



# Calliope State School

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## What's happening in ...

### News from 2B

It has been a thrilling first couple of weeks in 2B with all of our students hitting the ground running to start of what looks to be an amazing year. We have been analysing the structure of narratives, and creating character profiles for some of our favourite stars of the page. Describing our own characters in detail has taught us about noun groups and how these help to give a reader a clear picture in their mind.

In Science, we have been having a great time growing our knowledge of mixtures. Exploring methods of combining and separating mixtures has made for some tasty experiments! Students have combined milk and flavouring by shaking to make a milkshake and have observed the large and small particles in the dry ingredients that are mixed to make chocolate crackles. Using their knowledge of particle sizes, students observed ways that these mixtures can be separated into groups of large and small particles.

Year 2 are developing an ever increasing vocabulary including their ability to describe mixtures as homogeneous, meaning all materials are mixed together without being easily separated, and heterogeneous, meaning materials never quite mix all particles together and can be separated fairly easily. Think about a strawberry milkshake, when this is mixed together it creates a homogeneous mix, but if I were to make a bowl of coco pops for breakfast, the crunchy bits don't mix in and stay separate, making a heterogeneous mix.



# Principal's Piece

## **Student Leadership Induction Parade**

What a great sight it was last Friday to witness our 2017 School Captains inducted into their roles. We, as a school, are tremendously proud of our student leadership group for their commitment to our school, their classmates and the community. I am looking forward to a fantastic year. It is important to note that these students need not be our only leaders within the school. A leader, within a school context, is a student who strives to make their surroundings and relationships better with every opportunity. This can be demonstrated through safe, respectful and responsible behaviour as the foundation of actions and interactions at school and while in the community.

## **Pick-up and Drop-off times (Safe, Respectful and Responsible)**

It has been great to be out and about in the mornings and afternoons as parents and carers deliver and collect their children from the classrooms and gates. It has always been one of the endearing features of our school that there is such a sense of community connectedness showcased through the social interactions of our parent body. While the morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up times provide an excellent opportunity for social engagements it is vital to remember that our classrooms are places of work and learning. With this in mind, may I please request that conversations held are done so in quiet manner respectful of the impact that parental distractions can have on the learning opportunities for students in nearby classrooms. Additionally, may I also request that topics of discussion and language used during conversations is appropriate for our Primary School setting?

Additionally, while I don't want to be a killjoy, I must remind families that the playground equipment is not to be used by siblings before or after school. The use of these facilities by non-students while not supervised by DETE poses significant legal risks.

A reminder also to please be aware that dogs are not allowed on school premises. Our first concern is for the welfare and safety of students and the many younger children that visit each morning and afternoon. While a dog on a lead may not seem to be a threat, the situation can often change. Please do NOT bring your dogs onto school premises.

I thank you in advance for your understanding and adherence to these requirements.



## Enrolment numbers

Day 8, our official enrolment data collection date, has come and gone. I am delighted to announce that as at the time of writing this newsletter we have 623 students enrolled. Earlier decisions to create an extra class have certainly been validated and we are seeing a number of families still expressing interests in coming to Calliope SS. This ongoing increase in enrolment can be attributed to the continued success of our school, the dedication of our school staff to providing exemplary teaching and learning opportunities and the ever-increasing range of programs and pathways that are available to our students within academics, sport, the arts and community. Exciting times ahead.

Jeremy Godden  
Principal



## Chess Club

Our school has been recently been invited to take part in a Gladstone chess competition. This Friday at 11am students from year 2 to 6 can register interest in joining the school chess club. Initially it will be open to students who already have an understanding of chess due to the short amount of time leading into the first competition. After that students who want to learn will be invited to take part with the goal of competing in the May competition.

