



# The College News

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF CLAYFIELD COLLEGE

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Term 1

Week 6

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



No doubt parents will be aware in recent media that the federal government has been talking up the merits of the new and impending **Australian Curriculum**. It is nothing new in attempting to develop a curriculum which will allow students and families to relocate interstate and still be able to follow a continuous education pathway. This has been the case since the first Adelaide Declaration of State Education Ministers in 1991. Currently, the curriculum in each state of Australia is based on the Melbourne Declaration which again reinforced the concept of eight national key learning areas that all students should study within the compulsory years of schooling. This is the basis of the Queensland curriculum and that which

is taught at Clayfield College. What is disappointing is that the Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister have been drumming up media interest by suggesting that the new Australian curriculum is needed to 'fix' the education system in this country. How so, when Australian students currently perform in the top ten countries in the world in international testing comparisons?

There is nothing that needs 'fixing' in our curriculum, but what it does need is a future perspective in terms of what all young people should know and be able to do at the end of their schooling. It will not be about parroting maths tables or avoiding split infinitives; what will be needed are skills and attitudes that will capitalise on Australia's resources and economic strength. The industrial era is now history, the knowledge society arrived and expanded our information technologies and now, as prominent futurists will herald, **the world of tomorrow will need people who are innovative and creative**. This will be particularly so for Australia as we make the most of our rich natural resources, advanced technologies and expanding economic partnerships with our Asian neighbours.

A survey by **McKinsey and Company** (Barsh, Capozzi & Mendonca, 2007), reports that, '70 percent of corporate leaders say innovation is among their top three priorities for driving growth.' Similarly, in *Innovating to Learn, Learning to Innovate*, the **OECD** (2008) argues strongly for innovation as the 'business model' in our schools. It suggests that schools have not kept pace with the changing world and that **emphasis on the importance of creativity, innovation and ingenuity will be needed in any future curriculum**. At an international conference of principals in Singapore last year, I heard their Prime Minister open the conference admitting that Singapore, despite leading the world in education testing, had got it wrong and had lost the development of creativity in its curriculum.

Narrow minded politicians who want to sprout NAPLAN testing results as measures of success are sadly missing the opportunity now available. Young Australians will not learn to be innovative and creative through practising NAPLAN tests that feed ridiculous league tables. What they will need is an Australian curriculum that inspires our children to discover through learning, to scaffold on what they know and can do, and to think creatively as they develop future solutions in our world. We at Clayfield say bring on the new Australian curriculum, we are ready to do so, but we will not allow politicians with measuring sticks to stifle the development of creative and innovative young people in this school.

Thank you to the near one hundred parents who attended our **P&F Welcome evening** last Friday night in the Pool Complex. It was a great night, enjoyed by all and has raised significant funds that will be used to support the education of students in this school. Thank you in particular to the Junior Support Group for their hard work in organising and hosting this event and to Paul and Louise Freestone who, through their generous donation of two gourmet dinners for eight, raised nearly \$8,000 alone for the College. Parents who visit our **College website** are now able to view live video streaming of the Junior Schooling building site. This will allow you to follow the progress

of this wonderful new facility and you will note the large expanse of new playground for our younger students that this will create.

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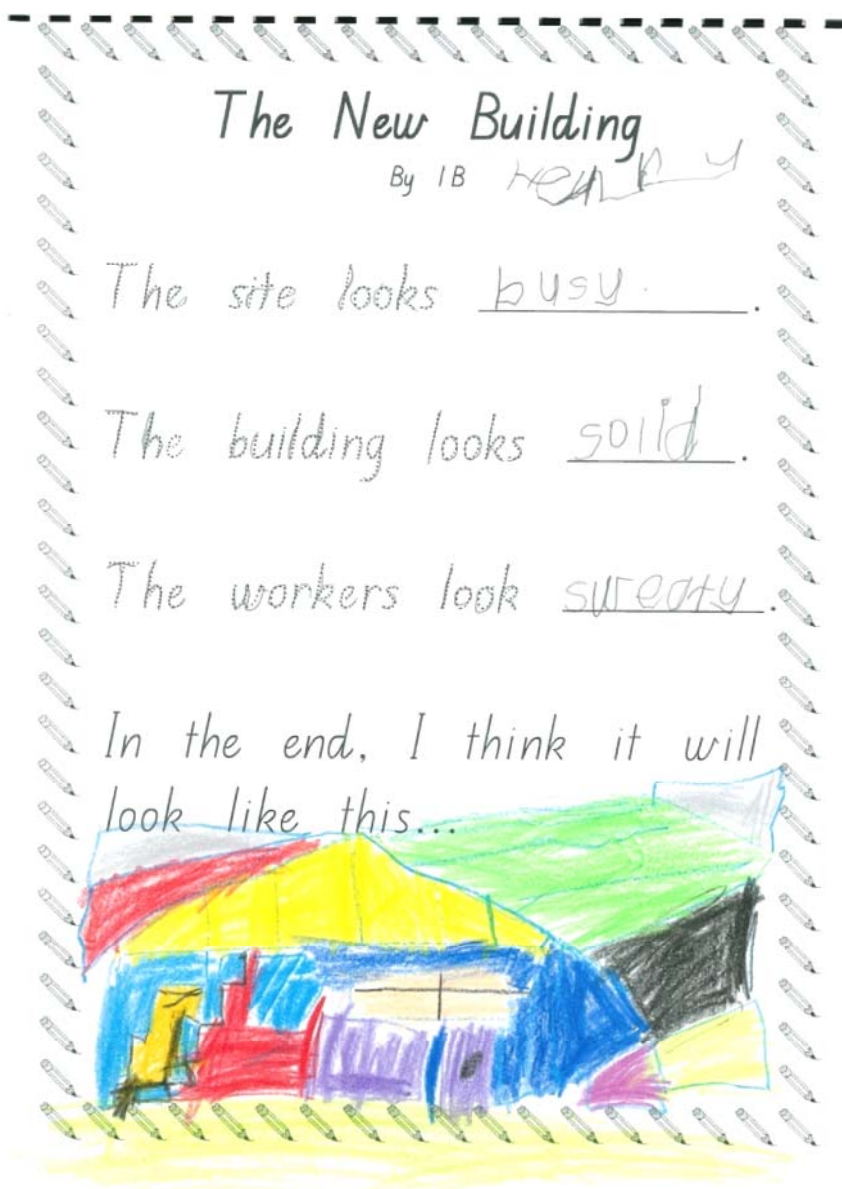
## P&F MEETING

**Tonight, Tuesday 9 March commencing at 7.30 pm in the Pool Centre.  
All Welcome**

Please see further information in P&F Article further in this newsletter.

