FROM THE ADMINISTRATION TEAM

**Awards Excellence Evening:** Our annual awards evenings will be held this week with the Junior Evening on Wednesday 19 November and Senior Evening on Thursday 20 November. Teachers undertake a rigorous moderation process to determine these awards, as well as them being confirmed by the executive team. This is a great evening to celebrate achievements from throughout the year as well as entertainment by our performing arts groups. Our awards nights are always very special celebrations on our annual school calendar. They provide opportunity for us to not only recognise individual successes but also to celebrate our achievements and enjoy some outstanding performances. All of the students receiving awards and students performing have demonstrated excellence in one way or another. The individual award recipients and collective talent have strengthened the ‘excellent’ reputation of Clover Hill State School and I thank our school community for your ongoing support of this wonderful school.

**Do you know what your kids are doing online?**

Your child may be spending too much time online if their online behaviour is having a negative impact on other aspects of their life. To many parents it can seem as though children and young people are constantly online. Often they are multitasking; for example downloading and listening to music while studying and chatting with friends or sending messages on their mobile phones. The number of hours children and young people spend online can vary significantly. There is no guideline for the ‘right’ amount of time for children to spend online,
however if their online behaviour appears to impact negatively on their behaviour or wellbeing, or that of the family, it may be time to discuss expectations and establish time limits.

A parent’s guide to online safety can be found at [http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx)

**Preparations for 2015:** A reminder that all families should have received their re-enrolment packages last term with the following closing dates:

- **2015 Student Resource scheme - $110 early bird payment per child closes Friday 21 November (≈ $27.50 per term).**

- **2015 Family contribution – $60 early bird per family payment closes Friday 21 November.** Help us raise money for more ‘E-learning devices’ by paying $15 per term!

**2015 Enrolments:** We are busily making preparations for the 2015 school year. If you know of any students who would like to enrol at Clover Hill in 2015, please encourage them to contact Michelle in the office to discuss their enrolment. Also, if you know that you may not be returning in 2015 would you please make contact with Michelle to discuss your departure.

**Uniform Shop:** The uniform is well stocked in preparation for 2015. We remind all parents of our high expectations in maintaining our uniform standards. The uniform shop is open each Tuesday and Thursday morning between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

**School Uniforms:** Clover Hill is excited to announce our new partnership with the School Locker who will be supplying uniforms for our school. After a very rigorous process this company has now taken over operations for the supply and selling of uniforms in our school. Our uniform will undergo improvements in quality and manufacturing with new and improved items added to our existing line. Our existing uniform is still part of the accepted range and will eventually be phased out to encompass the new improved range.

**Shoes:** The Clover Hill State School P&C have determined that our school is a full uniform school. The School Uniform is regarded by the school community as being important in its role in encouraging a sense of self-esteem, belonging and self-discipline in students through to their adolescence. The School Uniform of Clover Hill State School is designed to give students a sense of purpose that lends itself to the process of education.

As the year comes to a close some students are coming not wearing shoes deemed as fitting our uniform policy. The policy states that:

- **Formal school shoes should be:** All Black, lace-up or Velcro, leather or leather like and that volleys or slip-on shoes are not appropriate.

- **Sports shoes should be:** Functional sports shoes, predominantly black or white and they should have no fluorescent or multi-coloured laces

As a part of the enrolment agreement at Clover Hill, parents and students have agreed to comply with the uniform policy at our school. Consequences for not being in uniform are outlined in our responsible
behaviour plan located on our school website. We ask that we work together to ensure our high standards are maintained. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

**Every Day Counts:** A reminder that learning time starts at 8:55am and every day/every minute counts so please ensure that your children are at school on time and that they attend school every day.

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**QSchools app**

Earlier this year we launched our new school website ([www.cloverhillss.eq.edu.au](http://www.cloverhillss.eq.edu.au)). In exciting news, we now have the power to send notifications to families about important aspects of our school. To do this families need to download the QSchools app. The QSchools app is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information from Queensland state schools.

