SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS ~ CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Clifton Hill Primary School Council is comprised of 12 members.

- 7 elected parent members
- 3 elected staff (DEECD) members
- Principal (Executive Officer~ not elected)
- Community member (selected by Council)

Approximately half of School Council ‘retire’ at the end of 2 years but are eligible to re-nominate. The community member also has a 2 year tenure.

School Council meets 8 times per year with at least one meeting each term.
This has, in recent years, been mainly on the third Wednesday evening in the meeting month.
This schedule is determined at the first meeting of the new School Council and can be varied.
Meetings normally run from 7pm until 9pm.

CONTINUING PARENT MEMBERS
Dr Vanessa Teague
Dr Li Hassan-Kink
Stephanie Gotlib
Mary Simpson

RETIRING PARENT MEMBERS
Conrad Exton
Andrew Webster
Mark Buttifant

PARENT VACANCIES 2013
3 VACANCIES

SCHOOL COUNCIL PROCESS TIME-LINE

February 7 Call for nominations
February 14 Nominations Close (4pm)
February 15 Prepare for Ballot (if required)
February 18-20 Ballot papers distributed
February 22 Ballot closes. Votes counted. (2.30 pm)
February 25 Declaration of Poll
February 27 First School Council meeting for 2013

NOTICES SENT HOME THIS WEEK
1. Initial newsletter
2. Scholarship training Year 6
3. iPad co-purchase (Years 4-6)
4. Tasmanian camp (year 5)

IMPORTANT 2014 PREP SIBLING ENROLMENT
- Inform us now please

ENROLMENTS
Feb 7 2012 - 554
Feb 7 2013 - 558

PARENTS ARE REMINDED
NOT TO PARK IN THE DISABLED CAR PARK OR ACROSS NEIGHBOUR’S DRIVEWAYS.
PLEASE TAKE EVERY CARE WHEN DRIVING, REVERSING IN PAGE ST.
NEW STAFF

We would like to welcome the following staff to the school community.

Cora Evans
Grade 2
classroom teacher

Sarah Dalgleish
Grade 2
classroom teacher

Ellen Canny
Grade 3
classroom teacher

Kristy Keenan
Leading Teacher
Grade 5
classroom teacher

Charlotte White
Integration Aide

The Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards is the oldest and largest poetry competition for school aged children in Australia. In 2012 there were more than 10,000 entries from approximately 700 different schools. The 2012 theme was ‘Wheels and Wings and Marvellous Things’. Four CHPS students submitted original poems. Mila Webb, Greer Russell and Atticus Russell received Participation Certificates for their entries. Well done.

Congratulations to Liv Handfield. Her wonderful poem, ‘Spiderwebs and Dewdrops’, received the status of ‘Commended’ in the Upper Primary category. No mean feat! Liv’s poem will feature in the Dorthea Mackellar Poetry Awards annual anthology of the best poems for 2012.

Liv HANDFIELD, 10
Clifton Hill Primary School
CLIFTON HILL VIC

Spiderwebs and Dewdrops

Spiderwebs
And dewdrops
Glistening as she glides
Through the woods.
The wind sings for her
The sun woos her
The moon protects her
The stars wows her,
Sharing a secret
Only they know
In the night.
The trees whisper to her
The water laughs with her
Flowers grow in her footsteps
And plants flourish in her midst.

Spider webs
And dewdrops
Are of what her gown is made.
Who is she,
A pixie,
The fairy of the glade.

Judge’s Comment

Wonderful imagery.
I particularly enjoyed the second stanza. The words reveal just enough to tantalize - to make us wonder and to read on. A magical poem.

Nerida Mellerick & Peta Hirschfeld
A SLICE OF MANDARIN

NI HAO!! It’s me, Xiao Long, your favourite dragon!

Welcome back to school, I hope you had a relaxing summer break and a good beginning to the new year! Do you know that the Chinese New Year hasn’t started yet? That’s right, the Chinese New Year is starting this Sunday (10 February), and that means that it’s no longer my Year of the Dragon (sob sob!). But it’s not so bad because I’m handing over to my little cousin, the Snake. Chinese New Year is the most important holiday for Chinese people, and people travel long distances to be home for New Year and celebrate with their parents and their families. Like on Christmas in Australia, children get presents for Chinese New Year, there’s lots of the colour red everywhere and we make lots of noise with firecrackers! And there is a story to why we do that:

Long ago, there was a monster whose name was Nian. This monster came once each year to a little village and scared everyone! One day, just by luck, the villagers discovered that Nian had a couple of fears of his own. He was afraid of the colour red and even more afraid of scary loud noises!

