Hello Parents and caregivers,

‘Fundraiser results
Our school student council, along with Kerry Francis and a number of other parents, have worked hard over the past 4 – 6 weeks to raise enough funds to purchase a ‘hoodie’ for every student attending the Canberra excursion next term to help keep away the winter cold. Businesses have come to the party, such as CQ Welding & Services, owned and run by the Lyons family and Pete Francis Electrical to help out. Students and parents have sold raffle tickets for a signed NQ Cowboys Jersey and ‘100 board’ to make the plan a reality. We have the results for both draws: the winner of the signed NQ Cowboys Jersey was Mr John Anderson and the winner of the 100 board was Mrs Tracey Ryder. Thanks for your support everyone it has meant that the student council has raised enough money to provide a hoodie per student. Well done.

Healthy Harold is here!
It’s that time of year again boys and girls, ladies and gents, when Healthy Harold makes his return. Harold visits at about this time of year every year as part of the Life Education Van visit. He will again be providing students with some great take home messages. The Life Education Van will be here until later in the week. Please encourage your child to be a part of this wonderful experience.

Parent awards on parade
We often focus on students and teachers here at school when we talk about achievement. But the reality is, as the old saying goes, it takes a village to raise a child. In Clermont we have a wonderfully supportive community who help us to achieve the fantastic results that we do and I’d like to start recognising those people whenever we can. Clermont SS P&C supports the school with this recognition and to show its support, is willing to provide a $10 gift voucher per person from the Commercial Hotel. This week our first parent volunteers to be honoured were some of the great people involved in before school reading – Leonie Keune, Nicole Mulcahy and Annette Hawkins. Great job ladies our students’ reading is all the better having had your input.

I’d also like to thank Mr Michael Schuch who takes circus skills for Fun Friday. We wouldn’t have been to offer this activity if it wasn’t for Mr Schuch.

We know we have plenty more generous and supportive parents to recognise, don’t worry we plan to get to them all! Thanks to those people and keep up the good work.

Attendance this week
Our overall attendance rate at the moment is 93.8%. Our classes are trying really hard to get back above the 95% mark, which is great. It’s a trend across the state and even the country that attendance drops off at this time of year with cold and flu symptoms. Parents, you are doing a great job in getting your children to school, thanks and keep up the good work. Our class competition currently looks like this:

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Sport’s day today

The annual Clermont State School Sport’s Day was held today at the school oval. Students had been honing their skills, improving their times and distances and were well prepared by our PE teacher Ms Arrowsmith for the big day. Thanks to the parents that came along and enjoyed what was a fantastic day at the bottom oval at Clermont State School. Next week we will have a list of all our age champions, record breakers and of course, the much coveted overall house winner.

The Peak Downs sub district sports day will be held on June 24th at Clermont sport’s fields.

‘Undie Drive’ for McDonalds House

Calling all parents: we need undies, knickers, briefs, jocks, Reg Grundies, whatever you call them, we need them! A great initiative started by the Looker family is quickly gathering momentum at Clermont SS. Mrs Looker has an association with McDonald House and has been looking at ways to support the worthwhile charity. Often people staying at McDonalds House leave their homes quickly to be with their children whilst they are in hospital. In fact some people are so ill prepared for the ordeal (and understandably so) that they don’t even get the chance to pack a bag, meaning that they are without the ‘bare’ essentials.

McDonalds House often have clothes that they can share with families during their stay. Mrs Looker asked volunteers at McDonalds House how she could help and the message came back loud and clear: ‘We need undies!’ And so started the great ‘Undie Drive’. Already the campaign has donated 164 pairs of jocks for the cause and we’re hoping to raise a lot more! If you’d like to help out drop off a pair of **new undies** at the school office and help a family who is doing it tough to at least have access to the bare essentials during a really difficult time. Thanks for your support.

Office opening hours

Next term we are going to implement new front office opening hours. As I’m sure many of you would be aware and able to appreciate, the front office can get extremely busy and we’d like to streamline processes by asking people to complete business at designated hours. Opening hours from term 3 will be from 8.15 to 3.30pm daily, except Tuesday when the office will open at 8.30am. I am confident that if we keep our business with the front office to those key times, processes will be streamlined and everything we need to get done, will get done! I look forward to your support on this.

