

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

A warm welcome to you and your family. It gives me great pleasure to introduce you to our great school.



**Staff 2013**

Clemton Park Public School continues to deliver quality educational programs underpinned by dedicated and dynamic teachers whom are supported by an active community.

The beginning of the 2014 academic school year will continue to provide the school community the quality educational facility it deserves. The schools facilities are optimal. A New hall, a new school library, new covered walkways, new administration block, the refurbishment of Building A, a new fitness track, video output of the new school hall, and playground games make it a great school to learn, work and play in.

Clemton Park Public School services students from the local community and beyond. In 2014 our student enrolment will be approximately 595, 85% of whom are from Non English Speaking Backgrounds. Our school continues to have a high reputation in the community for scholarship, sport, student behaviour and the commitment of the teaching and ancillary staff to the welfare and the development of the pupils. Specialist programs include Support Teacher Learning, English as a Second Language, Reading Recovery, Enrichment and a Community Language program in Italian and Greek.

Our school has an exceptional educational focus encompassing opportunities for all students across an extensive and rich curriculum which is tailored to the individual learning styles. We have been doing this for many years.

In 2014 we will continue to offer many diverse extra-curricular activities to give our students a well-rounded and comprehensive education. The varied enrichment programs give opportunities for all students to succeed and be part of the school community throughout their school life. Such programs included are Leadership (Prefects, School Captains, Student Representative Council, Library Monitors, Class Captains & Environmental Specialist Team) Gifted and Talented, Creative Arts, Drama, Dance, Debating, Ballroom Dancing, Public Speaking, Choir and Band .

Our school is extremely well resourced and in 2014 we will continue to provide students with access to the latest technologies with two modern computer laboratories, interactive classrooms, two video conferencing facility and skilled teachers.

Our students, staff and community enjoy a friendly and caring environment believing and proudly exemplifying our school values of Respect, Caring, Co-operation, Resilience, Commitment and Freedom. Clemton Park's vision is "Pursuing Excellence". We must always remember this in all we do. Every individual community member endeavours to pursue excellence at all times.

The school benefits from working together as a strong collegial group with 2 other primary schools ( McCallum's Hill PS, Earlwood PS and our local high school (Kingsgrove North HS) enabling our students outstanding learning opportunities and a commitment to our local community. Being part of this Community of Schools, Across the Ridge, benefits our school as we deliver joint programs, sharing educational opportunities, and participating in collective professional development activities.

The school's supportive environment equips each child to function and succeed in a changing and challenging world. Our teachers are committed to striving towards academic excellence for all students, preparing them for technological change and fostering school community commitment and morale. We cater for individual needs by providing extension or remediation as required, ensuring students taking responsibility for their own learning and behaviour and build upon the school's traditional strengths in discipline, student well-being pride and parent participation.

Your child will have a life-long love of learning instilled in them through the passion and enthusiasm for learning modeled by their teachers and their peer group. Students will have a vast range of co and extra-curricular opportunities to seize hold of and access to a broad array of activities.

Students will understand themselves and be able to empathize with others. They will develop resilience – the capacity to bounce back from life's setbacks to strive for continued excellence. They will take the memory of being happy, accepted and valued. They will have made life-long friendships and they will find school challenging and fun. They will have a keen sense of social justice, a moral conscience and be an articulate voice for the betterment of society.

At Clemton Park Public School we educate the whole child of today to become the successful person of tomorrow. A graduate of Clemton Park Public School leaves as a child of competence, conscience, commitment, compassion and confidence.



Angelica Lapi Principal August 2013