



# Clifton Park Primary School

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## School Motto: With Pride We Strive

### SCHOOL EVENTS AND NEWS

Recent incursions and activities at our school include the visit by the Guide Dogs, a visit by some ballet dancers, a Frisbee Golf donation and coaching, a district Library Officers meeting and a fun Resilience Games activity session. All were received well and I thank the coordinators sincerely for making them happen.

### YEAR 5/6 ASSEMBLY – FRIDAY JUNE 23

Parents, please note that we have postponed the Year 5/6 assembly by a week due to the clash with the choir attending Eisteddfod. It would have been unfair on Mr Kelly and his students to have both events on the same day. Their assembly is now on Friday June 23 at 2pm. Please join us.

A reminder to parents that every student should be in correct school uniform at assemblies. They are also encouraged to wear their Clifton Badges if they have earned one or more.

### EISTEDDFOD

As mentioned above, the choir is representing our school on Friday June 16, at the Eisteddfod, 10am session, held at BREC. They have been rehearsing regularly and are starting to get excited about representing their school. On behalf of us all I'd like to wish the choir and Mrs Kaitani all the very best for that Friday.



### CROSS COUNTRY

Also on the agenda in this very busy time for school events is the interschool Cross Country. Mr Deane has worked hard at training and coaching our squad and we wish them well next Wednesday June 21 at Adam Road Primary School. We have enjoyed some success in this event in the past and have always been impressed with the manner in which our students compete and represent their school.



## COMING EVENTS

June

- 14-15 P&C Book Fair
- 16 Choir Eisteddfod @ BREC 10am session
- 19 Uniform Shop Open (8:45am-9:15am)
- 21 Cross Country (selected students)
- 22 Student Banking
- 23 Year 5/6 Assembly (2pm)
- 28 Student Reports go home
- 30 Students Last day of Term 2

July

- 17 Staff return
- 18 Students return for Term 3

### STUDENT REPORTS

The Student Reporting process is well on the way and the completed reports will be sent home on Wednesday of Week 10.

### STAFFING NEWS

Congratulations are in order for Jodie Harkness for being the successful applicant for the vacant EA position at the school. Jodie was the outstanding applicant and I take great pleasure in officially welcoming her to our team.

A number of our staff are having, or going to be, on Long Service leave shortly (our department is still pushing for staff to reduce their leave liability). The staff and their relief are:

Mrs Clarke: current to June 19 – Relief is Mrs Clayton

Mrs Colling: current to June 30– Relief is Mrs Hynes and Mrs Oakley

Mrs Van Wyk: 9 August – Relief is Mrs Janice Myers

Leo: see Gardener section following in this newsletter.

## GARDENER

I would like to inform you that Leo is in the process of retiring from his role at the school. Leo has loved working here, however he was finding that some of the roles were getting beyond him and he has decided to hang up his boots. They will be big boots to fill! Leo will be missed by the whole school community. Greg is continuing in the role, with Kirsten assisting him until the replacement process has been completed.

## ASSEMBLY TRIAL

After getting feedback on the trial, and with advice from the School Council, I have come to the conclusion that most people are comfortable with the 2pm timeslot. The reasons are that they (staff and parents) are used to it and secondly, that they (mostly parents) prefer the end of the day scenario for various reasons including the cake stall and finishing the school day off nicely.

What I see us doing in the future is to have the option of changing the assembly time under exceptional circumstances providing sufficient notice can be given.

## WINTER CARNIVAL

I attended a meeting of the Forrest Interschool Sports Association last Thursday and have nominated us only for Soccer and Netball for the Winter Carnival this year. Due to the small numbers of our Year 6 and 5's we would need to recruit quite a few Year 4 students for football and the size of the students would concern me playing against the (mainly) Year 6's of the other schools. Hence we will not field a football team this year. Next year I anticipate we will field teams in all 3 sports again.



## KINDERGARTEN INTEREST FOR 2018 (REPEAT)

Kindergarten applications for 2018 are now open. Application for Enrolment forms are available at the front office. If you have relatives or friends you think would be interested in enrolling for Kindergarten in 2018 at Clifton Park Primary School, they are welcome to collect a form at the office from Mrs Clarke or Mrs Clayton. Applications for enrolments are due by 21 July 2017.

Ric Gates  
PRINCIPAL



## HOME READING



Excited students visit the office each week proudly celebrating the milestones they are hitting with their nights of reading. It is wonderful to share their enthusiasm of reading, have a chat about what they are reading, discuss different authors and find out what is their favourite book.

The following reading tips are simply ideas to support families that are doing a great job encouraging their child's home reading and supporting this whole school reading initiative.

- Pass on a sense of enjoyment when you read with your child. Feel free to laugh with them if the story is funny.
- Take books with you everywhere you go. For example, your child may be able to read while waiting for the doctor, waiting while a family member is at sports training or travelling in the car.

