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Congratulations Tom



Congratulations to Tom Friedlander (Year 11) who has just competed in the Queensland Weightlifting All Schools Competition and received Bronze place in his weight category representing Cleveland District State High. He was given a scholarship to train with Queensland Weightlifting last year and trains hard with the Queensland team at Cougars Weightlifting in the Sleeman Centre. An outstanding result!

Whooping Cough

Recently there has been a case of whooping cough associated with our school. Whooping cough is a highly infectious illness that is spread by coughing and sneezing. The illness is troublesome and distressing at any age but can be very serious in young infants.

Protection against whooping cough is included in the routine vaccinations given to children at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months and 4 years. Adolescents are provided with a free pertussis booster vaccine in Year 8 and 10 from their doctor or local council clinic. If your children have missed any of these routine vaccinations they can still be vaccinated against whooping cough.

What's On

November

Tuesday 24

Year 11 Clearance Day

P&C Meeting 6:30pm

Wednesday 25

Year 10 Clearance Day

Year 11 Leadership
Conference – Community
Hall

Thursday 26

Year 11 RYDA Excursion
– Chandler

Friday 27

Year 10 End of Year
Excursion

Year 11 Leadership
Conference – Community
Hall

Last day Years 11 & 10

December

Friday 4

Ignite Symposium

Monday 7

Years 8 & 9 Dreamworld
Excursion

Tuesday 8

Year 7 Wet & Wild
Excursion

Pertussis vaccination is recommended and currently funded for all pregnant women early in the third trimester of each pregnancy. Pertussis vaccine is also recommended for any adults living in the household of children under six months of age (or regularly caring for these children). This vaccine is able to be accessed via your doctor however is not currently funded.

Vaccination gives good protection to young children, but unfortunately this protection does wane with time. Whooping cough may still occur in older children and adults who were fully immunised in early childhood. Early diagnosis and treatment of this illness is important to limit the spread of whooping cough in the community. If the illness is detected early in its course, treatment will reduce the period of infectivity for other people.

The National Health and Medical Research Council recommends that all cases of whooping cough are excluded from school for a period of twenty-one days after the onset of their illness or until they have received five days of a course of appropriate antibiotics.

Please contact your local doctor or the Public Health Unit if you have any questions.

Film Gala 2015



Recently the film students once again presented their annual 'Film Gala'. The night featured outstanding productions from all year levels including music videos, scene re-creations, trailers and short genre films. The night was enjoyable for all and a great success!

Pictured below is a screen shot from Liam Caneris's Genre Film "Emma" and pictured above is a screen shot from Madeline Randall, Bethany Stewart and Brianna Daly's TV Drama "Wayward".



Orientation Day

Approximately 340 students attended Orientation Day on Monday 9 November. These Year 6 students had the opportunity to experience high school for the day. They moved around the school, from class to class, participating in lessons delivered by Junior School teachers. The 2016 Year 7 Reps had a ball, meeting their classes and sharing their knowledge of high school.

Year 7 booklists and BYOD information was handed out on the day. If you require further copies of these documents, please go to our website www.clevdistshs.eq.edu.au

Chappy Chatter



Vanuatu Gift Boxes

This Christmas in Matantas Village, Vanuatu, will be very different! Children will be receiving wonderful gifts lovingly packed by our school community.

On the invitation of the Year 7 teachers, we organised our first ever Vanuatu Gift Box Drive this term. Dozens of students and staff filled our special boxes with items for school, health and education, as well as things to enjoy and love. (Mr Gauthier and his Year7 class pictured above.)

Over 130 boxes filled with wonderful gifts were collected and are now on their way to Vanuatu. What made this drive really unique is that we took a photo of everyone when they handed in their box to give to the child in Vanuatu when they receive their gift box. A photo will then be taken of the recipient child and brought back, so that everyone who filled a box will be able to see the child who was blessed by their gift.

Thank you to all those who participated by filling a box, as well as those who were generous enough to make donations to pay for the shipping of boxes.

We have once again put smiles on little faces!!

Student Council News

Cleveland District State High School held one minute silence for Remembrance Day. The school sold poppies through the office to raise money for the RSL.

As the year is winding down, the Junior and Senior Leaders are still assisting in the Tuckshop on Thursdays and Fridays at second break. The council would like to thank everyone who has supported us this year. We have had a successful year.

I'm looking forward to working with the new leaders in 2016. Once again, I would like to thank Holly, Raven, Emily, Katrina, Madi, Bethany, Alex, Brooke, Conor, Hailey and David for being such fantastic leaders this year.

Joni Edwards
Student Council Co-ordinator

Homework Centre



The Homework Centre, staffed by the Literacy and Numeracy Team, is available to all students from Monday to Thursday, in the Library from 2.45 – 4.00. Attendance this year was, on average, 90 students per week.

Mainstream staff encouraged attendance at the Homework Centre, but also made appointments with their students and met them there. These teachers then of course stayed on and worked with others. Students are given a healthy snack and a drink of water, in the Library kitchen before commencing work. This initiative, we believe, calms hungry teenage tummies and creates a more settled, productive afternoon.

Teaching staff is emailed each Friday re attendance numbers and student names. The Homework Centre Team has seen during 2015, the development of a greater commitment and targeted work focus, especially from those students who attend regularly. Overall it is a very productive endeavour.

Homework Centre will close for this year at 4pm, Thursday 26 November (Week 8). In 2016, the Homework Centre will open at the beginning of Week 3, Monday 8 February.

The Homework Centre Team



Booklists 2016

Booklists for 2016 are now available on line at the following address:

www.redlandsschoolzone.com.au

For website prices, orders must be finalised by 24 December, 2015.

Teacher Aides Required

Student Support Services are looking for teacher aides for casual relief. The ideal candidates will have experience in a school setting or with disability support; have a caring and enthusiastic nature and a general passion for working with special needs students within a mainstream environment. You will need to be open minded and flexible to changes in daily programming and adaptable to cater for a diverse range of student needs and disabilities.

We would prefer a person who holds relevant qualifications of a Cert IV in Educational Support or similar, or is undertaking the course, but not

mandatory. If you think you this is you, please forward your resume to Tanya Knorre (Head of Special Education Services), tknor2@eq.edu.au or drop it in to the office at Cleveland District State High School, addressed to the HOSES.

Uniform Shop

Purchase your school uniforms from the P&C Uniform Shop during Term 4 and save \$\$\$\$. Spend over \$250 on your school uniforms (in one transaction) and take 10% off the total price. Sport Academy and Second Hand uniforms however, are not included in this discount.

EFTPOS is available.

The Uniform Shop hours are Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays 8.00am until 10.30am and Fridays 1.30pm until 4.00pm. Or phone Robyn on 0432 829947 to make alternative arrangements.

The Uniform Shop will be open on Saturday 5 December from 10am until 1pm.

Another uniform ordering option is on-line ordering, which is available 24/7, through <http://schoolshonline.net.au/clevedistshs/index.aspx>. The most convenient way to purchase through School Shop Online is with an e-Wallet where you bank money in your own e-Wallet account which you can used to purchase any of our uniforms. If however, you choose to purchase through PayPal or credit card there will be some additional transaction fees.

2016 Order forms and deposits need to be handed in to the Uniform Shop or School Office by **Friday 27 November 2015**.

Volunteers Needed

The Learning Support Unit needs volunteers to assist students in reading, maths and assignments. If you have any spare time, or know of anyone who would like to work as a volunteer in the Student Support Unit, we would love to hear from you. The students really appreciate and respond well to volunteers.



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