

Friday Night 13/9

Movie Night

Back Plains State School

Featuring *Madagascar: Forest Adventures*

Gates open at 6:30 for a 7:00pm start.
Admission: \$1 each or \$5 per family
BBQ dinner available (burgers and sausages). Light refreshments, chips, chocolates and drinks.
Light bar available as well.

Bring a chair, for the kids, perhaps a sleeping bag or a pillow

With the grateful support of the TRC

Holiday ideas

Celebrate Spring this holiday with your children. Why not plan a picnic, take a train ride to Spring Bluff (from Toowoomba), go to the Carnival of Flowers, play some board games, ride bikes, visit the Clifton Library, visit family or friends, read books on a blanket under a shady tree, bake some yummy biscuits and slices and freeze some ready for school, try some of the yummy recipe ideas the children have presented for their science. What will you do to celebrate Spring?

The Nobby Link

confidence in a connected world

Term 3 Week 10
Thursday 12th September 2013

End of Term Message

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of your child's education this term.

Please enjoy the additional time you have to spend with your children over the holidays. Be thankful for this time and the opportunity to have a break from the day-to-day school routine.

Term 4 commences on Tuesday 8th October.

Christmas Hamper

We will be raffling a Christmas Hamper, with the help of our supporters, Rudds Pub, between now and Christmas.

If you are able to donate items, please drop them into the office. Types of items include non-perishable foods, 'Christmassy things' (bonbons, decorations etc.), toys, alcohol, appliances.

Tickets will be available from next Wednesday (18th September). If you are able to sell some books of tickets, please drop into the office.

P&C Meeting

The September P&C Meeting will be held next Tuesday, 17th September, from 6:00pm-7:00pm. As always, we will do an order to Eagle Boys for dinner that night. Please have orders to the office by 12:00pm that day.

Camp Week Wrap Up

From all accounts a very successful camp week was had by all. It is wonderful to hear such positive feedback from the students, staff and volunteers. It was pleasing, as Principal, to have the Queensland Maritime Museum staff comment on the enthusiasm, interest and behaviour of our Senior Room students.

Jump Rope for Heart

You are invited to join us for the 'Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off' next Wednesday 18th September. This event will run from 9:00am to 10:30am, followed by morning tea. Please return your sponsorship forms ASAP. There are lots of prizes on offer. This biennial event is a good time to focus on healthy eating and lifestyle choices that promote good health.

A great deal of time and effort goes into organising the camp week activities and I would like to thank everyone involved in this process. I would also like to thank all of the Nobby State School families for allowing their children the opportunity to experience camp week! We appreciate your support by allowing your children to attend and are certain your children do too!

A & B Rewards Day

The A and B behaviour reward recipients will have their end of term reward after the Jump Off.

Student attendance and absences

Our school has embraced the strong view on attendance that our State Education Policy expects. This year, we have been monitoring this closely, and have been asking parents to explain absences via text message, phone call or note. This is sometimes prompted by a reminder text from the school. We track student attendance closely and explaining absences to the school appropriately is a parental/caregiver responsibility.

Father's Day Night

Another wonderful night of games and socialising was had by all of the families who attended this year's Father's Day Night. A huge thanks to Miss Jacqui, Mrs Hills and Chappy Matt for their help on the night.

Term 3 Interim Report Cards

As with the end of term 1, parents will receive an interim report card indicating term 3 progress. This will be sent home after the September holidays. This report card will report on effort, attendance and behaviour achieved during term 3.

Volunteers

Thank you to all of the people who volunteer their time to help our students and our school:- P&C members, tuckshop helpers, classroom reading, grounds care etc.

"Every Day Counts!"

Calendar		
Term 3, 2013		
Week 11	Tuesday 17th September	P&C Meeting 6:00pm
Week 11	Wednesday 18th September	Jump Rope For Heart Jump Off
Week 11	Wednesday 18th September	A&B Students Rewards Day
Week 11	Friday 20th September	Last Day Term 3
Week 1	Monday 7th October	Labour Day Holiday
Week 1	Tuesday 8th October	First Day Term 4
Week 3	Monday 21st October	Student Free Day

WHO DUN IT?

