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School Motto: With Pride We Strive

COMING EVENTS

November

- 11 Interschool Basketball Carnival
Remembrance Day
- 14 Choir - Bethany Fields
- 23 School Council Meeting 6:15pm
P&C Meeting 7pm
Kindy 2017 Parent Meeting 2pm
- 24 Student Banking
- 25 Leonardo (Science) Day for Year 5's

RECENT SCHOOL EVENTS

The school has enjoyed a number of events recently that have been fantastic. These include the Year 2 Assembly, the Triathlon and the Year 6 Japanese excursion. The staff involved led their respective events with excellence and deserve our thanks for their efforts. I would also like to recognise the significant contribution from our parents that so ably supported us in these events. Our school community will remain strong with this level of continued support, thank you.

I would also like to acknowledge the P&C for running another wonderful disco. It was a credit to the commitment, energies and efforts of the team. Great job!

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

- Our choir will be entertaining the folk at Bethanie Fields on Monday 14 November. This has become an annual event, the residents and staff love our choir visit and our students get to give something to the community. Thank you Mrs Kaitani for your coordination of this important event.



- **Remembrance Day**

- The school will be gathering in the corridor for one minute of silence at 11am on the 11th of November to pay our respects
- If students would like to make a donation and receive a Poppy, we will have a collection tin and poppies available out the front of the office before school. Also Student councillors will make their way around to each class during the morning.



- **Interschool Basketball Carnival** – This annual Term 4 event for selected Year 6 students is on Friday November 11. Both teams are training hard under the coaching of Mrs Clayton (boys) and Mr Semmens (girls). Traditionally we have done well in this event so come along and support our teams at the Leschenault Leisure Centre if you can. Fixtures will be handed out to participating students and also available on our skoolbag app.



- **Leonardo Day** – Each year our Year 5 students participate in this excellent Science day at the Brunswick Showgrounds. This year it is on Friday November 25. It is a cooperative and interactive day shared with students from 7 other schools participating in a range of fun Science activities. These are run by teachers from each of these schools, local high schools and also Scitech and the CSIRO. The children always have a great day!

THOUGHTFUL QUOTE

"It's not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves, that will make them successful human beings". Ann Landers

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 this term in Week 10 on **Tuesday 13 December**. This will be a morning event commencing at 9:00am.



SOCIAL MEDIA PITFALLS

I was made aware of this article through my Principals' Association and thought that I would share it with you for you to be aware and knowledgeable.

Social Media and the School Community



The internet and social media provide great opportunities for us to network and stay in touch online. While these technologies can offer a positive space for sharing information and ideas, they also have the potential to cause harm to individuals, groups or even whole communities.

Just as you would discourage your child from acting inappropriately online, it's important to remember that sometimes, negative comments posted about a school community by parents or caregivers can have a bigger impact than expected. Reputations of staff, schools, and even parents can be damaged.

Whenever you're online, you are potentially speaking to an unlimited audience, even if you think your conversations are private. Taking a few moments to think about the content you post could save upset, embarrassment - and even possible legal action or police involvement.

Parental and community feedback is important for schools. If you have a concern, complaint or enquiry about an issue at school, the best approach is to speak directly to us, rather than discussing it in a public forum. If you are worried about online content involving the school community, contact the principal. And, if you are posting online, remember that your comments help build and support the school community. Make sure you're honest, respectful and considerate - and a good role model for your children.

PLANNING FOR 2017 – IMPORTANT INFORMATION (REPEATED)

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 will already know that your child will not be returning to Clifton Park Primary School in 2017 could you please contact the front office to let us know? This will enable us to more accurately work out class sizes and funding for next year.

