FREE

Crèche: Not Provided

Facilitator: Kerry Hawkins (Relationships Australia WA).

Phone: 61640528 Email: [kerry.hawkins@relationshipsaustralia.org.au](mailto:kerry.hawkins@relationshipsaustralia.org.au)

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CELEBRATE  
**CHILDREN'S WEEK**

**FAMILY FUN DAY**

ENTRY & ALL  
ACTIVITIES  
FREE

**WHERE:** Hudson Rd Family Centre, 95 Hudson Rd, Withers.

**WHEN:** Thursday 25th October 2018 at 9am-12pm

**WHAT:** Bubble Fun, Shaving Foam Play, Arts & Crafts, Face Painting, Sensory Play Zone, Animal Farm, Ball Pit and lots more fun for the whole family.



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REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN



IS YOUR CHILD 7 - 13 YEARS?

ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT THEIR WEIGHT?

- FUN, **FREE** 10 week program
- Get fit playing fun games and activities
- Meet new friends and learn new healthy lifestyle skills
- Learn to lead healthier, happier lives
- Build confidence and boost self esteem
- Free tshirt, bag, water bottle, ball and other helpful resources

**TERM 4 2018 PROGRAMS**

**Bunbury**

South West Sports Centre  
Thursdays 4.00pm - 6.00pm  
Starts 11th October 2018

Call: 1300 822 953  
SMS: 0409 745 645  
Visit: [betterhealthprogram.org](http://betterhealthprogram.org)



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## WAAPA Summer School 2018/2019

This Summer WAAPA at ECU, Mt Lawley is offering an exciting performing arts program for students from Years 1 to 12. The Summer School includes classes in RAP, Acting, Dance, Drama, Screen Performance, Music Theatre and of course, how to perform Shakespeare. For information about the fantastic courses on offer please visit [WAAPA Summer School](http://WAAPA Summer School) or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at [g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au](mailto:g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au)



# 2018 TERM PLANNER

## Term Four

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
<b>1</b>	8 Oct School Development Day	9 Students resume	10	11	12	13	14
<b>2</b>	15 Oct	16	17	18	19	20	21
<b>3</b>	22 Oct	23	24 P&C Meeting	25	26 TA4 Assembly 2pm Uniform Shop Open 3-3:30pm	27	28
<b>4</b>	29 Oct	30	31	1 November Count Us In Song ANZ Student Banking	2	3	4
<b>5</b>	5 Nov	6	7	8	9	10	11
<b>6</b>	12 Nov	13	14 Uniform Shop Open 2:30-3pm	15	16	17	18
<b>7</b>	19 Nov BOOKFAIR School Council and P&C Meeting	20 BOOKFAIR	21 BOOKFAIR	22 BOOKFAIR Summer Carnival - (Selected Students)	23 BOOKFAIR Leonardo Day (Yr5)	24	25
<b>8</b>	26 Nov	27	28	29 Kindy 2019 Meeting ANZ Student Banking	30 TA3 Assembly 2pm	1 Dec	2
<b>9</b>	3 Dec Uniform Shop Open 8:30am – 9am	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>10</b>	10 Dec Volunteer Morning Tea - 11am	11 Awards and Graduation Ceremony - 9am	12 Reports go home	13 Students last day	14 Teachers last day School Development Day	15	16
<b>H</b>	17 Dec	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>H</b>	24 Dec	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30

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