The villagers prepared. When Nian appeared, everyone in the village ran for the red banners and noise makers they had made. They waved their banners and rattled their noise makers. This scared Nian so much that he ran away and was never heard from again!

That’s the story, but of course, the villagers could just have called me in, and I would have taken care of that monster! That’s it for today, I wish you and your families Xin Nian Kuai Le (Happy New Year), and I’ll see you in a couple of weeks!

新年快乐!
xīn nián kuàì lè
Bienvenue au Coin Français de 2013!
For those of you who are new to Clifton Hill Primary, this is where all things French are written up in the newsletter.

There are three French teachers at the school:
Madame Sophie Gammon (gammon.sophie.s@edumail.vic.gov.au) who teaches Grade 3 and 5
Madame Elsa Klockenbring (klockenbring.elsa.e@edumail.vic.gov.au) who teaches Grade 1 and 2
Madame Penny Webb (webb.penelope.a@edumail.vic.gov.au) who teaches Prep, Grade 4 and 6

The French staffroom is located on the ground floor of the Organ Factory. Please feel free to contact us via email or to knock on our door if you have any questions about your child's French lessons or the French program in general.

Birthday Party Idea
Are you looking for an idea for your son or daughter's birthday party? If they are interested in cooking, a French cooking lesson might be something to consider. Follow the link below for more information on a company that runs such events in Melbourne.

Nouvelle Calédonie
This year, Grade 6 has the opportunity to travel to Noumea in New Caledonia for a French Study Trip. An information evening was held on Monday 4 February, however, if you were unable to attend but are still interested in more information on the trip, please contact either Penny Webb or Sophie Gammon on the email addresses listed above.

What do you know about New Caledonia?
Can you answer the following questions?
1. New Caledonia is an overseas territory of which country?
   A.) Japan
   B.) Holland
   C.) France
2. Who were the first settlers of New Caledonia?
   A.) Ramuas
   B.) Kanaks
   C.) Mauis
3. What's the major export of New Caledonia?
   A.) Iron
   B.) Wood
   C.) Nickel
4. What's the capital of New Caledonia?
   A.) Noumea
   B.) Borail
   C.) La Foa
5. Which of these is a national festival in New Caledonia?
   A.) Festival of the Dates
   B.) Festival of the Banana
   C.) Festival of the Yam
6. What structure is situated on Amedee Island?
   A.) Lighthouse
   B.) Aquarium
   C.) Museum
The fair date for 2013 has been set...Saturday the 23rd of November Clifton Hill Primary School Fair.

Thank you again to all of the students and families who helped last year’s fair raise an amazing $82,000 for the school.

Thank you also to the parents who have already put their name down for this year’s fair.

We will be sending a volunteer letter home soon; before we do, there are some key roles we need to fill, so the fair can go ahead.

The Logistics Co-ordinator role has been filled by Rod Poole for the last 2 years - even though he retired from the position 2 years ago!

We need to fill this role, or the fair will not happen.

The position can be filled by anyone - an individual, a couple, or a group of parents who are able to co-ordinate the team of volunteers who set up and pack up the fair. This would involve working with Roderick Poole (as School’s Collective Co-ordinator), liaising with electricians, overseeing repairs to equipment, sourcing transport, setup/pack-up.

This year, we are looking to mentor a new Fair Co-ordinator, in preparation for running the fair in 2014. It is a great opportunity to “learn the ropes”.

Please contact me by phone or email if you have any queries, or leave your details at the office. We really need the Logistics co-ordinator role to be filled as soon as possible. Rod will be available to do a thorough hand over.

Thank you, Melinda Wilson - Fair Co-ordinator
wilsontwo@optusnet.com.au - phone 0414 278 479

The Silent Auction of 2012 was a great success, generating 15% of the total CHPS fair profit. The school is extremely grateful to all the businesses and individuals who contributed donations and their time to this terrific fundraiser.