STAFFING (REPEATED)

Early Planning for classes next year has the following scenarios occurring;

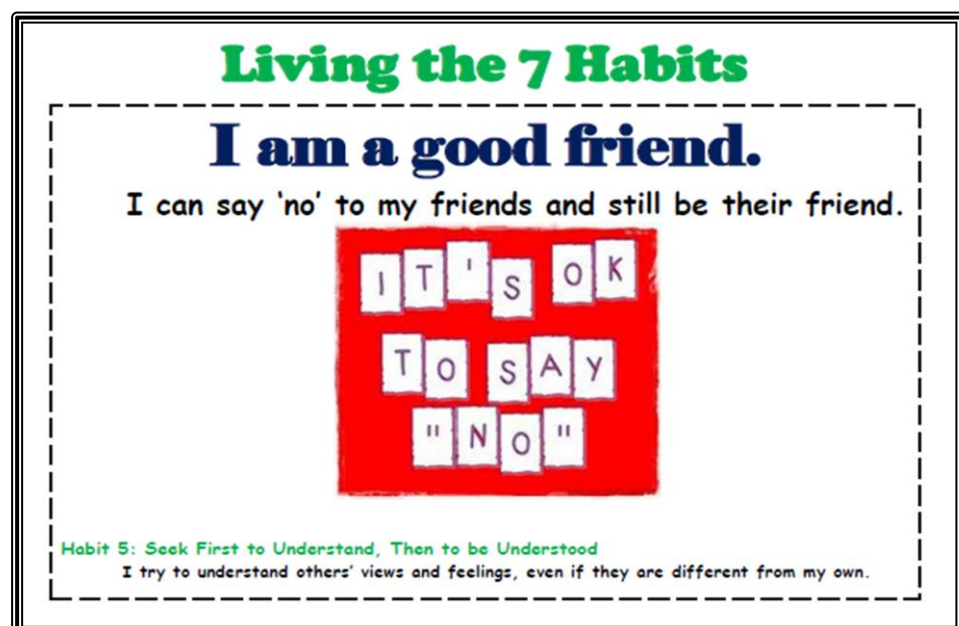
- Mrs Tiede will be teaching the Kindy and Mrs Colling will be teaching in the Year 1/2 area.
- Anticipated student numbers (as of now) suggest that, most likely, there will be a 5 class structure in the main corridor plus a full Kindy class and a straight Pre Primary class.

Please remember that it is still too early to lock these in and hence they are subject to change.

Ric Gates
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.





Enriching Mathematics Learning

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS TRUST

Australian Mathematics Competition 2016

In July this year 25 students from our school were nominated by their teachers to compete in the Australian Mathematics Competition.

This is a national competition and the questions are certainly challenging. I recently received certificates informing the school that ten of the students achieved commendable scores.

Distinction Awards

(top 20% national score)

Cameron Kelly Yr 6
Cooper Russell Yr 5
Angus Gibb Yr 4
Bailey Harkness Yr 4
Adam McGuigan Yr 4

Credit Awards

(top 55% national score)

Isabella Ferrari Yr 6
Tayla Maskell Yr 6
Luke Ferrari Yr 4
Indigo Berry Yr 4
Tom Ward Yr 3

Every student who participated in the competition is congratulated for their efforts. Well done to you all.
Mrs Gwyn Jones.
Teacher



CPPS DUATHLON FRIDAY OCTOBER 28



Thank you to Triathlon WA for the medals and Cory van Dyke our fabulous coach from Bunbury Triathlon.

Congratulations to all participating students.

P & C NEWS

Come along to our next
P&C Meeting
23 Nov 2016
7pm

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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!!

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN DATE - TERM 4

9am – 9:30am ☺Monday 5th December

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

Community News

Vocal Fusion Choir

Present their

CHRISTMAS VARIETY CONCERT

Saturday 10 December
at 2.00 pm

Bunbury Catholic College Hall

Rodstead St Bunbury

Featuring

- CONfusion Children's Choir
- Bunbury Young Voices
- Clifton Park Primary School
- Out of the Blue

Tickets

Phone Chris 9795 5540
Adults \$15
Students & Concession \$10
Children under 12 years FREE

Tickets available at the door
unless sold out prior.

Afternoon tea available

Door Sales CASH ONLY.
No EFTPOS available.
General admission only



CPPS PLAYGROUP 'MESSY DAY' FRIDAY DECEMBER 2



Clifton Park
PlayGroup
Messy Day
Lucy Victoria Ave
\$gold coin donation
Piece of fruit!
2nd Dec 9-12am

**Moon
Sand!!**



Contact Playgroup coordinator:
Joanne Lawson on 0447 710 229