**Dates:** Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May, Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August (8:45-2:15pm)

**Cost:** \$19 per competition (there is a term 1 discount so it will be \$12)

**Transport:** students will have to provide their own transport to CQU Gladstone

**Contact:** if have any inquiries please email Ricky Pryce [rpryc1@eq.edu.au](mailto:rpryc1@eq.edu.au)



## Dates to Remember

07 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	P&C Meeting
13 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	Grip Leadership
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Feb	School Disco
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mar	School Photos
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mar	School Photos
7 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	P&C AGM

Office hours are 8am-4pm  
Cash only as EFTPOS is  
unavailable in our temporary  
office

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

## Uniform Shop Open Wednesday 8.15-9am

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](http://www.flexischools.com.au).



## Parking

Parents are advised that they are not to park on the median strip along the front of the school entrance. This endangers children's safety. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Stars of the Week

<b>Prep A</b>	Jack	<b>Prep B</b>	Kody
<b>Prep C</b>	Eli	<b>Prep D</b>	Poppy
<b>1A</b>	Andrea	<b>1B</b>	Lachlan
<b>1C</b>	Thai	<b>1D</b>	Lilly
<b>2A</b>	Keeley	<b>2B</b>	Tahlia
<b>2C</b>	Jordan	<b>2D</b>	
<b>2E</b>	Connor	<b>3A</b>	KJ
<b>3B</b>	Taiya	<b>3C</b>	Samantha
<b>3D</b>	Jason	<b>4A</b>	Paige
<b>4B</b>	Travis	<b>4C</b>	
<b>5A</b>	Ashton	<b>5B</b>	Braden
<b>5C</b>	Tyler	<b>6A</b>	Amber
<b>6B</b>	Yasmin	<b>6C</b>	Carissa
<b>PE</b>	Mason	<b>Music</b>	
<b>Health</b>	Blaze		

## Class Parent Meetings

During week 4 (13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> February), classes will hold their Class Parent Meetings to provide information to parents about the class expectations and routines. Times are as follows:

Time	Monday - 13 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday - 14 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday - 15 <sup>th</sup>
3.30pm	Year 1	Year 3	Year 4
4.00pm		Year 6	Year 2
4.30pm	Prep A and Prep C	Year 5	
5.00pm	Prep B and Prep D		

## School Photos

**The photo date is Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017.** Personalised order envelopes have been sent home. Spare photo envelopes and sibling envelopes are available at the office.

## P&C News

**Our first P&C meeting for the year is to be held tonight at 6.30pm in the library. All are welcome to attend.**

## Word of the Week

extraordinary

## Prayer Time with Chappy

**When:** Every Wednesday

**Time:** 8:00– 8:30am

**Where:** Chappy Sonia's office



### 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](mailto:admin@calliopess.eq.edu.au). If you would prefer a paper copy please inform the Office.

### 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](mailto:absences@calliopess.eq.edu.au)**

We appreciate and thank-you for your cooperation

## Chappy News

### Love Dare

Demonstrate love by willingly choosing to give in to an area of disagreement between you and your spouse/partner. Tell them you are putting their preference first.

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

### Tuckshop New

Tuckshop is open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Tuckshop orders can be made via the flexischools website – [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au). Please update your child's class on flexischools to ensure their food is delivered to the correct classroom.



### School Banking

School banking resumes on Wednesday, on 8<sup>th</sup> February. Please hand in your deposit book to the office on Wednesday mornings for the banking to be processed. The office has more information regarding the school banking program. The rewards available during 2017 are:

- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers
- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case
- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt handball
- Pencil & Tech Case
- Epic Earphones



### Message for students

Please make sure your child knows before they leave home in the morning to how they are getting home. If you require a message to be delivered to your child during the school day, it is necessary to let the office know before 2nd break which is 1.15pm. We understand that some messages after this time is unavoidable but also we would like you to be aware that these messages may not be conveyed to your child due to class changes etc. We will endeavour to deliver late messages but cannot guarantee the message can be given to your child. It is best that you contact the office ASAP if there is a change in your child's normal routine.

# Community Notices

## !!!REMINDER!!!

With fire season rapidly approaching, we would like to ask parents to refrain from parking in front of the fire hydrant outside the pool.