## Social and Emotional Focus

It's OK to talk about my feelings with others that I Trust.

- It is good to share our feelings
- We experience different feelings in different situations
- It is important to keep what other students say in the group private but I can talk with my family and friends about my own experiences.
- Working together to solve problems is helpful.



# HAVE SUM FUN MATHS ACTIVITY!

*Put your thinking caps on and  
'Have Sum Fun'*

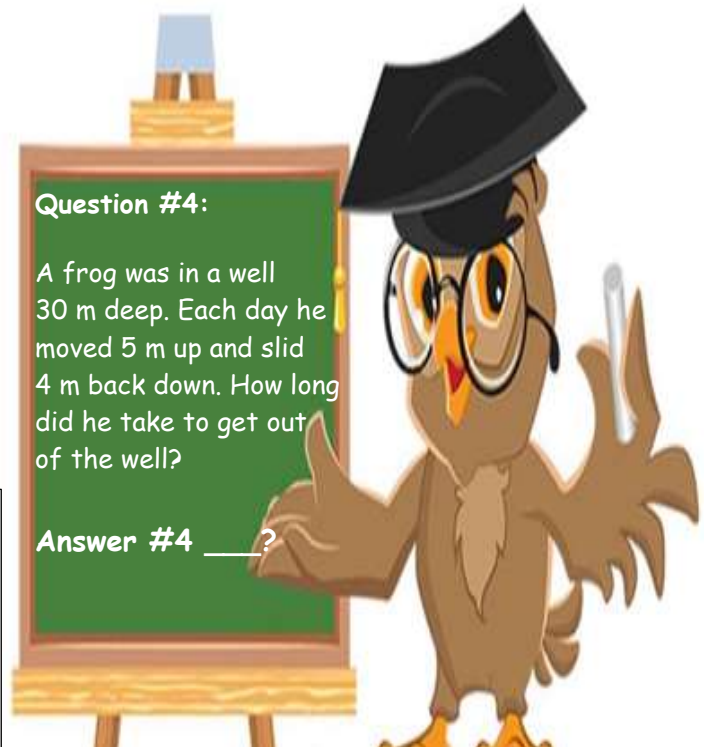
We gave everyone the opportunity to sharpen their skills and knowledge by providing problem solving tasks in our last School Newsletter. The second challenge was -

## Question #3:

**Jean's mother is four times as old as Jean. In four years' time Jean's age will be a third of her mother's age. How old are they now?**

**Answer #3. Mum 32 years and Jean is 8**

- Families are encouraged to work together to discuss strategies and solve the problem.
- Each student may enter one answer.
- Answers can be written on any type of paper.
- **Answers need to be put into the box located outside of TA5 by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2017.**
- Please ensure answers are named clearly, including classroom form (e.g. TA5).
- A small prize will be presented to the first correct answer drawn at the mini assembly on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June.



Congratulations **Alyssa** from Yr 4, you are this week's Mathematics star!

## THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone who got involved in last week's Guide Dog WA fundraiser.

We all enjoyed meeting Heather and her Guide Dog, Bazza, in training.

The day was a huge success, we raised \$312!