## JUNIOR SCHOOLING BUILDING - UPDATE

The wet weather has hindered construction on the building this past week; however, the builders have managed to start the wall framing for the classrooms and Administration area. The College Community can now watch the construction progress of our new Junior Schooling Building via our on-site streaming camera. Access via the Clayfield College web site – [www.clayfield.qld.edu.au](http://www.clayfield.qld.edu.au).



By Henry 1B

The students of 4B share with us their thoughts on the new Junior Schooling Building.

***I am looking forward to the new building because.....***

*It is going to be stylish and have lots of grass. (Elli)*

*There is going to be new equipment for us to play on and it will be like a wonderland park. (Zoe)*

*We get great new classrooms and that the old leopard tree is still up. (Chloe)*

*I will be excited since it is so big it should be spacious. (Emme)*

## **FUNDRAISING UPDATE - our goal is \$500,000**

One way families can support the Capital Appeal is by purchasing a tile which will form part of the artistic Mosaic Wall in the Junior Schooling playground. The tiles will be hand made by our very talented staff in the Art Department and each tile will be approximately 25 cm x 33 cm. Families can choose to supply text for the tile or alternatively, a unique piece of artwork or a photograph can be reproduced on the tile. The number of tiles available is limited and at \$200 each this is a very affordable way to support our Capital Appeal. A sample of the tiles will be on display in the Junior School Reception.

To purchase a tile please contact Kerri-anne Bridge on 3262 0262 or alternatively download the Capital Appeal brochure from the College website.

Kerri-anne Bridge

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

<b>March</b>	
<b>9</b>	<b>QGSSSA Cricket 7.00 pm P&amp;F Meeting Pool Centre</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Harmony Day Assembly Years 1-12 4.00 pm QGSSSA Swimming Years 8-12 Debating Preliminary Round 1 Year 9 &amp; 12</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Andrews Cup Swimming Carnival Years 3-7</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>8.40 am – 9.20 am Junior Schooling Assembly Years 1-5 International Women's Day Breakfast QGSSSA Soccer &amp; Touch away v IGGS Youngman Tuckshop</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>MSS &amp; Biology Camp Year 11</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>MSS &amp; Biology Camp Year 11 Andrews Cup Touch &amp; Tennis Years 5-7</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>8.30 am – 9.40 am Assembly Years 10-12 Assembly followed by Years 6-9 QGSSSA Cricket Debating Preliminary Round 1 Year 8 &amp; Year 11</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>12.45 pm – 2.45 pm Brainways P-5 3.15 pm – 5.15 pm Brainways 6-9 Andrews Cup Touch &amp; Tennis Tournament (Wet Weather Day)</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>8.40 am – 9.20 am Junior Schooling Assembly Years 1-5 QGSSSA Soccer &amp; Touch Home v MBC SUIS Tuckshop</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>6.30 pm Opus 1 Concert 4.00 pm – 5.30 pm QGSSSA Cross Country BSHS, Fursden Rd., Carina</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>QGSSSA Cricket Debating Preliminary Round 1 Year 10 &amp; Senior A 8.30 am – 9.40 am Years 6-12 Assembly</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>8.30 am Junior Support Group – Boardroom 1.50 pm Year 8 Immunisation 3.15 pm – 5.15 pm Brainways Years 6-9 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm Dance Fever Years 1-3 – Assembly Hall 7.00 pm Sports Support Group Meeting – PE Centre 7.45 pm – 8.45 pm Dance Fever Years 4-5 – Assembly Hall</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>8.40 am – 9.20 am Junior Schooling Assembly Years 1-5</b>

## FROM THE CHAPLAIN



### Reminder

A reminder that you are invited to the Induction Service for Mrs Narelle Ward as our Associate Chaplain at noon on Monday 15 March in the Assembly Hall. Please arrive early to ensure your seat.

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Have you ever been at the shopping centre and heard a parent say to their child, 'If you don't stop that straight away we're going home now?' The child doesn't stop, so the parent says, 'This is your last warning'. Still the child doesn't stop - but still the parent doesn't take any action. The 'final warnings' just keep on coming. What does the child do? They do whatever they want. Why? Because the words have no meaning.

Let your "Yes" be yes and your "No," no (James 5:12b). This verse from James reminds us that saying what we mean is just the beginning. Meaning what we say is the next step. We need to show people by our action that really did mean it. If we're not planning on doing something, then don't make any empty promise.

Following through on what we say shows people that we can be trusted and that our words are not trite. To help people respect us, and value our words, we need to make sure we too place value on them.

Rev Paul Yarrow

**Chaplain**

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## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL/HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOLING



### Harmony Day

On Wednesday this week we will celebrate Harmony Day with a Years 1 to 12 Assembly in the PE Centre at 8.30 am. This will be a special celebration of the diverse cultural backgrounds of our staff, students and family. Parents are most welcome to join us.

### QGSSSA Swimming

Best wishes to all of our competitors and coaches for the QGSSSA Swimming Carnival on Wednesday evening.

### Special Congratulations to:

- Cailin S., Lissa J. and Brittany D., who have been selected in the Met North Volleyball Team to compete at the State Titles. Brittany has also been selected in the Queensland team.
- Emily B., who has been accepted into the Young Conservatorium of Music Symphony Orchestra and Wind Orchestra. She also successfully auditioned for private contemporary voice tuition at the Young Conservatorium.