The app integrates with the department's preferred school website platform, allowing users to:

- find and favourite your school by searching for the school by name, searching a map or by searching for schools near your current location
- receive real-time notifications about state-wide emergency alerts as well as school push notifications and important updates through the app
- access the latest news, events and newsletters from your school
- easily access your schools tuckshop and uniform shop information
- view information about your school including class times and contact details
- view social media feeds.
The app can manage updates from multiple schools which is useful for parents who have students in different schools.

Push notifications will allow your favourite Queensland schools to push essential information directly to your device, including notifications of upcoming events and emergency alerts and important updates.

To be able to receive important messages instantly to your mobile device (push notifications):


2. If you already have the app, please ensure it is up-to-date, as out-dated versions will not receive notifications.

3. Make sure you allow notifications.

4. Make sure you have ‘favourited’ our school.

You are now ready to receive important school messages direct to your mobile device.

We currently have 215 users who have added Clover Hill to their favourites and 190 users subscribed to receive push notifications. Our goal is to have at least 80% of our families using the App. Please help us reach this target and download the App today!

**Christmas Concert and Raffle:** As the end of our school year is fast approaching we are also looking forward to our annual Christmas Concert which includes a ‘giant’ BBQ this year!! The Clover Hill State School P&C Events Team is in the festive spirit, organising the Annual Community Christmas Concert and our students are rehearsing for our night under the stars on our school oval. Like last year the ‘The Great Christmas Gift Giving Tree Raffle’ will be laden with presents, vouchers, hampers and surprises to be raffled off on the night.

The P&C are seeking your support!!! Do you own your own business? They would love to promote your business within the school community! Do you have a service or product that can be donated to the Christmas Gift Giving Tree then we want to hear from you. All donations need to be clearly labelled with the detail of the gift or service and who the donation is from (i.e. your family or business name). All donations will receive recognition on the night.

The P&C are also asking all families again this year to donate goodies for our famous Christmas Hampers which will also be raffled on the night. Again this year the P&C will be holding an exciting inter-class competition. They are looking for the best, most amazing, beautiful, Christmas food and gift hampers EVER. Every class is being asked to create a wonderful Christmas hamper to decorate with Christmas themed gifts and goodies:

Each class is responsible for the wrapping and decorating of their own hamper. All hampers will need to be ready for judging and the winning classes, one from P-2 and one from 3-7 will win a pizza party for their class in the last week of school. All classes will be acknowledged as the donor of their particular hamper. **See your classroom teacher and/or CPR for a list of items that your class requires for your hamper.** All classes will be acknowledged as the donor of their particular hamper.
We look forward to your support of a great night on Wednesday 3 December (weather permitting)!

*Have a great fortnight!*  

Kind regards

Gayle Alessio, Principal

Regan Gant, Jenny Tobin, Ursula Carty and Kathy Cavanagh (Assistant Principals)

WE ARE ACCEPTING ENROLMENTS FOR 2015 NOW.

CONTACT: 55594111 or email mbrow78@eq.edu.au for a package

PLEASE ENROL EARLY SO WE CAN ARRANGE STAFFING!

DATE CLAIMERS

Week 7

- **18 November**       P&C meeting 3:15p.m. in the Hall  
- **18 - 24 November**  Year 2 Jacob’s Well Education Centre excursion  
- **19 November**       Junior Awards Excellence Evening 6:30pm in hall  
- **20 November**       Senior Awards Excellence Evening 6:30pm in hall  
- **21 November**       Early Bird offer closes

Week 8

- **25 November**       Prep 2015 Orientation Visit 2pm – 2:45p.m.

Week 9

- **2 December**        Prep 2015 Orientation Visit 2pm – 2:45p.m.  
- **3 December**        Bookpacks distributed from Hall, Parents of Years 1-4 (2015)  

Please collect between 2 – 4p.m.

- **3 December**        Bookpacks dispatched to students in year 5 and 6 (2015).  
- **3 December**        Clover Hill Christmas Concert and BBQ
• 4 December Bookpacks distributed from Hall. Parents of Years 1-4 (2015)

Please collect between 8 – 10 a.m.

