A note to you, from our Principal, Ms Sandra Wright

School Leaders
Our school leader candidates are busy preparing and practising their speeches for this Friday. We will be holding our parade at 2:00pm to allow time for all candidates to present to the school community. Students will then move back to their classrooms to vote for their choice. Prep—Year 6 students will vote and will be counted as one point. All staff vote with their votes being equivalent to 5 points. School Leaders are announced at Concert night on Tuesday 8th December.

2016
Planning has begun for classes for 2016. As we are again on the cut off point for an additional teacher, classes will not be constructed until after Day 8. Students will be in year level classes with a teacher assigned to them. This may not be their teacher after Day 8 as it will depend on the strengths of the incoming teacher. (if we reach the magic number)
It is imperative that we obtain accurate enrolment information. It would be greatly appreciated if you could let the office know if your child/ren will not be returning to Lake Clarendon State School in 2016.
Similarly, if you know of parents who wish to enrol their children and have not yet done so, please advise them to call to the office for an enrolment package.

Enrolment Management Plan
Education Qld Facilities has informed us that we will have an Enrolment Management Plan placed onto us on Day 8 in 2016. The Enrolment Management Plan will mean that we will no longer be able to take enrolments out of our catchment area unless we have a vacancy in that year level. We will, however, continue to take new enrolments up until this date. Siblings of students already enrolled are automatically guaranteed a placement.

Attendance
We are very focussed on our attendance as we believe in giving every child the greatest chance of being successful. We will be undertaking teaching and learning right up until the last day of this term.

2016 Date: Monday 25 January
The Queensland Government has announced a new start date to the 2016 school year which will now see students return to the classroom on Wednesday 27 January 2016 — the day after the national Australia Day public holiday. Staff will be undertaking Professional Development on Wednesday 20th January through to Monday 25th January. This Professional Development will include Coding, Glasser Choice Theory review and reflection, mandatory training and planning with our buddy school Forest Hill State School.
Library

Please return all library book by THIS Monday 30 November.

Lit Pro News:

Our last DOUBLE POINTS week for the year during week 8, and only for books worth 10 points or less.

Congratulations to...

Turquoise Ribbons
Space Cadets (10pts) Angus M & Katya D
Super Space Cadets (20pts) Hailey M & Cayla T
Space Astronauts (30pts) Ethan F, Julian L & Hailey M
Super Space Astronauts (40pts) Kyle H, Xanthea K & Namoi W

Purple Ribbons
Space Rangers (50pts) Brock W & Jake J
Super Space Ranger (75pts) Jeremiah M

Black Ribbons
Space Captain (150pts) Tamika K

Medallions
SPACE COMMANDER (300pts) Riley W & Minh V
Legendary Lachlan Level (350pts) Minh V
Marvellous Minh Memorial (400pts) Minh V

4/5 Brilliant BNF

Addition: Billy-Ray A & Jennifer L
Multiplication: Laura E, Emily O & Abby S
Division: Julian L, Caydence H & Charlotte F
Walking-Talking-Calculators:
Julian L, Caydence H & Charlotte F
Extension Addition: Jeremiah M

Host Families Need

Laidley area need families to share your lifestyle, home and the joy of the festive season while experiencing the Japanese culture. These Japanese students are aged between 11-14 years. They arrive December 27th and depart January 4th. For further information please contact Riki Garibaldo 0433168509.

3-6 Swimming

3-6 Swimming has commenced and is held on Fridays. The remaining lessons are on: 27 Nov, & 4 Dec. Please ensure your child brings along togs, towel, and a Coles bag to put wet clothes in.

Prep-2 Swimming

These lessons will commence THIS MONDAY. The cost of these lessons is $30. Payment can be made using our EFTPOS machine. Please ensure your child brings along togs, towel, and a clothes bag to put wet clothes in.

Christmas is coming Advent Workshop – Date Claimer

Christmas Advent Workshop will be held at the Laidley Uniting Church Complex 45 Patrick Street Laidley.