THE CASE OF THE BOLD BUSHRANGER BAIL UP

Gather eye-witness accounts and use your powers of deduction to eliminate each suspect until there is only one guilty culprit left.

18 September – 13 October 2013
Time: 10am-4pm
Age: 3-12 Years, Cost: \$5

Aussie Clings

Thanks to all of our school sponsors!!!!

Enrolments for 2014 are now being taken. Please contact the school office if you would like to enrol your child.

Christmas Raffle— goods required for the hamper

We want our Christmas raffle to be a successful fundraiser for our students— Please consider donating items for the hamper.

Items can be left in the office!! THANKS

Junior Room News

Camp Week activities—What a week we had!

First we did the Ag Ed visit. The 6 stalls we visited all had fabulous learning opportunities. The last one, the blacksmith, even had local connections. A huge thank-you to all the parents who helped with transport and stayed on to help with supervision. It certainly made the day more enjoyable for everyone.

Our Wednesday craft day reflected our Ag Ed visit and the end product will be used in our Country Week display in Clifton next term. A special thanks to our class helpers that day.

Thursday was massive but so memorable for all the right reasons. The children (with adult help) prepared much of the evening meal and helped by cutting up vegies. This was a great opportunity to promote healthy eating and follow-up on their kitchen science unit. Then we had a very well attended family dinner, followed by lots of fun with our games night. A special and massive THANK YOU to Mrs Barton for her long day of help; and to all the parents who made the running of our special event smooth and successful. The Year 1 and 2 sleepover was also successful! Thank you to Miss Jacqui, Tim Noller and Derek McCulkin for their help.

Junior room students will have the chance to do holiday reading again. Look out for the books and the recording sheet during the last week.



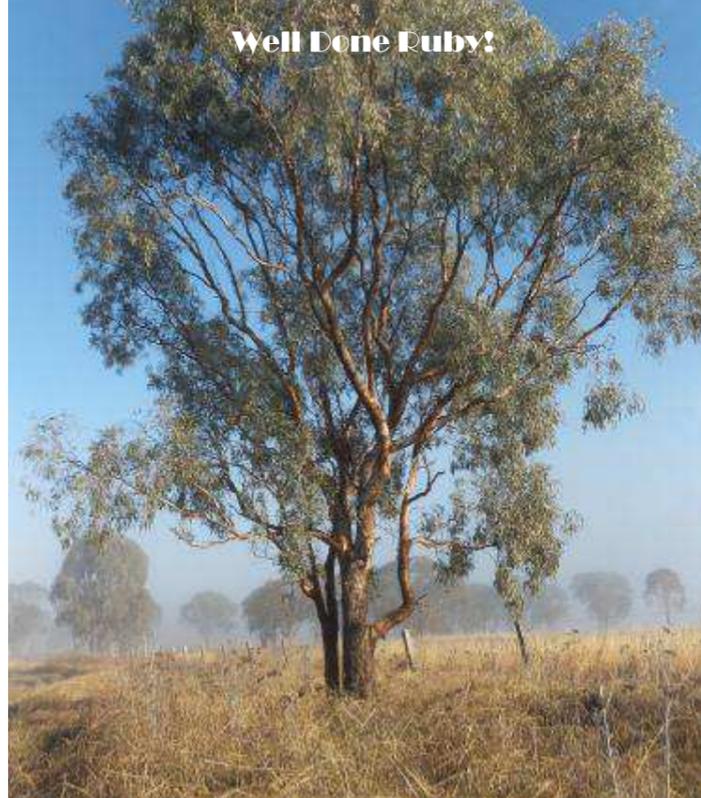
Clifton Country Week

This year we are decorating the posts of the Careflight awning. Any ideas you can offer will be considered. The displays will be throughout Clifton from October 17- 28th.