## Junior Golf Lessons – Term 1

### Junior golf lessons start:

Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 4.15 -5.15pm  
Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 3.30-4.00pm or  
4.15-5.15pm  
Please call: Gladstone Pro Shop - 4978 2648

## AGM – Calliope Kindergarten

14 Menzies St, Centre 2  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 6.30pm  
(following the curriculum presentation) The purpose of this meeting is to elect a new Committee to lead the Kindergarten in 2017.  
All welcome.

## Calliope Pool Number

0497 815 393



# Calliope State School's Wide World of Sport

Welcome back everyone! My name is Karissa Maticic and I am the new PE teacher. Term 1 is a very busy term! We have a variety of different sporting events that are approaching us quickly. We kick off the term with the inter school soccer competition which is closely followed by the NRL Development Cup (inter school rugby league). Calliope State School will also participate in Twilight Netball and the PJ Marsh Cup. Throughout the term, Port Curtis trials will be held for several different sports. The end of term will see us out with our annual Cross Country Carnival. Please remind your children to check the PE notice board located outside my staff room for any upcoming events and other important information. Please contact me if you have any questions, concerns or if you think you could be of any help to me. I am so excited for 2017, we are going to have a ball!



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*Thought for the day...*

*'The height of your success is measured by the depth of your belief'*

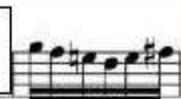
### PORT CURTIS TRIALS

9<sup>th</sup> February – Port Curtis Basketball trials  
13<sup>th</sup> February – Capricornia Swimming nominations  
16<sup>th</sup> February – Port Curtis AFL trials  
9<sup>th</sup> March – Port Curtis Netball and Football boys  
10<sup>th</sup> March - Port Curtis Football girls  
16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> March – Port Curtis Rugby League  
23<sup>rd</sup> March – Port Curtis Hockey  
30<sup>th</sup> March – Port Curtis Rugby Union & Tennis

### SAVE THE DATE

6<sup>th</sup> February – Inter school Soccer competition starts  
15<sup>th</sup> February – NRL Development Cup starts (Inter school Rugby League)  
2<sup>nd</sup> March - Twilight Netball  
27<sup>th</sup> March – Cross Country  
PJ Marsh Cup - TBA





## Welcome to 2017!

The music program is off to a great start this year with Instrumental Music and the School Choir seeing increased enrolments.

### Choirs

After the success of our School Choir at the 2016 Eisteddfod, quite a number of students have decided to continue with choir this year. Due to the increased interest in the school choir, I have decided to create a Junior Choir consisting of students from Years 1 and 2. Students from Years 3-6 will participate in the Senior Choir.

Junior Choir will rehearse at first lunch on Thursdays during play time, and Senior Choir will rehearse at first lunch on Fridays during play time.

While every effort will be made to remind students of these rehearsals each week, it is their responsibility to ensure that they are on time and focused during singing time.

### Instrumental Music

The instrumental programs are doing well this year, and it's great to see so many students learning musical instruments through this program. This is a free program of instruction that we are very privileged to have in all Queensland schools, and is a fantastic opportunity for many students.

Some vacancies still exist in both the Strings, and the Woodwind/Brass/Percussion programs. If you were considering learning an instrument, it's not too late to apply for a spot in Instrumental Music for 2017.

We are very privileged to welcome Ms. Angie Clifton as our Woodwind, Brass and Percussion teacher this year. Ms. Clifton has taught in the region for a long time, and has many years of experience to impart to the students at Calliope State School.

We also welcome back Miss Mandy Ruge, who will be continuing as our Strings teacher again this year.

## Reminder:

### Mini Music Books

This year, we are continuing to use the My Mini Music Book curriculum across all year levels except for Prep. These books contain lesson materials as well as assessment items, and are used for the whole year.

As a part of this, students are expected to have their own copy of the Mini Music Book for their current year level. These books are available from the office for only \$7.



## Weekly Program:

### Tuesdays:

- Woodwind, Brass & Percussion (Ms. Clifton)

### Thursdays:

- Strings (Ms. Ruge)
- Junior Choir Years 1-2 (1<sup>st</sup> Lunch – Mr. Kerr)

### Fridays:

- Senior Choir Years 3-6 (1<sup>st</sup> Lunch – Mr. Kerr)