Doug Kiddell

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## FROM THE HEAD OF LEARNING DEVELOPMENT (P-12)

Letters were distributed to all Year 12 students last week detailing the procedure for parents to log in to book interview times for the Year 12 Parent Teacher Interviews on Tuesday 20 April. This online booking system is now open for your use. Please remember that the email address you ask for your login PIN to be sent to, must be the same as the email address the College has listed as the primary email address for this to work. Please contact Nola Cope at [ncope@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:ncope@clayfield.qld.edu.au) if you experience any problem in using the system.

## Assessment

Now that assessment is underway in many subject areas, I would like to remind parents and caregivers that the Student Diary contains the College's policies and procedures regarding assessment. Please note in particular the references to extensions and Special Consideration.

## QCS Special Provisions

All Year 12 students who wish to qualify for an OP must sit for the Queensland Core Skills Test on 31 August and 1 September. Students who believe they have valid grounds for applying for an exemption or Special Provisions for the test must apply directly to QSA by 21 May, 2010.

Application forms can be found online at [www.qsa.qld.edu.au](http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au) and then Years10-12 →QCS Test→ Special Provisions.

## Community Representatives

Each year QSA employs Community Representatives to observe the conduct of the QCS test. Each school nominates up to 3 people who are then selected by QSA and sent either to the nominating school or a school nearby. If you are interested in this position please contact me on the email address listed below.

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## FROM THE HEAD OF PASTORAL DEVELOPMENT (P-12)

As mentioned last week, to celebrate International Women's Day at Clayfield College, on 12 March our **inaugural UNIFEM Mother/Daughter breakfast** will be held in the Boarding House Dining Room from 7.00 am to 8.00 am. Our UNIFEM Coordinator, Mrs Nikki Townsend and the student members have been organising this special event. Replies were due on Monday. With an extra smile you might be able to add yourself to the list! Any student from Years 1 to 12 and her mother or significant female in her life are most welcome to attend.

Also as mentioned last week, the **photographic proofs** from the Senior Formal are now at the College. Orders can be placed until this Wednesday 10 March. Parents/Caregivers of our Seniors are most welcome to visit Student Services to view the photos prior to purchasing them. The photographs are not available for viewing online.

**Smart.Safe.Responsible. That's eSmart!** Here is the second list of tips from the eSmart team at The Alannah and Madeline Foundation which is currently conducting a pilot program in schools. Clayfield College is proudly involved in this pilot. Parents/Caregivers please take the time to share moments with your sons/daughters to help them engage in safe cyberspace practices. Technology is great but every time you use it you leave a digital trail, a little like a map of everywhere you have been with your technology.

Think before you post:

- *One way the journey you take to your grown up self will be mapped through photos. Think about what you want posted online so that in years to come you will not be embarrassed.*
- *If you would not want something held up, read out or displayed at our School Assembly it is safer to not post, email or chat about it on your phone or over the internet.*
- *Forwarding hurtful or insulting pictures, messages or jokes about someone else may be deemed a crime.*
- *Some employees look at your social networking sites when they are deciding whether to employ you or not.*

**A Date Claimer:** Parents/Caregivers of students from P to 12 are invited to be informed about **internet safety and cyberbullying** at a Presentation for Parents in the College Chapel on **Wednesday 28 April from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm**. Listen to powerful words of advice from a former undercover internet detective. Become empowered with the knowledge to protect your family from the dangers that surround the internet and mobile phones.

### Focus for the Week

#### Friends

know:

when to talk and when to keep quiet

how to say sorry if they have hurt your feelings

it is okay to admit they are wrong  
how to laugh at themselves  
when to invite you out for a meal or a movie  
when to spend time and when to stay away  
*In what ways do you look after your friends?*

**Thought for the Week**  
*understanding leads to special friendships*

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## FROM THE HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOLING



The geographical location of Clayfield College is one of the many advantages our school enjoys. Positioned in the leafy suburb of Clayfield, it sits central to our City centre and is easily accessible to students from all over Brisbane. It is a unique and tranquil setting that underpins optimum learning and is enjoyed by day students, boarders and staff alike.

We are most fortunate to have such an appealing setting as environments can have a profound effect on people and how they think, feel and behave. This has a particular relevance to schools as they are where much of our social, emotional, physical and intellectual development takes place.

I am often taken by the depth of feeling our 'old girls' have for their school and its buildings. The early planners of Clayfield College would be astonished to see the increase in enrolments at the school today, the quality of the new buildings and the incredible plans that are in place for further development. Maintaining a balance between our traditional structures and the creation of new ones is challenging, but vital.

As Middle Schooling at Clayfield College continues to grow, the teachers are constantly aware that it is not only what the buildings look like on the outside that counts. They realise the importance of meaningful learning spaces which are full of colour, stimulation and student work, and are committed to creating such classrooms. In response to this, teachers fill their rooms with resources that support the content being explored, as well as artefacts that attempt to make learning real. I acknowledge our staff for pushing the boundaries of thinking between educational goals and the design and resourcing of spaces for learning.

### Special Congratulations to:

- Isabella B., who has successfully auditioned for private contemporary voice tuition at the Young Conservatorium.
- The following students, who have been selected in the City Districts Team for Touch Football.: Josephine A., Madeleine D., Grace K. and Sophia L.
- Naiktha B. played at the recent Mildura Grass Court National Championships, winning the National Doubles title for the second time and reaching the quarter finals in the Singles.

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## MIDDLE SCHOOLING STAFF PROFILE



**Name – Cathy Perry**  
**Position – Head of Drama**

### What are your earliest memories of school?

Standing on 'parade' in the hot sun listening to the Principal speaking through a squeaky megaphone, learning about Maths using Cuisenaire rods (colourful wooden blocks in a green plastic box - for those who don't know what these are), and the silk worms I dutifully fed, only to have them escape out of the shoe box and disappear somewhere in the classroom.