Do you have old farm hats or boots that you no longer need? We'd like a good half dozen or so for our display. We are going to put plants into the boots and the hats will hang for over a week in the elements, so need to be not wanted. Anyone have some really nice straw/hay and some baling twine we could use also? Chasing plastic that we can cut to make flowers out of - e.g. ice cream container lids etc.

Ruby Noller's winning photo from the National Tree Day Photography Competition.

Well Done Ruby!



Clifton "Country Week" Photography Competition, 2013

Subject "Horses Of The Equine Breed"

The Clifton & District Progress Association invites entries for a Photography Competition to be held during Clifton Country Week, 18-26th October 2013.



CLASSES: Class 1 Primary School students
Class 2 Secondary School students
Class 3 Adults (Age 16 and up)
Open Section (Automatic inclusion of all entries).
People's Choice – to be selected on the night of judging

ELIGIBILITY: Competition open to amateur photographers only. Entrants must reside in Post Code areas 4365, 4362, 4361, 4360, 4359 and 4358.

SIZE/DISPLAY: Photograph to be 12.5 X 17.5CMS (5" x 7"), mounted on thin A4 size black or white cardboard, allowing a margin of at least 2cm (1") on all sides for hanging purposes.
PLEASE – USE THIN CARDBOARD, SO PICTURES CAN BE DISPLAYED.

ENTRY FEE: School Students - \$1 per photograph
Adults - \$2 per photograph
To be paid on delivery of entry, in cash.



DELIVERY OF ENTRIES: Hand deliver to the Clifton Courier office, Clark Street, Clifton, or Clifton Railway Station Visitor Information Centre - accompanied by entry fees.

CLOSING DATE: Monday 14th October, 2013.

RETURN OF ENTRIES: Collect in person at closure of display or provide a suitably sized self-addressed stamped envelope for return.

NAME and CLASS: Name, address (including Post Code) and phone number of entrant, plus Class entered, to be written on back of photograph and mount.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES: Wine & Cheese Evening, 6pm, Friday, 18th October 2013.

PRIZES: All Classes – First Prize \$30; Second Prize \$15
Open \$50 People's Choice \$30

NON COMPETITIVE ENTRIES FOR DISPLAY PURPOSES - Framed photographs, larger than A4, may be submitted for display purposes only. Label with name and title. If for sale, add telephone number and sale price for personal contact by purchaser.

Photography Competition kindly sponsored by The Clifton Jockey Club

The Staffroom for Improvement competition is in it's last week.

There's still time to register and become an 'Apple Master' before the competition ends.

You only need to push the red button 5 times this year – but as with last year, we are happy to vote for you.

Please register your email address and let us know when you have activated your account.

The more email addresses/people we have voting the greater our chance of winning. Imagine if we had a bonus \$20000 to spend at the school?? It would make a huge difference.....

Register here:-

<http://www.staffroomforimprovement.com.au>



Senior Room News

The Senior Room Camp was a huge success— four action-packed days full of adventure! Students displayed exceptional behaviour as they experienced the wonders of the Queensland Museum and the Science Centre. A day at Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary reinforced many elements of our science program as the students observed our native wildlife at close quarters and enjoyed patting a koala, a snake and a turtle, and watching the wild bird display. At the Brisbane Writer's Festival, we were entertained and inspired by two authors—Michael Gerard Bauer and Dave Lowe. We have just begun reading Eric Vale Epic Fail by Michael Gerard Bauer in class. The Maritime Museum provided a valuable insight into Australian naval history and the students enjoyed exploring the HMAS Diamantina. Dreamworld was a day of excitement and conquering fears as students raced to fit in as many rides as possible before 'home-time'! Walking was our main mode of transport and everyone gamely kept up with Mrs Terri's pace! However, we also boarded the City Cat, caught a train (during peak hour!) and rode a Brisbane City Bus successfully (some of these were 'first-time' events for some students). Each night provided a new adventure as we dined out in Brisbane. Grill'd, Sizzlers and Hog's Breath were all delicious eateries where the students displayed wonderful manners and filled their bellies. Staff members were exceptionally proud of everyone's behaviour and look forward to planning next year's camp!