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Principal's Chat

Welcome



Welcome back to the 2017 school year.

Special welcome to our new students. We have two new year seven classes and we have a number of new students who have

come from other high schools and joined the Senior Secondary cohort.

For all parents and carers, we strive that our school is a welcoming place. Please feel that you can ring, email or write to us if you have any concerns, questions or affirmative comments you would like to relay to us. We look forward to a positive relationship between home and school with the same goals of education, wellbeing, and success for your child.

Basketball After-School Activity

Basketball afterschool activity will commence in Term 2. Consent forms will be available at the office later in Term 1, if you are interested in your child participating.

Sun Safety



Our goal for this term is for everyone to try to wear a hat when they are in the sun. Staff have started the trend by bringing in their hats to school and wearing them each breaktime. Bring a sun safe hat from home and wear it each day.

One of our new parents, Samuel's Dad, donated a large number of bucket hats to our school. If you don't have a sun safe hat, let us know and you can use one of the donated bucket hats.

Uniforms

We apologise for the shortage of uniforms in some polo shirt sizes. The P and C have ordered more stock and we will let you know when they arrive.

It is so great to see so many students wearing their uniforms. We hope that most students will wear their uniforms each day. Navy is the predominant colour of our uniform. This includes jumpers and jackets, when the time comes around for wearing warmer clothes.

Please name all of your child's clothing as well as the extras such as their water bottles and lunch boxes. There is a lost and found box in the office, however, naming your child's property reduces the need for the use of this box.

If you are finding it difficult to afford some uniforms for your child, please let the office know. We may be able to help.

DATE CLAIMER

Friday 17th February 9:00am

School Assembly

Presentation of School Captains, House Captains and senior badges for grades 10, 11, 12

Morning Tea to follow

Skateboards Scooters and Bikes

Students are not to bring skateboards, scooters or bikes into school unless they are used for transport to and from school. Skateboards, scooters and bikes used for transportation are to be locked into the administration building when students arrive and then picked up at 3:00pm to go home. This is to ensure the safety of all students at Clifford Park.

DATE CLAIMER
Monday February 20th 5:30pm
Family Information Night

Clifford Park will give you an overall picture of who we are and what we do. Visit your child's classroom and speak with their teacher.

4:30 P and C AGM

5:30 Shared Meal

6:00 Information Session

6:45 Visits to Classroom

Child Care provided

(Please let the office know if you would like child care and for how many)

Positive Behaviour For Learning (PBL)

Clifford Park is a PBL school. This means that we use positive ways for reinforcing positive behaviours we would like to see. Our school expectations are:

Be Respectful

Be Responsible

Be Safe

Be Resilient

Students gain "LIKES" by acting in ways that uphold the school expectations. LIKES can be spent at the LIKES shop each week. At the LIKES shop there are many ways you can exchange your LIKES for something you would like. In addition, each week there are special events that students can exchange their LIKES for.



Our PBL team meets three times a term to discuss what is happening in behaviour terms at Clifford Park Special School. We would like a parent to join our team. Our meeting times are week three, six and nine of each term on a Thursday afternoon at 3:30pm. Please let the school know if you are interested in joining our highly motivated Positive Behaviour For Learning Team.

First Week of School



Positive Behaviour for Learning

Events Calendar -Term One 2017

Week 1	Milkshakes (15 likes)	
Week 2	Requests (30 likes)	
Week 3	Ice cream (30 likes)	
Week 4	Disco (30 likes)	
Week 5	Pancakes (30 likes)	
Week 6	Lucky Likes Day!	
Week 7	Skate Park (35 likes)	
Week 8	Water bomb a teacher (25 likes = 5 bombs)	
Week 9	McDonald's (50 likes) (frozen drink or small chips)	
Week 10	Pizza with the Principal (50 likes)	

Calendar

Date	Event	Time
30.01.17	School Captain nominee speeches	2pm
31.01.17	Election day for School Captains	9.00am -12.45pm
17.02.17	Presentation of School Leaders and senior badges	9.00am -9.30am
20.02.17	P and C AGM	
20.02.17	School information evening	5.30pm shared meal;
23.02.17	School Leaders Morning Tea with the Mayor	10.00am - 11.30am
23.02.17	Immunisations - Year 7's	11.15am
30.03.17	Toowoomba Show Holiday	
03.04.17-17.04.17	Autumn Holidays	
22.04.17	Car Show Day	



Date & Time	Topic	Guest Presenters
Tuesday 31 st January 12 – 2pm	Understanding Centrelink	Evelyn Scheuber Centrelink Representative
Tuesday 7 th February 12 – 2pm	Quiz a cop	Matthew McDonnell Toowoomba Police
Tuesday 21 st February 12 – 2pm	Magic 123	Maggie McKay The Toowoomba Youth Service is committed to delivering services that empower young people and their families to take charge of their lives in order to initiate personal and generational change.
Tuesday 28 th February 12 – 2pm	Common Mental Health disorders for Children and Young People	Eleanor Glover District Ed LinQ Coordinator Child and Youth Mental Health Service, Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service
Tuesday 7 th March 12 – 2pm	Daniel Morcombe Foundation Think u know Seminar	Daniel Morcombe Foundation The Foundation is strongly committed to the development and education of Respectful Relationships for children and teenagers in our schools and communities and assisting in reducing the over-representation of Indigenous Australians in the Child Protection sector.
Tuesday 14 th March 12 – 2pm	National Disability Insurance Scheme Readiness workshop	Annette Schoenberger NDIS Supports by Design

All sessions will be held at headspace, 1 Snell St, Toowoomba QLD 4350. Entry is at the front of the building. Please note: ParentSpace is a free program, with tea, coffee and light refreshments provided.

Please call headspace Toowoomba directly to register your interest in attending any of the above sessions on (07) 4639 9000. We hope to see you there!

