Our motto “Expect Excellence” is a constant reminder that achieving our potential comes down to each member of our school community doing the best they can on a daily basis and constantly improving our skills as lifelong learners. In partnership with parents and the wider community, Clover Hill State School strives to provide students with access to a high quality education which equips them with knowledge, skills and attributes necessary for their future.

Over the past fortnight we have had great cause to be very proud of our Clover Hill students and staff. There has been an excitement and confidence about learning being generated as students focus on achieving their learning goals for the semester and in readiness for the National Testing program.

Supporting our Students: As we move closer to assessment and report cards, I would urge families to talk about learning. It's always beneficial to talk with students about study habits, maintaining regular routines and seeking support when experiencing difficulty. Each year starts with a burst of energy and this needs to be reinvigorated as time passes. Every day is a new opportunity to make a difference and with persistence goals can become a reality.

Student Council Update: Student Council have been very busy thus far this year. On the 18th March, Clover Hill participated in the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. Student Council raised $800 on the day for school beautification/upgrading purposes. Student leaders sold over 900 poppies and other memorabilia for the Mudgeeraba RSL in the lead up to ANZAC Day and will continue to support the Animal Welfare League, International Humane Society and the Australian Defence Force through donations from the Clover community. On the 17th June, Student Council will hold its second fundraiser, “Sport for a Cure”. Students can wear their favourite sporting outfit for a gold coin donation. Funds raised will be donated to the Cancer Foundation.

Student absences - Every day counts: The importance of school attendance has been highlighted in recent newsletters. We are pleased to report attendance figures are improving; however, of concern is the number of children who arrive late for school on a regular basis. Our school day starts at 8.55am. Students who arrive at class after this time are marked on the roll as being 'late' which is recorded into their semester reports. However of greater importance is students who are late are missing out of vital learning time. As adults we know that it is unacceptable to be late to work so we are urging families to support us in teaching our students this important work ethic.

It is a parent's responsibility to:

- ensure their child arrives at school or commences their educational program on time every day;
- ensure their child attends school or their educational program every school day;
• minimise disrupting their child's school day so their child has the best opportunity to learn;
• contact the school prior to any planned absences;
• provide an explanation (preferably in writing) for each absence, either before or as soon as possible within 2 days of the child's return to school, in accordance with the school's communication processes. This may take the form of:
  • medical certificate;
  • a written explanation note containing the student's name, date of absence(s) and reasons for absence(s);
  • verbal explanation to the school through either a phone call or visit to the school
  • any other form of communication agreed by the Principal.
• ensure their child follows the school's recommended processes and procedures for late arrival and early departure;
• notify the school if their child will be late using the school's recommended communication processes. This may take the form of:
  • accompanying the child to the school;
  • phoning the school;
  • providing the child with a signed and dated note.

**KS4Kids** Once again, Clover Hill community is being asked for their support for our Chaplaincy program by joining Mr Rob in the annual KS4Kids beach walk on Saturday 18th June. Everyone is being asked for their support in keeping the Chaplaincy Program at Clover Hill State School strong. Keep your eye for information on the event and join Team Clover in our support of Mr Rob and chaplaincy at Clover Hill.

**School Communication** Over this term you will see a new look to the ways we communicate at Clover Hill. The best way to stay up-to-date with our school is to download and register for the following apps. QSchools and QParents will provide another way to communicate with us.

The QSchools app is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information from and about our school. The app is designed to integrate with the school website, and allows users to see when news, events and newsletters are posted to the school website.

The school community can also receive emergency announcements such as natural disasters and school closures through the app.

The QSchools app will be particularly useful to parents who have students in different schools, as the app manages updates from multiple schools in a single view.

All Queensland state schools are searchable via the app. Find out more about QSchools and download the app today.

QParents The QParents web and mobile app provides a more convenient, easier way for parents and legal guardians of Queensland state school students to interact with their child's school. Parents will have secure, online access to their child's student information, anytime, anywhere, through a smartphone, tablet or computer.

QParents allows parents to connect instantly with their child's school to access and manage their child's student information, including:

• Attendance and absence details, as well as the ability to notify the school of an absence
• Academic report cards
• Viewing unpaid invoice details, payment history, and making payments online
• Viewing and updating personal student details, including medical conditions and address
• Enrolment details

QParents will assist both staff and parents in sharing and responding to information in an efficient and effective way.

If you need any assistance in accessing either app, please contact the friendly ladies in the office.

**NAPLAN Testing** NAPLAN will provide families with a report and help build a profile of school achievement, but it is only a very small part of school life. It is important to remember that national testing is merely one small part of teaching and learning throughout the year. We need to be organised for the week, but there is no reason for stress or anxiety. If your child is worried, please make sure you talk to their teacher or your sector's Assistant Principal. Every week at Clover Hill State School is about enjoying learning and building strong relationships. This includes the NAPLAN week, so please ensure your children view it as a regular school week to enjoy.
Next week all Year 3 and 5 students will be sitting for their Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests. There are a number of ways you can help your child to prepare for the tests:

- talk to them about the purpose of the tests and how they will be given an opportunity to show what they have learnt in class;
- maintain a positive attitude about the tests;
- ensure your child gets plenty of sleep before the tests;
- ensure your child exercises and eats a healthy breakfast each day.