### Who was your most inspirational teacher and why?

Mrs Schmidt, one of my high school English teachers. She was a wonderful teacher, had a very dramatic style. She wore theatre makeup to school every day – bright green eye shadow and large false eyelashes. When she took the class to see performances at the local theatre, she would wear a black cape lined with gold satin. She spoke beautifully, and told fascinating stories.

### What was your favourite subject at school?

Drama was not offered as a subject then, so I loved English lessons when we studied plays – Shakespeare, Greek Tragedy, and English and American Classics. I also liked Ancient History and Biology.

### What made this subject so interesting for you?

The Arts generally made me think about human behaviour, and I loved the idea that, by playing a character, you could explore the detail of people's choices and reactions.

### If you hadn't become a teacher, what other career path might you have followed?

Archaeology is fascinating, and I would love to have the skill to reconstruct the faces of ancient skulls!

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## FROM THE HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOLING



### Year 4 Camp

Unfortunately, due to the heavy rain last week, we had to postpone the Year 4 Camp at 'Camp Mapleton'. Thank you to all the Year 4 parents and students for your understanding and flexibility with the changes in arrangements for the day. The teachers have organised new dates for the camp which will now be on Tuesday 15 to Wednesday 16 June.

### Report from the BBC Play Date

Year 3B students wrote reports about our BBC Play Date that we had last week. This is Kelsea's account - "This morning we had a play date with the boys from BBC. My favourite activities were swimming relays and Dance Fever, but I did not like dancing with the boys. I liked the hot dogs too."

### Reports on the New Junior Building Site

(Corina 3B) "I think that the coolest thing is how much dirt was under the ground that whole time and we didn't know! Have you seen the dirt? They look like mountains of dirt! It was also so funny when they smashed the old toilets down."

(Krizia 3B) "My favourite thing about the new Junior Schooling Building is when the old walls got knocked over!"

(Mai 3B) "My favourite thing about the new Junior Schooling Building is when they smashed the old window. I am happy that we will have a new classroom. I am really excited about our new classroom."

### Walkway Closures

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9-11 March, the walkways through the Under Covered area will all be closed to enable the structural steel to be erected safely.

This will mean that access to the Years 3, 4 and 5 classrooms will need to be either via Middle Schooling Courtyard or the stairwell from the back door of the Junior Reception.

Years 1 & 2 students will need to access the Junior Schooling Reception via the Chapel Courtyard, through the rose garden and around the Music Chalet.

Students will need to use the toilets in the Middle Schooling Area (Old Boarding House) and the demountable toilets on the oval.

We have been told that these changes will only need to happen for a short time; however, your flexibility with the possibility of a longer time frame is appreciated.

Just remember that very soon we will have a lovely new Amphitheatre and wonderful landscaped grounds and a state of the art Junior Schooling Building!

### **P-12 Parent Welcome Evening**

Our sincere thanks to the hardworking committee of the Junior Support Group who organised the great Welcome Evening last Friday. Thank you also to our many generous donors who contributed prizes for the event.

### **Harmony Day Assembly**

On Wednesday 10 March we have our annual Harmony Day Assembly for all students from Years 1-12.

### **Andrews Cup Swimming Carnival**

Good luck to our team who compete on Thursday in the Interschool Swimming Carnival at The Glennie School in Toowoomba. We know that our girls will do us proud!

### **Interim Reports**

We plan this year to email out the students Interim Reports over the Easter Holidays. To ensure that all families receive these important documents, can you please make certain that the school has your most up-to-date email address?

### **Circular Drive**

Some points about the procedures around the Circular Drive pickup in the afternoon:

- The use of Circular Drive between 2:45 pm- 3:30 pm is exclusively for the pickup of students in P-3 and their siblings.
- Remain in the lane and watch where the staff and traffic cones direct you.
- Encourage your children to enter the car as quickly as possible.
- If your children are not at the collection point, you cannot wait but must exit Circular Drive and drive through again later.
- You must turn left into Gregory Street.

In following these simple procedures we are endeavouring to keep our students safe.

### **School Shoes**

Please ensure that your child has the appropriate footwear for school. The College uniform requires regulation black laced or black Velcro polished leather school shoes. (no metal buckles, no higher heels, no Mary Janes) Brown sandals may be worn without socks by Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students in Terms One and Four. Running shoes are to be worn with the College Sports Uniform.

### **Intranet**

Each class has set up a page on the Clayfield College Intranet. Access to this site is via the College Website. However, as it is a secured area, you will need your child's username and password. On this site we have lots of interesting information, including - Parent Contact Register, Junior Families Handbook and the Assembly Roster for the term. Please have a look!

### **Upcoming Term One activities for your diary**

#### **March**

Wednesday 10	Harmony Day Assembly 1-12
Thursday 11	Andrews Cup Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 16	Andrews Cup Touch and Tennis
Thursday 18	Brainways, Years P-5, 12.45 pm – 2.45 pm
Monday 22	Opus 1 Concert, 6.30 pm
Thursday 25	Junior Support Group Meeting, 8.30 am, Boardroom Dance Fever: 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm, Years 1-3 7.45 pm – 8.45 pm, Years 4-5
Friday 26	<b>End of Term One</b>

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**FROM THE ASSISTANT HEAD OF LEARNING P-5**



### Spotlight on PrePrep

In PrePrep this week, Julie from Reverse Garbage came to visit and teach about reusing 'garbage'. They learnt that they can separate items from the rubbish that may be reused elsewhere. The PrePreps had such a lovely time making robots, spacecraft, butterflies, owls, caterpillars and other items from what was considered by others as garbage!!!! Have a look at what they made.



Mrs Tonia Lassman  
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## FROM THE JUNIOR SUPPORT GROUP

### Class Coordinators

We are still looking for class coordinators for Year 4A, 4B, 5A and 5C. Please let me know if you can help.