• 5 December Junior Swimming Carnival Years 1-3 – Somerset Pool

Week 10

• 8 December Senior Swimming Carnival Years 4-7 – Somerset Pool

• 10 December Distribution of Semester 2 report cards

• 10 December Year 6 and 7 Graduation 6 – 9pm

• 11 December End of Year class parties / celebrations and Year 6 and 7 Big Day Out

• 12 December Last day of the 2014 School Year – Clean-up day

UNIFORM STANDARDS

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 pictures of what items are acceptable and what are not. 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 Michelle Brown or one of our school administrators.
**Help us to maintain our Uniform Standards**

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

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**Print friendly version for your fridge! - please click here**

**DROP OFF AND PICK UP REMINDERS**

Just a reminder to parents they need to drop off and pick up their children at the stop, drop and go zone only. All students are to enter and exit the school grounds from the main gate. The only exceptions are the bus and after
school care children, and children going to the bike rack. We have received numerous complaints from staff and parents about congestion, and unsafe driving and parking in both staff car parks. Staff carparks are off limits at all times (inclusive of before school drop offs).

FAMILY INFORMATION

Please keep the office informed of any change to phone numbers, home address or email addresses. Mobile numbers are very important in case we need to contact parents during the day. Email addresses are required as we will trial emailing student reports at the end of 2014.

You can email any changes to admin@cloverhillss.eq.edu.au

Thank you

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 may 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, described below.

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 returning a permission slip and medical form (if applicable), 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.

**PAYMENT WINDOW CLOSED WEEK 10**

Please be advised the payment window will be closed the last week of school.

Please make sure we receive all payments by Friday the 5th of December.

**BLUE CARDS**

Volunteers (parents) with a child attending Clover Hill do not need a blue card.

Grandparents, aunts, uncles etc. all need a blue card to volunteer in the school.

Please see the Administration office if you require a blue card form.

**SIGNING IN & SIGNING OUT**

Please be aware if you are on school premises (other than dropping off or picking up) you need to sign in and sign out at the Administration office. You will be supplied with a photo ID to be worn while in the school.

In the event of a fire / lockdown we need to account for all visitors.

Thank you

**STUDENT AWARDS**

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PARENT PARTNERSHIPS IN LEARNING (PPL)

Expression of interest

Parent Partnerships in Learning 2015

2014 welcomed the introduction of the Parent Partnerships in Learning program. It has attracted parents who have engaged in classroom activities throughout the year. We have received terrific feedback from both the teachers and the parents who have volunteered their time. As a result of this feedback we are now planning to continue with this program in 2015.

If you are interested in volunteering a minimum of one hour per week, consistently over a school term we would like to hear from you. This program has proved to be a wonderful way for parents to re-enter the volunteer workforce, to build skills in working with children and to be a part of a team that meets a couple of times a term.

If you are a parent of our school you do not need a ‘Blue Card- Working with Children- Commission for children and young people and child guardian’, however if you know of someone from your family that may be interested for example a grandparent or a friend, they will need to apply for their ‘Blue Card’. We can assist with this via our school office.

If you have any questions regarding this program please call Katie Kee – Parent Liaison Officer. If you are interested, a letter will be sent to the whole school community later in this term. Please complete the details and return to the school office or email Katie Kee kkee2@eq.edu.au

Our mantra for this program is ‘Nurture and Support’ ‘Watch them Grow’ – We would love to welcome you to the team of 2015.

A MESSAGE FROM THE READING TEAM

From the Reading Team – Talk about the Book

There is more to being a good reader than just being able to read the words accurately. Just as important is being able to understand what has been read. Always talk to your child about the book; about the pictures, the characters, how they think the story will end, their favourite part, etc. You will then be able to see how well they have understood and you will help them to develop great comprehension skills!

BIKE SAFETY
Congratulations for making a healthy choice to ride to school.

Please ride with safety in mind – your safety and the safety of people sharing the same path. Everyone needs to feel safe, both bike riders and pedestrians.

Please feel free to discuss this with your Assistant Principal if you need any clarification of your responsibilities.

