The novice reader has moved beyond the understanding that print is made of words and now understands the words are made of sounds and that letters represents these sounds. The novice can hear and manipulate small sounds into syllables and words, and uses this knowledge to try and sound out words as well as spell new words. The novice reader: is learning how to ‘crack the code’, works hard to sound out words, hears and manipulates sounds into syllables and words and demonstrates growing awareness of the relationship between sounds and letters.

Things you can do to help your novice reader:

- **Draw their attention to features of the print in texts**
  - Look at all those exclamation marks!
  - Did you know those marks “ “ mean that someone is talking?

- **Help them to learn their High Frequency words**
  - Use the HF Word Folder from school to track your child’s progress
  - Point out high frequency words in texts
  - Make a fuss when they recognise a word in a text or in the environment.

- **Demonstrate decoding strategies**
  - I knew that word was “dog” because I saw the “d” and heard the sound ‘duh’ in my head
  - The picture was very useful in telling me what to say there
  - Use your sliding finger

- **Point to the words when you are reading to your child (use sliding finger)**
  - Once they start to gain confidence, it is ok to correct them if they say too many/few words:
    - “Hang on, there are only three words on that page. You were talking for ages!”
    - “How many words can you see there?”
    - That was great. Will you read it again for me?

- **Encourage them to read a text several times**

- **Provide a healthy diet**
  - Brain foods are things like leafy greens, blueberries, fish.
  - Make sure your child eats good protein and limit processed foods
  - Think about fish oil

- **Make sure your child gets enough sleep**
  - 10-11 hours for children aged 5-10 years
  - Aim to have them in bed by 7-8pm on school nights

**School Website**
The school website has been updated with a fresh look and new information. The newsletter is published weekly on this site and can be accessed at any time. The address has remained the same: [www.lakeclarendonss.eq.edu.au](http://www.lakeclarendonss.eq.edu.au)
**Lexile News**

Wow, the competition is heating up between the years 3 to 7 classes! It was revealed on parade that the Chain Challenge totals were: Mrs Hannant's class - 36 links Ms Hohn's - 58 links Mrs Minehan's - 60 link To improve the chain students can read any of the Lexile books within their colour level (and below). This even includes PICTURE BOOKS which are an easy ONE POINT and only take minutes to read! However, these books are for home reading only. The winning students (who have contributed to their class total) will be justly rewarded at the end of the term.

**Encouragement award:** Abby S  
**Ribbons:** Super Space Astronaut (75pts) Kyle W  
Space Ranger (100pts) Nicholas S

**NAPLAN**

NAPLAN testing is next week (14,15 and 16 May 2013). Students participate in these literacy and numeracy tests whilst in Years 3, 5 and 7. NAPLAN is important as the results inform the student and parents about the progress of their students against national standards. The tests also inform schools about how they can modify their programs to meet student’s needs. I am encouraging parents to discuss the NAPLAN tests with their students to ensure that they participate fully and to the best of their ability as they are very important tests.

**Breakfast**

We will be offering breakfast to our students in year 3,5 and 7 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please send a plate and cup with your child. Feed the brains/make them work.

**Year 6/7 Catering for Kids**

During Term 1 and Term 2, students in Yr 6/7 have been learning about what makes a healthy snack and the time has come to put this knowledge to use by creating and selling their own healthy snacks. Over the coming weeks, groups of 3 or 4 students will plan, market and prepare their chosen snacks for sale to LCSS students on Tuesdays and Fridays. All the profits from snack sales will go towards next year’s Yr 5-7 camp. Keep an eye out for the advertising campaigns that will accompany the stalls. These posters, newsletter advertisements and parade appearances give students a chance to apply technology skills and all they have learned in English this term about persuasive advertising techniques.

**Cross Country**

The next level of the cross country competition was held last week. Well done to Zeke & Tamara making it to this level. Zeke ran a good race & placed 8th. Tamara has qualified to go on to the next level which is to be held in Ipswich.

**School Photos**

Pixifoto will be coming to our school on **Friday 31 May** to take our class photos. Children are expected to wear their full school uniform on this day. Envelopes were attached to a previous newsletter. Please fill out one envelope for each child and **ENCLOSE CORRECT PAYMENT** as no change can be given. Cheques are to be made payable to PIXIFOTO. Each student is to place their individual envelope into the **silver box** or hand it to their class teacher by Monday 27 May. Pixifoto will do sibling photos. If you would like to take advantage of this you will need to pick up a separate envelope from the office.

