From the Administration Team

What an amazing term we have had. We can hardly believe that we are nearly at the end of term 1. As we approach the Easter vacation we can reflect upon the achievements of the term. Some of which include welcoming our returning students and staff, enjoying the excitement of "big school" with our prep students and welcoming our new students, their families and staff into the Clover Hill community to name but a few. As we approach the holiday period please take care if you are travelling on our busy roads. We look forward to seeing everybody in Term 2 rested and ready for the new term.

Explicit Improvement Agenda: Our 'Improvement Priorities' this year are:

1. Improved achievement in READING – to be able to read well with comprehension.

2. Improved achievement in SPELLING – to be able to spell accurately in writing.

3. Improved achievement in NUMERACY – to be able to compute accurately.

School Excursions: Each excursion note clearly shows a "last date for payment". This date is set to allow us enough time to calculate numbers and collate permission notes, finalise buses and instructors and most of all to ensure that our duty of care for your child is met. Should you not be able to meet this final date for payment please contact the office staff before the end date and we will organise a suitable payment plan. However, if the school is unaware of your inability to meet this deadline numbers will be finalised and buses and venues
booked. To ensure that we do not disappoint the children please make contact with the office to make alternative arrangements.

**National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence:** A huge thank you to our community for support of our Student Council’s ‘Wear Orange’ National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence held last Friday 16 March. Our student leaders raised $847.60 which is a great effort for their first event. Our student council meets every Friday morning in our resource centre from 8:20am. Our Year 7 leaders have a P-2 buddy class and all other classes from Years 3-7 are invited to nominate class representatives.

**School Uniform Standards:** Clover Hill State School’s uniform policy has been developed in conjunction with the Parents and Citizens Association to promote a sense of belonging and a positive image of our school within the community. Our uniform has been deliberately chosen with cost, health and safety, maximum participation in all educational activities and practicality in mind. All members of the school community need to accept responsibility for ensuring that dress standards are maintained. To clarify what is acceptable and what is not acceptable according to our uniform policy we have included a pictorial representation of what is acceptable and what isn’t. We ask that all parents support our school’s efforts by ensuring that your child wears the correct uniform on a daily basis in Term 2. Should anyone wish to discuss this or require further clarification about our uniform policy please contact the school to arrange an appointment with our Parent Liaison Officer Mrs Katie Kee or one of our school administrators.

**Watermation Competition:** This year CC Blue participated in the 2014 Watermation Student Animation Competition, where they had to create a short 60 minute or less animation to raise awareness about a water related issue. All students entered animations to the Gold Coast City Council, and on the 22 March they announced the groups that had been short listed for the People’s Choice award. One of the groups from CC Blue was short listed for People’s Choice award – congratulations to April, Jade, Kasey and Paige who created an animation with Stop Motion Pro, made the music using GarageBand and created their own backgrounds. The People’s Choice prize is an iPad and a fifty dollar iTunes cards for each member of the winning group. Please help these students get over the line by voting. The Watermation link is: http://woobox.com/zxid2b

**Parent Teacher Interviews:** A reminder to register for an interview through our on line booking program. We encourage all parents to make an appointment to discuss your child’s learning progress with their classroom teacher.

**Student absences - Every day counts:** We highlighted the importance of school attendance in our last newsletter and we are delighted that our 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 transposed into their semester reports however more importantly students who are late are missing out on important learning. As adults we know that it is unacceptable to be late to work so please support us in teaching our students this important work ethic.
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### Help us to maintain our Uniform Standards

**Shoes to be worn with Formal Uniform on a daily basis**
- All Black leather or leather like (NO canvas, NO volley or slip on)
- Lace up or Velcro – NO coloured laces
- Slip on canvas shoes and ballet-type shoes do not provide sufficient protection when students are participating in learning experiences or in the playground. Hence students will be excluded from lessons in the DAT and Science Centre without the correct footwear.

**Shoes to be worn with Sports Uniform on timetabled HPE lesson day only**
- Functional sports shoe – PREDOMINATELY black or white
- NO fluorescent or coloured laces

#### Hats
- Our Sunsafe Rule is “No Sunsafe Hat, No Play”.
- Students are encouraged to wear the school broad brimmed, bucket or legionnaire’s hat.

#### Winter Uniform
- School issue pullover or jacket
- School issue navy blue track pants can be worn.
- Girls may also wear blue tights.
- No undershirts or undergarments should show outside or through uniform.