Report Cards – last Tuesday of term

It’s that time we have all been waiting for, student report cards will distributed on the last Tuesday of term. There will be no parent teacher interviews this term, unless they have been requested. If you have any issues, please contact your child’s classroom teacher.

P&C meeting – change in date to the 17th of June

Our P&C meeting was postponed from last Wednesday to this Wednesday at 3.30pm in the library. We will also go through some of the ‘quiz night’ organising at the same time. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

If you have any educational issue you’d like to discuss please come and see us at administration.

Yours in education,

Adam Poulus
Principal
MESSAGES FROM THE HEAD OF CURRICULUM – WEEK 9

Spotlight on Mathematics – Looking for Tens and Ones Patterns

Often kids can count to 100, without really understanding the importance of tens and ones. A child who really understands that 45 has four tens and five more can easily mentally add 10 or 20 on to 45. A child who doesn’t really understand tens and ones needs to use his or her fingers to count 10 more. Mental computations are an important part of mathematics, particularly as the work gets more difficult.

What can you do at home?

*Give your child a pile of 10c and 5c coins to count (less than $1). Consider including other coins less than $1. Encourage your child to work out how much money there is and write it down on a piece of paper. Next, hand them one more 10c coins and ask how much money there is now. If they need to count the whole lot from scratch, let them do it, however, eventually children should be able to just add the 10c on mentally without having to count all over again. Write down their answer. Ask your child to look at the two amounts of money that you wrote down and see what stayed the same and what changed. Repeat the task, adding or taking away one or two 10c coins until they can do it without needing to count all the money every time. Then try with a 20c coin.

*Ask your child to work out how many straws (or pens, toothpicks, blocks etc) they have in the box. Give them rubber bands, plastic bags or containers to make groups of 10 straws so that they can keep track of how many they have counted. Once they finished, pick up one bag of 10 straws and pour it into another bag of 10 straws. Ask how many straws there will be in the bag now. Let them count the 20 straws to confirm if they need to. Repeat, pouring in a second bag of straws and asking how many there are now. Draw their attention to how the number of straws are changing: 10, then 20, then 30.

*Using the same set up as the point above, start with five pencils in a container. Next, pour a bag of 10 pencils on top of your five and ask your child how many there will be now (15). Ask how five and 15 are kind of the same (they both have five ones) and how they are different (15 has one ten in it). Repeat this process, tipping in more bags of pencils until your child starts to see the patterns and relate these to counting in tens.
*For something trickier, give your child a mixture of coins that add up to around $2 to count, made with at least 5 coins. Get them to work out how much money they have. Then give them more coins or take some away, asking each time how much there is now. Adding up the coins in their money box is a good start.

Typically, students should be working on the above things throughout Year 1 and Year 2 and should have mastered these things by year 3. If you find your child struggles to complete most of the above tasks (particularly if they are now in year 3 or above), make a time to talk to your child’s teacher about other ways we can work together to help them make improvements with their mathematics.

Danielle Freiberg
Head of Curriculum
### Student of the Week

**16th June 2015**

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<td>For an improved effort in writing your letters. Keep trying your best, great job!</td>
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<td>Judah C.</td>
<td>For always having a go and trying your best. Well done!</td>
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<td>1S</td>
<td>Ebony L.</td>
<td>For excellent listening in class and being an enthusiastic, learner, keep up the good work!</td>
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<td>Rohan G.</td>
<td>For huge improvement in his homework, and putting more effort into his hand writing.</td>
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<td>Kaitlyn W.</td>
<td>For always being helpful and willing to take responsibility. Great work Kaitlyn!</td>
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<td>Cayden S.</td>
<td>For an enthusiastic approach and contributing ideas to our maths task of measuring. Well done!</td>
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<td>Jack T.</td>
<td>For his excellent participation in lessons and reliable behaviour.</td>
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<td>Mitch L.</td>
<td>Follow instruction and staying on task during lessons. Well done.</td>
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<td>6C</td>
<td>Jack H.</td>
<td>For following instructions and working hard in class.</td>
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<td>LOTE</td>
<td>Ty W. (3/4M)</td>
<td>For a fantastic effort this week in stationery vocabulary tasks.</td>
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<td>Emily T. (4/5F)</td>
<td>For being a consistent hard worker and trying her best in all tasks.</td>
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Phonological Awareness Intervention for Term 3

