Great Results Guarantee.
Most parents will be aware of the Guarantee through yesterday’s email. Once the Guarantee has been signed off by the Director-General, it will be put up on our website. Amongst other things, the Guarantee sets what (improved) results we hope to see our students, particularly Year 3’s, achieve in this year’s NAPLAN.

Classroom Helpers.
Mrs Heaton and I are looking for people who may be able to spare 30 to 60 minutes on a regular basis (once a week would be great!) to work with a student. We want to provide additional support for a number of students. The programmes we propose using are designed for parents, not teachers, but are known to make a significant difference if run for at least a term or two.

We are looking particularly at support with reading and sight words. We see the support programme running in the mornings. It would take from 15 to 30 minutes a student and we would welcome anyone who can help us at any time from about 8:30am on. As you will see attached to your newsletter, we would also accept offers of support in a range of other ways. We would love to see parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents, the lady next door…………….

P&C Meet and Greet.
It was fantastic to see so many parents, especially our new parents, at the Meet and Greet. It is a great way for parents and staff to start the year.

As well, the Annual General Meeting of the P&C ran smoothly. My thanks go to the previous committee who worked so hard to steer the P&C through the Centenary and my congratulations to the new committee. Jacqui Gill, Rebekah Turkington, Brooke Stepanoff and Pip Nicol form the new executive. The next meeting will be held at the school next Tuesday, 4th March.

Nobby Triathlon.
The triathlon has, with a late change of date, snuck up rather quickly. Unfortunately, some students who wished to participate were not allowed to do so because of their poor swimming skills. But, for those competing, best of luck in this fun event.
Playgroup!!
Playgroup will meet as usual tomorrow. All welcome.

FREE DRESS DAY

ATTENTION STUDENTS!!!

Next Friday the 7th March
the Year 6’s will be hosting a free dress day. If you wish to come in free dress of your choice you are asked to bring a gold coin donation.

Clifton Tennis Association Inc
Junior Tennis Fixtures:
Following a successful tennis muster held last Saturday (22nd Feb), it was decided that junior tennis fixtures will be held on Friday afternoons from 5pm – 7pm. Fixtures will be commencing on Friday March 14. It is not too late to nominate but the earlier you do the better.

Other Great News for Clifton Tennis is that we will soon have the services of an ATP (Australian Tennis Professional) accredited tennis coach who is keen to coach three age levels (3yrs old-5); (6-9); (10 and over). Dates of coaching days to be determined Please contact: Ashley Gillam (to nominate or for further information) 4697 3571 (AT NIGHT)

In 2013 Goondiwindi SS hosted the inaugural Gundy Horse Sports carnival in conjunction with the Goondiwindi Pony Club

The school will be once again hosting the event on 1-3 August 2014.

Listed below is a brief outline of the 3 days

Goondiwindi State Primary School:
1st August 2014
Goondiwindi Pony Club Unofficial Combined Training: 2nd August 2014
Goondiwindi Pony Club Annual Gymkhana: 3rd August 2014

More details will be sent in due course
NRL Development together with Wattles Junior Rugby League are hosting a “Come & Try” on Saturday Morning at the Platz Oval in Clifton. Participants will be involved in number of fun rugby league games and activities all under the guidance of qualified coaches. The aim of the morning is to give everyone who attends a positive rugby league experience that hopefully entices them to become a Wattles Warrior for the 2014 season. Members of the Wattles JRL Club & NRL Development Staff will be in attendance conducting the coaching and with information about the 2014 season. If participants chose not to play hopefully they enjoy the morning and leave with a better understanding of the game of rugby league.


WHEN: Saturday 1st March 2014

WHERE: Platz Oval Clifton

TIME: 8:30am to 10:00am

COST: Free

More Information: Jim Stevens – NRL Game Development Officer - 0402 892 835

CLIFTON HIGH SCHOOL JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS TO BE HELD OVER EASTER WEEKEND

The Clifton State High School Jubilee Committee is pleased to invite all past and present students and staff, their friends and families, present and future of the school to celebrate the school’s 50th Jubilee.

As over 4000 students have passed through the doors of the school, personal invitations will not be sent, so please pass the information to siblings, family and friends.

The major celebrations will take place over the Easter weekend with a Golden Jubilee Gala Evening to be held at the Clifton Recreation Reserve on Easter Saturday 19th April and an Official Jubilee Ceremony at the school on Easter Sunday 20th April. Camping sites have been reserved at the Clifton Recreation Reserve for Guests attending the celebrations. To assist with catering, tickets are limited and will need to be purchased by March 7th. No tickets available at the door. It promises to be a fun weekend of reminiscing, re-connecting and bringing the community together.

Foundation student, Greg Platz, will address guests at the official celebration, relating his experiences at school as well as his sporting and career achievements. Past Principals will also make up the official party. There will be entertainment by past student, Kevin Smith, licensed bar and food stalls, self-guided tours, horse riding displays, souvenirs and much more.

If you would like more information, order forms or have any memorabilia you would like to share, please contact Mandy Beatson, Phone 4697 4707, 0437 641 277, email 50years@cliftonshs.eq.edu.au or check the school website cliftonshs.eq.edu.au or Clifton State High School 50 Years on Facebook.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Do you have any photographs, school textbooks, work samples, badges, uniforms or other artefacts that we could borrow, copy or photograph. We would also like to hear your fond or funny memories.

We don’t have everyone’s contact details, so please spread the word!!

CONTACT US Clifton State High School P & C Jubilee Committee 32 East Street Clifton Qld 4361 07 4697 4707 50years@cliftonshs.eq.edu.au
It was great to see those of you who attended the Meet and Greet and AGM last Wednesday night at the school.

Alex Kennedy, Kylie Morgan and Debbie Bluntflett sadly stepped down from their positions on the P & C, and as usual there was a mad frenzy of people fighting to take over the positions!!!!!

Before going any further, I would like to acknowledge the work these three ladies have done in their positions as President, Treasurer and Secretary. Last year was a particularly big year with the School Centenary, and the Executive of the P & C (including Pip Nicol as Vice-President) really did work very hard in partnership with the Centenary Committee to make this event happen. A big thank you to the three of you, your work is much appreciated.

The P & C Committee for this year is myself as President (Jacqui Gill), Pip Nicol as Vice President (we all happily voted Pip back into her position in her absence- thanks Pip), Brooke Stepanoff as Secretary and Rebekah Turkington as Treasurer. On behalf of the committee, I would like to thank you for entrusting us in these positions and we look forward to a fun and productive year in the P & C.

We have our first fundraiser, a Sausage Sizzle, this Saturday March 1st at Masters in Toowoomba. We are still looking for volunteers, especially for the afternoon shift (12-3.30pm), so if anyone can help please call me on 46964508 or email jacq.gill@yahoo.com.au. Any help would be appreciated (including in the morning), even if for an hour or two. I think I have spoken to everyone who is willing to help so far, but if you are unsure of the time you are working, please call me.

The next P & C meeting is on next **Tuesday 4th March** commencing at 6.00pm. It would be great to see you there. P & C meetings are a really good forum to be involved in some of the decision-making for the education of our children. Working with the Principal, we can assist in providing our children with new opportunities, programs and facilities. It is also a way for parents to get to know each other and work together as a community. I was a past student at Pilton and clearly remember the days when parents and community members would turn up to participate in fundraising events or to help out at the school. These parents and community members were role models for me and I think this connectedness within the school and community is really important for our kids.

Thank you again on behalf of the committee.

We look forward to working with you all throughout the year.

Jacqui