We are already seeking for 2013:

★ Baskets or substantial ‘new’ gift packaging (including Xmas ribbons & raffia)
★ Desirable but unwanted Xmas gifts
★ Quality donations from individuals at anytime (we have the space to store it)
★ Business donations or leads
★ Hearing from anyone interested in assisting the Silent Auction team
★ Please keep us top of mind throughout the year as you work, shop and talk to businesses in your local and extended community.
You may know or meet someone who has something to give to the Silent Auction who we will be happy to contact

Please call Rosalind Rowlands (1AS) on 0423055100 or email rosrowlands@gmail.com or speak to Nia at the office.

Preserves & Chutneys group is in full swing for 2013, making the most of the summer fruits and vegetables. We are very keen for new members, so please call Sophie on 0402 345 615 to discuss. You don’t need to have any experience, just an interest in learning how to make preserves and chutneys and being part of this fun and highly successful stall. Also, those who purchased jars last year, could you please return them to the box near the office. We are requesting ONLY the jars in the sizes we have used in the past - more info will be provided in upcoming weeks.

Finally, if you have excess fruit or vegetables, please contact Sophie on 0402 345 615 and we will put them to good use.
Where do human rights begin?

Like Olivia the pig and many others, I am a big fan of Eleanor Roosevelt (pictured, on Olivia’s bedroom wall), in part because she is the ‘mother’ of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Roosevelt knew full well that the Declaration has to be put into practice, and in 1958 she famously described how:

“Where, after all, do universal human rights begin? In small places, close to home – so close and so small that they cannot be seen on any maps of the world. Yet they are the world of the individual person; the neighbourhood he lives in; the school or college he attends; the factory, farm or office where he works. Such are the places where every man, woman and child seeks equal justice, equal opportunity, equal dignity without discrimination. Unless these rights have meaning there, they have little meaning anywhere. Without concerted citizen action to uphold them close to home, we shall look in vain for progress in the larger world.”

Ethical school uniform

Clifton Hill Primary is very proud to have introduced an (optional) school uniform that is made ethically, with minimum exploitation of workers, whether here or overseas. Most of the uniform is in fact made just around the corner in Smith Street, at a small factory which is independently accredited by Ethical Clothing Australia as providing decent wages and conditions to the people who work there. By getting our uniform from Qualitops, we uphold human rights ‘close to home.’

Ethical sneakers

Our school sneakers are not made in Australia, but in a workshop in Pakistan run by a cooperative. The shoes are certified fair-trade and free of child labour. They’re made of organic cotton (canvas, laces and stitching) with sustainably-harvested rubber for the soles. ‘Fair-trade’ means that 15% of the cost price goes towards community development projects in Pakistan, where the shoes are made (the workers have chosen to put the money primarily towards healthcare) and in India, where the rubber is grown.

Very much like a low-top ‘Converse’ shoe, Etiko sneakers are a hard-wearing, versatile, quality shoe & excellent value at $40. Next time your kids need new sneakers, please consider buying them at school. They start at size 1 (approx 23cm long), which is too big for most Preps and Gr 1’s, unfortunately.

Three easy ways to get your kids a pair:

1. Come to a uniform stall, held each term (dates announced in the newsletter). Bring your kid and try them on.
2. Buy over the counter at reception (credit card or cash); or, save time for you and reception staff by:
3. Ordering through the school website & pay when you pick them up from reception. Have you seen the online catalogue? www.cliftonhillps.vic.edu.au/main/uniform

– Olivia Ball (parent)

Nike workers claim military paid to intimidate them

ABC News 15 January 2013

Workers at a Nike shoe factory in Indonesia say the factory paid military personnel to intimidate them into working for less than the minimum wage.

After millions of workers went on strike last year in Indonesia over low pay and cost of living increases, the government lifted wage rates.

A woman who does not want to be named says, “We got summoned by military personnel that the company hired to interrogate us and they intimidated us. That scared me.”

Read the full report by the ABC
Clifton Hill Primary School  185 Gold St Clifton Hill 3068,  Phone: 9489 8333   Fax: 9481 1910   Kids Club: 9486 2675  web: www.cliftonhillps.vic.edu.au

Northcote High School Tours
Tours commence Monday 11 February, and run most Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays, commencing at 9.15 am until late May. They take about 1 hour. Check our website for details. All welcome.
http://www.nhs.vic.edu.au or ring the office to book a place 9488 2300.

