Central Downs Sports.
Congratulations to all our students who all showed their athletic abilities on Monday and Friday last week. The end results were quite spectacular as Pilton was awarded:

- The B schools trophy for highest points scored by a smaller school.
- The Ryeford P&C trophy for points average (the total points scored divided by the number of students. All schools compete equally for this trophy.)

10 year old girls age champion, Billy-Rose Bruntflett. Billy won every running event, winning the 100 and 200 metre sprints as well as the 800 metre event.

Three of our students made it to the Central Downs team to compete at the Southern Downs carnival at Allora State School on August 16th. Congratulations to Levi Statham, Lizzy Nicol and Billy-Rose on their selection and good luck for next week.

Clifton Cluster Junior Secondary Initiative.
You would all be aware of the work Clifton SHS and the cluster primary schools have done as part of Education Queensland’s Flying Start initiative though the high school’s junior secondary programme (moving Year 7 to high school). So highly is this work regarded, many high schools from across the State have visited Clifton to view the programme in operation. We have now received news that our initiative has been listed as a State Finalist for the Junior Secondary Showcase Awards. The Showcase awards are for educational excellence. I am hoping to attend the judging with other members of our cluster next term.

Hermitage Research Station.
Next Tuesday, the school will travel to the Hermitage Research Station for the presentation of prizes for the annual Hermitage competition. Permission notes are attached to this newsletter. Pilton has maintained its good record in this competition. And I know all students want to attend just for the prizes and would be happy to not have any of the free pizza lunch.

School Centenary.
This Friday, the students will begin dance lessons with Mr Vernon. They will be learning dances that will allow them to take the lead when they get mum or dad up for a dance at the Centenary bare foot dance.

The next Centenary committee meeting is next Tuesday 13th August at the school. The meeting commences at 6:30pm. The Centenary is not far away now. To make sure the day runs well, the committee needs to have plenty of volunteers in place. If you can’t get to the meeting but are keen to help on the day, please contact Jeanette Frahm or Kelly Brady. They would love to hear from you.

Hermitage Awards 13th August
Centenary Meeting 13th August
Pancakes with Chappy Matt 15th August
Fire Ed Visit 15th August
P&C Meeting 10th September

Happy Birthday to
Jacob tomorrow and Mrs Bell on 13th.

School Chaplain.
Next Thursday, Chappy Matt is providing pancakes for all the students. He will be serving pancakes from 8:30am to 9:00am. Parents are invited to drop by and meet Matt and maybe have a pancake and a cup of tea or coffee with him as well.

Next Thursday will be a big day as the Fire Ed firefighters will also be here to talk to the students about what to do should they be involved in a fire.

Professional Development.
Also next Thursday, I will be away (that’s right, no pancakes for me 😊) attending a professional development event. The Darling Downs South West region of Education Queensland has a very strong focus on explicit teaching (something Mrs Heaton and I are developing at the moment), using student data (an example is the targets we have set on the student individual learning goals) and on developing better teachers (and teaching principals!) through coaching and feedback. Next Thursday, I will be attending the first day of a two day coaching course.

Last Thursday, Mrs Heaton and I spent the day at Clifton SHS with other members of the cluster. We worked with a number of regional Office staff developing our knowledge around the theory and practice of explicit teaching and of observing and providing feedback on lessons.

Regards,
Stuart Fuller
**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 18 and up)

**ELIGIBILITY:** Competition open to amateur photographers only. Entries must reside in Clifton & District (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:**
- 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 Courrier offices, 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.

**PHOTOS:**
- 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.

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**Bob Corbett & The Roo Grass Band’s LUCKY COUNTRY HALL TOUR**

**Media Release**

FORDSAL HALL

Folk and country ensemble Bob Corbett & the Roo Grass Band will be making their way to FORDSAL HALL during their national Lucky Country Hall Tour on AUGUST 17.

The group consists of Bob Corbett himself, Dave Carter, Sue Carson and Robbie Long with a mixture of exceptional vocal harmonies, guitar, banjo, fiddle, mandolin, dobro and percussion.

‘Roo Grass’ is the name given to Bob’s style of music and unique sound, not to be desribed by any well known genres. His fresh take on Australian country and folk has been performing across Australia and North America. Impressing audiences with a mixture of stories, fun, humour and deep thought, all melded into both traditional and contemporary music.

Corbett himself kick-started his already extensive career after winning the 2012 Toyota Star Maker competition, the most prestigious country music talent search in Australia.

He has managed to produce five award winning albums, carry out four national tours and perform at many major music festivals in Australia and the USA. Bob has scored three Golden Guitar Nominations, had several music videos, many television appearances, not to mention his many other awards.

Bob & the Roo Grass Band’s performance in FORDSAL HALL will be held at FORDSAL HALL on SATURDAY AUGUST 17 at 1.30pm - adults at $25 and $15 for children under 16 years of age. Tickets are available at the door or on-line www.bobcorbett.com.au

$5 from every ticket purchased will be donated to Melanoma Institute Australia.

**Clifton State Music Night**

Clifton State High School asks you to join us for a night of diverse musical talent from our students. Music Night is dedicated to showcasing Clifton High School’s music and instrumental music programs.

**Venue:** F.E Logan Hall

**Date:** 15th August

**Time:** 6.30pm-7:30pm
The **Centenary Committee** are having a meeting next Tuesday 13th of August at 6.30pm at the school.

They are still looking for volunteers and would welcome any newcomers. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to help out, please call Janette Frahm on 46964541.

The **P & C** will be catering for and running a stall on the day of the Centenary selling morning and afternoon tea items, drinks and sandwiches. More information will be provided about this as the day gets closer.

The next **P & C meeting** will be held on Tuesday 10th of September at 6.30pm.

Thanks,

Jacqui.
Don’t forget!!
Pancake Day!!
At Pilton State School
On August 15th
from 8:30am till 9am with
Chappy Matt.
Pilton SS Athletics Team.

Congratulations Billy-Rose!
10 years girl Age Champion.

Mya accepting the B Schools Trophy