From the Principal

Thank you to all of the families who participated in our Celebration of Learning “Student – Teacher – Parent Conferences last week. Our students get very excited when they have the opportunity to share their learning journey. In our classrooms we believe your child’s progress is dependent on a partnership between home and school. We also believe that it is important that students are encouraged to take responsibility for their learning and behaviour. Therefore as part of our reporting process we offer all parents the opportunity to participate in our Celebration of Learning “Student – Teacher – Parent Conferences”. It was gratifying to have so many families take up the opportunity and to see and hear students giving a self-evaluation of his/her progress and outlining his/her personal goals for Semester 2. This process makes our students more responsible for his/her learning and behaviour. Responsibility increases true self-esteem and can only have a positive effect on your child’s progress.

It is with sadness that we inform you that our school chaplain Mr. Rob will finish up at Clover Hill at the end of this term. Mr. Rob has been our chaplain for almost six years and we’d like to thank him on behalf of the whole school community for his outstanding efforts during this time. The chaplaincy position will be advertised via Scripture Union, the supporting body for school chaplains and a new chaplain will commence with us in Term Four. We will be aiming to continue all of the wonderful programmes that have been established by Mr. Rob during his time and keeping the chaplaincy programme thriving.

**Excellence in Learning Assembly:** Last week we celebrated with over 200 students and their families at our annual ‘Excellence in Learning’ assembly for year 3-6 students. At Clover Hill our vision is ‘Expect Excellence’. Our staff expect excellence by stating clearly and fairly that we expect the best students can provide. We are then able to challenge and guide the students in their work to get the best results from them and for them – by doing this we believe our students will strive to meet the challenges and in most cases succeed. Families more than anyone understand the effort and commitment their children have to their studies. We know that families contribute significantly to the success of students – providing them with nutrition, love and a safe place to live, as well as challenging them and supporting them to develop their resilience.

At this assembly we shared that whilst we are very proud of the efforts of these students – more importantly we felt that they should feel proud of themselves. A wise man once said that, “We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not an act but a habit”.

**P&C Twilight Fair:** On Friday 19 August, Clover Hill will hold a Twilight Fair on the school oval. This year’s Twilight Fair should be something to remember. The event, featuring a number of major rides, and various kids’ rides including a rollercoaster, will end with a spectacular fireworks display. (Rides operating from 2pm-7.30pm) You can save money by pre purchasing your Unlimited Ride Wristbands from

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**What’s On?**

- **Friday, 19 August** – Twilight Fair
- **Wednesday, 24 August** – Book Character Parades (P – 3)
- **22 – 24 August** – Book Fair
- **Friday, 26 August** – Gold Coast Show Day

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**News @ Clover Hill State School**

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There is a huge rides line-up with fun for All Ages! Inc. Kids Roller Coaster, The Hurricane, Whizzer, Ghost Train & plenty of rides for the littlies. There will be live entertainment on centre stage, carnival games and more!

**FIREWORKS Finale @ 7.30pm!**

Food & Beverages available for purchase

**Eisteddfod News:** Term 3 is a busy time for staff and students as they have been preparing for this year’s Eisteddfods. A huge thank you to staff who have been coordinating additional rehearsals and costumes. Thanks to Ms Ursula Carty, Mrs. Martina French, Mrs. Zeina Jalilian, Mrs. Kylie Krick, Mr. Heath Florey and Mr. Gary Reedman. We wish all of our eisteddfod teams the very best in their upcoming performances. Watch Facebook for regular updates.

**NAPLAN Results:** 2016 Year 3 and 5 student reports have arrived and were to be distributed to all students last week. We are particular proud of the achievement we have made – particularly the number of students who achieved in the upper two bands. These results show that our focus on learning the basics is paying dividends when it comes to student performance. No doubt the tireless efforts and support offered by our teachers, school staff and parents are reflected in these encouraging results.

Over the next term, as a school staff we will be reviewing our school NAPLAN results thoroughly to identify opportunities and strategies for improvement over the next 12 months. It is however important to remember that NAPLAN is only part of the story – not the whole story. These tests represent just one measure of student performance.

**School Council:**

As a part of Clover Hill State School becoming and Independent Public School, there is a requirement for us to establish a School Council. School councils enable greater involvement of the school community and other stakeholders, such as industry, in setting the strategic direction for our school.

The role of a School Council is to:

- monitor the school’s strategic direction;
- approve plans and policies of the school of a strategic nature, including the annual estimate of revenue and expenditure for the school;
- monitor the implementation of the plans, policies and other relevant documents;
- advise the school’s principal about strategic matters.

The School Council plays a role in monitoring and informing the school’s strategic direction in a way that achieves the best learning outcomes for the school’s students.