Northcote High School Open Morning
Open Morning will be on Wednesday 24 April 2013, from 9.15 -12.00 noon. Information sessions will be run through the morning. A repeat information session runs at 7 pm at night.

ACE High Achiever’s Program Yr 7 Entry 2014
Information regarding this program, and application forms, are now on our website. The changed arrangements of 2012 no longer apply and any interested families are encouraged to apply. See our website for details: http://www.nhs.vic.edu.au
Applications Close: Monday 29 April, 2013. 12.30 pm  
Test Date: Saturday 4 May, 2013. 9.00 am

There are a small number of parents who assist Lee Lee on a regular basis but she really needs more help.
The canteen is open from Monday to Friday and volunteers are useful anytime between 9:30am & 1pm.
Assisting on for occasions in the canteen exempts you from $80 Grounds and Maintenance levy.
We ask that you notify the office if you able to attend.

HAS YOUR CHILD HAD THEIR BIKE MISPLACED, LOST OR STOLEN?
We have found a bike in the Clifton Hill area, please ring to identify it and we would be only to happy to return it. Anna 0411316006  H 94814907.

Accommodation Wanted
CHPS family seeks unfurnished rental accommodation in the Clifton Hill / Fitzroy North area for up to 12 months.
Please contact Emma on 0420 559 415 if you can assist.
CLAY CLUB FOR KIDS
Messy, muddy, madness for kids!
Does your child like to get busy and messy with clay?
The Slow Clay Centre in Collingwood offers this opportunity!
Term 1: Thursdays from February 7th – March 28th
Time: 4.00 pm – 5.30 pm
Age: 8 yrs and over. All levels welcome
Cost: $280 inc. materials and firing

We also run adult classes and holiday classes
website: www.slowclay.com email: info@slowclay.com, ph: 0418106039

CLAY CLUB offers a chance for children to learn to
use the potter’s wheel and/or to construct or sculpt
with clay to their heart’s content. Classes are capped
so all can have access to a pottery wheel.

OUR PHILOSOPHY
In this technologically mediated world
children are less exposed to tactile experiences than ever
before. Clay is a primal material that is ideal for self-
expression and often overlooked in today’s school
curriculum. Clay Club children are gently guided in all
aspects of ceramics by experienced tutors to develop
confidence with clay within an atmosphere of fun,
exploration and self development.

SLOW CLAY CENTRE is a well-equipped, purpose
designed ceramics education centre in Collingwood.
See website for range of adult’s classes & workshops!

WHEN: After school & holiday classes
WHERE: 13 Keele St, Collingwood
ENQUIRIES: info@slowclay.com or
ring 0418106039

Jellis Craig is a proud
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Primary School

Alphington Football Club
Incorporated under the Alphington Community Centre (ACC) Inc

Prep to Under 18 players
Alphington Football Club will be having a soccer registration day for prep to Under 18s for both
Boys and Girls Teams in 2013.

Date: Wednesday 20th February
Time: 5.00-7.00pm
Venue: The Old Pavilion under the Kevin Crehan Grandstand – Alphington Park
Cost: $120 (12 weeks for the Development Squad)
$250 for the Small Sided Teams (16 weeks – full soccer season)
$300 per season for U12s to U18s
payable upon registration (cash or cheque only)

The season will commence after Easter.
The Development squad have one session a week with the aim to teach children basic soccer skills
and enjoy a small sided game.
Games for registered teams will be played on a Sunday morning and training will be held on an
evening during the week (day TBC). Full details will be emailed to all registered players once the
teams have been confirmed.

Parent involvement will be sought and can be discussed at the registration day.

If you have any questions please contact either:
Lisa Jacob - 0403 676 595 or
Nigel Odell - 0418 354 639

For all your real estate requirements contact
Craig Shearn on 9481 6800 or 0418 596 388
or visit our office at 324 Queens Parade, Clifton Hill.
jelliscraig.com.au
Learn music here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, drums, here at Clifton Hill, Gold St. Primary.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-on-one lessons give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from $15.40 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 1.

Interested parents should call Marika during office hours on 9818 2333

www.creativemusic.com.au

DO YOU WANT TO TRAIN WITH AFL PLAYERS IN 2013?