As Clover Hill State School students we would like you to:

• Exercise control of your bike when travelling down the big hill,

• Be observant of people, especially children, in your path. Children can run quickly into your path,

• Please get off your bike and walk past when there are people on the pathway. They have right of way, you don’t and

• Please wear your helmet every time you ride your bike.

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.

PERFORMING ARTS NEWS!

MUSIC NEWS

Arts Excellence & Awards Evenings

Our Junior Awards Evening will be held this year on Wednesday the 19th of November in the school Hall. The Senior Awards will be held on Thursday the 20th of November.
Students from our Band, Strings and Choral programs will all be performing at this exciting event so please keep this date free.

The concert begins at 6:30pm, with students being needed by 6pm.

‘Save the date’ notes have been distributed, and another note with further details will be given to instrumental/choral students prior to the event. Please collect a note from the music room if you do not receive one by Tuesday the 18th of November.

Assembly Performances:

The Senior Choir have been invited to perform on assembly over the coming weeks:

**Thursday the 13th of November – Senior Choir performance** (meet at music room at 8:30am)

**Friday the 21st of November – Senior Choir performance** (meet at music room at 8:30am)

**Christmas Concert:** All students from Prep – 7 will be involved in this special event. Families please keep this date free…… **Wednesday the 3rd of December - 6pm**

**Community Carols @ Firth Park**

Our Senior Choir members have been invited to perform two carols at this year's Community Carols held at Firth Park, Mudgeeraba. They will perform on **Sunday the 30th of November.**

Further details will be provided closer to the event.

**SPORTS NEWS**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Junior Swimming Carnival:** Friday 5th of December 2014

**Senior Swimming Carnival:** Monday 8th of December 2014

**JUNIOR SWIMMING CARNIVALS**

As part of Clover Hill State Schools Health and Physical Education Program for semester two 2014, Years 1-3 students will be participating in the Junior Swimming Carnival.

**Venue:** Somerset Swimming Pool.

**When:** Friday 5th December 2014. (Timetable to be advised)
Transport: Students will walk to the pool with their class teachers, via the school crossing. Students will be walked back to school at the conclusion of the carnival.

What your child/children need:

Your child will need to bring the following item to each swimming lesson

- Swimmers (girls **MUST** have a one-piece, board shorts are acceptable for boys)
- A rashie or swimming shirt to go over togs
- Swimming cap and goggles
- Underwear to change into after carnival
- Sunscreen for sun protection while in the water
- A broad-brimmed hat for sun protection while not in the water.
- Students are encouraged to wear their team colours and **must not** paint their bodies.

A note will be going out next week - Please read the information contained within this letter, and if you have further questions please do not hesitate to contact the school’s administration. Clover Hill State School invites all parents/guardians to come and support their child/children in this carnival.

Time table will be advised as the year levels are separated due to the number of students we have in the lower school, and Somerset Pool’s ability to accommodate us.

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**CHAPPY NEWS**

**Chappy Newsletter Week 6 Term 4**

Hi everyone, welcome to Chappy News

Well it has been a very busy term so far and I would assume it won’t be slowing down, but that is okay, there are very few other places I would rather be.

Some of my duties this term include running programs, such as boy’s club for the lower grades, energise club, rock and water for selected Grade 6 and 7 boys, Breakfast Club and co-ordinating the boost mentor program.

Each year the Chaplaincy program is able to source some much needed Christmas hampers for a few of our families in need. The organisation that supplies these amazing hampers has asked if we could help with providing some much needed volunteers. They are after people to help with organising/ packing hampers (Robina Uniting Church) and for people to help with the gift wrapping service that they run every year at Robina Town Centre( the funds raised from this gift wrapping service goes towards the hamper drive).
If you can give anytime or would like to know more about this amazing service, please contact me.

My office is up in the Learning Hub and my days this year will be Monday’s, Wednesday, and Fridays. If you have any questions regarding my role or just want to chat, feel free to track me down. You can ask the wonderful ladies at reception or contact me by email. robertg@chappy.org.au

Cheers. Rob Greenwood. Ph. 0415615076

STUDENT COUNCIL

Humane Society International

RECYCLE YOUR OLD MOBILE AND HELP PROTECT THE MOUNTAIN GORILLA

The Student Council is proud to support the Humane Society International. HSI’s mission statement is to create an ecologically sustainable and humane world for all animals and their environments.

