A note to you, from our Principal, Ms Wright

Setting the Scene
The first phase of transitioning to an Independent Public School is well under way. We are developing the culture of the way our students think. Thinking is central to all teaching and learning experiences and student outcomes. If our students are equipped with the skills required for complex thinking, they will be able to more effectively think across all learning areas.

First we recognise that all students are capable of improving their thinking. Secondly we need to provide the appropriate resources to stimulate higher order thinking. Thirdly we need to establish a classroom environment that will foster this exploration.

All teachers are trialling a change to our mathematics lessons with some outstanding results. The feedback includes our students are more engaged and keen to take their lessons further, enthusiasm for mathematics, and students are able to see other's point of view.

“All which a school can or need to do for pupils, so far as their minds are concerned......is develop their ability to think.”

(Dewey 1916)

Uniform
Just a reminder that our uniform colours are navy and white. As the cooler months arrive it’s important that your students remain in full school uniform. Any jumpers or tights must be navy. I appreciate your support in ensuring our school always looks very well presented. Remember “Do your best, be your best and look your best.”

Lost property is building. Most of the jumpers do not have names on them. Please ensure your child’s clothing has their name clearly marked on them. We will provide two boxes for the lost property—one in the junior area and one in the senior area. Please check these regularly.

School Council
Voting for the Parent representative will take place in the library Next Tuesday June 2 at 3:00pm. Voting will close at 3.20pm. Only parents who attend the meeting are eligible to vote. Our nominees are Scott Bellamy and Paul Lyons. Come to the Library to meet these two men & hear their short address. Please come along and have your say.

Attendance
Our focus this term has been upon student attendance and, in particular, the importance of arriving at school on time each and every morning. Thanks to the families for their efforts to address this. Our daily attendance rate currently stands at 92.1% school overall.

Prep- 90.8%
Year 1- 94.3%
Year 2– 91.5%
Year 3– 93.4%
Year 4– 88.7%
Year 5 92.7%
Year 6– 93.1%
HIP HOP DISCO
The next disco event will be held **Next Wednesday June 3.**

**Time:** 4.30-6.30

**Where:** 5/6 Cassroom

**Cost:** $2 each or $5 per family

There will be a Sausage Sizzle provided

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**Lit Pro News**

Kudos to these fantastic readers...


Super Space Cadets (20pts): Madelyn M, Jeremiah M & Brenton M.

Space Astronauts (30pts): Sabelle U, Tamika K, Jeremiah M & Brenton M.

Super Space Astronauts (40pts): Riley W & Brenton M(again).

SPACE RANGER (50pts and a purple ribbon): Minh V

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**School Calendar 2015**

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**4/5 BNF**

Addition: Evan C & Laura E

Subtraction: Dante H

Multiplication: Jeremiah M

Division: Luke D & Jeremiah M

Extension Addition: Sabelle U

Extension Subtraction: Sabelle U

Walking-Talking- Calculators (certificates in ALL operations): Huong V & Jeremiah M

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**Readers Cup: 19th June**

Weekly meetings in Ms Hohn’s room each Wednesday during first break for all Readers Cup students. Please return books AND question sheets (with your name) ASAP to Ms Hohn so we can exchange then for another.
Good Ones

Congratulations to the Good One winners for:

Wk 5
Prep - 2... Sophie
3 - 6... Billy

Rewarding positive behaviour

Your child receives a Good One as a reward for positive behaviour during the week. This Good One slip goes into a box in the office. One lucky name will be drawn out on parade and receive a prize. All of the Good Ones are then entered into our behaviour system and sent home with a stamp.

This is your chance to praise your child about positive behaviour & how important it is to help others.

Attendance Raffle

Congratulations to the Attendance Raffle winners for:

Wk 5
Nick W
Tyler E
Grace M
Matisse G

These children have attended school every day and have gone into a draw, with all students who have also attended each day, for a chance to win one of our Attendance Badges.

S.A.I.L.S Program

Wednesday the 3rd of June, students in the SAILS program will have the opportunity to participate in the UNSW Science Competition for their respective year levels. The cost for this competition is $8.80 per student which has been fully covered by the school.

The competition comprises of 30-40 multiple choice questions and students have up to an hour to complete the competition. All students that participate will receive a certificate of achievement ranging from High Distinction, Distinction, Credit, Merit and Participation. This opportunity will provide them with a suitable challenge within a risk-free environment.

Mrs Amanda Sweeper will be conducting this competition.