The establishment of School Councils will not impact upon the functions and powers of P&Cs and the P&C president will be included on the School Council to represent the views of the P&C Association.

School Councils will have the responsibility to approve documents that set the strategic direction of the school, but will not be involved in daily operational aspects.

Our School Council will include two elected parent members and two elected staff members. The number of elected parent members and elected staff members of a school council must be equal. On acceptance of election to Clover Hill State School Council, members are entrusted with the long term integrity and viability of the School. In return for this trust, members perform their duties always in the best interests of the School, in good faith and with honesty.

To commence the process for establishment of our first School Council, we are calling for nominations from parents and staff to fill the positions of elected members. To be eligible for election as an elected parent or elected staff member, a person must:

- Not be the principal of the school or the Parents and Citizens’ association (P&C) president;
- Have not been convicted of an indictable offence, unless the Minister gives approval under the Act (s.93);
- Attend a meeting called for the purpose of electing parent members or staff members;
- Be the parent of a student attending the school (for elected parent member) or be a member of staff at the school (for elected staff member); and
- Submit a completed nomination on time.

Nomination forms and the election process are available in hard copy from the school office or electronically on our website. Nominations close on Monday 10 August.
Stop, Drop, Go Zone Courtesy: In an effort to have a smooth departure from school, we ask the following:

- Collectors using the stop, drop and go area are to remain in their vehicle at all times.
- Collectors are to enter the stop, drop and go area near the crossing and proceed all the way towards the prep end of the area.
- Students will be required by staff to wait at the “Prep Gate” until collectors vehicles are nearby when duty teachers will release students.
- Collectors should exit the stop, drop and go area at the end of the area where they merge into traffic.
- We ask that everybody remain calm and exercise patience in this regard. We also ask parents to exercise care and consideration when using this zone before school. Please do not park in this area – it is a stop, drop, go zone only. In the interest of student safety, your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Have a great fortnight,

Kind regards
Regan Gant (Acting Principal)

DATE CLAIMERS

- **9 August** Gold Coast Eisteddfod – Senior Strings, Green Strings
- **11 August** Gold Coast Eisteddfod - Dance
- **16 August** Gold Coast Eisteddfod – Junior, Senior Band
- **16 August** Prep E and F Farm Visit
- **18 August** Gold Coast Eisteddfod
- **19 August** P&C Twilight Fair
- **22 August** Oz Tag – Invited Year 5 and 6 Teams.
- **22-26 August** Scholastic Book Fair
- **23 August** Gold Coast Eisteddfod – Year 1 Excursion
- **24 August** Gold Coast Eisteddfod – Senior Choir
- **25 August** Gold Coast Eisteddfod - Junior Choir
- **26 August** Gold Coast Show Public Holiday
- **30 August** Year 2 C,E,F Excursion
- **7-9 September** Year 5 Camp – Camp Goodenough
- **16 September** Last day term 3

From The Chaplain

To the Clover Hill S.S community.

After a lot of prayer and thought, it is now time for me to step down as Clover Hill State School's Chaplain. Although it was always going to be a tough decision, I know it is the right one. For six years I have been lucky enough to have been part of the Clover Community and been blessed so much through my role here. It is now time for me to move on. I cannot express in words the gratitude and appreciation I personally feel. The support myself and the chaplaincy programme have been given over these six years is truly amazing and a testament to you all and the community as a whole. Thank you for allowing me to play a small part in your childrens' lives, it has been a privilege for me and something I have not taken lightly. Whether it was brekky club, energise club, Rock and Water, Drumbeat, one on ones or just hanging out, I have enjoyed every minute of it. I wish and pray for Clover Hill to continue to be the great place of learning and support it has grown to be. My finishing date will be Friday 16th September.

God Bless.
Robert Greenwood.
You Can Do It Philosophy:

Examples of Getting Along Behaviour

- Works well with others
- Takes turn
- Listens when someone is talking
- Respects important school/home rules
- Helps someone with their work
- When faced with a problem, talks rather than fights
- Shares material
- Includes someone in a group activity
- Is courteous and kind to peers, teachers, and parents
- Helps others in need
- Is sensitive to the feelings of others
- Tells the truth
- Does things to make the community a better place to live

Things to Say to Encourage Getting Along Behaviour

- "You are a good listener."
- "You work well in a group."
- "Sharing helps you be a good friend."
- "You are a helpful person."
- "Solving this problem without fighting shows you are really getting along."
- "You have a real talent for getting along."
- "You are taking time to find out more about a person without judging them."
- "You think before you act. What a great attribute."
- "Empathy is being able to stand in someone’s shoes. You try to see things from another’s point of view."
- "You care about your community."

