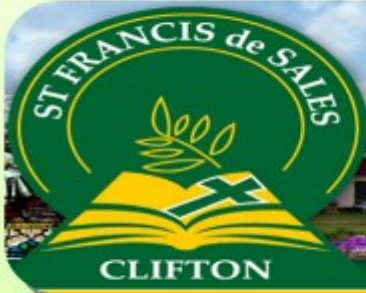


# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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7 November 2019

*From the Principal - Brendan O'Reilly*



Dear Parents,

Congratulations to April Reis, Tilly Judd and Nait Lucas who were selected to take part in the Back Plains Speaking Competition to be held this Friday, 8th November. I'm sure they will all perform very well and we wish them all the best.

**ENTERPRISE BARGAINING** As part of our enterprise bargaining process, union members at St Francis de Sales have voted to take industrial action. Industrial action is scheduled to begin on 7 November but at this stage does not involve major disruption. Please be assured that the safety and wellbeing of our students will not be compromised in any way if industrial action takes place. If you have any questions about the impact of industrial action on our schools please don't hesitate to contact me.

**2020 DATES** On page two we have included some key dates for the 2020 year. Please be aware that the mandated professional development days listed will be pupil free days for the students.

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL NOMINATIONS**- Most of the nominations have been returned to the school. Thank you for helping us to organise the Carnival in advance. Please make your child aware that they will not be permitted to change nominations on a the day as it disrupts the flow of the carnival.



**The Mayoral School Achievement Medal** recognises students who reach their educational goals despite adversity, facing complex challenges with bravery through what should be the best years of their lives. Jorja Lucas was nominated this year by the St Francis staff for her outstanding persistence and positive attitude despite the challenges she has experienced as a result of hearing loss. Congratulations Jorja and thank you for setting such an excellent example for your peers.

**AGM**– 19th November (see page 4 for more information)

## Mass Times

### Clifton:

**1st Sunday– 7:30am**

**2nd, 3rd & 5th  
Saturday-7pm**

**4th Sunday-  
Family Sunday Mass at 5pm**

Peace and Best Wishes,

Brendan

**SCHOOL  
BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:**

**School A/c:**

**Bank: ADF** BSB: 064 786 A/C: 523886001

**P & F  
ACCOUNT DETAILS**

**P & F A/c:** BSB: 084610 A/C: 508684159

(P & F & Uniform payments account) Please contact Emma Gascoyne for any further enquiries.

**Dates To Remember**

**NOVEMBER**

**18th** Leadership Day in Warwick

**19th** P&F Annual General Meeting (AGM) @ 6pm in the school library.

**22nd** SFDS Swimming Carnival 9:30am start

**29th** Special Awards Assembly 2:15pm & Christmas Carols evening from 6pm

**DECEMBER**

**5th** End of Year Liturgy @ 5:30pm and BBQ following

**6th** Christmas Liturgy at 10am

**11th** CSHS transition day, 9am to 3pm M.P.C

**Dates To Remember 2020**

**Term 1** Tuesday 28th January— Thursday 2nd April

**Term 2** Monday 20th April—Thursday 25th June

**Term 3** Monday 13th July—Thursday 17th September

**Term 4** Tuesday 6th October—Friday 4th December

**Professional Planning Days**

**(These will be student free days at school)**

Friday 3rd April

Friday 26th June

Friday 18th September

Monday 19th October (CTJ)

## You're invited to: A PICNIC IN THE PARK

Come and join women from around the Diocese for a relaxing afternoon in the park. Sit and chat with friends or meet new ones.

**Date: Saturday 9th November, Time: 2 – 4pm,**

**Place: Botanic Gardens,** Cnr Lindsay and Campbell Sts, Toowoomba  
Details: Please bring a plate to share and a picnic rug or chair. Water and cold drinks provided. A gold coin donation for Women for the World would be appreciated For more details please contact Catherine on 4638 7977 or 0429 479 681

To learn more about Women for the World visit:  
[www.womenfortheworld.org.au](http://www.womenfortheworld.org.au)

## **School Water Safety**

The Physical Education Curriculum focusses on water safety this term. All students will be taking part in these lessons in weeks five, six, seven and eight. Please be aware that teaching students to swim confidently is not a requirement of the curriculum or a school responsibility. I strongly encourage you to invest time and money to ensure your child learns to swim. This skill may save their life one day.

As per previous years, we will send home the swimming carnival nomination forms to parents to complete and return. Please have a conversation with your child before nominating. Once again we will discourage the students from changing events on the day as it disrupts the carnival and other people.

**13th November-** PE Swimming (Wednesday)

**20th November-** PE Swimming (Wednesday)

**22nd November-** SFdS Swimming Carnival (Friday)

## **P&F AGM News**

Our P&F executives for the 2020 school year will be elected at the AGM

**WHEN: 19th November**

**WHERE: School library at 6pm**

All positions are up for re-election.

Nomination forms are available in the school office. **All nominations must be returned to the school office by the 12th November.**

Thank you for your ongoing support.

### **Student Protection School Contacts**

**School Student Protection Contacts;**  
**Principal - Mr Brendan O'Reilly**  
**Middle Leader – Mrs Natalie O'Brien**

### **STEAM DAY**

