Hello Parents and Caregivers,

**Prep reading - 'every student, everyday'**

This term our before school reading focus is on our prep students and our goal is 'every student, everyday.' The vast majority of prep students have been participating in the program and achievement will surely improve as a result. Students are working at sight words in an effort to improve fluency, as well as chunking strategies in texts. A range of helpers attend to read with our preppies, including staff, mums, dads and even upper school students. Well done everyone you are all doing a great job. Reading is the best skill we can teach our students and working intensely with our preppies gives them the best chance of ensuring success in later schooling.

**Midterm reading tests - all students**

Every student at Clermont State School should have undergone a mid-term 'running record' reading assessment. 'Running records' are an effective way to assess a student's reading ability at any given time. They assess a child's fluency as well as their ability to understand the text. The understanding of the text is most important of all given that in everyday life, we read for understanding. A student’s understanding of a text is tested with three types of questions. The first type of question is the easiest, they are known as literal questions and require students to find answers which are 'right there' or ‘here’ in the text. The second type of question is the inferential question, these questions require students to search for clues in the text before answering. The answers are 'hidden' in the text. These questions are what challenge so many students in NAPLAN tests. The third type of question is the evaluative questions, where students rely heavily on their own experiences. These are sometimes referred to as 'head' questions for that reason. At the end of a 'running record' where students have read a text out aloud to a teacher, they would then be asked some 'here, hidden and head' questions to assess their understanding of the text. How well they answer those questions often has a huge bearing on whether they progress to the next level. Ask your child what their reading level is.
Ask your child what they learned today
Last week on parade I asked students at Clermont SS to go home and tell their parents what they’d learned that day. I promised that if students could tell me what they’d shared with their parents on parade this week, I’d give them a ‘gotcha’ ticket. Ladies and gentlemen, I can proudly say that we had dozens, if not a hundred students, put up their hand to tell us what they’d shared with their parents. Responses varied from what they wanted to do for ‘Fun Friday,’ through to what reading strategy they had worked on. I was more than happy with the response and we’ll continue with the focus this week as well. It can be really frustrating when as a parent you ask what your child today at school only to be told ‘nothing!’ That is rarely the case and we’d like students to be sharing their learning experiences with mums, dads and significant others at home.
Being interested in and knowing what your child is learning, is a huge step towards supporting your child to achieve greater results at school. Ask your child tonight, ‘what was the most interesting thing you learned at school today?’ I’m sure they will be dying to tell you!

End of year rewards days
This year we have a brand new way of rewarding our students for good behaviour choices for term 4, a fun day at Capella Pool! All students demonstrating level one, two and three behaviours will be invited to attend a fun day, with a sausage sizzle provided, at the Capella Pool Complex. Buses will collect staff and students from the school in the morning have them back to school before the bell in the afternoon. Students on level one for the majority of the term and also students with a high behaviour level and 100% attendance, will have first pick of activities, including the giant inflatable pool toy, putt – putt golf and the slide. There will be a lower year’s rewards day on Tuesday, December 9\textsuperscript{nd} in the last week of school and an upper year’s rewards day on the Thursday, December 11\textsuperscript{th}. Best of all parents it will be FREE!
Make sure you ask your child what level they finished the day on and talk to them about their behaviour choices. After all in regard to behaviour, ultimately, it’s up to them!
Attendance
We had a bit of a mixed bag in regard to attendance last week. The results are listed below:
1\textsuperscript{st} – 3/4B – 95.9%
2\textsuperscript{nd} – 2/3V – 95.4%
3\textsuperscript{rd} – 1P – 94.23%
4\textsuperscript{th} – 4/5T – 94.2%
5\textsuperscript{th} – PR – 93.3%
We had a number of classes in the 80% range that we’d dearly love to see achieving in the 90s. This is the time of year when it’s absolutely imperative your child is at school on time of everyday. Let’s continue towards that target of 96%!

New end of year ‘Principal’s Award’
This year at awards day there will be a new award for a student in every class. The Principal’s Award will be for an ‘all-rounder’ who has demonstrated skills, attitude and achievement across a range of fields. The award is to recognise students who have demonstrated a good attitude towards class activities, but also other facets of schooling at Clermont SS. We have so many great students at Clermont, we’d like to acknowledge as many as we can for their hard work and commitment.