#### Jewellery
- The only jewellery to be worn at school are earrings (studs or sleepers and no more than one pair per ear) and a watch. No signets are to be worn.
- It is against Workplace Health and Safety Regulations to allow any other piercing apart from the ears. Similarly, no bracelets, anklets or necklaces are to be worn.
- Upon written request outlining significance, the principal will give consideration for religious, cultural and medical needs.

#### Hair & Make Up
- Extreme hairstyles are not permitted (This means haircuts that are not normally seen within schools of primary age cohorts i.e. tracks, mohawks, streaks, rats tails etc.)
- Hair colour is to be of natural tones – no coloured streaks
- All hair that is shoulder length or longer is required to be worn pulled back and secured away from the face and shoulders with a scrunchie, band or ribbon (matching to school colours).
- No coloured nail polish or make up is to be worn at school.

**Uniform Shop Trading Hours:** Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30am to 10:00am

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4 April  Prep Easter Bonnet Parade 9:15am (in the Hall)
    Grade 1 & 2 Easter Bonnet Parade 2:15pm (in the Hall)

23 April  Year 4 Bike Safety

30 April - 2 May  Year 6 Camp

1 May  Surfing Scientist Excursion Year 3, 2/3 and CC Green

8-9 May  Year 4 Tallebudgera Day Camp

24 May  K4 Kids Fundraising walk to support our Chaplaincy Program

MONEY COLLECTION PROCEDURES

All monies for excursions/activities are to be directed to the administration office payment window which is open between 8.30am to 10.30am Monday, Wednesday and Friday only. Payments can be made by cash, cheque (made payable to Clover Hill State School), credit card, EFTPOS or also be made via internet banking.

Preferred method of payment is by internet banking.

Payments Via Internet Banking: direct payment into school bank account

- **School's Bank Account Name:** Clover Hill State School General A/C
- **BSB Number:** 064-486 (CBA Branch Robina)
- **Account Number:** 1009 8071
- **Reference/Details:** Please record “Student Name” in the reference/details section so that your payment can be recorded correctly. **If insufficient details are supplied, payments will be applied to the oldest debt for that Family/Customer.**
- **Payments via Internet Banking must be paid at least 3 days prior to the due date.**

The procedure for payment for an excursion must include a permission slip and medical form (if applicable) to be signed by parents/carers. The signed permission slips will be returned to the excursion organiser as proof of payment by the student.

Children are asked to report with their money secured in a named envelope to the office on the said days where staff will collect and receipt it.

**Please be aware** excursion money **must be** paid by 10.30am on the due date which is clearly indicated on the note. **Late payments will not be accepted.**

If you know you are unable to make the deadline for payment please notify the school before the due date to make alternative arrangements or a payment plan.

Money **cannot** be accepted on the morning of an excursion/activity, as final numbers for buses and venues/activities will have already been generated.
Remember, the responsibility for payment is yours.
The school will endeavour to provide reminders through newsletters, via class teachers and text messages; however, these are provided as a service and should not be relied upon. The non-acceptance of late payments will mean disappointed children.

If your child is absent on the day of the excursion, a refund can be arranged by filling out a Refund Request form obtained at the office.

STUDENT AWARDS

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Hunter M Sophie D William H

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Elia T Ruby A Taylah M
Sean R Tiffany L Max R

2E 2/3 3A
Ryan P Zohie D Jaimie M

2E 3B
3C Thomas G 3D
Jeremy K 3C Abby O & Kaden L
Emily F Matthew G 3E

Charly M & Jack M

INSURANCE COVER FOR STUDENTS

Some school activities and physical education, particularly contact sports, carry inherent risks of injury.
Parents are advised the Department of Education and Training does not have student accident insurance cover for students.

If your child is injured at school as a result of an accident or incident, all costs associated with the injury, including medical costs are the responsibility of the parent or caregiver.

Some incidental medical costs may be covered by Medicare. If you have Private Health Insurance, some costs may also be covered by your provider. Any other costs must be covered by parents.

Student accident insurance pays some benefits in certain circumstances should your child have an accident.

It is up to all parents to decide what types and what level of private insurance they wish to arrange to cover their child.

Please contact your insurer or an approved Australian Insurance Broker if you wish to take out student personal accident insurance cover for your child.

