On Tuesday 31 October we held our 60th Annual Presentation Night. This is a very prestigious event which showcases the vast array of academic, cultural and citizenship activities that our students are involved in. Distinguished guests, staff, families and friends were entertained by the wind ensemble and the Decemsextet under the musical guidance of Mr Shane Purnell, the delightful sounds of the choir, conducted by Mrs Rebecca Purnell and the talented senior dance team, choreographed by Ms Ainslie Murray.

Students were recognised for their excellence across a wide variety of awards and endeavours. Special mention must go to the students who received awards for Dux of each year level:

**Year 7 Dux:** Elliesha Linning  
**Year 8 Dux:** Charlotte Johnstone  
**Year 9 Dux:** Eden Gorrel  
**Year 10 Dux:** Julian Lilly-Howe  
**Outstanding Year 10 IB Student:** Naomi Russell  
**Outstanding Year 11 IB Student:** Sarah Elliott  
**Year 11 Dux:** Liana Raymont  
**Year 12 Dux:** Jolly Xu

We must thank the organisers of Presentation Night, Jodie Preston (HOD Engagement and Wellbeing), Karen Abraham (Deputy Principal) and Heather Booth.
(ILC) for all of their hard work in organising such a great night, as well as all staff who helped the night run smoothly.

Please visit our website to read the Presentation Night Principal’s Report, including 2017 faculty and committee highlights (www.clevdistshs.eq.edu.au)

(Pictured above: HOD Junior Schooling, Ms Alina Ryan and School Captain, Lawrence Grieve)

Creative Arts News

A huge congratulations to Gabby Boumford (year 12) who won the ‘dance category’ for the Shake and Stir’s Shakefest - ‘Shakespeare Competition’ held in October at the Judith Wright Centre. Gabby was required to choreograph and perform an original piece based on a Shakespeare theme. This is an incredible achievement, well done!

Music Showcase

Our annual Music Showcase featured all of our Instrumental Music ensembles and choirs; the students performed to the largest audience to date! It was a wonderful evening with each and every ensemble performing to an exceptional standard. Congratulations to all of the staff and students involved in this exceptional evening of music. Thank you to the year 12 students who have been an integral part of the program for many years, we wish you well in the future.

FAME Evening

What's On

Monday 6
Year 7 Immunisations

Wednesday 8
Year 11 Exams begin

Friday 12
Last day Year 12 Exams

Monday 13
Year 12 Clearance Day
Year 10 Documentary Drama Night

Tuesday 14
On Tuesday October 17 we held our annual F.A.M.E evening which showcased our Visual Art, Multi-media and FTV students. This event featured some gaming, photography and media works from our senior Media Arts in Practice students. Both of the D block art galleries and classrooms were filled with colourful and innovative pieces from the Visual Arts and Visual Arts in Practice curriculum. The senior Film students presented a variety of fantastic short films including video clips, genre films and documentaries. Well done and thank you to all of the staff and students involved.

Dance Fusion

Dance Fusion 2017 was once again a highlight of the Creative Arts calendar. All of the CDSHS dance teams performed to a full house at RPAC. The audience was treated to a vast range of styles including jazz, tap, ballet, contemporary and more! Congratulations to all of the staff and students involved in this brilliant evening of dance.

Constitution Convention
On Friday 6 October, Year 11 Legal Studies students, Anna-Louise Petersen, Ivy Nielsen, Harley Friske and Molly Turner attended the Queensland Schools Constitutional Convention held at Parliament House.

This full day event gave the students the opportunity to tour Parliament House, discuss how referendums work and explore the topic “Should Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples be recognised in Australia’s Constitution?”

The students also listened to speeches by students from other schools and participated in a mock referendum. Harley Friske gave a 2-minute speech on the referendum topic. Harley performed extremely well and is on a reserve list for attending the National Convention in Canberra.

**Ed Alive Keyboarding Challenge**
Congratulations to Ms Joni Edward’s Year 10 Information Communication and Technology class who recently competed in an under 16 Fastest Class Keyboarding Challenge. The class performed extremely well and won 3rd place!

