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School Motto: With Pride We Strive

COMING EVENTS

November

- 17 Leonardo Science Day (Yr 5)
- 18 'Champion Dads' Camp Out
- 19 Busy Bee 8-9am
- 20 School Council Meeting
P&C Meeting 7pm (Final for 2017)
- 23 2018 Kindy Parent Meeting 2pm
- 29 Choir @ Bethany Fields 1:30pm
- 30 ANZ Student Banking
Mercy Yr6-Yr7 Transition Day

December

- 1 TA5 Class Assembly

CLASSES FOR 2018

It is still too early at this stage to lock in our class planning for 2018. The anticipated numbers for the start of next year is making it difficult to set classes easily. We'll keep working on it and let you know in the next newsletter.



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

As we are coming towards the end of the school year I would like to put out a friendly reminder that students need to continue to attend school regularly. It's important for every parent and guardian to remember that students are expected to attend right up until the end of the school year. Absence follow up letters will be sent home next week, please return completed explanations by the stated due date.

SCHOOL COUNCIL AND P&C MEETINGS

The final meetings of the year for these two groups is Monday November 20. The School Council Meeting commences at 6:15pm with the P&C Meeting to follow at 7pm.

LEONARDO DAY – Friday November 17

Each year our Year 5 students participate in this excellent Science day at the Brunswick Showgrounds. This year Leonardo Day is on Friday November 17. It is a cooperative and interactive day shared with students from seven other schools enjoying a range of educational and fun Science activities. The activities are run by teachers from each of these schools and the local high schools. Scitech is also involved and, when available, local industry get involved such as the Water Corporation, CSIRO (Carbon Kids) and Wastewise. The children always have a great day! Permission notes will be sent home with the year 5 students soon.

'CHAMPION DADS' CAMP OUT

This highly anticipated and fun event is on again this year on Saturday November 18. Please see later in this newsletter for more details.

BUSY BEE

It is planned to have an hour of a 'working bee' for the school on the Sunday morning November 19, from 8-9am, following the Dad's Camp.

Could volunteers please bring shovels, nail rakes, a few wheelbarrows and hand saws suitable for trimming small branches. The plan is for the group to work on:

- 1) Mulching the existing path in bush outside staffroom including neatening up the existing ships rope boarder.
- 2) Construction of an obstacle course.
- 3) Inspecting the trees where the students play for broken and protruding branches that pose a danger, especially at children's eye level.



SCHOOL AWARDS AND GRADUATION CEREMONY

The ceremony will commence at 9am on Tuesday December 12 in the undercover area. This event will be hosted by the student leaders as in previous years.

Proceedings will include:

- Presentation of Class Awards
- Speeches, farewells and acknowledgements
- Graduation Ceremony
- Festive songs / School song to the Graduates
- Announcement of the 2018 Head Boy and Girl
- Graduates' song/performance to the school



This will then be followed by:

- Morning tea for the Year 6 Graduates and their guests, book award donors and the Staff (Recess for the rest of the school).

Graduates will then leave for their excursion and lunch (normal schooling for the rest of the school).

STAY SAFE - 'Wear Red' Day

Thank you to all students and their families for the wonderful response to this cause. The money donated will go to the Daniel Morcombe foundation in an attempt to keep children safe and informed.

PP ASSEMBLY

The Pre Primary hosted and performed admirably at their assembly on Friday November 3. The cute factor dial was definitely on high as they performed their items for us all. The costuming and presentation was first class and everyone there thoroughly enjoyed it. Congratulations to the staff at Pre Primary for preparing the class so well.



P&C DISCO

The P&C's 80's Retro Colour Disco on Friday November 3 was a high energy fun filled evening. On behalf of us all, I would like to thank the P&C disco committee for organising this fun event for the students.

INTERSCHOOL BASKETBALL CARNIVAL

Last Friday boys and girls teams of Year 5/6 students represented their school in the annual Forrest Interschool Basketball Carnival. The children trained really well over a number of weeks and took a team approach into the carnival, achieving extremely well. Both our teams managed very good results finishing high up in the final results. We are very proud of the way they represented themselves and our school. The tradition continued of giving a rousing rendition of the school song in the corridor upon their return. Well done students. Thank you again to Mrs Clayton and Mr Kelly for their coaching of the teams, as well as to all parents who gave their support on the day.



PARENT SURVEY

Thank you to those family representatives for responding to our survey. The results are in and will be presented to the school council at the next meeting on Monday.

Ric Gates
PRINCIPAL





HOME READING



WHY READ 20 MINUTES AT HOME?

Student A Reads	Student B Reads	Student C Reads
20 minutes per day	5 minutes per day	1 minute per day
3,600 minutes per school year	900 minutes per school year	180 minutes per school year
1,800,000 words per year	282,000 words per year	8,000 words per year

Reading is the best exercise for your brain!

If a student starts reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ.

TEACHING

Community News

COULD ASBESTOS BE IN YOUR HOME?



Learn what you need to know



November is National Asbestos Awareness Month

If you are thinking about renovating, you must be aware of asbestos. It is important for home owners and renovators to be aware of how to safely manage asbestos in and around the home. We encourage families to visit the below website www.asbestosawareness.com.au to find out what they need to know about asbestos where they can view and download fact sheets, check lists and guides to managing asbestos safely.

We made the Herald!



P & C NEWS



The cheque presentation attached is for a total of 3 loans since June 2016.

ANZ Home Loan Introducer Program

- Your school P&C will receive .3% of the loan amount settled for any new ANZ Home Loan if Clifton Park Primary School is mentioned e.g. \$400 000.00 will give you \$1200.00 (that equates to a lot of cake stalls).
- Customers applying for the loans do not need to work or have children at your school – they just need to mention your school. They do not need to be a part of the community; they can be family or friends from afar.
- No need to be an existing ANZ customer.
- Payments applied to your P&C accounts can come from qualifying home loans, investment loans and other financial institutional refinances.
- Payments are automatically credited to the ANZ P&C account on the 15th of the following month of drawdown of the loan.
- ANZ is Australia's most awarded HOME LOAN LENDER – Leanne has won the ANZ Home Lender of the year award 5 times running. This can give you confidence on knowing that you are in good hands.
- Feel free to talk to the school banking lady so that we can book an appointment for you or phone the Australind Branch on Ph: 61642300 or phone Leanne Coutts directly on Mob: 0435 962 115.



From 3pm, Saturday 18th November
Clifton Park Primary School Oval
Cost \$15 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 Laser tag, sports shed games, sausage sizzle, and a torch-light message hunt. On Sunday we will also have a small busy-bee around the school.

All children must be accompanied by their own dad or father figure and if unavailable, mums are also welcome. This is an alcohol free event.

Contact: Dean Pitts mob: 0406 479 655

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open in Term 4 on the following dates:-

Monday 4 December 8:45am – 9:30am

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.



IS NOW
AVAILABLE
IN THE UNIFORM

Lauree Sims
Uniform Coordinator
Monday – Friday
during school hours
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