LIBRARY NEWS

As a successful Term 1 draws to a close, we request that all overdue loans are returned or renewed and any accounts settled. The student borrowing period is 1 week with the exception of term holidays. Weekly reminders are sent home when books are overdue and borrowing rights may be restricted at the discretion of library staff.

Jo Dimond - Library Coordinator

SMS TEXTING

Clover Hill State School uses a SMS Texting service to notify parents/caregivers of happenings within the school community. The text service is sent to the mobile number under parent/caregiver 1 (one) as indicated when you first enrolled your child.

Please inform the office if you changed your mobile number.

SPORTS NEWS

DATES TO REMEMBER

Year 1 Swimming Lessons:

Weeks 9 & 10 – every day

• Please ensure all students have a swimming cap and goggles.
SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all the students in Years 4 to 7 who competed and supported their sports house and peers at last Thursday’s Senior Cross Country Carnival. Every student showed tremendous effort and excelled in their individual race. They should be very proud of their training in PE sessions and this especially showed on the day. I was particularly impressed with the smiles at the finish line.

Congratulations to both Jabiru and Wallaby sports house who shared the points as the overall winners. Great job students!

Special congratulations to the following students who excelled in the cross country course, superb effort:

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PLAYGROUND USE

It is to be noted that all playgrounds and play equipment are out of bounds before and after school each day. All of our school playgrounds are built as per the recommended age groups corresponding to Australian Standards as outlined below:

- Prep playground located next to the multipurpose courts - Prep students ONLY
- Junior playground located in the middle of A & B block classrooms – Prep, Year 1 & 2 students ONLY
- Middle playground located behind the resource centre - Year 3 & 4 students ONLY
- Fitness circuit located on the senior oval - Years 4-7 students ONLY

Any unauthorised persons seen using this equipment outside the supervised play periods will be asked to leave equipment immediately for workplace health and safety reasons.

HEALTH NEWS

Dental News

Students in Prep, Grade 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, CC Blue and CC Green are now being offered the opportunity to contact the Child and Adolescent Oral Health service to arrange for a Dental Examination at (Mobile Dental
Clinic MDC 185 – Clover Hill SS. A parent or legal guardian is required to attend the first appointment to complete the Parental Consent and Medical/Dental History form.

If your child is enrolled in one of the grades listed above please contact the Oral Health Call Centre 1300 300 850. Monday to Friday 8.00 am – 4.30 pm Excluding Public Holidays.

If your child requires disability access please identify this requirement with the Call Centre Operator.

The Child and Adolescent Oral Health Service has handed out "Offers of Care Packs’. If parents are having trouble reaching the call centre to make appointment on 1300 300 850, please phone the Dental Van directly on 0407 038 071 or visit the Dental Van to make all dental appointments.

All students from Prep to Grade 7 are eligible to attend the School Dental Van for their oral health care.

For Emergency Oral Health, please call Queensland Oral Health’s Call Centre on 1300 300 850. Monday to Friday 8.00am – 4.30pm Excluding Public Holidays. If your child requires disability access please identify this requirement with the Call Centre Operator.

CENTREPAY OPTION

As part of our continual review of processes at Clover Hill State School, we now have the opportunity for parents to pay school resources payments through the Centrepay option.

Centrepay is a free direct bill paying service available to customers who receive a Centrelink payment (eg. Pension, Newstart Allowance and Family Tax Benefit). You can specify a target amount and regular deductions will be made until the target amount is reached. You also have the option to change/suspend your fortnightly deductions.

If you are interested in this option, please contact the Business Services Manager, Ann St George, on 55594111 and an appointment can be readily made. The form only takes 5 minutes to complete and is then faxed to Centrelink. The deductions are then paid directly into the schools bank account with a specific identifier to then be receipted against allocated invoices.

We hope this new option is helpful to our school community.

FROM THE P&C

EASTER RAFFLE

With Easter fast approaching we thought it would be lovely to hold an Easter raffle. We are asking parents to supply their child with an Easter themed donation to hand to their classroom teacher between 24 March and 3 April. Flyers with further information will be coming home to you shortly with all the details and suggestions. We
will be selling raffle tickets at the main entry gate between 24 March and 3 April, with the draw to occur at the Easter Hat Parade on 4 April (tickets will also be available for sale on this date in the morning only). All winners are requested to collect their prizes no later than 3.00 pm on FRIDAY 4 APRIL, as this is the last day of term and prizes can not be stored over the holidays.

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