The date is Wednesday 16th December 2015 from 9am to 3pm.
School Children from Prep to Grade 6 are invited to Register their attendance.
Cost is $10 per child
Morning tea & Lunch are provided

Further details available from Rev. Euan McDonald at 5465 1411 or Yvonne Edyvean 0432 263447

For Sale

- 7 piece dining suite
  - 1x black & white swirl top table.
  - 6x black steel frame chairs with black leather look padding.
  - 2x black matching bar stools.
  The lot for $120
- Used 3 seater chocolate brown couch with chaise - $90
- Used table tennis table - $40.

If interested contact Mardi - 04123830013

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.

In 2016

Alison will be available on
Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st from 10-12am.
Good Ones
Congratulations to the Good One winners for:

Wk 7
Prep - 2...Kirra Moore
3 - 6... Jasmine B & Zaliah H

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:

Hunter K
Tyler E
Minh V
Zoe B

Up and Coming Events:

- **Year 6 Graduation Dinner**
  Wednesday 2 Dec at the Laidley Cultural Centre. The students will be able to have an enjoyable meal and photo presentation with their peers and teachers as a final stage to their primary school life. We take this opportunity to wish all our Year 6 students the very best of luck as they now make their school journey into high school.

  We would like to thank Mrs Lisa Haines for her time and effort in collaborating all the photos the Year 6 students have given her. She has made a wonderful DVD Keepsake for our students. Thankyou Lisa.

- **End-Of-Year concert**
  Tuesday 8 Dec at the Glenore Grove Community Hall. The BBQ Starts at 5pm. Cold drinks, chocolates and yummy snacks will also be on sale. Pre ordering of your BBQ items for catering purposes is essential. An order form has been sent home with your child. Please also fill the required items for any family and friends attending and drop it into the blue box by Friday 4th December. The children will start their concert items at 6pm.

- **Prep Orientation Day**
  Wednesday the 9th of December we will be holding a final transition/information morning. This session will occur from 9.00-11.00am. The children will be involved in a variety of activities throughout the morning. During this time we will be holding an information/question time for parents. We will also have people available to speak to you in regard to school uniforms, tuckshop and the role of the P&C. At 10.30am we will join with the children to enjoy a picnic for morning tea, supplied by the school.

- **2016 Term 1**
  Please be aware that the first day back to school in 2016 will be Wednesday 27th January.
Chappys Corner

With the terrible events that are constantly taking place around the world, the latest atrocity in Paris, it makes wonder, what is going on in this world. Apparently France has already retaliated by dropping bombs on the perpetrators. I'm all for world peace, but I know we will lose many freedoms we now enjoy, as leaders pursue this dream. Many of you enjoy a peace in your lives like me, because of the faith we have in God however all this senseless killing is depressing as we reflect on the thousands of innocent victims who suffer from these attacks - our thoughts and prayers are with them.

An Innocent Plea

As the sun begins to rise Hungry, homeless waif will stir Crumbling walls providing refuge, Yesterday’s reality now a blur Why does destruction fall from the sky, Who hates and wishes harm Why is there no play on the street, Without the sounds of alarm What events will come this way today With calm routine withdrawn Survival of the fittest they say, Bringing hopelessness to the dawn.

When are you at your best? Is it when you first wake up in the morning? Probably not. How about after you have had a shower and some breakfast? Perhaps it is when you are playing your favorite sport or instrument.

For me I guess it is when I have started the work day and I’m being kept busy with a chore or helping someone. Wouldn’t it be fantastic if we could perform at our best all the time? We would feel great and others would think highly of us. It is such a pity that so many people feel that they have nothing to offer, but this can’t be further from the truth. Each of us have a skill, a talent or a gift. Others may have a similar talent, but our delivery will be unique. Look for opportunities to share your gift to help make another’s day.

Humour

Who is afraid of Santa Clause?  Claustrophobics.
What do you call two banana peels?  A pair of slippers.
Why did the biscuit go to the sick room?  He felt crummy.

Always be yourself, everyone else is already taken. Finally... true love overcomes fear.

P.S. DON'T FORGET THE CHRISTMAS COMPETITION?
Closes next Tues Dec 2