Late Orders may be placed by parents directly to Pixifoto by contacting the customer service department on **1300733900**. A late fee will apply to cover postage & handling. If there are any queries or discrepancies you can also ring direct to Pixi on the above number.

**Good One**

Congratulations to Felicity B & Brooke W for receiving the *Good One* prize on parade last Friday.
Library
Issue 3 Book Club orders have been sent and we expect the books to arrive next week. We will hand them out to the children as soon as they arrive.

Zucchini Competition
Laidley Show Society is running this competition to encourage our youth to be apart of their local show. Entries will have to be delivered to the Laidley Show grounds on Friday the 21st June from 4pm to 5pm, for judging and we can store them till show. We would also like your entry to have charts & Photo’s on growing the zucchini as well, just in case the zucchini does not survive the storage. Entry is free and the prize for this event will be 1st - $30, 2nd - $20, 3rd $10. A great fundraiser for the school while having fun and learning. The rules are simple, it has to be the biggest by length.

Family Festival
St Vincent's Private Hospital Toowoomba will be hosting a Family Festival in Queens Park, Toowoomba, on Sunday May 12 (Mothers’ Day) from 9am until 2pm. This free family event will be held in conjunction with the FKG Tour of Toowoomba. See attached flyer for more information.

Tuckshop Menu 2013

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COLD ITEMS

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Tuckshop Roster 2013

TERM 2
15 May - Keet G, Helene S, Mardi U
22 May - Sharon K, Melissa B, Tanya S
29 May - Lisa H, Sandy G, Rachel R
5 June - Tracey U, Terri K, Lisa E
12 June - Mardi U, Helene S, Tanya S
19 June - Sports Day

Uniforms Available
Monday & Friday mornings from 8.30am in the Uniform Room/Chappy’s Room. If these times don’t suit you can phone Evelyn and arrange a mutual time. 0428 165 767

Yoga Club
Yoga will now be held on Wednesday mornings. See you all then. Namaste Lisa

Woolworths Earn and Learn
The Woolies earn and learn program is back. Lake Clarendon keep collecting the stickers so our wonderful school can receive some much needed resources again. Ask all your friends and family to collect the stickers to help support us also. We have our first official tally this week and it is 1140 points, so well done everyone. Please keeping on collecting, you will need to ask your Woolies store for the sticker cards this year as we have not been given any. Thank you all for your support again this year I will continue to keep you up-to-date with a have tally in future newsletters.

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Curriculum—Education Queensland Curriculum, Aiming for High Level Academic Skills, Skilled and Dynamic teachers

Learning—A love of learning and a recognition that it is a life–long process, The ability to problem solve and to think both creatively and critically, Top Quality Learning Resources

Excellence—Best Practice, Striving for High Standards, Striving for High Academic Results

Attitude—Developing a ‘Can-Do’ Attitude, Positive and Outward, Onward and Upward, Active Citizenship

Respect—The development of self discipline and socially responsible behaviours, Respect for self and others, Effective communication and interpersonal skills

Chappy’s Corner

Shinto is the traditional belief system of Japan. It comes with a lot of Japanese tradition and the invisible presence of innumerable spiritual powers or kami. The believer goes through rituals to relate to this kami in a way that is respectful, warm, open and vibrant.

Shinto is usually referred to as kami and originated in the 7th century. It is a mixture of ancient Shamanistic traditions and Buddhism. The then government had a political agenda to justify the royal linage, and to unite all the region’s deities or gods under the authority of the emperor’s god.

Kami are not believed to be all knowing or immortal, some can even be human. They are involved in all aspects of people’s life. The most important ones should be entertained and informed of important events. Purity is thought to be essential to have a right relationship, with shrines or special worship sites set up to allow the believer an area to seek peace and quiet in an otherwise busy and noisy world. There are over 20 000 priests (2000 being women) who care for the shrines and the services. There is no leader as such and the shrines operate independently of each other.

Humour

What kind of ant is good at maths? An Account ant.

What do you get if you cross a cat with a lemon? A sourpuss.

Why did the cat join the Red Cross? He wanted to be a first aid kit.

Finally... Think you can, think you can’t? either way you’ll be right!