**Car Wash Fundraiser**

Come on down to the school this Sunday, 5 November between 9am and 12noon and get your car sparkling clean for Christmas! Our students travelling to the USA will be holding their final Car Wash and would love to clean your vehicle in our Russell Street carpark.

While you wait, enjoy a free tea or coffee and try to resist our freshly baked cookies (eat in or take away!).

Small car - $10 and 4WDs - $15. EFTPOS will be available, so if you’re short on cash you can still spend up big!

Looking forward to seeing you there!

**2017 Hubei Guest Teacher Program - China**

Ms Yu-min Sun was invited to participate on the 2017 Hubei Guest Teacher Program organised by DET International to China for 3 weeks in September.
Hubei University has been working with Department of Education and Training International for the past 10 years hosting the program. With this partnership Ms Sun was 1 of 6 teachers selected in Queensland to take part in this program for her professional development.

Based at Hubei University, Ms Sun was able to enhance her knowledge of contemporary Chinese culture and observe how Chinese is taught in Chinese high schools. It was a fantastic program and she gained knowledge about the Chinese language, history and culture to pass on to Language staff members and students back at CDSHS.

QUT Future Leaders Program

Congratulations to Year 10 student Isabella Walter who has been accepted into the QUT Future Leaders program for Years 11 and 12.

Future Leaders is an enrichment program for high-achieving senior students. The program provides participants with engaging activities to enhance their senior years of study, meet like-minded students from other schools and develop their confidence to pursue further opportunities when they start university.

Isabella met rigorous criteria to be able to nominate for the program and we are very proud of her efforts.

Congratulations, Isabella, we hope the experience will be one that creates lifelong learning, friendships and memories.

Mrs Alison Bowser – Year 10 Co-ordinator

2017 Japanese Film Festival

‘Seishun’ is a Japanese word which means the ‘glory of youth’. The word has no equal in English, as it captures the essence of the sparkly, exciting, and at times heartbreaking experiences of ones’ adolescence.

On Friday of week 4, 28 Year 9 students and two teachers enjoyed a day out at the Japanese Film Festival in Brisbane City. We watched the popular seishun film, ‘Chihayafuru’ (2016).

‘Chihayafuru’ (2016) is a manga
series written by Yuki Suetsugu and portrays a group of teenagers engaging in competitive karuta (traditional Japanese card game). The movie adaptation portrays the growth of the protagonist Chihaya, who uses her fierce energy and charm to infect those around her with the love for karuta. Themes of club drama, friendships and love triangles captured the heart of the audience, which was made up of close to 600 Japanese students from across Queensland.

The Film Festival is now in its 21st year and served as a great opportunity for students to be involved in one of the most popular pastimes in Japan, the cinema. The day allowed students to expand their cultural knowledge and understanding beyond the classroom environment. Stunning shots of everyday school life in Japan, traditional dresses and even Mt. Fuji, made this film a great culmination of a range of topics covered in the junior curriculum. We look forward to next year's visit!

Cleveland All Schools Touch Wrap-up

It has been a busy month for the Cleveland touch football sides. In early October, Cleveland entered six teams into the Queensland Secondary All Schools. The event is the largest touch football event with 1600 games of touch, 220 schools and 440 teams. All teams performed admirably and Cleveland had the equal most teams of any school progress to the knockout finals day, with five sides qualifying. The 15 Boys and 13 Girls had standout performances with both sides becoming the first Cleveland sides to make a grand final in 20 years. The 15 boys came through two drop-offs in the quarters and semi-finals before losing to a strong Ignatius Park side in the final.

Meanwhile the 13 Girls went down to All Hallows in the grand final after having strong wins in their earlier knockout games. The Open Boys topped their pool, defeating top seed and eventual champions Rockhampton Grammar in the round games in what organisers said was one of the games of the tournament. The boys ended up losing to Emmaus in the Quarter Finals. In other results, the 15 girls and Open Girls both lost in the Round of 16 with the 15 girls losing in a three on three drop-off. The 13 boys were unlucky to miss out by one touchdown on a place in the finals on Sunday.