REGISTRATION DAY
SUNDAY 17th FEBRUARY 2013
11am-2pm
Player Development Program – Led by former AFL star Brad Miller commencing 2013 that will encourage every player to be the best!

New Sponsors Great Facilities

New Jumpers Friendly Family Environment

TEAMs: Tackers, U10, U11, U12 Gold, U13, U14, U15 and Colts

TRAINING: Starting March 2013

HOME GROUND: Warringal Park, Heidelberg VIC 3084 -Melways 32 C4

REGISTER: Register via heidelbergjfc.com.au or email as shown below

Online Re-REGISTRATION’s now open

For more information:
Email info@heidelbergjfc.com.au
Or visit heidelbergjfc.com.au

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Pee Wee Tennis 5 - 7 year olds
Free trial lesson for Pee Wees,
Saturday February 9, 9am & 9.30am,
Monday February 11, 4pm
Thursday February 14, 3.50pm & 4.50pm

Junior Tennis Coaching 8 - 16 year olds
Places available each afternoon school,
Mon - Fri, group lessons & squads.
Parents, tennis is a great social and competitive sport.
Racquets supplied if required.

Adult Coaching - Parents it’s never too late!!!
Mon, Tues & Wed evenings and day time classes.
Racquets supplied if required.
Beginners & Intermediate classes.

All enquiries & bookings call Dan 9347 3604.

Regards
Dan Donnelly,
Club Coach Royal Park T.C.
2013 CRICKET SOCCER CLINICS
STARTING 9 FEBRUARY 2013

A NEW YEAR OF SUMMER SPORT FEB 9TH WITH VicCric

VIC CRIC/SOCCER SATURDAY MORNING CLINICS run for a period of seven weeks involving 55 minutes of personalised tuition on Saturday mornings. There is one time slot for Cricket and one for Soccer.

CRICKET
9.00am - 9.55am
SOCCER
10.00am - 10:55am

Each session is comprised of approximately 30-40 children, and is divided into four to six groups, with one coach to (approx) eight players. Children are divided into groups according to their age and skill level.

ENCOURAGE social-interaction >> BUILD skill level >> GROW self-esteem

A FEE of $100 per child, covers seven weeks of coaching. Certificates are awarded to all players upon completion of the 7 weeks, and a trophy is presented to those who have completed 4 or 8 sessions. Please arrive at your selected session time unless contacted by our team.

ENROL NOW! SEASON STARTS 9th February 2013
To secure your place, complete and return the registration form below no later than THURS 7th FEB 2013 to:
28 SPENCER ST ESSENDON 3040

ENQUIRIES CONTACT:
Mike Bishop
0418 303 432
Email: mabish@optusnet.com.au

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D is counts Family discounts apply. Please ask VIC CRIC team for more information.

PRINCES HILL
Melway 29 J11
Princes Hill Primary School
Pigdon St Carlton North

Registration Form - please select preferred:

VENUE
PRINCES HILL, Melway 29 J11
Princes Hill Primary School
Pigdon St Carlton North
Session 1:

FREE GIFT
Vic Cric Hat
Swing King Ball
Soccer Ball

*Please make all Cheques payable to Vic Cric

Please select by ticking box. Childrens Sizes.

P OLO SHIRTS
$25

68 10 12 14

Please select size.

Special Offer
VIC CRIC/SOCCER POLO SHIRTS $25

Childrens Sizes.

Cheque/Cash

To secure your place, please make a cheque payable to Vic Cric and mail with completed application form to:
28 SPENCER ST ESSENDON 3040

Payment on first day of Clinic.

Please note that registration and payment must be completed before commencement of Clinic.

Payment on first day of Clinic.
Teams for boys and girls aged 6 to adult

Strong emphasis on girls football.
Socially inclusive club with scholarships available for low income families from public housing estates.
Community, broad-based, democratically run club.
Special guest appearance by U20 Female Footballer of the Year and Melbourne Victory Women’s Captain STEPH CATELY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Telephone 0430 164 417 or email secretary@yarrajetsfc.org.au or visit our website www.yarrajetsfc.org.au

YARRA JETS FC
OPEN DAY
Sunday 17 February from 11am
Quarries Park, Clifton Hill

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