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Claremont Meadows Public School Newsletter

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From the Principal

Dear Parents / Carers,

The Claremont Meadows Public School community has always operated with the best interests of students at the centre of all we do. We take pride in the care we offer, the great education we deliver and the many opportunities we provide for you to become involved in our school.

It has come to our attention that a few parents are speaking negatively about our school on Facebook and this is damaging to all members of our school community. We have always promoted positive communication and I remind you that if you have a question or concern, you should contact the school. In the first instance, please try to speak with your child's class teacher and / or the Assistant Principal in charge of that stage. The Deputy Principal, Mrs Puckeridge and I are always happy to speak with you should you wish to contact us. Rather than posting comments on social media forums, such as Facebook, a face to face or phone conversation is a much more effective and appropriate way of addressing your needs.

I draw your attention to our PBL ethos of all school community members being Safe, Respectful, Responsible Learners and ask that parents are respectful and responsible in their interactions with our staff.

We have a website which can be accessed via a goggle search and on it you will find a number of policies and information about our school, including our Anti Bullying policy.

I would like to also draw your attention to a posting I placed last week:

A Building up date:

The creation of a bigger Claremont Meadows Public School is a State Government Initiative to meet the needs of our growing suburb and neighbouring area.

We are having built 12 classrooms, a new set of student toilets and a professional learning space for teachers. It will be two two-story buildings placed at the back of the school running from the fixed equipment area towards the OOSH. The two buildings will be interconnected with a walk way, stairs and lift. The fenced off building site area encompasses far more space than the actual buildings require.

St Hilliers have been awarded the building contract. Meetings and visits from them have commenced. Once all the building and ground work is complete the mainstream demountables will be removed and that area of the playground will become available to the students again. Please note the Special Education area of our school is permanent and will remain in its current space. No changes to that area are planned.

This is an exciting time for our School and I look forward to keeping you up to date on the progress.

At Claremont Meadows Public School we promote open and respectful communication as essential in ensuring quality interactions between all members of our school community.

Week 8

Term 1

2018

YOUNG LEADERS DAY

On Monday 12th March I had the privilege of attending the Young Leaders Day at the International Convention Centre with our school leaders, William, Evie, Therese, Ainsley, Georgia, Lachlan, Alyssa and Ashton. The day is an initiative of the Halogen Foundation and during the day our leaders participated in leadership activities and listened to several inspirational speakers including John Coutis – who spoke about leadership and overcoming adversity, Matt Cosgrove – Author and Illustrator, Harrison Craig – 2013 winner of The Voice and Lauren Cheatle – Australian Cricketer. Each speaker spoke about never giving up, treating others how you would like to be treated and the power of your own voice in decision making. It was a very inspirational day for all of us. I would like to congratulate our leaders on their exemplary behaviour and positive participation on the day.

CRAZY SOCK DAY

This Friday 23rd March we will be holding Crazy Sock Day. This is in support of the P&C and they ask for an Easter Egg Donation to go towards the Easter raffle. Students must wear their full school uniform except for their socks.

STAGE 2 CAMP – JENOLAN CAVES AND KATOOMBA

An initial deposit of **\$50.00** is required (to ensure your child's place on the excursion) by **Friday 6th April 2018**. This deposit is non-refundable. Year 4 will attend from Thursday 18th to Friday 19th October and Year 3 will attend from Thursday 25th to Friday 26th October 2018. There are 63 places available for each year group. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis (extra students will then be placed on a reserve list).

STUDENT EXPENSES

Various notes have been sent home for camps, excursions and voluntary contributions etc, when paying for these items by cash, please ensure that you put your child's name, class and what you are paying for on the front of a sealed envelope and place it in the silver money slot located in the front office. Alternatively, you can visit the school website and pay by credit card online.

To those who have already started to pay, thank you very much for your attention to this. If you have misplaced any notes please collect one from the front office.

SPORTS IN SCHOOLS

Payments are still being accepted for the Sports in Schools Program starting in Term 2. If you would like your child to participate, please pay by **Monday 9th April** to the front office or online.

Cost is: \$45.00 1st child, \$45.00 2nd child, \$22.50 3rd child and 4th child free.

EASTER HAT PARADE

Just a reminder that our annual Easter Hat Parade will be held next Thursday 29th March at 9.15am. All parents and carers are welcome to attend. Students are required to make their hats at home, simple and inexpensive. Please do not place chocolate eggs on the hats as they tend to melt.

The P&C will draw the raffle prizes during the parade. There are still raffle tickets available from the office if you would like some more.

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

Students in Years 4-6 will participate in the Tell them from me survey next week. The survey is anonymous and lets students have a say about our school and their learning. A note went home last week. If you do not want your child to participate, please complete the return slip on that note and return by this Friday 23rd March.

P&C MEETING

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 27th March at 2.00pm in the Hall. If you would like to participate please come along and join us, we would love to meet you!

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Our Cross Country Carnival will be held on Wednesday 28th March 2018 (pending weather). It will start at 9.15am for students in Years 1-6. Spectators are welcome to attend or if you would like to assist on the day please return the slip on the note that was sent home last week to the office.