### Welcome Night

Thank you to all those that attended last week. We had a wonderful evening and raised some valuable funds for the school.

### Sunscreen Fundraiser

We are sending out letters for Junior Schooling parents, to notify them of the fundraiser and to give them the opportunity to 'opt out'. Please let me know if you don't want to be involved.

### Name the Bunny

Our annual Easter Competition is on. Please send in your forms and money as soon as you can. Your child will be given the form in class.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday 25 March at 8.30 am in the Boardroom. **All Welcome.**

Sherelle Rowan  
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## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MARKETING & ENROLMENTS

## Attention All Parents and Caregivers

In the event of a change of contact details please notify Mrs Sandie Arnott in Student Services on 3262 0256 or Mrs Glenda Atkins in Junior Schooling Reception on 3262 0274 as soon as possible.

Contact details include: home, business, facsimile and mobile telephone numbers; residential and postal address and email addresses.

Ross Thomson

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## CAREERS NEWS

Students in Year 11 participated in an Introductory Session in **Grooming and Professional Presentation** Seminar this week in their LEED lesson conducted by **June Daly Watkins** – they received first-class instruction in preparation for their work experience to be held in June. The girls will have the opportunity to demonstrate the skills highlighted when they attend the **Work Experience** Conference to be held at the **Hilton Hotel** in the city on Friday, 16 April. This is conducted as a professional conference where students are expected to present as young corporate women in business attire. The girls will participate in many more sessions at school prior to this event. Permission letters and information will be sent home soon.

**ALL YEAR 11'S WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM – PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATES – FINAL WEEK OF TERM TWO IS THE NEW TIME – TUESDAY 15 JUNE – FRIDAY 18 JUNE. Students will be able to apply to do their work experience in Brisbane, or close to their homes!**

### **The Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School and the Australian International School**

Tourism and hospitality is one of the fastest growing industries in the world. According to the World Travel and Tourism Council 2009, 1 in every 11.8 jobs will be in the travel and tourism industry. Both of these colleges offer industry recognised fast-track degree programs and opportunities to complete industry placements with major hotel chains around the world. Three day holiday programs are on offer in April, October and July. [www.aihs.edu.au](http://www.aihs.edu.au) and [www.hotelschools.com.au](http://www.hotelschools.com.au) Contact Judy Fenton in the Careers Centre for more information.

### **MyFuture Website** <http://www.myfuture.edu.au/>

My Future website is a joint initiative of the Australian, State and Territory governments and provides a one-stop careers website. There are 3 sections to the website:

**My Guide:** Answer questions, explore career suggestions made by MyFuture, selecting this section of MyFuture guides you through activities to help you explore your career. You will find career favourites, clarify your career direction, and then, create an action plan to help you reach your career goals. You create your own account with a password which enables you to build your own portfolio and return to throughout your career.

**The Facts:** Contains information about Careers, Education & Training, Work & Employment, Funding and Contact information.

**Assist Others:** provides resources which assists with careers planning.

**MRS FENTON WILL BE ORGANISING 'MY FUTURE' INFORMATION WORKSHOPS AFTER SCHOOL HOURS FOR PARENTS! Keep tuned for details.**

### **Griffith University - Pathways to Medicine Information Evenings**

Griffith University will once again be hosting its medicine information evenings.

More information to come but please mark these dates in your diary:

**Gold Coast evening:** Monday 17 May 2010 from 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm at Gold Coast campus;

**Brisbane evening:** Wednesday 19 May 2010 from 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm at Nathan campus.

Enquiries: Maxine Hughes, (07) 5678 0305 [medscience@griffith.edu.au](mailto:medscience@griffith.edu.au).

### **UQ Business Management Program Update:**

To allow greater flexibility for course entry, the University of Queensland has removed the Mathematics B requirement for entry into the Bachelor of Business Management delivered on St Lucia campus from 2010 for an initial trial period of 2 years. High school students who have

successfully completed Mathematics A or Mathematics B or Mathematics C will meet the Mathematics subject pre-requisite for entry into the Bachelor of Business Management. This has been implemented after careful consideration within the University and feedback provided by Queensland high schools.

### **Bond University**

**I attended a partnership seminar for secondary school careers advisors at Bond University, Gold Coast this week. What a privilege to visit their facilities and hear about their wide suite of programs of study. I had dinner with many Clayfield College Old Girls who shared with me their career journeys so far. Bond University will be visiting us during this year to promote their scholarships; call in to the Careers Centre if you would like any current brochures.**

Judy Fenton

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## **FROM THE BOARDING HOUSE**

Hello and welcome to Week 7. With just a few weeks to go to the first break of the year, the girls are beginning to show a little 'weariness' from busy life schedules. However, it is very pleasing that their commitment to both study and the extra-curricular program is firm and positive.

### **End of Term Travel**

I would like to thank all the parents who have already forwarded travel details. The form can be found on the College website and also at the back of the *Handbook for Boarding Families*. We are happy to attach to an email for your convenience as well. Please be reminded that each girl has storage space available – the equivalent of one (1) 50L crate plus a large suitcase and a vacuum bag for linen. All uniforms including shoes must be taken home (except hats – stored in their secured laundry lockers). This enables parents to check for correct sizing and compliance with College regulations.

### **Boarder Parent Support Group**

The Coordinator for the Support Group, Mrs Adma Sargood has now received all the email contacts of the boarding families. Please keep 'a look out' for the news from the representatives of each of the Year Levels. I would encourage all families to make regular contact with the representatives – a friendly greeting or response to an email assures the representatives that messages are being received and that there is support for their work on the group.

### **Technology Matters**

Thank you sincerely for your support of the Boarding House trial practice of collection of the girls' mobile phones and laptops each night. I would like to congratulate the boarders for their positive approach as well. The staff have reported the benefit already evident in the girls getting adequate sleep and the 'default' advantage in an increased skilling in time management. Please be advised that any girl who has a genuine need for additional access outside of the designated times will always be accommodated.