Every old/unused mobile phone and battery received by the Aussie Recycling Program (ARP) is credited to the Humane Society International.

Humane Society International will receive between $3 and $5 for phones sent.

Funds raised from recycling your old mobile will be used to support patrols in Virunga National Park, in the Democratic Republic of Congo, the home of the critically endangered mountain gorilla. Many have been killed by poachers and HSI is committed to helping the surviving gorillas, whose population is declining.

Please leave old mobiles/batteries in the silver box located in the front office.

Thank you in advance for helping to support this worthy cause.

Animal Welfare League

Student Council is continuing to raise awareness of the wonderful work that the AWLQ does each year in providing care, shelter, and re-homing of cats and dogs. The AWLQ doesn’t receive any government funding for welfare work so relies on the generosity of the community.

Student Council is asking for any donations of old blankets and towels or tinned pet food and schmackos.

Please place all donations into the yellow tub located in the front office.

Thank you for supporting the AWLQ.

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 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

The Child and Adolescent Oral Health Service has completed routine oral health care for students attending Clover Hill State School.

Please consider attending your family dentist in-between offers of care by the Child and Adolescent Oral Health Service to assist in maintaining your child’s oral health.

A dental pain relief and trauma service operates between offers of care to provide emergency treatment only. In the case of an emergency, telephone the Oral Health Client Service Centre on:

1300 300 850

Monday to Friday 8.00 am – 4.30 pm, excluding Public Holidays.

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.

LIBRARY NEWS

All Library books and Home Readers must be returned by Monday 24 November irrespective of current borrowing days. Overdue notices will be sent out on 25 November and invoices shortly thereafter. Payment Office hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8.30-10.30am which closes Friday 5 December.

Library Volunteers

As the year draws to a close we would like to acknowledge those tireless volunteers who contribute selflessly to the Library. Misty Delander has devoted endless hours lovingly repairing and maintaining our collection. Mention must be made of our book covering team who have covered hundreds of resources this year. Library wishes to show appreciation to the P & C for their relentless support for our Book Fair and our current Scholastic Book Club coordinators Lesa Harrap, Nicky Guster and Kerry Talakouras.

Jo Dimond

Library Coordinator

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Sushi Day is Wednesday the 19th of November, notes will be going home this week.

Keep your eyes open for notes about our yummy Christmas treats, which will be available the last week of term.

PLEASE remember the tuckshop is CLOSED the last day of term.

Have a great week,

Nicky & Kerry

Uniform shop

Come in early and get organised for 2015!

Open from 8.15 - 10.30 Tuesday & Thursday mornings or you can order online at www.theschoollocker.com

BACK TO SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP HOURS
APPLICATIONS FOR 2015 BUS PASSES ARE DUE NOW

ALL NEW PASSENGERS FOR 2015

To ensure timely distribution of bus passes in the New Year, please submit your application before the end of November 2014.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR EXISTING BUS PASS HOLDERS

At the end of each school year, please ensure that the current pass is retained to be used in the new school year until the new pass is issued.

Students with an existing bus pass need only re-apply for a 2015 bus pass if your child

• is moving from Primary to Secondary School

• is repeating a grade

• is changing their home address or school

ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION FORMS


PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO

Surfside Buslines

PO Box 3036

ROBINA

Q 4230

Email schools@tagroup.net.au or Fax 5571 6556

Applications will be processed over the Christmas school holidays. Once applications are approved, bus passes are sent to school for collection. Please allow 10-15 working days from the start of Term One 2015.
Prior to Government approval of bus travel assistance, all students can travel by bus to school using a TransLink gocard.

REMINDER

A valid bus pass must be produced TO THE DRIVER or the relevant fare paid via cash or gocard. Information on fares, go cards, zones and bus timetables is available from TransLink http://translink.com.au/ or phone 13 12 30.