

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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*From the Principal - Brendan O'Reilly*

Dear Parents,

## OUR OVERARCHING GOALS ARE:

- ♦ Making Jesus known to all students
- ♦ Academic success for all students

Welcome back to term 4! It is traditionally a very busy term so please make note of the dates in the dates to remember on page two.

We have so much to celebrate recently with the P&F bull Sale fundraiser at the end of last term and the fundraising many of our parents are organising for the school camp in 2020. We have also celebrated the success of the students who have demonstrated reading improvement towards the end of last term. Thank you for your efforts at home to encourage your child to read consistently.

This week our year 5 and 6 students are on school camp on the Gold Coast and our year 4 students will step up and get some experience leading, performing some of the tasks our leaders organise for us, including leading the assembly this Friday at 2:40pm.

**WATER SAFETY LESSONS (see page 3)** A formal letter will go home with every family regarding the water safety lessons that will take place this term at the Clifton pool.

## READING VOLUME MATTERS .....

and it is no coincidence that prolific readers are the most capable students across the key learning areas.  
**Student A:** Reads 20 mins per day, 1 800 000 words per year & scores in the 90th percentile on standardised tests.

**Student B:** Reads 5 mins per day, 282 000 words per year & generally scores in the 50th percentile on standardised tests.

**Student C:** Reads 1 minute per day, 8 000 words per year & generally scores in the 10th percentile on standardised tests.

Please continue to encourage and monitor your child to do their homework reading this term. We are well aware that the students who have made the most progression with their reading have practiced every day at home as well as at school.

Peace and Best Wishes,

Brendan

### Mass Times

Clifton:  
1st Sunday- 7:30am

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

4th Sunday-Family Sunday Mass



## St Francis de Sales School

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CLIFTON, QLD 4361  
Phone: 07 4697 3366 Fax: 07 4697 3067  
ABN: 88934244646

Bank: ADF  
Bank AC: 064-786 523886001

## Statement

Statement Date: 4/09/2019  
Account No:

### REMINDER:

Please make sure any school account payments are made to our ADF bank account and not the original NAB bank account.

These details can be found on your school account statement as circled above.

### School:

Bank: ADF

BSB: 064 786 A/C: 523886001

### SCHOOL FEES BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

We do recommend the setting-up of a direct debit facility to pay regular amounts into the school account. This alleviates overdue bills. A reference name & reason eg Fees / Camp 2020 would be appreciated.

### School A/c:

Bank: ADF

BSB: 064 786

A/C: 523886001

## Dates To Remember

### OCTOBER

8th Term 4 commences

9th-11th- 5's and 6's School Camp to Gold Coast

11th- Prep 2020 transition morning

15th, 16th & 17th School Review

19th Car Show & Shine

21st Pupil Free Day

23rd- Prep 2020 transition morning

25th Clifton State High School Open Day, 9am in the M.P.C. Parents encouraged to attend.

### NOVEMBER

6th School Water Safety starts (Clifton pool)

8th Back Plains Speech Competition

22nd SFDS Swimming Carnival 9:30am start

29th Special Awards Assembly 2:30pm & Christmas Carols evening from 6pm

### DECEMBER

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

### P & F ACCOUNT DETAILS

**Reminder:** P & F payments & Uniform payments are to a different bank account **not** the school account. Please contact Emma Gascoyne for any further enquiries.

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



Please be aware that all updated school policies are displayed under the **Welcome** tab on the school website. We have both School Policies and overarching TCS policies. **The Student Protection policy sits under the TCS policy tab.**

### Student Protection School Contacts

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



## Mini Vinnies Christmas Appeal

We are coming up to that festive time of the year yet again where we, as a Christian community, need to remember and help those people in our area that are less fortunate than ourselves. This year we are again encouraging all our families to bring non –perishable items into the classrooms for our Mini Vinnies Christmas Appeal. Items will to be placed in (or around) the ‘Christmas Tree’. I thank you in advance for your generosity.

## 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.

**6/th November-** PE Swimming (Wednesday)

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

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

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

**27th November-** PE Swimming (Wednesday)



**CLIFTON AND DISTRICT AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB**

REMINDS ALL EXISTING MEMBERS THAT CLUB

RECOMMENCES ON MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER AT 5PM

AT THE CLIFTON AQUATIC CENTRE, KING ST, CLIFTON

**ALL PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO A FREE ‘COME AND TRY NIGHT’** during the month of October –

come and find out all about club and what we can offer you!