Junior Sports News

On Wednesday the 27th of July the Junior Athletics Carnival was held. It was a great day and there were lots of smiles and tired children by the end of the day. A big thank you to staff and parents for the support on the day, as it would not have been as successful without them.

The final results from the Junior Athletics Carnival were as follows:

1st - Dingo - 409 points

2nd - Wallaby - 408 points

3rd - Koala - 354 points

4th - Jabiru - 336 points

Congratulations to Dingo and all the students that participated on the day for great sportsmanship and trying their best!!

Please find following some great photos made by Ms. Docker in 1D.
JUNIOR ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
The School Locker

SALE SALE SALE!!!!!!!

Take a further 50% off ticket prices of sale stock when you bring in an activated student advantage card. If you haven't already activated your card or have misplaced it we have plenty more in store and can activate for you.

Winter track Pants now down to $17.50
Jumpers in size 6 & 16 now $7.50
Short sleeve zip front dresses down to $17.00
Widerim Hats size 58cm and 60cm and Bucket hats now $5.00
Microfibre Jackets with embroidery size 4, 12, 14 16 now $12.50

Dental Van

Final REMINDER to book your child/children’s Dental Exam if you have not already been to visit the School Dental Van:

The mobile Dental Van will be relocating to another school very soon.

Gold Coast Oral Health Services are offering free dental check-ups to children in all years.

This service will be provided on-site by Mobile Dental Clinic. Hours of operation for this clinic are Tuesday–Friday 8.00am–4.30pm.

To arrange an appointment for your child telephone:

The Oral Health Client Service Centre
01300 300 850
Monday – Friday 8.00 am – 4.30 pm
Excluding Public Holidays

Child Dental Benefit Schedule Vouchers are accepted. When your child’s $1000 cap is reached, there will be no out-of-pocket expenses provided your child meets *eligibility criteria.

- Eligibility – All Queensland resident children aged four years or older who have not completed year 10 of secondary school.

Further information on public funded oral health services can be accessed via URL:
Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Information for parents and carers

Key staff at Clover Hill State School have commenced reviewing student data in relation to The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability. The national data collection is an annual collection that counts the number of school students with disability and the level of reasonable educational adjustment they are provided with.

The national data collection counts students who have been identified by a school team as receiving an adjustment to address a disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.

WHY IS THIS DATA BEING COLLECTED?

All schools across Australia collect information about students with disability. But the type of information currently collected varies between each state and territory and across government, Catholic and independent school sectors.

When undertaking the national data collection, every school in Australia will use the same method to collect information.

What information will be collected?

Every year your child’s school will collect the following information for each student with a disability:
- the student’s level of education (i.e. primary or secondary)
- the student’s level of adjustment
- the student’s broad type of disability.

The information collected by schools will be provided to all governments to inform policy and programme improvement for students with disability.

WHAT ARE SCHOOLS REQUIRED TO DO FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY?

All students are entitled to a quality learning experience at school.

Schools are required to make reasonable adjustments, where needed, to assist students with disability to access and participate in education free from discrimination and on the same basis as other students.

WHAT IS A REASONABLE ADJUSTMENT?

A reasonable adjustment is a measure or action taken to help a student with disability access and participate in education on the same basis as students without disability. Reasonable adjustments reflect the assessed individual needs of the student, and are provided in consultation with the student and/or their parents and carers. Reasonable adjustments can be made across the whole school setting (e.g. ramps into school buildings), in the classroom (such as adapting class lessons) and at an individual student level (e.g. extra tuition for a student with learning difficulties).

Who will collect information FOR THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?

Teachers and school staff will count the number of students with disability in their school and the level of reasonable adjustment they are provided based on:
- consultation with parents and carers in the course of determining and providing reasonable adjustments
- the school team’s observations and professional judgments
- any medical or other professional diagnosis
- other relevant information.

School principals are responsible for ensuring the information identified about each student is accurate.

How will my child’s privacy be protected?

Protecting the privacy and confidentiality of all students and their families is essential. Personal details such as student names or other identifying information will not be provided to local or federal education authorities.


If you would prefer your child’s information to be NOT included in the school data being collated, please contact the school’s office to advise us of this.
National Science Week - 2016 is nearly here! National Science Week is the 13-21st August 2016. This year’s theme is: “Drones, droids and robots”.
Each year Clover Hill SS offers students a variety of experiences and events to participate in so that all students have the opportunity explore their interest in science or to delve deeper into their love of science.

Each year all year levels participate in science week activities at the school and they can also choose to participate in The Gold Coast Science Competition, the Pop up Science Centre, Science Trivia Challenge or the STEM Cup later in term 4.