In term 3, together with our Speech Language Pathologist, Clancy Conlon, we will be focusing on Phonological Awareness with the Year 2, 3 and 4 classes. Year 2, 3 and 4 students, *not meeting literacy benchmarks*, will be screened at the beginning of the term and those students who require further development of these concepts will work within a group of 4 students for an hour each week. Teacher aides will be trained to work with these groups of children following the UQ PAL (University of Queensland: Phonological Awareness for Literacy) program. The aim is:

- To improve students' phonological awareness skills including identifying sounds in words, segmenting words into individual sounds, blending sounds into words.
- To improve the accuracy and efficiency of students' letter-sound knowledge.

To make explicit to students the relationship between phonological awareness skills, letter-sound knowledge, word reading and word spelling.

What is phonological awareness?

Phonological awareness is the understanding that words are made up of smaller parts (e.g. syllables and sounds). *A very strong relationship exists between phonological awareness and the development of reading and spelling skills.*

Children with phonological awareness difficulties may:

- be confused about the difference between letters and sounds
- have difficulty in recognising the same letters/sounds in different words
- tend to have difficulty with sound-letter correspondence, especially for vowels
- be slow at sounding out words when they read, and forget what they've sounded out before getting to the end of the word
- guess words from the initial letter
- have difficulty blending sounds together
- alter the sound sequence, e.g. clamp > camalp
- omit syllables when spelling, e.g. paradise > perdise
- have difficulty identifying the sounds in consonant clusters, and omit or add letters when spelling, e.g., stamp > stap, cold > clold
- or omit or substitute vowels from multisyllabic words, e.g., beneath > bnith, orchestra > ochsta.

*Diana Goodwin*
The Life Education van is visiting Clermont State Primary School this week, from Tuesday 16th to Friday 19th June, 2015. In addition to the lessons in the van, all students and classroom teachers receive workbooks and resources to extend the lessons delivered in the Life Education classroom. Parents and carers can find out what their children are learning in the mobile classroom by going to the parent section of the Life Education website http://www.lifeeducation.org.au/what-your-child-learned and click on the link for the relevant lesson (i.e. Harold’s Mystery Tour). You might also like to read over the 'conversation starter' ideas so that you can carry on discussing the lessons at home.

There are also some fun and engaging online and offline activities you can do with your children as well as articles, tips and strategies on health and safety issues, and free apps to download. There is also an on-line competition you can enter with the chance to win a family holiday to Fiji valued at $7,000. Students will bring home more details about this. Thank you for the opportunity to work with your children. Harold and I look forward to visiting Clermont State School.

Liz Hills
Educator
CQ Life Educator

Parents & Carers:
There will be an information session for Parents and Carers in the Life Education Mobile Classroom on Friday morning at 8:30—9am.
みなさん Minasan, Konnichiwa! (G’day, everyone)

This term has flown by once again, and all students have been working really hard. Also my Aussie English has improved a lot with the stu-
dents….thanks guys!

Our main focus during this term was that the students could recognise all the Hiragana symbols (46 Japanese alphabet) with the unique pictures which each Hiragana has. During last week, all the Year 5/6 & Year 6 students have received Hiragana certificates for successfully having completed the whole alphabet. Well done students. Also we all ‘congratulated’ the following students who have received 100% (46 out of 46) for their Hiragana challenge.

Well done to all Japanese LOTE students this term, keep up your great work.

またね Matane (Til next time) From Waerea sensei
Can you see the two chopsticks? They are picking up an egg noodle. This is nu for noodle.

This is the beak of a quokka bird. This is ku for quokka bird.

This is an antenna up on top of a roof with a loose wire. So this is a, for antenna up on a roof.

