



Clifton Highlights

TERM 3
2nd September 2016



DATE	EVENT
14 SEP	P & C Meeting
06 SEP	10 - 12yrs DD Track and Field
07 SEP	DD Water Polo Trials
16 SEP	Junior Secondary Parade Term 3 ends
04 OCT	Term 4 begins
05 OCT	Marco Gliori - Yr 7 & 8 RAAP - Year 11
10 OCT	Motivational Media - Everyday Heroes

Clifton State High School P & C
NEXT MEETING
Wednesday 14th September 2016
6:30 pm
Clifton SHS Room A05
Get involved!

2 Seconds of Winter

Clifton's answer to 5 Seconds of Summer provide a stellar performance at a very successful Arts night. [Full report...next newsletter.](#)

Creative Generation

Talented art students show work at gallery. [Read more...page 3](#)

Athletics

Darling Downs Athletes with disabilities. [Read more...page 5](#)

Cowboy Feast in the Barn

Year 12 Hospitality students serve up a feast for a cowboy...[page 5](#)

Write a book in a Day

Students write 4000 words in 12 hours. [Read more...page 4](#)

Staffroom Improvement Competition

We have entered the school in this competition. You can support us by registering at www.stafroomforimprovement.com.au [Read more...page 2](#)



Every day
COUNTS!  School success starts with attendance

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*Focus on what you want
to see more of!*

From the Principal

Term 3, Week 8 and events of the past fortnight have included Yr 12 QCS Test, Year 12 Hospitality Themed Restaurant, Darling Downs Track and Field and our fantastic Arts Night!

Well done to our Year 12s who have now completed their QCS test and who are, no doubt, feeling very relieved. Many thanks to Ms Miller for her staunch support of our Year 12s and also to the QCS breakfast volunteers including Mr Reen, Mr Carson, Mrs Harris, Mrs Fiechtner, Mrs Gregory, Mrs Smith and Mrs Atkinson who ensured our students were well nourished before undertaking their tests.

Congratulations also to our students who this week competed in Darling Downs Track and Field and also to Mr Reen and Mr Craig for their support of our athletes!

Arts Night was a fantastic success and a huge thanks to Ms Fletcher, Mr Layton and Mr Ryan for all of their efforts to ensure that we all had a successful and enjoyable evening. We have some incredibly talented artists and musicians at Clifton SHS and well done to all of our students who performed or contributed to the Art Display for our 2016 Arts Night. Well done also to our teacher **Band, "2 Seconds of Winter" - Clifton's answer to "5 Seconds of Summer"**.

As always much is happening at Clifton SHS and as we move into the final 2 weeks for the term, our students are very busy with end of term assessment and exams.

In our final week of this term our school will be undertaking its School Review which will assist with our planning for the next four years. We look forward to welcoming the Review Team to Clifton in Week 10.

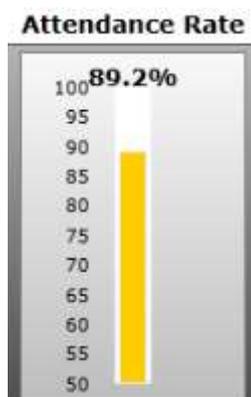
Our newsletter is a wonderful celebration of the many great things that happen at Clifton SHS.

Yours in learning
Joy Craig
Principal

From the Deputy

Our year 12 OP students all had a sigh of relief as they completed the QCS testing Wednesday afternoon. Thank you to Ms Miller for organising and being responsible for the management of the QCS yet again this year. Thank you to our community supervisors and to Mr Jones for his work in helping to prepare our students for the QCS along with Ms Miller. Congratulations to the students who were very busy doing their very best in the testing. We must also thank the staff Mrs Feichtner, Mrs Atkinson, Mrs Smith, Mr Carson and Mr Reen who cooked a wonderful breakfast each morning for our students.