Adam Poulus
Principal
Yours in Education
**TUCKSHOP**

Reminder please place tuckshop orders through Flexischools. When there are difficulties with Flexischools please ring them as they usually can help and have any problems fixed. This Friday we had 124 Flexischool orders, we had 3 helpers who could help for part of the time and myself and Monday we had 50 Flexischool orders with 1 helper, another lady that helped for 10 minutes before parade and myself. As you can imagine to get these orders made and delivered within a couple of hours can keep us very busy, we are happy to accept bagged orders when there is a genuine reason why you cannot use Flexischools however these orders need to be delivered to the tuckshop before school. We have limited volunteers at the moment and your help in this matter is appreciated by the volunteers.

**Gotcha Awards**

Mrs Broderick - You have been caught using stories and ICT resources to make lessons real and also fun.

Mrs Sorensen - You have been caught working hard outside of school hours to research and construct "MYROC", to help all students to have a better understanding of how to chunk words and improve their confidence in reading.

Mrs McLaughlin - You have been caught - coming to the rescue and moving animals (birds, wasps etc.) that have found their way into classrooms - always going out of your way to help and doing it with a smile.

Mrs Cook - You have been caught going out of your way to help parents, students, teachers and staff and always in such a friendly manner.

Mrs Bemrose - You have been caught helping ensure everyone who comes into the office is greeted with a friendly smile and promoting the great things that take place within our school.
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<td>Ashleigh S.</td>
<td>For working hard on all tasks.</td>
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<td>Macy L.</td>
<td>For her excellent improvement with her writing. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Millie G.</td>
<td>For her speed &amp; accuracy when recalling sight words. Well done!</td>
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<td>1P</td>
<td>Jackson B.</td>
<td>For his fantastic work in Maths with problem solving!</td>
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<td>2F</td>
<td>Abigail C.</td>
<td>For staying focussed on all set tasks and being a responsible class member Well done!</td>
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<td>Tristan A.</td>
<td>For giving 100% to all maths tasks &amp; staying focussed all week. Great job!</td>
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<td>Sara S.</td>
<td>For achieving her reading goal PM21. Well done!</td>
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<td>Gloriana C.</td>
<td>For using excellent expression and making great inferences when completing your reading test. Way to go!</td>
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<td>Annabel A.</td>
<td>For consistently working hard to reach our goals! Keep up the good work!</td>
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<td>Emre A.</td>
<td>For always completing his work and making good choices.</td>
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<td>4/5T</td>
<td>Ruby K.</td>
<td>For excellent planning of your dream bedroom.</td>
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<td>Macey V.</td>
<td>For excellent house design.</td>
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<td>6E</td>
<td>Colin D.</td>
<td>For achieving 7 PROBE levels this year and putting in 100% in achieving level 20!</td>
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<td>Congratulations on your ‘A’ for technology assessment. A solid effort with your poster and booklet!</td>
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Christmas Spectacular!

Come along and join the fun, listening to some Christmas favourites!!!

DATE: Wednesday 10th December

TIME: 6pm-7.30pm

VENUE: Clermont Civic Centre
2015 Year 5/6 Camp update:

The school has made the following changes to payment procedures:

- The due date for monthly instalments will now be the last school day of every month.
- The due date for the $100 deposit was last week, please advise the office if you haven’t paid but are intending to.

*If you would like to pay by ‘direct deposit’ into the school account, details are: Commonwealth Bank BSB 064-703 Account No: 00090071 Identify with your child’s name*

If you and your family have any issues or questions in regard to finance, please don’t hesitate to contact Adam Poulos to discuss the issue further.

School Medical Alert

The school has had a reported case of ‘Chicken Pox’ with one family.

Queensland Government requirement:

Exclude until all blisters have dried. This is usually at least 5 days after the rash first appeared in unimmunised people and less in immunised people.
P & C have purchased some locally produced hair accessories that co-ordinate with our uniforms.

Available are some head-bands, hair-ties and clips ranging in price from $3 - $7.

These can be viewed and purchased at the School Office.

*Correct money required – no change available

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Student Council “Gold Coin” Fundraising Day

Friday 21st November 2014

CRAZY Sock and Locks DAY.
Help your local school compete to win a $10,000 or $5,000 educational grant.

Thanks for visiting anaphylaxis101 to raise your hand for anaphylaxis awareness. By clicking on RAISE MY HAND and selecting your local school you’ll be helping them compete to win a $10,000 educational grant, with a further $5,000 grant going to the closest runner up.