Imagine a basketball net. As you can see, there is a hole in the net. This is ne for net.

What is the most famous volcano in Japan? Mount Fuji. It is a volcano. This is fu for Fuji san. Make sure your teeth do not touch your bottom lip when pronouncing the fu.

The sewing machine is sewing zig zags with soft material. This is so for soft.
State of Origin Jersey Day is THIS WEDNESDAY, the 17th of June. Students can wear their maroon or blues shirt/jersey to school to support their team.

Students must bring a gold coin donation.

Free Dress Day
Next Tuesday, 23rd of June.
Students can wear free dress on this day.
Gold coin donation.
Hello parents and caregivers,

Just a quick note to let you know that our P&C Meeting is coming up!

Please note that it has had to been postponed from last Wednesday to THIS WEDNESDAY, the 17th of June at 3:30pm in the school Library.

I look forward to seeing you there,

Leah Archibald
CSS P&C President.
Hello everyone,
A big thank you to all the sports day tuckshop helpers — You know who you are! Remember... all tuckshop profits go back into our school!

Next Wednesday, the 24th of June, is the Peak Downs Athletics Carnival which will be held at the Clermont Sports oval. CSS & St Joseph’s are running the tuckshop there and we would love some helpers! If your child will be competing that day we’d love to see you there supporting our young athletes and our school communities!
Call Kristy on 0448523200 if you can help.

These blank spots need filling!

Please give me a call if you can fill any of these, even if it is only for a limited time.

Mob: 0448523200

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UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will be open fortnightly on Wednesdays only. The best way to order uniforms is to complete your order online using Flexischool.

Winter stock now available.
Sizes to suit older students, a new shipment now in stock.

Shop open next:
Wednesday 17th June 2015
8:30 to 9:00
Specials on Size 14 & 16 Winter Uniforms!

**Maroon Jackets** (microfibre)
- Size 16’s
  - $20 (reduced from $30)

**Maroon Track Pants** (microfibre)
- Size 14’s & 16’s
  - $10 (reduced from $25)
  - or $25 for a set.

**BELOW COST PRICE!!**

Limited numbers available.
Available to purchase at school office.
Please have correct $ as no change is available.
Clermont’s Got Talent

Just to let you know also that it’s that time of year again, ‘Clermont’s Got Talent’ you will see the poster on the next page, so students get ready and start practicing for this. Nominations forms are available to all students on the table outside the office and can be placed in a box on this table, please remind your child they can only be a part of one act. Entries will close on Week 10, Wednesday 24th June.

Classroom Helpers & Tuckshop Volunteers - Signing in

Our school is fortunate enough to have generous parents that donate their time to helping out in various areas of our school.

If you are helping out or visiting the school between the hours of 9am to 3pm for any reason your MUST SIGN IN AT THE OFFICE. You will be given a visitors badge and you MUST SIGN OUT as you leave.

If you are working in the Tuckshop please SIGN IN & OUT of the register in the tuckshop.

This is to ensure that everyone on school grounds can be accounted for at all times.

A big thank you again to our helpers, our school community appreciates your contributions.
Show you Care, Donate a Pair

DON’T GET YOUR UNDIES IN A TWIST!.. BUT IF YOU DO AND HAVE TO BUY A NEW PAIR, HOW ABOUT GRABBING AN EXTRA SET FOR A REALLY GOOD CAUSE.......  

We are running an “Underwear” drive for a fantastic charity  
TOWNSVILLE RONALD McDonald HOUSE

When there is an accident or traumatic event some families just leave with the clothes on their backs in a rush with their sick or hurt child and end up at Ronald McDonald house in Townsville... Ronald McDonald House often receives lots of clothing donations for people in these situations, but there is nothing like a fresh pair of new knickers or jocks to put on to face another day...

We are asking people to donate a “new” pair of underwear...men’s, women’s, girls or boys... any size shape or colour. Please drop all donations at Clermont State School or Clermont St. Joseph’s School or feel free to contact Georgina Looker on 0412751108..

