Calliope Kids are:
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What’s happening in …

Principal’s Piece

Welcome to the final edition of our newsletter for 2016.

While the intention of this newsletter is to serve as a date-claimer and a means to outline processes for the end-of-year and beginning-of-year periods, it would be remiss of me to not mention the tremendous celebrations of student achievement that we have witnessed over the last week. It was a great honour to announce the Student Leaders Elect at Friday’s assembly.

Captains: Travis Betts and Yasmin Southwick

Vice Captains: William Mann and Ebonie Rule

Oxley Captains: Ella Sadleir and Shari Gibson

Flinders Captains: Georgia Schmidt and Justin Motloung

Fitzroy Captains: Bryon Henney and Harper Sheehan

Music Captains: Alexi Eiser and Zarah Adamson

These students have successfully campaigned and have received the official vote of confidence from staff and their peers to lead our student body in 2017. It will be an exciting time for our student leadership program as we partner with the Calliope Rotary Club through the development of our very own Early Act Club.

This partnership will provide some wonderful mentorship for our students and will provide a framework for the continued development of our community service mindset. I look forward to working with the student leadership team as we work to continue to improve our great school.

Year 6 Graduation

I would like to once again congratulate the graduating class of 2016. Monday night was a great celebration of student achievement as we looked back at the accomplishments of the year gone by and looked forward to the future that our graduates will “build” for themselves. Special congratulations must go to our award winners:
Academic Awards: Kiana Marks and Darcy Williams

Cultural Awards: Thomas Schmidt and Brianne Ninness

Sports Awards: Tyler Peckham-Harris and Tracey Betts

CWA Encouragement Awards: Mikayla Sippel, Kyran Lowe and Brittany Tremain

A special thank you must go to Ms Norris, Mrs Kettle, the Yr 6 teachers and all who assisted in making the Graduation Ceremony such a great event. It was a fitting celebration for a very deserving group of students. Thank you.

2017 classes and transition

Students will participate in a transition activity this afternoon which will see them forming into their 2017 class groups and moving to the classroom in which they will start the school year. They will also, where possible, meet their teachers for next year. It is wonderful testament to our school when so many of our new teachers have volunteered their time to participate in our transition afternoon. It is important for parents (and students) to note that while every effort is made to ensure a smooth transition into 2017 is made, there is still a possibility that there may be some changes to the staffing allocations and room allocations for 2017. As I mentioned in last week’s newsletter, every decision will be made in the best interests of student learning. Requests for class changes will not be considered, at this stage, until after day 8 next year. Day 8 is the day on which our enrolments and subsequent staffing allocation is made.

2017 School Commencement Processes

School commences for all students on 23 January 2017. An opportunity for parents to deliver stationery and school supplies to the classroom and meet the teacher (briefly) will be available on Friday 20 January between 8am and 9am.

New Building Information/Updates

With the construction of the new building, which will be home to our year 5 and 6 students in 2017, looking like it will be very close to completion on the first day of school, contingency plans are being developed to provide temporary classrooms for those year levels - just in case. It will be the temporary classrooms that are published in the first instance and, if the new classrooms are ready, we will advise the school community via our Facebook page. If you haven’t already, I advise you to like the page to make sure you have access to up to the minute information regarding any required changes etc.

Thank you and Merry Christmas

I would like to thank the staff, students and parents of Calliope SS for making 2016 such a remarkable and rewarding year. Our successes have been many and varied across a wide range of contexts and fields and it has been an honour to be able to share these with you all.

I would also like to farewell and thank our departing staff members for their valuable contributions to our school. You will certainly be missed and I wish you every success in your future endeavours.

Finally, a big Merry Christmas to each and every member of our amazing school community. I hope your holidays are filled with joy and relaxation and you return to us in 2017 safe and refreshed, ready to begin another amazing chapter in the Calliope SS story. Take care. See you in the New Year.

Jeremy Godden
Principal
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 have moved or changed 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.

Office hours are 8am–4pm

Uniform Shop
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 on Wednesday. Uniforms can be ordered through flexischools - www.flexischools.com.au.

Stars of the Week

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Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is now closed for the year. Flexischools orders are still open but any order placed after Monday will be ready for collection in 2017. The uniform shop is open on Friday 20th January from 9-11am.

Lost Library Books

Invoices will be sent home to all students who have lost library books during the year. The invoice can be paid at the office. If the library book is located please return it to the library.

Booklist Items purchased from Office

Due to the office relocating, we unable to provide eftpos facilities, so if possible please have the correct money when purchasing the books from the office. Purchasing is available until Tuesday 06th December and when the office reopens in January.

Mini Music Book - $7
Alphabet Scrapbook – $14
Thrass Chart - $7.50

Tuckshop is closed for the last week of school