CHSS 2016 Science Week Activities
The CHSS STEaM (Science Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) Team have been busy organising a variety of exciting “Drone, droids and robot” activities for all of the year levels to participate in as part of the 2016 science week activities.

Griffith University Gold Coast Science Competition

An information letter for was emailed last term to all families with information for students interested in entering the 30th annual Gold Coast Science Competition. Many interested students have also been given a paper copy. The competition is a great way for students interested in science to challenge and extend the skills that they have learnt at school and apply their skills to a topic of interest to them. The photo above shows some of the Clover Hill State School junior scientists who won awards in last year’s competition.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Maddock in the Science Lab before school starts or email him on: gmadd4@eq.edu.au

Gold Coast Schools pop up Science Centre

Sunday August 14th 2016
Each year the CHSS participates in the Gold Coast Schools pop up science centre which showcases many fantastic science activities that occur at Gold Coast primary and secondary schools as well as environmental education centres.
Last year it was a great success at the Robina Community Centre, but they have had to move to larger premises to hold this year's pop up science centre.

It is a **free event** and all families and friends are welcome.

**When:** Sunday 14 August from 11 am – 3 pm  
**Where:** SPORTS SUPER CENTRE, SPORTS DR. RUNAWAY BAY  
**Who:** Entertaining for all ages  
**What:** CHSS and other schools; Special Guests QUESTACON! Educational Science Shows, Hands-On Experiments

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**Griffith University 2016 Science Trivia Challenge**

Are you in Year 5 or 6? Do you love science and trivia competitions? Then this competition is for you! Clover Hill SS is looking to enter teams of 4 interested students into the 2016 Science Trivia Challenge. Teams compete against teams from other Gold Coast schools in six rounds of 8 questions about a variety of science topics. There will also be science demonstrations and entertainment.

**Where:** Queensland Academy for Health Sciences  
**When:** Tuesday August 16th, 2016. 1pm – 3.30pm  
An expression of interest letter will be given to students interested in forming a team and entering. Could any interested students please come and see Mr. Maddock in the Science Lab.

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**CHSS SCIENCE LAB DONATIONS**

Calling all parents. We need your help. We are setting up two fish tanks to house some living creatures to develop the students love, care and knowledge of living creature. One tank will be set up for fresh water fish such as gold fish and the other with a different creature such as a hermit crab or the like. If any families have any fish or creatures that they would like to donate to the science lab could you please email me with the type of fish or creature and any other relevant information. Please don’t bring them in until we have confirmed that we will be able to give them a home.

Some other donations we are seeking are any science related objects that can be added to our science lab displays in the areas of Physics, Earth and Space, Chemistry and Biology. The donations need to be in good condition, safe, and help students to understand and learn about science. Objects, could be insects in plastic moulds, bones, x rays, etc. Again, please email Mr. Maddock first and please don’t bring in until we have confirmed that we will be able to use the item/s.

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2016 Science Diary Dates:  
National Science Week - 2016 Theme: “Drones, droids and robots” 13-21st August 2016  
Gold Coast Schools pop up Science Centre – Sunday August 14th, 2016  
**Griffith University Gold Coast Science Competition** (Yr Prep – 12) 29 Aug -1st Sept 2016  
**STEM CUP** – Term 4, dates yet to be announced

Mr. Maddock, CHSS Specialist Science Teacher  
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BOOK WEEK 22-24 August

CLOVER HILL BOOK FAIR
22nd, 23rd, 24th August
School Hall Meeting Room
* Mon & Tues: 8:00am-9:30am
  and 2:30pm-3:30pm
* Wednesday: 8:00am-12:30pm
  and 2:30pm-3:30pm
  * Buy books to take home
  * Buy books for our library

BOOK CHARACTER PARADE
Wednesday 24th August
School Hall
Come dressed as your favourite book character!

PREP: 9:10am-10:00am
YEAR 1: 10:10am-11:00am
YEARS 2 & 3: 11:45am-12:30pm
Scholastic Book Week—Book Fair

Monday 22nd August – Wednesday 24th August

A Celebration of Literacy!

Literacy Legacy – Target 100

Located within the bookshop is our Literacy Legacy bookstand, which includes a comprehensive display of highly sought after literature for young minds. By purchasing, then donating one or more of these books, you will be contributing to the Clover Hill Literacy Legacy. Our students will benefit from your generosity for many years to come. Our target this year is 100 books. Book donors will be recognised for their contribution with a commemorative label on the inside cover.

Book Character Parade

The book character parades will be held in the school hall on Wednesday 24th August.

Coffee, muffins, cold drinks and snacks will be available for purchase from the TUCKSHOP before/after your child’s parade.