UPDATE

Hi, just wanted to give you an update on the Show you Care, Donate a Pair for Ronald McDonald House. So far we have collected 139 pairs of knickers & jocks for men, women & children. As well as 2 packets of donated nappies and 10 toothbrushes. I’d really like to set a goal of 200 undies. If anyone would like to contact me direct about donating my phone number is on the poster above.

Thanks so much, Georgina
JOIN IN THE
GREAT AUSTRALIAN TRAVERSE
SUPPORTED BY VIRGIN AUSTRALIA

WHEN
29 JUNE 2015
3.00PM - 5.00PM

WHERE
CLERMONT RSL
76 HERSHEL STREET

ROLL OF HONOUR - SAUSAGE SIZZLE - ARMY FACEPAINTING
KIDS ARMY OBSTACLE COURSE MERCHANDISE

WWW.WALKINGWOUNDED.ORG.AU

TRIBUTE TO THE ANZACS
ESCORTING THE ROLL OF HONOUR (AFGHANISTAN)
NORTH TO SOUTH

SUPPORTING WOUNDED AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES OF THE FALLEN

OUR SUPPORTERS

INSURANCE ADVISERNET
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School P&F Association proudly presents

Girls and Pearls HIGH TEA

Tickets $35/head

Individual or group* bookings available for purchase at the OLSH school office - tables of 6
*group bookings are to be paid for in full

Lucky Door Prizes to be won
Raffles throughout afternoon
Fashion Parade

Fashion Parade by House of Magnolias

Pearls of Wisdom shared by guest speakers

When 2.30pm Saturday, 20th June 2015
Where Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School Big Shed
Saturday, 25th July, 2015
Springsure Show Grounds
GATES OPEN 3PM for 4PM START

- Bar open 4pm till late
- Hot food available
- Jumping castle for the kids
  $5 unlimited pass
- Belts, Buckles and Boots
  Best Dressed Cowboy and
  Best Dressed Cowgirl

Adults - $15 each
Children - $10 each
(High School Students / Pensioners)
Primary School Students FREE

C.R.C.A. Affiliated
Phone 4927 1916 for nominations
13th - 17th July from 1pm til 5pm
Horses - Ross Ford
Bulls - Brian Duggan

A fun night for the whole family!
Other News

16th June 2015

Term 2 Week 9

SCHOOL BANKING

School banking is on WEDNESDAYS :-

If parents have any inquiries about school banking please contact the office, we have leaflets we can send home with your child or call our banking co-ordinator, Peta, on 0408 549 597.

Your School Banking Coordinator.

Save and win a trip to Disneyland!

This year, School Banking is taking you on a mission to Planet Savings. There are eight new awesome rewards to choose from, plus we’re introducing a new Grand Prize competition where you could win a family trip to Disneyland.

**How to enter**

All you need to do is simply make 25 or more School Banking deposits during 2015 and you’ll automatically go into the Grand Prize competition.

Find out more at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

**The Grand Prize**

A family trip for up to two adults and two kids to California’s Disneyland, including:

- Return Rights to LA and airport transfers
- 5 nights at a Disneyland hotel
- 3 day pass to Disneyland
- Enjoy Space Mountain, rollercoasters and hundreds of rides
- Meet Mickey Mouse and other Disney characters
- AUD$2,000 spending money

Things to know before you Go:

- Conditions apply. Promotion starts 9:00am AEST, 27/1/15 and ends 11:59pm AEST 18/1/15. Entry is open to all Youthbank account holders aged 5–13 years who participate in CommBank’s School Banking program. Entrants under 18 must have parent/guardian consent. The draw will take place at 12:30pm AEST on 12/1/15 at the Promoter’s office. The first valid entry drawn will win a family trip to California’s Disneyland valued at AUD$2,265. The winner’s name will be published in the public notices section of The Australian on 20/1/15. Provider is Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 121 139 369 at Level 1, 11 Mariners Street, Sydney NSW 2000. Full terms and conditions available at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking. NSW Permit No LPS/04/2016.

Playgroup

If you have a baby or toddler and would like to get out and meet other mums and bubs come along to playgroup on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 in the school hall.

Remember to bring a plate to share and this is a nut to free school and playgroup

Call Anne for more information 0448689709.
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