### **Recreation Program**

The NRL season 'kicks off' this week at Suncorp Stadium. This is one of the favourite activities of the boarders. Ticket costs are usually between \$20 and \$30 so you may be 'hit' (ha ha) for some more pocket money from your daughters at this time of the year. The first draft Term 2 Recreation Program will be forwarded with my March letter to you by the end of this week.

Thank you for your continued support of the staff and the girls. Have a great week. Take care.

Marian Carlton

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## **FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ACTIVITIES**

**Congratulations** to the following girls who have recently been selected into the Metropolitan North regional sport teams:

Naiktha B. (Year 8) has been selected to compete in the Metropolitan North Under 19 Schools Tennis Team to compete at the National Titles at Tennyson at the end of March. Naiktha also recently won her second National doubles title at the Mildura Grass Court National Championships in February. Congratulations to Naiktha on these outstanding achievements.

Amy M. (Year 10) has also been selected to compete as part of the Regional U15 Netball Team at the Queensland Secondary Schools Championships in Caloundra in May. Well done Amy.

Last Thursday, Eillish C. (Year 9), Emma H. (Year 8) and Lilly G. (Year 12) gained selection in the Metropolitan North Secondary Schools Swim Team to contest the Queensland Secondary Schools Championships at Chandler at the end of the month.

### **QGSSSA Cross Country**

Congratulations to the girls who have been committing to a minimum of two training sessions each week. Now is the critical time period of our preparation and it is essential that runners are completing a minimum of 2 sessions and preferably 3 sessions per week. If your daughter cannot make it to the school training sessions, please contact Anita Woodward at [awoodward@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:awoodward@clayfield.qld.edu.au) and a training program can be emailed which will enable your daughter to contribute to the QGSSSA team. All training sessions at school commence at 7.00 am with students meeting coaches in front of the tuckshop. Sessions are offered each weekday morning.

### **QGSSSA Touch and Football**

A large number of players are still to provide an email address so that information can be communicated directly with families. If your daughter has not yet provided a parent email address, please email Anita Woodward at [awoodward@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:awoodward@clayfield.qld.edu.au) with your daughter's name and the sport she plays so you can be added to the communication list.

The QGSSSA Autumn Fixtures season will kick off this Friday as teams travel away to play against Ipswich Girls' Grammar School.

The Open, Senior A, 10A, 10B, 9A and 8A touch teams will be playing at the Ipswich Girls' Grammar School Sports Fields, Cnr Jacaranda St & Chermiside Rd, East Ipswich. Buses will depart school immediately on Friday and return at approximately 7.00 pm. The 9B and 10B touch teams will travel to O'Grady Park to play against Somerville House (2) teams and buses will return to school at approximately 6.00 pm.

All football teams will be playing at Ipswich Knights Soccer Club, Ipswich Rd, Bundamba. Buses will return to school at approximately 8.00 pm. A Canteen will be open at the Soccer matches and afternoon tea will be available at Soccer and Touch Football.

### **Volleyball Australia Elite Development Program**

The Volleyball Australia Elite Development Program (VAEDP) is part of the Australian Volleyball Federation's Athlete Development Pathway and has been established to provide a high performance training environment for athletes. The Queensland-based squads for this program (QEDP) are currently based in Brisbane and the Gold Coast. Athletes invited to be part of this program have been identified as having the potential to be able to play Volleyball, (Beach or Indoor) at the international level in the future. The program incorporates both Indoor and Beach disciplines and involves players making a commitment to undertake training on a regular basis each week. This program runs annually on a 12 month basis, providing athletes with access to world class Volleyball coaching, technique and skill development combined with strength and conditioning and athlete management.

The venues for the Program Trials will be:

- Queensland Academy of Sport (QAS): QASAC (*formerly ANZ Stadium*), Kessels Rd, Nathan
  - Indoor Sports Hall: entry to right of Main Foyer doors.
- Holland Park State High School (HOL): Bapaume Rd, Holland Park
  - Entry adjacent to traffic lights in front of school.
- Pacific Pines State High School (PAC): Archipelago St, Gaven.

For more information regarding this program, you may collect paperwork from Ms Spry or Ms Barnes or contact Grant Robertson on Telephone: 07 3872 0229; Facsimile: 07 3872 0205; Mobile: 0411 858 200 or Email: [grant.robertson@srq.qld.gov.au](mailto:grant.robertson@srq.qld.gov.au).

### **QGSSSA Swimming**

This Wednesday evening 10 March, our Clayfield College QGSSSA Swim Team will take part in the 2010 QGSSSA Swimming Championships at the Chandler Aquatics Centre. All students from

Years 8, 9 and 12 will attend this meet as spectators. The meet will commence at 4.00 pm and will conclude at approximately 8.15 pm. Swimmers and spectators will return to school at approximately 9.00 pm. We wish the swim team, swim coordinator Ms Wenzel and coaches Damien Jones and Tim Dilger, all the very best for a successful meet.

### **QGSSSA Softball**

Wet weather on Saturday has forced the final rounds for Senior A Softball to be played this Saturday 13 March.

Draw for this Saturday at Downey Park is as follows:

<b>Rd</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Diamond</b>	<b>Game</b>
<b>Rd 1</b>	8.15 – 9.30	11	Snr A v SPLC
<b>Rd 2</b>	9.50 – 11.05	18	Snr A v MBC

The Open team will have a bye this Saturday.

### **Hip Hop Dancing comes to Middle Schooling**

Outside Insports will be conducting Hip Hop dance classes for students in Years 6–9 in the Assembly Hall on Thursday afternoons commencing this week 11 March from 3.15 pm – 4.15 pm. The cost to participants is \$5 per class, payable at the beginning of each session. Information flyers were distributed to students through their PC classes last week. Please contact Ms Nardine Spry if you require any further information regarding these classes, [nspry@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:nspry@clayfield.qld.edu.au) or phone 32620289.