In September on the back of 2016 results, Cleveland qualified for the Harvey Norman National All Schools in Kawana. It is the second year of the competition, which is in the format of a Year 9/10 competition. Both sides did the school proud with some amazing results at a national event. The girls finished 5th in Australia and the boys finished 7th in a very tight competition.
Spin Off Results

The 2017 Spin Off! Gym Bike Challenge was held on 28 October and Cleveland High was represented by an Open and Student team. The event pits teams of up to ten people against each other, challenging them to put as many ‘kilometres’ on a gym bike as they can in 30 minutes. As you can imagine the atmosphere is electric as teams cheer their riders on to sprint for their leg on the bike. The Cleveland High Students beat the Cleveland High Staff/Open team by a narrow margin, much to their delight!

The volunteers from Cleveland Baptist Church and the Cleveland High Student Chaplaincy Committee were awesome. The vibe was brilliant, the event was fun and the feedback was great. Teams came from all over the Redlands, Logan and Brisbane with the aim of raising money for their school chaplaincies. Together, the rides raised over $9000 in sponsorships for their chaplains. The wonderful Cleveland High Chaplaincy Spin Off sponsors JJ Richards, Cor Frederiks, Renaissance Retirement Living, 4Front Accountants and Alan Lucas @ Remax helped push the total for the event past the $20,000 mark!

Thanks go to Cleveland Baptist Church (CBC) for their venue, Scottys ‘The Movers’ for moving the bikes (twice!), Cleveland High for the loan of the bikes, Anytime Fitness for prizes and SU Qld for medals. Special thanks go to Sarah Woodward (Past Student) and Stephen Rothery (Cleveland Uniting Church) for assisting our chaplains Neale and Heather in the months leading up to the event.

We would like to see more teams representing Cleveland High – so you are invited to take up the challenge in 2018!

2017 Jiangsu Student Study Tour
Year 10 IB student, Danny Devereux participated in the 2017 Jiangsu Student Study Tour during the September holidays. This program was organised by DET International and Danny was one of ten recipients from the state.

Danny spent two weeks in Jiangsu, engaged in Chinese lessons and traditional Chinese cultural classes including calligraphy, tai chi, clay pot and mask making and Chinese paper-cutting. He also visited many breath taking cultural landmarks such as the Nan Jing Temple, the Shanghai Tower, the Oriental Salt Lake, and the Emperor’s Humble Garden.

Danny had an incredible experience which has helped him become more determined in his Chinese studies in order to return to China in the future.

Year 10s Complete Teen Mental Health First Aid
In 2016, Cleveland District State High School teamed up with a local charity called “LIVIN”, which focusses on removing the stigma attached to mental health issues, to create “The Cleveland Project”. The Cleveland Project was a yearlong initiative that aimed to increase the level of awareness and acceptance of mental health issues at CDSHS. Based on the overwhelmingly positive feedback received last year, and with the generous support of our P&C, we were again able to offer in 2017 some of the programs that were offered to parents, students and staff in 2016.

The Teen Mental Health First Aid (tMHFA) course is presented to Year 10 students as part of Senior Studies Skills. Over three consecutive weeks, students learn the Teen MHFA Action Plan, as well as information about different types of mental health problems and mental health crisis situations in young people, and the relationship between thoughts, feelings and behaviours. This course does not aim to equip students with the knowledge to provide mental health first aid, but rather to identify the signs and symptoms of a mental illness in themselves or a peer and to seek treatment.

I am delighted to inform you that nearly 80% of our 2017 Year 10 cohort have successfully completed the training this year. In addition to the Year 10s from 2016 who are now completing Year 11, that’s nearly 600 of our students who are trained in teen Mental Health First Aid.

To conclude our focus on Mental Health, LIVIN were invited to a special parade for the Year 10s. Students were privileged to hear Luke Foster, a trained psychologist and LIVIN ambassador, who underpinned the messages from the training with personal experiences from his time in private practice and the military. Mr Tim McKennarley (HPE Head of Department and Cleveland Project co-ordinator in 2016) also spoke to students of his own experiences. The message from both speakers was overwhelmingly positive and is the mantra of LIVIN – It Ain’t Weak To Speak.

