Hello Parents and Caregivers,  
Term two, 2014  

Term one saw Clermont State School consolidate on some key areas around teaching and learning. We have continued down the Explicit Instruction road to ensure it is our 'signature pedagogy' for the teaching of new content at Clermont SS. We have refined our 'reading intervention' and 'before school reading' programs, as well as Education Queensland's Curriculum to the Classroom (C2C) to achieve maximum learning outcomes for students. A new 'writing extension' program kicked off in term 1, with the best and brightest given the opportunity to excel and enter one of Australia's biggest writing competitions: 'Write4Fun'. New walls in classrooms have been erected to create optimal learning spaces. Behaviour has been excellent, this year we have seen the number of incidences of disruptive behaviour halved since the same time last year, due in no small part to our level system and 'Fun Friday.' Term one was busy and we even managed to squeeze a cross country and Easter Bonnet Parade in too, wow what a term!  

Term two, sees Clermont SS continue to focus on the school improvement agenda, which includes our 'Great Results Guarantee'. This means that we guarantee every student in year three, five and seven will achieve National Minimum Standards in NAPLAN or achieve an 'Individual Learning Guarantee.' Week four will see our year three, five and seven students get a chance to demonstrate what they can do in NAPLAN. Teachers and students have prepared well for the occasion, so I am confident we will see strong results.  

We have a variety of sporting activities taking place this term. We will hold our sport's day in June and there are a multitude of trials taking place, including touch football, AFL and cross country. Term two is shaping up to be the biggest yet!
New faces at Clermont SS

Last term we farewelled a highly valued teacher, Mrs Brown, from our staff, when she transferred back to Brisbane on compassionate grounds. Mrs Brown will be sadly missed. But we have a strong replacement who has stepped into the role. On behalf of Clermont SS community I’d like to welcome Mrs Mellor onto staff. Mrs Mellor has been a teacher for 8 years and has transferred from Calliope State School. She has worked here previously as a supply teacher, so she’s not a complete stranger and I’m confident she will do a great job on year 6/7. Welcome Mrs Mellor.

We also welcome back some familiar faces. Mr Forrest, who returns after paternity leave and Ms Pott who has returned briefly this week and will be away again from week two until June 6th. Great to have you both back with us and good luck Ms Pott. Mrs Hislop will again take over from Ms Pott during her absence.

Another new face around the school is Ms Tyler Gunns. She is a student teacher completing her prac placements here through 2014. Please help to make her feel welcome.

ANZAC Day 2014 School Parade

School ceremony - 9.30am Thursday

Our school will hold its annual ANZAC Day Service in front of the memorial garden on oval at 9.30am tomorrow. All welcome.

ANZAC town march, Friday

As a school we have been invited to take part in the community march on Friday morning. We will meet at the corner of Box and Capella Street at 9am. Students are to come in uniform. The march will finish with the service in the Park.
AASC to begin in week two

Mrs Watson and Ms Priestly are eagerly awaiting the resumption of Active After School Communities this term. On Mondays, starting next week, students will be doing ‘ultimate frisbee’ and on Wednesdays, netball. Parents, if you’d like your child involved with AASC, if you have not registered your child/children this year, please pick up a form from the office.

Auskick - Monday at 1st break

Last year we had a huge turn-out for our Auskick program, a game based on AFL. Auskick kicks off again next week but with a twist. The twist is that it is to be held at lunchtime, between 11am and 11.45am. If you would like your child to attend, please complete the form and return it with the fee on the sign on day. You can pay the fee on line or your child can drop it into the office.

Before School Reading Program, year 2

Our before school reading program will begin again next week and we will be focusing on year two students. The program will run in Mr Forrest’s class and students are asked to attend school from 8.30am onwards to get some much needed reading practise. The program has been running since last year and teachers have noticed a significant improvement as a result of the program. Parents, if you’d like to help out, please see Mr Forrest or your child’s classroom teacher.

Yours in Education

Adam Poulus
Principal
From the Guidance Officer’s desk:

The two weeks of holidays have come to an end and you might be thinking that one of the toughest dimensions of parenting has got to be discipline. Here is a little info around discipline:

People often confuse 'discipline' with 'physical punishment', but they are quite different. Discipline is about teaching. It helps a child learn what is expected and to gradually learn how to control their own behaviour – all children can learn how to behave.

Children learn best when they feel safe and secure. The key is having a close relationship with your child as well as clear rules and realistic expectations.

Preschoolers (3-4 years)

By three to four years children are able to understand most of your instructions and predict the results of many actions. They begin to share and play with others.

Children at this age are easily excited. They can be a bit bossy as they like to be in control. Expect some 'showing off' and being silly. This is an age of copying others, finding fun in being shocked and trying out new words (including swear words if they have heard them).

If your child has reached this age feeling you are loving and approving, they will mostly want to do what pleases you. If they reach this age feeling you are overpowering, demanding and not 'on their side', your child may stop trying to do the things you want because they can never please you.

Teach by showing your child what you want them to do, and giving choices.

Teach your child to think ahead. Let them know in advance that a change is coming. You could say 'We need to leave the playground in five minutes so which swing do you want to play on for the last five minutes?'
Children of primary school age (5-12 years)

Children at this age understand much more about themselves, and about rules and limits. They start to see things from another’s point of view. Parents need to explain to them about adult behaviours and feelings, and why you react as you do.