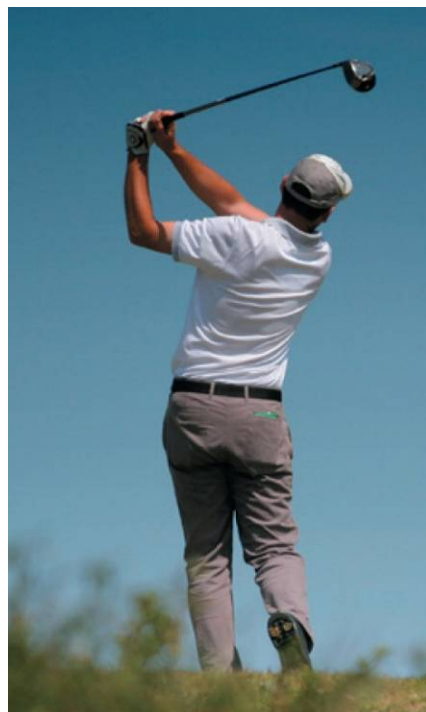
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**Director of Activities**

[nspry@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:nspry@clayfield.qld.edu.au)

## **FROM THE SPORTS SUPPORT GROUP**

**Date Claimer:**



## **Fuji Xerox 2010 Clayfield College Golf Day**

**When:** Friday 21 May 2010  
**Where:** Nudgee Golf Club (North Course)  
**Time:** 12.00 noon Shotgun start  
**Cost:** \$125.00

**Invitations will be sent out soon**

## Are you interested in sponsoring the Golf Day?

The organising committee is looking for Hole and Prize sponsors for the Golf Day. If you wish to receive a sponsorship package please contact Ross Thomson, Director of Marketing & Enrolments on 3262 0220 or [rthomson@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:rthomson@clayfield.qld.edu.au).

Ross Thomson

**Director of Marketing & Enrolments**

[rthomson@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:rthomson@clayfield.qld.edu.au)

## FROM THE DEBATING COORDINATOR

First round debates for our three Year 9 teams begin on Wednesday 10 March at St Margaret's AGS with the topic "that we should make public transport free". Debaters in all year level teams have been preparing with most students attending an all day workshop at BGS, and all student and staff coaches participating in coaching workshops at All Hallows. As always, debaters would appreciate a supportive audience at St Margaret's at 8:15 pm, and next week for Year 8s at Clayfield College or Year 11s at Aviation High.

Jane Elliott

**Debating Coordinator**

[jelliott@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:jelliott@clayfield.qld.edu.au)

## FROM THE ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

### Harmony Day

Harmony Day Assembly for Years 1-12 is soon approaching. Thank you to those people who have responded with names of students who would like to participate in the 'Procession of Nations'.

We are asking that students who are wearing national dress or who are performing in the Assembly come to school wearing their costume and meet at the Tennis Pavilion at 8.10 am. They will be accompanied by teachers to the PE Centre where they will line up in alphabetical order of countries. Students can then change into school uniform at morning tea.

Parents are of course welcome to attend this colourful celebration of cultural diversity.

There are also many activities during the week. These will appear on student notices each day, so encourage your child to listen out for details. If your student is in Junior Schooling, we have some wandering minstrels who will lead your children to these activities if they would like to join in.

Andrea Back

**Head of English as a Second Language Department**

[aback@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:aback@clayfield.qld.edu.au)

## FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

### Music Staff Concert

What a fantastic evening of music that was presented to the College community last Wednesday evening! A huge thank you must go to our talented music staff who performed on the night. The music was of the highest quality and was enjoyed by all who attended! Thank you for your support at such a great event!

**Opus 1** is quickly approaching and will be held in the Assembly Hall on **Monday 22 March at 6.30 pm**. Ensembles involved in Opus 1 are as follows:

- Campo Della Voci
- Mezzo Choir
- Clayfield Choristers
- Senior Choir
- Viotti
- Wind Ensemble
- Wind Orchestra

All students will have received notification about this concert in rehearsals this week.

We look forward to your support at our first Opus concert for 2010.

Angela Lockyer  
**Head of Music**  
alockyer@clayfield.qld.edu.au

## FROM THE SENIOR LIBRARY

A reminder that the Senior Library is available after school until 4.30 pm (4.00 pm Friday) for students of Clayfield College. The students are expected to do homework, research for assignments or quiet reading. It is expected that parents will collect students who have been using the Library promptly at 4.30 pm.

Josephine Simpson  
**Head of Library Services**  
jsimpson@clayfield.qld.edu.au

## FROM THE CLAYFIELD INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

### Excursion

The staff and students of CIC attended the 6<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art. This exhibition presents 313 artworks by more than 100 artists from over 25 countries. It includes work by artists from Tibet, China, North Korea, South Korea, Japan and Taiwan.

Our students appreciated the exhibition both because it occupied all of the Gallery of Modern Art as well as featured contemporary art from their communities.

### Harmony Day

CIC's choir has been frantically practising their item for Harmony Day.

CIC is a multicultural unit within the Clayfield College community. Each day at CIC we strive to embody the values that Harmony Day represents, particularly those of acceptance and understanding. The CIC community does this through our thoughts, our words, our actions and our hearts.

### Sports Person of the Week

This week's award goes to Diane (Da-Eun) Y. from Korea for enthusiastic participation.

### Student of the Week

Our student of the week is Lucas (Jia Lun) C. from China for working hard.

Mrs Cathy Andrews  
**Assistant Head**  
candrews@clayfield.qld.edu.au

## FROM THE FOUNDATION

Access the Clayfield College Online Business Directory at [www.clayfield.qld.edu.au](http://www.clayfield.qld.edu.au).

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Kerri-anne Bridge  
**Development Consultant**  
kbridge@clayfield.qld.edu.au

## FROM THE PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

### Tonight's P&F Meeting

Tonight's P&F Meeting (Tuesday 9 March) will commence at 7.30 pm in the Pool Complex.