If you have any questions about the types and formats of tests your child undertakes while at school please contact your child's teacher. Further information is available on the ACARA website: [http://www.nap.edu.au/]

Regan Gant—Principal

DATE CLAIMERS

- 10 May Year 2E/F Jacob's Well Excursion
- 11 May Year 2B/C Jacob's Well Excursion
- 10-12 May Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN Testing
- 11-13 May Year 6 Camp – Tjalgun Ridge
- 12 May Year 4 Day camp – Tallebudgera
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- 16-20 May RSHS Academic Excellence days
- 18 May P&C Meeting 3:15 – 4pm in learning hub (library)
- 23 May Oceanic District Cross Country
- 30 May Choir-Band and Strings program concert 1:50 – 3pm school hall
- 8 June P&C Meeting 3:15 – 4pm in learning hub (library)
- 13-26 June Advanced Instrumental Music Camp
- 16-17 June Senior Athletics Carnival
- 17 June Sport for a Cure – Student Council Fundraiser
- 18 June IS4KIDS
- 13-26 June Advanced Instrumental Music Camp
- 22 June Semester 1 Report Card emailed to parents
- 23 June P&C Student Disco

Student Awards

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| Awards | PA  | PB  | PC  | PD  | PE  | PF  | 1A  | 1B  | 1C  | 1D  | 1E  | 1F  | 2A  | 2B  | 2C  | 2D  | 2E  | 2F  | 3A  | 3B  | 3C  | 3D  | Year 3.4 | 4A  |
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|        | Delilah-Rose S | Jett W | Thomas B | Madison A | Isabella R | Layla K | Brianna M | Alex T | Jasper C | Lilli B | Mikaela N | Oliver D | Arianna M | Riley B | Ailina G | Lijana M | Cooper B | Skyla J | Dylan W | Paylan P | Elise M | Hudson H | Nathan H | Genevieve M |
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On Wednesday the 27th April the Junior Cross Country was held. The Year 1 and Year 2 Carnival was a success with students putting in their all and coming away with red faces but plenty of smiles. It was fantastic to see the large number of parent and family support on the morning with the oval filled with parents, grandparents, teachers and students.

Unfortunately, half way through the Year 3 Carnival we had to stop due to wet weather. We were able to complete the rest of the running races in the afternoon session which the Year 3 students were pleased about. It was also great to see family support for the Year 3 students on the day.

The Prep’s enjoyed their first event. It was enjoyed by lots of family spectators.

The House Scores from the Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Carnival sit as follows:
1st - Dingo on 414
2nd - Jabiru and Wallaby on 372
3rd - Koala on 334

Once again thank you to all families for their support in making this such a special day for our students. The smiles on faces when they were able to compete and have fun shows that the day was a success.

Students in Prep, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 will now be focussing on training towards their Athletics Carnival early in Term 3 with running technique training, sprint training and exposure to Athletics Field Events.

Britt Murray
Prep to Year 3 PE Teacher

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PE LESSONS
Welcome back to Term 2. I am replacing Annie Heinemann who had her 2nd baby girl over the holiday break. I have previously replaced Annie whilst on leave with her first baby so most of the children know me. Mrs Murray has the juniors P-3 and I am with the seniors 4-6.

The weather is still beautiful and quite hot out on the oval. Please ensure your child is organised for PE with the right uniform, good footwear, hat and a water bottle. If your child does not have a hat, I would still like them to participate and will provide sunscreen for the lesson excluding students that have sunscreen allergies.

If your child cannot participate in PE lessons for a particular reason could you please write a note explaining the reason and give it directly to Miss McKean.

Thank you.

Miss. McKean
4 - 6 PE Teacher

REGIONAL FOOTBALL
Congratulations to Lachlan A who was selected and will go on to represent in the South Coast Regional team.

REGIONAL TOUCH FOOTBALL
Congratulations to Shadrach L who was selected and will go on to represent Oceanic in the district team.
OCEANIC / DISTRICT TRIALS

GOLF
10 - 12yrs girls or boys who play competitive golf and would like to try out please see Miss McKean, trials are Monday 16th May, 2016.

SOFTBALL
12 girls who wish to trial for softball please see Miss McKean, trials are Tuesday 24th May, 2016.

Any further enquiries regarding districts please contact the Senior PE Teacher - Miss. McKean on cxmck5@eq.edu.au

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SUSHI DAY Wednesday 11th of May
Order NOW via munchmonitor.com
Final cut off for orders is strictly Friday 6th of May 9am

P and C News
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Thursday 23rd of June. School Disco - Pyjama Party! Save the Date!
Last day for Mothers Day stall is Friday morning - also don't forget to try your luck in the Mother's Day Raffle!

The School Locker
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Music supplies have arrived at The School Locker Campus Store.
We stock a full range of Clarinet and Saxophone reeds, Violin strings, Music Books, Cello and Violin Rosin, Trombone Cream, Cork Grease, Valve slide and Key Oil and cleaning cloths and much more.

Robina High Information Evening
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Merrimac SHS Enrolment Information
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Merrimac State High School Enrolment Information Evening for students entering Year 7 in 2017 will be held Tuesday, 17 July 2017 at 6:30pm in the Hall.

All prospective students and parents are welcome to attend this information evening. Staff will be on hand to provide information on enrolment, curriculum and facilities.

Enrolment packs will be available from Merrimac SHS Admin or at www.merrimachs.qld.edu.au