



Calliope State School

2nd May 2017



Calliope Kids
are:

Safe

Respectful

Responsible



What's happening in ...

News from 1B

1B are extremely excited about the term ahead and are settling back into the school routine. They are looking forward to the many busy events happening this term such as Mother's Day, Sports Day and Under 8's Day.

Students are continuing to learn about numbers 1 to 100 as well as patterns, shapes, time and money. In science we are investigating different materials that we can use to make our boats out of. We're wondering whose boat will float the best?

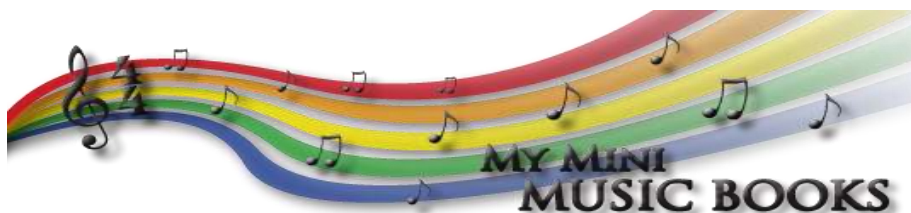
Later in the term, we are going to create an awesome wanted pirate poster, as we are focussing on character qualities in English.

P & C Meeting – 2nd May

We would love you to come to the P&C Meeting tonight, 2nd May in the Administration building at 6.00pm. This is an excellent opportunity for you to voice your ideas and opinions about our school and to also keep updated with what's happening. The P&C is always looking for volunteers to help with fundraising events within the school such as the Mother's Day stall occurring next week.

Mini Music Books

A reminder that the Mini Music Books have been on the booklist since the start of the year and are a requirement for Classroom Music lessons. The Mini Music Books are available from the office for only \$7. Please ensure that your child has access to one for the remainder of the year.



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Principal's Piece

I hope everyone enjoyed their three day weekend and had quality time to spend with family and / or friends. We have now seen the last of the public holidays and have 39 days of learning left for this term! Attendance is important as we aim to have 94% or better for every child and every classroom.

DD Code Presentation

This year we have introduced DD Code in all our Prep classes as part of the overall Reading Program. DD Code is a coding system to help children decode words as they learn to read. It uses the sounds in words to break words up and assist with reading. Our Prep teachers have visited Hillcrest College who introduced DD Code a couple of years ago and we are lucky to have Camilla Balyam from Hillcrest visit our school this week. Camilla will be presenting workshops for our Prep parents on Wednesday at either 2.00-3.00pm or 5.00-6.00pm. She will also be working with our teaching staff and teacher aides over the two days. I highly recommend to parents to attend either of the workshops on Wednesday as DD Code will be used as part of Home reading as well as in the classroom.

Reading

Reading is a focus area again this year across the school. The Intensive Reading program is being undertaken in Year 1 and Year 4 this term. Last term Years 3 and 5 were the focus. Over the term the year level cohort are mixed into smaller ability groups for a one hour focused reading session, four times a week. The class teachers along with Mrs Kettle (Master Teacher), Ms Cameron (ST:LaN), Mrs Bishop (HoSES) and Mrs Goodman-Jones take the groups each day. We have seen some wonderful improvement in our reading data over the last year.

Home reading is also part of this overall reading focus. All year levels are expected to do home reading four nights a week.

Mother's Day Stall

Our wonderful P&C are again running a Mother's Day stall at the school this year on 11th and 12th May. Times for classes to visit the stall will be organised this week and will be in the newsletter next week. For anyone wanting to join the P&C our next P&C meeting is tonight, or you are welcome to help out at any of their activities throughout the year.

Lastly, thank you to everyone who supported the Anzac Day march last Tuesday. It was a fabulous representation from the school community.

Regards

Raelene

Acting Principal

Dates to Remember

- 2 May P&C Meeting
- 3 May DD Code for Prep parents
- 9-11 May NAPLAN Testing
- 11-12 May Mother's Day Stall
- 15 May Pizza Day
- 24 May P-2 Sports Morning
- 26 May Yr 3-6 Sports Day

Office hours are 8am-4pm
Cash only, EFTPOS is
UNAVAILABLE in the office.

Unexplained Absences

PROCEDURE FOR STUDENT ABSENCES

If your student is away for any reason there are several ways of notifying the school.

- **Send a note with your child**
- **Phone on 07 4975 8366**
- **Email-
absences@calliopess.eq.edu.au**

We appreciate and thank-you for your cooperation.

Contact Details

We would like to remind all parents if you are moving or changing your contact details over the holidays please update your information by calling the office on 4975 8333. We appreciate and thank you for your cooperation.

Newsletter Distribution

The newsletter is published every Tuesday and is sent via email. If you have not given the school office your email please do so by calling the office or emailing admin@calliopess.eq.edu.au. If you would prefer a paper copy please inform the Office.