**Topic: Report on the Year 12 results (2009) followed by an Open Forum**

Join us from 7.00 pm and take the opportunity to ask questions, get information or put forward a suggestion. Drinks and nibbles from **7.00 pm**. All welcome.

### P&F email address

Don't forget you can email the P&F your question, suggestion or feedback. Our address is [pnf@clayfield.qld.edu.au](mailto:pnf@clayfield.qld.edu.au).

### Calling all Dads!

This year we are planning to have a Dad's Tuckshop on Monday 10 May. This concept has been successful at other schools. Any father who can volunteer their time on the day to work in the Tuckshop please contact Jenny Ringrose on **3862 3021** or email [kjringrose@primusononline.com.au](mailto:kjringrose@primusononline.com.au) or Robert Tomazic at [rbtomazic@bigpond.com](mailto:rbtomazic@bigpond.com).

Brigid Tomazic  
**Secretary**  
[rbtomazic@bigpond.com](mailto:rbtomazic@bigpond.com)

## FROM THE TUCKSHOP

### PLEASE NOTE:

**Curry & Rice is no longer available at the Tuckshop.**

Please delete this item from your tuckshop menus. We are aware that this is one of the few foods available to those suffering from Coeliac Disease and we will advise when a replacement product is found.

<b>Tuckshop Roster</b>		<b>8.30 am – 2.00 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10 March</b>	- <b>Team 2</b> Lynn Hames; Amanda Hardcastle; Julianna Roberts & Sue Miranda
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11 March</b>	- <b>Team 2</b> Julie Bennett; Erica Harman; Nicky Meintjes & Rita Robinson
<b>Monday</b>	<b>15 March</b>	- <b>Team 3</b> Kielee Alcantara; Lyndall Evans; Robyn Jacobson; Sam McKenzie & Marnie Meredith
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>16 March</b>	- <b>Team 3</b> Stacey Downing; Sue Drummond; Linda Mears; Cathy Nash & Andrea Vasey
<b>Breakfast Roster</b>		<b>7.30 am – 8.20 am</b>

**Monday**  
**Tuesday**  
**Wednesday**  
**Thursday**

Paula Arc  
Fiona Chivers & Helen Murphy  
Phonia Adwanga & Tracey Lennon  
Judy Dudurovic & Helen Murphy

If you are unable to attend Tuckshop – please do not ring the Tuckshop instead please ring Jenny Ringrose as soon as you can.

Jenny Ringrose  
**Tuckshop Roster Coordinator**  
0408 224 377 or 3862 3021.

## FROM THE COLLEGE SHOP

**College Shop Regular Trading Hours**  
**Monday, Thursday, Friday 7:30am-3:00pm**  
**Wednesday 7:30am-4:00pm**

### College Shop Roster

Wednesday, 10 March	Lynne MacDonald & Judy Boreland
Thursday, 11 March	Sabine Werner & Michelle Mangos
Friday, 12 March	no volunteer
Monday, 15 March	Jodie Garufo

Michelle Robinson  
**Manager**  
mrobinson@clayfield.qld.edu.au

## FROM THE CLAYFIELD COLLEGE OLD GIRLS



### CLAYFIELD COLLEGE OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION

#### 1990 Clayfield College 20<sup>th</sup> Year Reunion Looking for old girls....

It was the year Nelson Mandela walked out of prison, East and West Germany was reunited and Margaret Thatcher resigned. Fred Hollows was Australian of the Year, Nothing Compares to U by Sinead O'Conner was top single and Dances With Wolves won the best picture Oscar. The year was 1990, were you a Clayfield Senior?

We're looking for Old Girls who attended Clayfield College (Years 8–12) between 1985 – 1990 who would have been a Senior in 1990. We've set a date for the 20<sup>th</sup> Reunion, we've booked the venue and we're compiling the music on a mixed cassette.

If you are a missing Old Girl, please join us on Facebook at the group: "1990 Clayfield College 20th Reunion", or if you're not tech savvy email Kate Kennedy at [katemarykennedy@gmail.com](mailto:katemarykennedy@gmail.com).

## GENERAL NOTICES

# VACANCY – Principal – Somerville House - Brisbane

Please find below Job Description for the position of Principal at Somerville House – Brisbane. For further information please check the PMSA Website – [www.pmsa-schools.edu.au](http://www.pmsa-schools.edu.au) – where there is further information on the position available.

## Principal Somerville House - Brisbane



- Visionary Educational Leader
- Premier Girls' School

The Council of the Presbyterian and Methodist Schools Association (PMSA) is seeking applications from suitably qualified and experienced educational leaders for the position of Principal from January 2011, following the retirement of Dr Ness Goodwin who has served the School with distinction for the past seven years.

Somerville House, founded in 1899, is one of Australia's premier schools for girls. The school provides high quality P-12 education for 1,200 girls (including 100 boarders). It has a strong tradition of academic excellence and provides an outstanding co-curricular programme for students.

The Principal, in consultation with the School Council, will provide strong strategic leadership and effective management, consistent with the School's Christian identity, maintaining the School as an exemplary, innovative centre of excellence and learning.

The successful applicant will:

- Be an outstanding educator with a proven record of leadership, committed to the School's Christian character;
- Have a deep understanding of, and advocate for, the education of girls;
- Be capable of maintaining the School's national educational leadership;
- Possess a collegiate, consultative leadership style, being able to effectively engage the whole School community;
- Be able to harness the human, financial, technological and other resources to achieve the School's mission; and
- Be a communicant member of a recognised Christian Church.

To obtain a copy of the Information Booklet and to apply please visit our website at [www.sladegroup.com.au](http://www.sladegroup.com.au) quoting Ref. No. 200062896. Further information is also available at [www.pmsa-schools.edu.au](http://www.pmsa-schools.edu.au) Applicants should provide a full CV and address the selection criteria within their cover letter.

For a private and confidential discussion please contact Vivianne Nikou on (03) 9235 5151 or 0412 277 724.

Applications close Tuesday 6th April 2010.

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