



Calliope State School

6 November 2018



Calliope Kids
are:
Safe
Respectful
Responsible



What's happening in ...

News from 3A..

3A are loving all their learning in Term 4. This is what the students have to say about it...

'I am enjoying learning division and multiplication.'- Sienna

'I like Science because we are doing science experiments to learn about solids, liquids and gases.' – Sydney

'I love English because we are writing poems.' - Ella

'I am enjoying English because we are writing poems.'- Lilly

'The subject I like the most this term is poetry because I like rhyming.'
– Leo

'I am enjoying English because we are doing poetry.' - Kaylah

I ♥ Learning



PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

Young Leaders

Today our school leaders were invited to attend a morning tea with the Gladstone Regional Council at the Community Centre. Students got to interact with the Mayor, Councillors and other government officials whilst asking questions about the role of council and our local area.



Tuckshop Appreciation

On Friday we celebrated the wonderful contribution that our tuckshop staff and volunteers make to our school community. Thank you ladies for keeping us well fed, with your healthy yummy food.

Remembrance Day

This Sunday 11 November, the Calliope RSL will be holding a commemorative service at the RSL Hall. We invite all members of our school community to attend and join with our school leaders and choir at the service, commencing at 10.40am.

First LEGO League

Congratulations to both of our robotics teams on their persistence and teamwork at the recent First LEGO League competition. Our Techno Team have made it through to the state competition in Brisbane later this month. Well done!

Thank you to Mrs Mastro Monaco, Ms Wriede, Mrs Sellin and Mr Green for their efforts at the competition and throughout the year, along with the rest of the staff who have assisted in the preparation and organisation with the First LEGO League.



Calliope Pool

The lease of the Calliope SS pool has been referred to the Department's Procurement Services Branch to call tenders for the after school hours pool operation. We will keep the community informed of this. If you have any specific questions, please contact the school office.

Questions or Feedback

As a school we value your feedback. If you have questions about our processes or policies, please feel free to contact the school directly, to ensure you receive the correct information. You can contact us via email- admin@calliopess.eq.edu.au , phone 4975 8333 or our Facebook page- Calliope State School.

**Principal
Mark Wright**

P&C News

Recipe Book

Thank you to everyone who has submitted a recipe to our Calliope School Cook Book. It looks amazing and we have over 130 recipes. Keep an eye out for pre-order forms that will be sent home this week. All monies raised will go towards increasing our annual donation for new school readers for our students.

Tuckshop

We celebrated our Tuckshop staff and volunteers last Friday. Thank you to everyone who helped make the day extra special. I am told the team were definitely feeling the love.

Monster Raffle

Monster Raffle sales continue to soar. Thank you everyone for your ongoing support. All funds raised will go directly to our students.

Please continue to return your sold books to the P&C box at the office. If you want more tickets you can see the ladies at the office or contact us via Facebook or email pandc@calliopess.eq.edu.au.

Thank you to the families who are returning unsold books early. Any fundraising activity is completely at your family's discretion and we will appreciate the return of unsold books.

Volunteer Shout out

Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who offered their valuable time to support our school last week. You are all amazing and we are very thankful.

Tuckshop: Bev Kaine, Melissa Platten, Jessica Charles, Jess Buckingham

Uniform Shop: Jess Buckingham, Tracey McCarthy

Monster Public: Bec Harlow, Casey Black

Recipe Book: Jess Buckingham

Next Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be on Tuesday 13 November. All families welcome. We are also forming our Calliope Country Carnival 2019 sub-committee at this meeting. Come along if you want to be part of it!

Have a great week.

Lisa ☺

School Road Safety Reminders

It is important to remember the importance of some basic road safety rules around school. Please drive carefully remembering the 40km/h speed zones. Be mindful of children and their parents walking and cycling to school, as well as those students catching buses or waiting to be picked up by parents in vehicles. Schools can be very busy places at drop off and pick up time, and your courtesy and patience are appreciated.



Motorists and Guard Controlled Children's Crossings

When driving around schools, motorists need to be aware of children's crossing locations. When the orange Children Crossing flags are displayed, the crossing is in operation, and all drivers should be prepared to stop. Here are a few rules to adhere to:

- Look out for the advanced warning Children Crossing signs and flags.
- When you see the warden entering the road, you must prepare to stop your vehicle at the stop line just before the crossing.
- Remain stationary until all pedestrians and the warden are safely on the kerb or median.
- Do not overtake any other vehicle stopped at a Guard Controlled Children's Crossing.