C.H.A.T. COMMITTEE INITIATIVE



*Clifton Park Primary School*  
**RESILIENCE**

**GAMES**

June 13, 2017



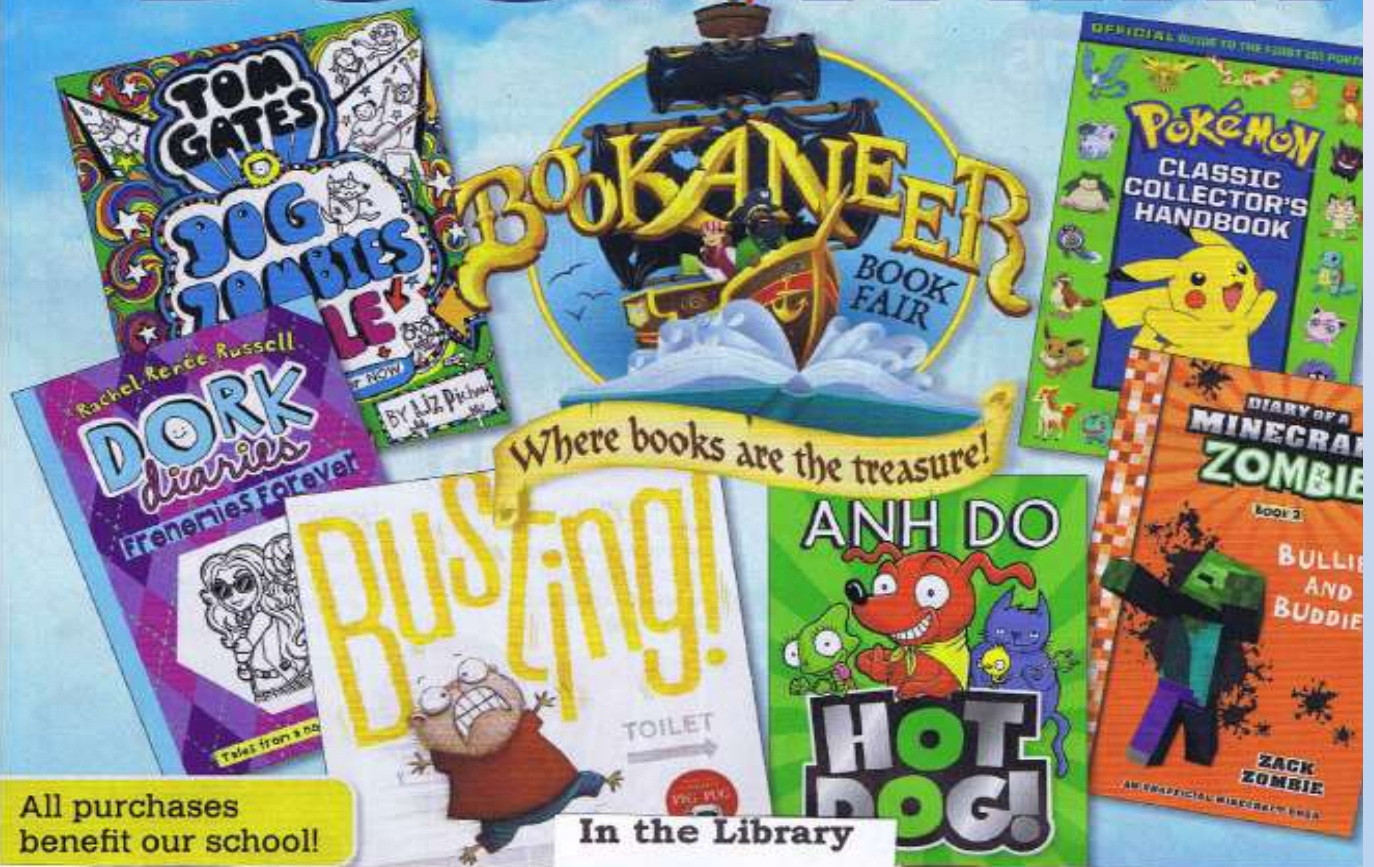
Please return sponsorship money to the P&C Box  
by 19<sup>th</sup> June

# P & C NEWS

You're invited to our

 SCHOLASTIC

# BOOK FAIR!



All purchases benefit our school!

In the Library

Wednesday

14<sup>th</sup> June 2017

8.30am -9.00am

3.00pm-3.30pm

Thursday

15<sup>th</sup> June 2017

8.30am -9.00am

3.00pm-3.30pm



# P & C NEWS

Keep warm this winter with your home fires burning!

**S2 per ticket** A 6x4 trailer load of chopped firewood (Trailer not included)

Wood Raffle will be drawn on **Friday 30th June**

Don't forget to get your tickets in!

Tickets will be distributed to students on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June



Thank you to Simcoa for donating the wood. Please return all tickets (sold and unsold) with money, in the plastic sealable bag provided, to the P&C box in the hallway of the school by Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Spare tickets are available next to the P&C Box.

*The P&C*

The NEW Entertainment Memberships are here!



Clifton Park Primary School is raising funds. Here you can help!

Help us raise funds for Entertainment memberships worth hundreds of dollars to do, and help out!

Over \$20,000 worth of offers the whole family will love!



**Only 2 left!**

## FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK



Did you know the P&C has a new Facebook page? Check it out at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/cliftonparkpandc/>. Make sure you follow us to hear about what we're doing to help our school and what you can do to be involved.

ENJOY TIME WITH YOUR KIDS AND BUILD A STRONGER SCHOOL COMMUNITY...

## ARE YOU A CHAMPION DAD?

WHAT IS CHAMPION DADS ALL ABOUT?

Clifton Park Primary's "Champion" Dads' group is a chapter of the The Fathering Project; a not-for-profit charity that aims to help fathers realise how important they are in a child's life and to give them advice on how to encourage their children.


The "Champion" Dads' group aims to build the knowledge and skills of fathers, and father figures, but most importantly is an opportunity for dads to get together in a relaxed, informal environment.

HOW CAN YOU BE INVOLVED?


We aim to meet every six weeks and to host an event once a term. Watch this space for more details!

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE?

Check out [www.thefatheringproject.org](http://www.thefatheringproject.org) to find out more about The Fathering Project or email [cpchampiondads@gmail.com](mailto:cpchampiondads@gmail.com) to get involved in the CPPS "Champion Dads" group.



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the fathering project

# Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open in Term 2 on the following dates:-

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June

OPEN TIME  
8:45am – 9:15am

**Winter is coming!**

**Get in early to order your winter uniforms!**

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 SHOP!**

Lauree Sims  
Uniform Coordinator  
Monday – Friday  
during school hours  
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