For more information on LIVIN, their web address is https://livin.org/

Mrs Alison Bowser – Year 10 Co-ordinator

Chinese Lantern Cultural Lesson

This term in Chinese, the Year 9s are studying traditional festivals in China. The Red Lantern Festival is recognised as being one of the most celebrated festivals amongst all. On that special day, people decorate their houses with all sorts of lanterns, taste the sweet glutinous rice balls that symbolise family reunion and happiness, and appreciate the full moon. Pictured are students having an authentic cultural experience through painting lanterns.
Student Council News

Wow! 2017 is nearly over. As usual the Student Council has had another fantastic year. Last week we had our last Gold Coin Day working with Chaplaincy supporting Bandanna Day and wearing Red for Daniel - Daniel Morecombe Day.

This year, Student Council has supported many causes, such as: Shave for Cure, Biggest Morning Tea, Special Christmas Appeal, Pango Sister School, Red Kite and we hope to purchase a new refrigerated water cooler for the new school hall.

Student Council is about working as a team to assist our school, school community and charities. I have been fortunate to have worked with a great group of representatives and leaders. They have made my job as coordinator a pleasure. I would like to thank 2017 Leaders: Michael, Sebastian, Jaime, Gemma, Emma, Naomi, Jolly, Lawrence, Trinity, Rachael, Ruben and Will. I would like to take this chance to wish the Senior Leaders all the best for their futures.

Student Council is selling Poppies for Remembrance Day from the School Office. Prices for poppies range from $2.00 - $5.00.

Upcoming Events
11 November – Remembrance Day

State Athletics Championships

At the start of October, Cleveland High had nine students representing the Metropolitan East region at the State Athletics Championships.
These students were; Damon Gorrell, Lewis Jackson, Danita Smith, Danielle Burdfield, Laura McKillop, Nelson McCutcheon, Riley Higgins, Savannah Rhind and Justin McKillop. During the championships all students competed to the best of their ability, with many leaving with a new personal best. There are notable performances that must be mentioned.

Lewis Jackson won the 12 Years Shot Put and Discus, Damon Gorrell came second in the 200m final, Laura McKillop won silver in the 2000m steeplechase and 3rd in the 4 x 100m relay, Nelson McCutcheon won the 14 Years 3000m walk and 3rd in the discus and Riley Higgins won the 15 Years Pole Vault. Nelson and Riley not only walked away with gold medals, they also became record holders. Nelson broke the record in the 3000m walk and Riley in the Pole Vault. An incredible effort! Nelson, Lewis and Riley will now prepare for the National Championships in Adelaide, as part of the Pan Pacific Games.

Congratulations to these students on their participation at the carnival.
Senior Japanese Dinner Excursion

35 Year 10 and 11 Japanese studying students had the opportunity to experience authentic Japanese food and put their language skills to good use at the Bird’s Nest Restaurant, West End on Thursday, 19 October. Their set meal included edamame, karaage, various chicken yakitori and grilled onigiri. It was wonderful to see students who share a common interest in all things Japanese spend some time together outside of the classroom setting.

Feedback from the students was very positive in terms of food quality and taste, customer service and atmosphere of the restaurant. Thank you to our dedicated Japanese teachers, Ms Mami Yoshino, Mr Shannon Hanson and Ms Kylie Venamore for organising this excursion for our students.

Redland City Council Active School Travel Program – Future Shift: The Way We Move

Travel is changing. Fifty years ago, most kids walked or rode a bike to school, and 100 years ago, some kids even rode a horse. Today almost everyone travels by car, which causes traffic jams at the school gate and isn’t good for your health or the environment. Add some steps to the journey as part of a healthy lifestyle. Park 500 metres from school and walk the rest of the way to spend quality time with family and friends. Ride your bike with friends. Car pool with family or friends. Get active, get to know your local community, save money on fuel and reduce congestion.
RYPEN Leadership Camp

My name is Abbey Taylor and I am currently a year 10 student. 2017 has been a fantastic year for me, one of the reasons being that because of my teachers, I have been open to so many different and new opportunities. One of these opportunities was the chance to attend a leadership camp. I was extremely fortunate to be sponsored by the Rotary Club of Cleveland to attend a 3-day camp called RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment). This program is aimed at senior high school students who want to broaden their leadership skills in a new, positive, caring and non-judgemental environment. Being the only student chosen from Cleveland High meant that I went to the camp not knowing anyone, however as I left on the Sunday afternoon, I had made a countless number of friends and numerous life long memories.