Pick up areas

When picking up children in the afternoon, here are a few suggestions for you to help ease traffic congestion around our school.

- Pre arrange a pick up place with your children.
- If possible, arrange to meet your children a little further away from the school.
- Arrange to meet your children 5 to 10 minutes later than school finish time to avoid congestion.
- If this is not possible, then always attempt to park on the school side of the road to collect your children.
- Use the Stop, Drop and Go pick up area – if your child is not there, move through the area and go around the block.
- Otherwise park your car further away and walk into the school ground to meet your children.

Double Parking

Double parking is unfortunately a problem that places the lives of our young children at unnecessary risk. Double-parked vehicles are visual obstructions for young children trying to cross to the other side of the road. They also place children getting in or out of the car at risk, as they must venture to the middle of the road to do so. Please refrain from double parking around our school and use the other safer parking options available to you.

Disabled parking

We have disabled parking bays reserved near our school. Please do not park or stand in these bays if you do not have an ACROD sticker in your vehicle. Even dropping your children off in these bays can be inconvenient for those people who need to use these bays. Please be considerate when around these reserved bays for the safety and convenience of others.

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
- absences@calliopess.eq.edu.au

We appreciate and thank-you for your cooperation.

Stars of the Week

Prep A		Prep B	
Prep C		Prep D	
1A	Lyla	1B	Pippi
1C		1D	Colby
2A	Ryker	2B	Jimmy
2C	Annalea	2D	Millie
2/3E	Savana	3A	Paige
3B	Kyden	3C	Leah
3D		4A	Zeke
4B	Samantha	4C	Bella
4D	Briley	5A	Emmy
5B	Toby	5C	Maycee
6A	Jesse-James	6B	Arian
6C	Zane	Health	2A
PE	Rhys	Music	Annabelle
LOTE	Karley		

Attendance

2018 School Attendance for Week 4, Term 4						
Fri 26/10/18	Mon 29/10/18	Tues 30/10/18	Wed 31/10/18	Thurs 1/11/18		
91.3%	90.4%	94%	93.9%	94.3%		
Whole School Attendance for the Year to Date: 92.4%						
Prep	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
92.1%	91.8%	92.6%	92.3%	92.2%	92.7%	93.3%

Congratulations to 4D who had an amazing attendance rate for Week 5. Their attendance rate was 99% for the week! Also congratulations to the 12 classes which were at or above our school attendance target of 94% for Week 4. Remember, every day you are away is a learning day lost.

Important Upcoming Dates to Remember

Friday 30 November	Calliope Christmas Carols
Monday 3 – Tuesday 4 December	Gladstone State High/Toolooa High School Transition
Friday 7 December	Swimming Carnival - from 12:30
Monday 10 December	Year 6 Graduation
Wednesday 12 December	Report Cards go home
Wednesday 12 December	Classes for 2019 go home
Thursday 13 December	Principal's Parade / End of Year Concert
Tuesday 29 January 2019	Term 1 2019 Commences

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.

Weekly Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Week 5 is here and we are almost at the mid-point of Term 4 which is a great time to remind students about the power of encouraging others. This is why the PBL lesson for Tuesday is about: Respectful – I Encourage and Support Others. It's always great to see kids nominate and receive peer awards on parade each Friday, and we want to encourage Calliope kids to do just that by being positive and supporting their peers both in the classroom and on the playground.

Given our new morning procedure for students to sit under the undercroft, the focus all week will be on Responsible – I move safely around the school. This means everyone sits until 8.15am, then they walk to the oval when they are travelling on the concrete. Moving safely around the school means walking quietly in class lines, following teacher instructions and, most important of all, walking on the concrete.

The next Fantastic Fun Friday is coming up in Week 6 and is 'Disco and sausage sizzle' for both the lower school and upper.

Enjoy your week.

Brian Rowe
Student Welfare Teacher



Rota Kids

This Thursday is Free Dress 'Around the World'. Student's bring a gold coin that will go to; Shelter box (disaster relief), Seven Women (education in Nepal) and Water Filters. Students are invited to go to the hall where RotaKids will have games from all around the world.



Thank-you to everyone who has supported RotaKids on a Monday by buying an icy cup. These will be on sale for \$1 again next Monday at first break outside the tuckshop. There is also colouring in pages and pencils available for students to sit together and colour in.

Next Monday 12 November the end of year RotaKids dinner will be held at the bowls club. This is for School Leaders, RotaKids Class Representatives and their parents to celebrate the work that has been completed in 2018. Please remember that RSVP's are due this Thursday 8 November.