Stars of the Week

Prep A	Mason	Prep B	Sami
Prep C	Zavier	Prep D	Aidan
1A	Rhys	1B	Jett
1C		1D	Zahara
2A	Xander	2B	Taylor
2C	Lilly	2D	
2E		3A	Maverick
3B	Tahliah	3C	Kasey
3D	Emily	4A	Amy
4B	Breanna	4C	
5A		5B	Mia
5C	Samantha	6A	Declan
6B	Laith	6C	Tayla
HPE	David	MUSIC	Deakin

Prep Parent Presentation - 3rd May

There is a Prep Parent presentation – Discovering the DD Code on the 3rd of May from 2pm to 3pm or 5pm to 6pm. Come along and find out about the DD Code and how to use it to support your child to decode words as part of our Prep Reading Program. The presentation will be held in the Administration Building. Please see attached flyer.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN is just around the corner (next week!!). NAPLAN tests skills in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy. All students in years three and five have been completing a range of learning activities which will ensure they are very well prepared to sit for the tests. It is also important to provide students with a level of confidence that assures them that they are capable and ready to complete all challenges. At Calliope, we don't want students to be pressured or anxious. We incorporate most of our preparations into our everyday curriculum delivery, purposely to allow students to make meaningful connections with what they are learning and the real world around them. If you, as a parent, have concerns or queries regarding the tests, please do not hesitate to contact the office and ask to speak with a member of the admin team.

Under 8's morning

Our annual Under 8's morning will be held on Wednesday 21st June from 9.15 – 10.45am. Our Prep – Year 2 students will be participating in the fun morning of activities.



Prayer Time with Chappy

When: Every Wednesday

Time: 8:00– 8:30am

Where: Chappy Sonia's office



**Coffee Ink Chaplaincy
Fundraising Morning Tea –
Wednesday 3rd May.**

P & C NEWS

Uniform Shop

The opening time for our uniform shop is

Wednesday 8.15-9.00am.

The uniform shop has eftpos. Otherwise cash and cheque are accepted. If you are unable to get to the uniform shop during opening hours, you can fill out an order form available from the office, and leave completed form and cash or cheque payment with the office ladies. Your order will be filled and be ready for collection the Friday.

Uniforms can be ordered through flexischools – www.flexischools.com.au


Chappy News

Love Dare 19

Remove anything that is hindering your relationship – any addiction or influence that's stealing your affections and turning your heart away from your spouse.

'The Love Dare' by Stephen & Alex Kendrick(Summarised)

Pizza Day – 15th May



CALLIOPE STATE SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION
PIZZA DAY


This Pizza Day is to help raise funds to reduce the cost of the 2017 Year 6 Camp

- **Prep – Year 2** on Monday 15th May at First Break
- **Years 3 – 6** on Monday 15th May at Second Break
- *Gluten Free and Vegetarian pizzas are also available please note it on the order form.*

'One student, per order form'.
Please return orders to your teacher
NO LATER THAN 3.00pm THURSDAY 4 May, 2017
We cannot accept late orders.

Please ensure orders and money are placed in envelope or clip seal bag, with your students Name and Class clearly marked.

*We thank you for your support,
Calliope State School P&C Association*



Word of the Week

Word	Syllables Each syllable part has a vowel phoneme	Phonemes	Vowel phoneme box
nominate	nom/in/ate	n.o.m.i.n.a.te	o as in frog in as in fossil a as in baby/tape

Community News

Mt Larcom Horse Sports will be held on Saturday 13th May at the Mt Larcom Showgrounds.

Please have your entries complete and ready to start activities at 3pm. There will be a range of traditional and fun events.

Pre-nominations are appreciated.

For more information and nominations, please contact Jenny Grother on 0409 751 158.

Helping Hands



Hi to all the families of Calliope State School,

A few things you might not have known about Helping Hands

You don't need to make a permanent booking with us - if you are running late from an appointment, stuck driving back to Calliope or you are a casual worker and your boss has asked you to stay back - you can ring us and ask us to pick up your child that afternoon. All we need from you is enrolment paperwork so all your information is in our system. It does not cost anymore to be casual than it does to have a permanent booking. You could use us once a week, once a month or just in Vacation care. We like to be as flexible as you need us to be 😊

We are open from 6.30am to 6:00pm and also open every day in the school holidays and pupil free days as well.

We are linked with Centrelink, if you are entitled to any rebates - you just pay the gap. Most families are entitled to Child Care Rebate and if you opt to pay the service, your fee is halved. Then some families are also entitled to Child Care Benefit and you are given a percentage by Centrelink - again you only pay the gap.

We also have a new coordinator starting with us next week, her name is Linda, she's an experienced Director and is looking forward to meeting the families at Calliope.

If you would like any more information please contact the service on 0409 26 7755 or email calliope@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au

As we are getting a new coordinator you may also want to contact our Regional Operations Manager - Rochelle Anderson if you need any extra information on 0475 96 1675.



Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL)

Buddy Bench

We have two more buddy benches here at Calliope SS. Students can access the buddy bench when they are feeling lonely or sad because they have no one to play with. During our weekly PBL lesson students discussed ideas why someone would feel like they would need to use a buddy bench. Students made a list of opening statements that they could use when approaching someone on the buddy bench.

BUDDY BENCH

If you choose to sit on the bench, you **MUST** say yes to the first friend who invites you to play, or walk and talk.

If you see a friend when you are sitting on the bench, invite them to play, or walk and talk.

Two friends sitting on the bench can turn to each other and invite each other to play, or walk and talk.



Thank you Trevor and Casey Black for supplying the Buddy Bench stickers.

BLACKDOG
Stickers & Signs