My congratulations to the students and staff, Mrs Kirby and Mrs Hutchinson, who worked from 8:00 am until 8:30 pm last Wednesday to complete the challenge of Publish a Book in a Day. The three teams were all successful in completing a book of at least 4000 words and artwork in one day. This was a



challenging task to complete in a short period, so a wonderful effort by those student.

On Thursday last week we welcomed some of our SEP students for 2017 to the school for a morning of orientation and transition. So nice to see such an enthusiastic group of students discovering the wonders of high school with the supportive guidance of our SEP staff.

The Creative Generations Exhibition of year 12 work opened at the Toowoomba Art Gallery on Sunday afternoon. Yet again this year works done by our year 12 cohort were selected. Congratulations to Phillip Burchell-Butcher, Toni McKee and Olivia Bange for having their work selected to be hung in this prestigious exhibition. The Art Department under Mr Layton has shown how talent can be developed and fostered through the support and guidance of a creative and dedicated teacher.

The creativity of the Art Department and the Music Department was on show at the Arts Night on Thursday night. I never cease to be amazed at the wealth of talent and the dedication of our students and staff in presenting such a display of creativity and musicianship. Well done to the students and to the teachers Miss Fletcher, Mr Ryan and Mr Layton.

Charlotte White
Deputy Principal

Traineeship

Congratulations to Jordan Anderson as he embarks on the world of work. Jordan has secured a school-based traineeship in Horticulture at the Clifton Co-op Hospital Complex. Thank you to Clifton Co-op Hospital Complex for offering Jordan this opportunity.



Staffroom for Improvement

The Staffroom for Improvement competition is all about allowing students, mums and dads, family members and the broader school community to show our Queensland teachers just how much we value and appreciate them.

This year, we show our appreciation for our teachers by giving daily tokens of appreciation. Each token given will be added to the schools total. The school with the most tokens will win a \$20,000 staffroom makeover.

The competition will run for 18 days from 9am Tuesday, 23rd August 2016 to 12noon, Friday 9 September 2016. Tokens can be given each day of the competition with extra tokens given when participants complete quests and share the competition with a friend.

Prizes on offer

This year, there are great prizes on offer. These include:

- 1x \$20,000 staffroom makeover
 - 5x \$1,000 runners-up gift packs
 - 6x \$500 eftpos gift cards for participation prizes (everyone who plays has an equal chance of winning!)
 - Additional prizes throughout the competition
- Keep an eye on our [OT Mutual Bank Facebook page](#) for prize draws and competitions throughout the 18 days of competition.

Creative Generation

The Creative Generation Excellence in Visual Art Awards recognise and promote excellence in senior visual art education throughout Queensland state and non-state schools.

The awards offer the only collective exhibition of senior student artwork from each region of Queensland. It is an initiative that has led to widespread recognition of the excellent work senior visual art students are producing, as well as enabling students and teachers throughout the state to share and appreciate the diversity of artwork being produced in Queensland secondary schools.

The official opening of the Darling Downs South West Region was held at Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery on Sunday, 28th August. Clifton SHS is extremely proud to have 3 students whose work will be on display at the Toowoomba Regional Gallery for August and September. Congratulations to Olivia Bange, Toni McKee and Phillip Burchell-Butcher.

Other entries can also be viewed at <https://www.e-award.com.au/2016/cgenvisualarts/gallery/gallery.php?id=6>



Toni McKee - "Childlike Fantasy"



Phillip Burchell-Butcher with his artwork at Toowoomba



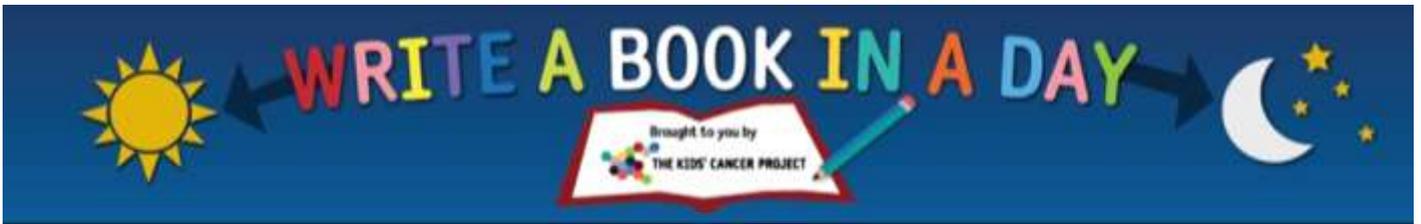
Olivia Bange—"Crowned by Consumerism"