Crime Prevention Competition

The QPS and Qld Government are seeking artwork for a road safety campaign ‘Your Kids are Telling You...’

There are two categories - Prep to Year 3 and Year 4 to Year 6 - and the posters can be about any aspect of road safety.

There will be five winning posters from each category and they will form part of the campaign which will run on the QPS Facebook and Twitter accounts during the winter school holidays.

The deadline for submissions is 5pm June 19.

For full details:
http://mypolice.qld.gov.au/blog/2015/05/20/your-kids-are-telling-you/?repeat=w3tc

Leigh James
Crime Prevention Officer
City and Country Patrol Groups - Toowoomba
Darling Downs District
Phone: 07 46316733
**Library**

Issue 4 brochures have been handed out to the students. Our school receives rewards to purchase books for our library when you order any item within these leaflets. Could all orders and payment be returned to the Silver Box by **Wednesday 3 June**

Payments can be made by cash, credit card & cheques made payable to Scholastic Australia. If paying with cash please ensure correct money is given as we so not have any money for change at the school. All orders will be placed immediately after this date to allow books to be back as soon as possible.

**Regional X-Country**

We congratulate 3 of our students on making it to this challenging regional event. **Naomi W, Brenton M & Tamara S.** They have all successfully completed yesterday’s challenging event held at Limestone Park Ipswich.

**PAYMENTS**

Please return any payments and signed permissions as soon as possible. The permission note will have on it which mail box to place it in.

- **SILVER** - School
- **BLUE** - is for anything regarding the P&C...

These mail boxes are located in the office foyer.

Put any school monies and signed permission note in an envelope with you child’s name and what the payment is for into the silver box.

Please ensure you have correct money as we don’t have change here at school. If you prefer to pay by chq please make it out to Lake Clarendon State School.

**NEWSLETTER**

Every second Wednesday a newsletter will be sent home with the oldest child in your family, or emailed to you. Please read them as there are many things that happen throughout any school year. It is a great way to stay informed. And up-to-date. Attached will be any reminders of payments and permission notes. **We would prefer to email this to you. Please ensure we have your current email address.**

**For Sale**

3 x Size 4 Navy school shorts. Velcro side pocket & draw string waist. Great condition. School Zone brand. $7 each or 3 for $20. Phone Jodie 0412754460

**Family Information**

In the case of an emergency, it is very important to have all family information, especially address & phone numbers, kept up to date on our system.

Please notify the office of any changes to any of your contact details promptly.

**Uniform Shop**

The Uniform shop is open every Monday & Friday mornings from 8.30am.

Please contact Allison 0427675879 if you need to access the uniform shop at a different time.

**Australian Raw Honey Orders**

Cedarbrook Agriculture has a representative in our area and he is will to take orders for their Australian Raw Honey. An information/order sheet is attached to the notice board in the walkway opposite Chappy’s room, or you can place your order at the office. **All payments are to be made at the office** and you will be phoned when the order has arrived at school. This raw honey is sold for $6 for 1Kg or $12 for 2Kg.
Chappys Corner

Staying healthy requires real work. There are no shortcuts when it comes to looking after our bodies. During the colder months we tend to be more susceptible to sickness. We also tend to be less tolerant to disease if we consume a poor diet or indulge in substance abuse. We are often told to pop a pill, get jabbed or drink a tonic, but none of these are as effective as a healthy body with a functioning immune system.

Watch what you eat (read the labels), get plenty of exercise and rest. Most of all maintain a positive outlook. For those of you with a faith, trust God.

Here’s hoping that this winter school absence due to the sniffles is at an all time low!

Humour

What is a complete waste of time? *Telling a hair raising story to a bald man.*
What runs but has no legs? *A tap.*
What has a neck but no head? *A bottle.*

Finally...’It is health that is real wealth and not pieces of gold and silver’. Gandhi

Special request from Chappy

Chaplains from the Lockyer Valley are coming together to collect goods to assist Vanuatu those impacted by the recent cyclone which devastated their islands. If you would like to donate anything please ensure any good you donate are in very good condition. Some examples you may donate are: *Towels, Tea towels, Pillows, School books, Pencils, Rulers, Back packs, Reading books, Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Pegs, Washing powder, Cutlery, Plates, Bowls, Air tight containers, Can openers and Tin food will be accepted but please check the expiry dates.* All donations can be brought up to the office for Chappy to collect & send on to Vanuatu.