## Introducing our new Guidance Counsellor

St Francis de Sales would like to introduce their new Guidance Counsellor, Ms Jennifer Fenn. Jennifer brings with her extensive experience working with children and young people with mental health and behavioural difficulties. Jennifer will attend St Francis de Sales every second Tuesday on the odd weeks. Jennifer can be contacted via email on [Jennifer.fenn@twb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:Jennifer.fenn@twb.catholic.edu.au) or by phoning the school.

Jennifer will be working collaboratively with St Francis de Sales' School community to promote and foster the achievement, participation, development, mental health and wellbeing of all students, through the provision of a counselling service that enables student learning and quality teaching. Some common concerns that are addressed in counselling include emotional and behaviour regulation, peer relationship difficulties, low self-esteem and confidence, and anxiety. In addition, where appropriate, Jennifer will provide an assessment service for students to enhance positive student outcomes.

If you have concerns about your child's social, emotional and learning development, then please speak to your child's teacher or to the School Principal in the first instance. Following this, if you would like to initiate a referral for your child to the Guidance Counselling Service, then you will need to complete a Parent Referral Form and return to the School. The forms can be obtained from the School. Upon receiving the Parent and School Referral Forms, Jennifer will contact you to discuss your child's referral. Once your child is accessing the Guidance Counselling Service, Jennifer will set aside a time during school hours on her visiting days to meet with your child. Frequency of appointments will be determined by the individual needs of the student.

If you would like more information about the Guidance Counselling Service, then please feel free to contact Jennifer, your child's teacher or the School Principal.



Jennifer Fenn – Guidance Counsellor



**Vehicle Entry Fee**

\$10 per vehicle

Show and Shine  
vehicles entry  
between 8am and  
9.30am

All vehicles  
welcome!

**St Francis de Sales School  
CLIFTON**

**Spectators**

welcome at 10 Am

Gold coin donation

Entry fee per  
spectator.

**SHOW N' SHINE**



**"All Vehicle" Car Show  
Fundraiser**

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**AWARDS: PEOPLES  
CHOICE** voted by  
spectators on the day

**For More information**

**Contact**

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Clifton 4361

**Located at**

St Francis de Sales  
School Clifton Back  
Oval. Enter via  
Tooth Street

Held in association with  
Clifton Country Week  
2019 with street  
markets. Clifton to  
Greenmount steam  
train ride. Rose and Iris  
Show and much more!

*DUST OFF YOUR PRIDE AND JOY!  
AND BRING IT ALONG TO OUR SHOW  
AND SHINE!*

Sausage Sizzle, drinks  
and home bake stall.  
Raising funds for  
school Canberra Camp  
2020.



## **WHEN**

**Sunday October 13th, 2019**

**Kick off @ 6am**

**Transition open from 5am**

## **WHERE**

**Clifton Pool**

**King Street, Clifton QLD**

**All day Carparking \$5 & Onsite Camping \$10 PP  
supporting St Francis De Sales School**

## **WHY**

**Support the Clifton community and help raise  
funds for the Clifton Community Hospital**

**EVENT PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY • Pursehouse Rural •  
Accession 3 • Rebel Sport • Toowoomba Regional  
Council • Rebel Sport • Colliers International •  
Oi Sports • Warrego Water • Best Wilson Buckley •  
IRide Bikes • 12 Round Fitness • Kialla Pure Foods •  
Dr John Gillett • Westridge Fruit Mart • Rabobank •  
Nutrition Warehouse Toowoomba •**

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**More info? Check us out on Facebook, Instagram or  
contact our President on 0428378510**

## **EVENT LIST**

### **PURIST OLYMPIC**

**1.5km Swim**

**40km Ride**

**10km Run**

### **SPUN OUT SPRINT**

**5km Run**

**20km Bike**

**750m Swim**

**Yep! You read right!!**

### **ENTICER TRY A TRI**

**400m Swim**

**10km Ride**

**3km Run**

### **SUPER SPRINT**

**200m Swim**

**5km Ride**

**1.5km Run**

### **KIDS**

**100m Swim**

**1km Ride**

**500m Run**

## **TEAM OPTION FOR ALL DISTANCES**

***LIMITED EDITION  
T-SHIRT FOR ALL  
REGOS BEFORE  
30TH SEPTEMBER !***