UNIFORM SHOP: the uniform shop is now open on Mondays. The best way to order uniforms is to complete your order online using Flexischool. Sizes to suit older students, a new shipment now in stock.

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. Please bring a ‘nut free’ snack/plate to share.

REMINDER: ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL

Monday—Volleyball
Wednesday—Badminton

3:00 to 4:15

Please make sure you are on time to pick up your child/children.
Clermont Community Round Table

Join us to have a say on your community’s future:

Isaac Regional Council would like to invite you to attend the Clermont Community Round Table meeting.

**When:**
9.30am – 3pm
Tuesday, December 2

**Where:**
Clermont Civic Centre
Daintree Street
Clermont

Round Table meetings are your chance to discuss opportunities and challenges in your town and surrounding region with Councillors, the Chief Executive Officer and Council staff. As an individual, community group or organisation you are invited to bring your voice to the table to discuss:

- Community opportunities
- Community challenges
- Local government
- Advocacy
- Assistance/advice
- Information share

**Visit:**
Isaac Regional Council website:

**Email:**
roundtables@isaac.qld.gov.au

**Phone:**
1300 ISAACS (1300 472 227)
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CLERMONT STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Administrative Officer (AO2/AAEP)

Temporary Part-Time – 6.5 hours/week

Commencing 21\textsuperscript{st} January 2015 to 20\textsuperscript{th} January 2016

The position is a part-time temporary appointment and is to start on the 21\textsuperscript{st} January 2015 to 20\textsuperscript{th} January 2016. The Role Description contains a list of duties and selection criteria, and it can be emailed, posted from or collected from the school by phoning (07) 4983 4333. A resume template is available upon request from the school. Training will be provided.

Applications close on 12pm Friday 7\textsuperscript{th} November 2014.

Applications can be returned, marked “Confidential” to:-

The CLERMONT STATE HIGH SCHOOL,
PO BOX 590, CLERMONT 4721
Or Email – aandr107@eq.edu.au

Applicants are to provide a covering letter of no more than 2 pages and a detailed resume outlining key responsibilities and achievements including contact details for 2 referees. Applications will remain current for a 12 month period.

“The Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000 requires the preferred applicant to be subject to employment screening.”

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Donations needed!

Do you have any towels, wash cloths or pre-school toys you no longer need? Please donate these items to our school. Donations can be dropped off at the front office.

Thank you for your support!
POSITION VACANT

C&K Clermont Community Kindergarten

Director/Teacher

Permanent : FULL TIME (75 HOURS Per Fortnight)

Applications Close Friday 28 November 2014

At C&K Clermont Community Kindergarten, a unique position has become available for an experienced Early Childhood Professional to join the centre in a dual role of Director and Teacher. As the Director and Teacher, you will be responsible for managing the day to day operation of a branch Kindergarten service in accordance with C&K standards and policies as well as developing and implementing a suitable Kindergarten Programme for the children following the C&K Building Waterfalls curriculum.

Ideal candidates will hold:

Bachelor’s Degree in Early Childhood or equivalent (recognized by ACECQA as an early childhood teaching qualification).
Registration with the Queensland College of Teachers prior to appointment. This registration must be renewed annually
Previous experience in a Teaching and/or Director role within and Early Childhood environment.

Apply online www.candk.asn.au

click on current job opportunities/careers
# Does Attendance Really Matter?

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much but......

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<th>If your child misses....</th>
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<td>20 Days per year</td>
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<td>2 days per week</td>
<td>80 Days per year</td>
<td>16 weeks per year</td>
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<td>3 days per week</td>
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<td>24 weeks per year</td>
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If you want your child to be successful at school then YES,

"Every Day Counts!!"
Our final Book Club for the year has arrived!!
Let’s get those orders in!
Not only does your child benefit from buying books from Scholastic Book Club but so does the entire school.
Books make great Christmas presents!
Why not take this opportunity to get organised? Just pop your family name on the order with “Santa” in brackets and contact number. Delivered orders can be left at the office or collected from the Library.
A quick, easy and secure payment method is to pay on-line, but don’t forget to record your 11 digit receipt number in the space provided on your book club order form.

A book is a gift you can open again and again.

Orders due: Thursday 20th November 2014