While on camp we all participated in a range of teambuilding and trust exercises. One of the activities was the Trust Walk. The Trust Walk involved people who didn’t know each other being partnered and blindfolded in turns, while the other safely, vocally directed them around obstacles. Trust was a big key in this activity and so therefore everyone stepped outside their comfort zones and not only had fun, but learned that trust is a key part of life also.

On the morning of the second day, an organisation named YLead gave a motivational talk to the camp’s participants in the hall. They shared insights into finding our own paths and taught us how to add value to our lives.

Leadership Camp was not only fun and games, but a way of bringing people together, creating friendships and having great experiences that will never be forgotten. In just short three days, we all had the time of our lives!

Important Payment Information

PLEASE NOTE: There has been a change to where the Payment Window is situated. We are now located on the western end of the Administration Building, around the corner from the Guidance Officers’ rooms.

Student Resources Scheme Forms have been emailed to families. Payments need to be received by Friday 1 December to qualify for the Early Payment Discount.

If you require the Centrepay payment option, please collect the forms from the Payment Window.
To enable your students to attend End of Year School Activities, please note that all accounts need to be paid up to date for 2017.

**Volunteers Needed**

The Learning Support Unit needs volunteers to assist students in reading, maths and assignments. If you have any spare time, or know of anyone who would like to work as a volunteer in the Student Support Unit, we would love to hear from you. The students really appreciate and respond well to volunteers.

**P & C News**

As the end of the year fast approaches, the Cleveland District SHS P&C is hard at work finalising and reviewing some of the wonderful initiatives introduced this year, while thinking ahead to next year to determine what opportunities are available to us to continue making a positive difference to the students of CDSHS.

The fantastic response to The Student Support & Enrichment Fund, introduced only a few months ago, has resulted in more than $15,000 in P&C funds being paid out. Those groups who have benefited include the Europe Cultural Trip, The IB North America Tour and The AVSC (Volleyball) Trip as well as a number of individuals who are representing CDSHS at state level in sport and in the Arts.

The inaugural CDSHS P&C CHOICE Scholarship was presented at Presentation Night to Shannon Abernethy, Year 11, who is well-deserving of this award.

Having the ability to help these students achieve their goals, knowing how hard they have all worked, is incredibly satisfying to the P&C executive and members.

Of course, the ability to provide this financial assistance to the students would not be possible without specifically the amazing team who work tirelessly every day in the Tuckshop. On National Tuckshop day this Friday, on behalf of the P&C and all the students and teachers, know you are much appreciated and we say thank you.

Finally, the Uniform Shop opening hours for the final week of Term 4 will be as follows:
Monday Dec 4: 8:00am – 10.30am
Tuesday Dec 5: 1:00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday Dec 7: 1:00pm – 4.30pm
Friday Dec 8: 1:00pm – 4.30 pm

Next newsletter will include all Uniform Shop opening hours in January prior to Term 1, 2018.

*Kellie James  
Operations Manager  
CDSHS P&C Association*
It’s Time to Be the Difference In a Man’s Life

Movember is an annual event involving the growing of moustaches during the month of November to raise awareness of men’s health issues, such as prostate cancer, testicular cancer and men’s suicide. The goal of Movember is to "change the face of men’s health by encouraging men (whom the charity refers to as “Mo Bros”) to get involved.

Movember aims to increase early cancer detection, diagnosis and effective treatments, and ultimately reduce the number of preventable deaths. Besides annual check-ups, the Movember Foundation also encourages men to be aware of their family medical history and to adopt a healthier lifestyle.

Grow a Moustache
Doing Movember means raising funds for men’s health. And growing a Mo is your chance to do just that.

Start November clean shaven, grow throughout the month and get some serious funds behind the men who need it most. Men and women alike can embrace the sweaty Mo this Movember by being active. It’s what we like to call Move. Set a distance goal at the start of the month and walk, run, cycle, swim or row your way to achieving it. You can raise much needed funds for men’s health while you’re at it.

For more information on how to get involved, please visit:
www.movember.com.au