Phillip Burchell-Butcher with Mr Layton at the launch last Sunday



Phillip Burchell-Butcher - "The concept of an open mind"



On Wednesday 24th August, 3 teams of Years 7, 8 & 10 students participated in a **writing extension** activity. It was a huge ask, with students expected to write an entire book, of over 4000 words, in 12 hours, from 8 am to 8 pm. As Master Teacher it is part of my role to not only support student literacy and learning but extend their talents. When this competition was advertised, I was excited **thinking what a fantastic opportunity for students...to be able to write their own book in one day.** The competition is **organised annually to raise money for the kid's cancer project.** To date \$150, 000 has been raised this year from the competition entrants.

The students could not just free write, they had to write in a Narrative style and the groups were provided with storyline parameters such as the: main character, secondary character, non-human character, setting and an issue. They were also provided with 5 words that needed to be included and bolded in their story.



In class, in the next few weeks, the Years 7 & 8s will be expected to go through their stories with a fine tooth comb to check for any further improvements that can be made, prior to publishing them for each member of the groups. I look forward to finding out if any of our groups are successful in the actual competition however, even if we do not place in the competition, I have felt very privileged **working with such an amazing group of students.... 12** hours with these students was certainly not a chore.

Yours in Writing
Mrs Tracy K irby
Master Teacher



Illustrated by Latia Marriot Yr 7



Illustrated by Leon Stacey

The groups arrived a little before 8am and their finished stories had to be submitted electronically before 8pm that day. In the 12 hours, the students displayed feelings of anxiety initially, excitement once they had their story parameters, frustration at having to work with others and negotiate on ideas, exhaustion and satisfaction once they finished. When motivation was low, Mrs Hutchinson and **myself were there to encourage them to keep going....just a few more words.**

Year 7	Year 8	Year 10
Bonnie Frost	Lachlan Harris	Naomi Simpson
Latia Marriot	Darby Peardon	Leon Stacey
Lachlan Phyland	Levi Statham	Maddie Cougar
Kaitlyn Hughes	Jaedan Ruhle	Neriah Rogers
Hayley Becker	Millie Zeller	Caitlin Lucas
Mia	Brooke Kindelan	
Heidi Eustace	Marcus Obengruber	



Illustrated by Jaedan Ruhle and Lachlan Harris (Yr 8)

The ideas that were generated, and the standard of vocabulary used in the stories was high.. Each story followed the correct text structure of: setting, problem, climax, resolution and conclusion, creating 3 very interesting and unique stories

Whilst words can create visual images for the reader, the students also had to illustrate their book. The standard of drawings from each group was excellent.

Congratulations must go to the students for their dedication to writing, their growth mindsets throughout the day and the commitment shown to finish the task.



Darling Downs Regional Athletes with Disabilities Sports Carnival 2016

Amidst the hype of the Olympic Games and upcoming Paralympics, nine students from years 7 to 11 attended the Darling Downs Regional Athletes with Disabilities Sports Carnival on Friday 19 August. The event was held at The Glennie School in Toowoomba and involved students from Queensland State schools as well as private high schools.

Displaying the Paralympic values of courage and determination, our students competed in track (100m, 200m, 400m and 800m) and field (long jump and shot put) events as well as fun events and acquitted themselves well in their various divisions.

Our year 11s covered all events except for the 800m, with Callum showing off his sprinting prowess and Jack doing well in his favourite, the 400m.