Talk with your child about a wide range of topics. Listen to their views and be willing to discuss different opinions rather than forcing your ideas on them.

Try to be in step with other parents who have children the same age. If you are too far away from what most parents do around discipline, you may find it hard to get your child to cooperate.

Teach your child how to work out ways to solve problems. This is a useful skill at this age and an important step towards learning self-discipline.

For further information, help or advice you can call Parent Helpline on 1300 364 100

Adapted from: www.cyh.com

All the best!

Rick Masters
Guidance Officer
Hello everyone,

Big Thanks

Rodeo Helpers – Judy Smith, Jeannie and Kate Lockyer, Ruth Brown, Scarlett Cook and the Espig Family.

The Clermont Rodeo stall raised another $800 towards our current goal and we would like to thank the committee for allowing us to have a stall, we were proud to be a part of such a great community event.

Tuckshop Monday - Judy Smith and Kristy Espig

The Easter raffle was a success, we would like to thank everyone who purchased tickets and congratulate the prize winners. Big Thanks also to those who donated items. The raffle raised $1,175 this will go towards our current goal of purchasing more PM Readers.

**Winners:** Roz Brown 1st, Angela Grech 2nd, Paula Bates 3rd. L. Grech Book buyers prize.

Tuckshop helpers needed – April 28th, 2nd, 5th & 9th May. If you can help please contact Kristy on 0448523200 or pandc@clermontss.eq.edu.au

**Parents please note on these days cut off time will be changed to 8.30 and some items will not be available.**

New roster will start in week 4.

Our Mother’s Day stall is back bigger and better this year!

Gifts, cards and gift bags from 50c - $10. Mothers day stall is Wednesday 7th for all students, students will attend with their class. To make sure this runs smoothly we will need helpers from 9am – 3/3.30pm time slots will be advised ASAP. If you can help please contact Kristy (see above). If we have enough helpers the stall will open again for those who forgot or would like to purchase again. We are also hoping to be able to open Friday afternoon to the wider community. This is a great way for kids to buy a gift for Mum/Grandmothers/Carers and also raise money to improve resources at the school.

A gift basket is up for grabs with every $5 purchase you will receive a ticket, purchase $10 get 2 tickets, winner will be drawn Friday at 4pm.
CLERMONT JUNIOR NETBALL

Clermont Junior Netball sign on and AGM

Tuesday 29th April @ Netball

AUSKICK

Auskick starts at CLERMONT STATE SCHOOL at lunchtimes, sign on day is April 28th.

SOCCER TRAINING

Thursday 24th April @ Clermont State School
3:15 to 4:00 for Clermont students involved in the Peak Downs sub District representative team.
SCHOOL HATS

THE TERM HAS ONLY STARTED AND WE HAVE MANY STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT BRINGING THEIR HATS TO SCHOOL.

PLEASE PARENTS MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS THEIR HAT TO SCHOOL.
ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL
COMMUNITIES
WEEK 2     TERM 2

MONDAY– ULTIMATE FRISBEE

WEDNESDAY– NETBALL
(21 STUDENTS ONLY)
–SPORTS DANCE
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Please be advised that if your child has just started playing an instrument this year that they will be involved in the Beginner Band.

Where: Clermont SS Music Room
When: Monday morning
Time: 8:00 – 8:30

MUSIC PROGRAM REHEARSAL TIMETABLE

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INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC FEES ARE DUE NOW!

Please make sure you pay your child’s Instrumental Music Fees for this year. Fees are as follows:

$30 instrumental Music Levy (all music students pay)

$30 Instrument Hire (only pay if hiring an instrument)
MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE

The Music Department at Clermont State School will be holding a Mother’s Day Raffle which will start before the holidays.

All money raised will go towards the school music program.

Prizes:

1\textsuperscript{st} Prize – Lady’s watch valued at $275
2\textsuperscript{nd} Prize – Meal for 2
3\textsuperscript{rd} Prize – Jeans West voucher and perfume

Tickets $1.00 each

We also have a gift basket prize

Purchase $5 worth of tickets receive 1 ticket in the gift basket
Purchase $10 worth of tickets receive 2 tickets in the gift basket

Thanks for supporting our music department!
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.

REMINDER: ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL

Active After School activities is run on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please make sure that you are here on time (4:15pm) to collect your child/children. To begin again week 2 term 2.
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SCHOOL CALENDAR

2014 school calendar

Department of Education, Training and Employment

For more information and the latest version of this calendar, visit www.education.qld.gov.au

Great state, great opportunity.

There are 186 school days in 2014. Semester 1 2014 commences for teachers on January 23 and for students on January 26.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS
Staff professional development days (student free days) for teachers are January 23 and 24, and October 20. Schools are able to decide when their three flexible staff professional development days will be held, as long as they are in the school holiday or out-of-school hours.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
Public holidays are set by the Industrial Relations Minister.
Public holidays for a local area are not shown due to the weekly nature of dates across the state.

FINAL DATES FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE
November 21 is the final date for Year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. November 28 is the final date for student attendance in Years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the summer holidays on December 3.

All other state primary, secondary and special schools will close on December 12.

In 2015, all state schools will re-open for students on January 27.

The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication (July 2013) but may be subject to change.