Our P&C will be selling snow cones at recess after the carnival for \$2.00 each.

DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the 22 students who attended the School District Swimming Carnival for their fantastic behaviour and outstanding contribution to Claremont Meadows Public School. To Mr Jackson and Miss Gauci and the parents and relatives that assisted in ensuring the day ran smoothly a big thank you.

Congratulations to Mary, Liam, Lachlan, Jayden and Ethan for qualifying for Regionals. The boys relay came in at 11th place with Mary reaching the final in her race and coming in 8th overall.



Thank you

Congratulations to all Award recipients. Fantastic work!
Award Recipients

Principal Awards

Week 6 and Week 8			
Jayden Said	6M	Liarna Pate	3B
Sienna Malu	3/4G	Spenser Thomas	3B
Lyla Thomas	4C	Addison Okma	2S
Lucy Abbot	2J	Lucas Aquilina	3B
Jaxon Harris	1W	Courtney Gatrack	4/5V
Elizabeth Matthews	3B	Reuben Yard	1V
Joshua Gatrack	6M	Lilianna Harris	1W
Dominic Seguna	6M	Lilyana McCann	1V
Alyssa Said	5/6N	Caitlin Galka	5J
Bella-Rai Hall	5J	Samuel Abboud	4Y
Serena Khan	6J	Sinead McBride	4Y
Bella-Rose Woodyatt	1W	Joshua Gatrack	6M
Jackson Coutts	6M	Ella Coutts	3B
Shannon McBride	6M	Ashton Singh	6M
Aaliyah Singh	1V	Simone Schmahl	5J
Bailey Hartill-Law	6M	Emma Schmahl	4C
Cayden Hadfield	3/4G	Harrison Edgar	1Y
Erin Ambrose	4/5V	Damon Yard	3/4G
Shailea Colburn	4Y	Sienna Ornelas	2S
Lily Cootes	3/4G	Knox Smith	1W
Shaquille Khan	5J	Tyler Singh	4Y

Honour Awards

Week 6 and Week 8			
Tahli Steain	4Y	Mia Moroney-Boyd	6M
Lucas Aquilina	3B	Courtney Gatrack	4/5V
Bella-Rai Hall	5J	Caitlin Galka	5J
Joshua Gatrack	6M		



March Dates

- 23rd - Whole School Assembly 2.00pm
- 27th - P & C Meeting 2.00pm
- 29th - Easter Hat Parade
- 30th - Good Friday

Important Dates

April Dates

- 2nd - Easter Monday
- 6th - Whole School Assembly
Cross Country Carnival
- 10th - Grandparents Day
- 11th - Principal's Morning Tea &
Token Tally BBQ
- 13th - ANZAC DAY Ceremony
Last Day Term 1
- 25th - ANZAC Day



May Dates

- 1st - Student's Return to School



SCHOOL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION 2018

Each year we are responsible with providing a wide range of resources for the teaching and learning programs at our school. This ranges from resource books, pencils, pens to art/craft materials and so on. Funding comes in part from a grant to the school and support from P & C fundraising. We have also sought funding support from families at the school through a Voluntary Contribution Scheme to assist in providing teaching and learning resources for our students. In this way we continue to do our best to meet the needs of your children. The School Finance Committee consisting of School Executive, Staff Representatives and Parent Representation met recently to set the contribution for this year. The contribution remains as for last year and is as follows:

**\$50.00 per child
Or
\$100.00 per family of 2 students or more.**

These contributions help significantly to assist us in funding school programs and we seek your support. Contributions can be deposited through the "Money Slot" in the school office, enclosing the attached tear off slip or through our online payment system.

Thank you for your anticipated support.

Yours faithfully,

Ms S Le Ban
Principal

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Voluntary Contribution Scheme

Please find enclosed \$_____ being a Voluntary School Contribution for the Year 2018 for:

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

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Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Signed: _____ (Parent / Guardian) Date: _____

Type of
Payment:

Cash \$ _____

Cheque \$ _____

Parent Online Payment Receipt Number _____

Claremont Meadows Public School Change of Details Form

Please fill in the details in this section.

Student's Name: 1st _____ Class: _____

2nd _____ Class: _____

3rd _____ Class: _____

Parent/Carer's Name : _____

Address : _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Mobile Number: _____

Work (Father) Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Work (Mother) Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Priority 1 Emergency Contact Number

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mobile: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Priority 2 Emergency Contact Number

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mobile: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Carer

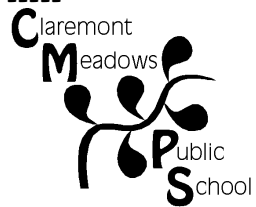


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Dear _____ (Teachers Name)

My child _____ of class _____ was absent from school
on _____ due to _____

Yours Sincerely _____ Date _____
(Parent/ Guardian Signature)

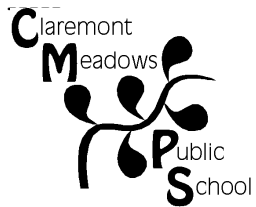


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