Of the year 9s, Declan powered on through all the races and competed in the long jump (straight after coming off the track from the 800m! Amazing stamina, Declan), Sophie competed in the participation events, Kelly-Lea did well in her preferred 100m race and Warrick and Stacey shone in the shot put.

Pearl and Jack, our two year 7 competitors, had full timetables for the day. Pearl showed well and truly that she is a sprinter (which helps in the long jump) and Jack performed well in his races. Special mention to Jack for his long jump result, though. He competed, with Declan, in the 800m race and then they both came off the track to compete in the long jump! On his 3rd attempt Jack jumped a distance which saw him placed 4th by only 3cm!

The overall results for the day for our students were:

Callum Torcetti – 1st in 100m, 2nd in 200m, 2nd in long jump

Jack Cunning – 3rd in 400m

Warrick Wilkinson – 3rd in shot put

Kelly-Lea Wormington – 1st in 100m participation event

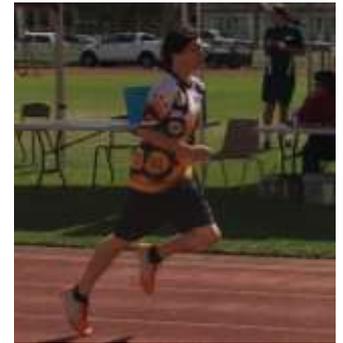
Sophie Beasley – competed in participation events

Stacey Barton – 3rd in shot put

Declan Maguire – competed in 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and long jump

Pearl Ansett – 1st in long jump, 2nd in 100m, 3rd in 200m and 3rd in 400m

Jack Sutton – 1st in 400m and 2nd in 100m



Year 12 Hospitality Practices Themed Restaurant

Year 12 Hospitality Practices students served up a feast for parents, staff and Clifton Cluster Principals on Thursday. Students worked in a team to plan and operate the themed restaurant for invited guests. The restaurant was set around a 'Barn' theme and offered delicious menu items such as Texan Grilled Chicken with Cowboy Beans and Sticky BBQ Ribs with Crunchy Slaw for mains and Peach and Almond Cobbler for dessert.





CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2016 ART COMPETITION

This year's theme for the Child Protection Week art competition is 'What safety means to you'. Art works can be a; painting, drawing, collage, photo or whatever you feel captures the essence of the theme.

Age ranges for entries are 4-7 years, 8-11 years, 12-14 years, 15-18 years, and adult.

Entries will be uploaded on Facebook in the Child Protection Week 2016 Art Competition event on the Page /YouthConnectTRC. Like your favourite entry!

ENTRIES CLOSE MIDNIGHT
9 SEPT 2016

Great prizes to be won!

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childprotect@raq.org.au

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Community announcements

School Holiday Soccer Development Clinic
REGISTER NOW at:
<https://www.totalfootballacademy.com.au/events/warwick-wolves-fc-development-camp-2/>

19th to 22nd September 2016

Total Football Academy is Back in Warwick

For ages 6 years to 14 years

Come along and enjoy 4 days with the professional coaches from the TFA. During the development camp they will deliver coaching sessions covering technical practices, skills practices, small sided games, functional practices, phases of play and games (age appropriate).

www.warwickwolves.com.au



Clifton and District Amateur Swimming Club invites
All existing and new Members

to sign on for the 2016-2017 Swimming Season!!!

Monday 3rd October 2016

at the Clifton Memorial Pool, King St Clifton.

Sausage sizzle (Gold coin donation) and ‘Come and try’ night

*Our focus is on bettering your own times and having fun!
Regular club nights are held every Monday at 5.30 pm.*

Come and try nights are free for the first 2 nights
Membership payments are required after this to comply with Swimming Queensland’s membership and insurance policies.

7 ys & under free, 8 yrs half price, 9 yrs and above: Competition and Recreational Memberships available. Adults welcome to join.

Membership is paid directly to Swimming Queensland Clublane.

We are registered for Get Started vouchers to assist with payment of membership fees.

Take the plunge!