



Calliope State School

8th May 2018

Calliope Kids
are:

Safe

Respectful

Responsible



What's happening in ...

News from 5B

It's a good thing there's an extra week this term, 5B are super busy! Hard at work on one of their favourite subjects, science, they have been investigating how the form of living things enables them to function in their environments. They have participated in many hands-on investigations to learn how camouflage and the colour of an animal assist in its survival. Check out the 'predators' below looking for different coloured 'animals' in a dry, dusty environment.

Cartooning has begun to capture the imagination of the students, as they learn about the structural and visual features of comic strips. The students will use a comic strip as a means to communicate their point of view on a topic. For now, they are enjoying experimenting with different drawing techniques.

Through the subject of Humanities and Social Sciences, students are learning about the geographical locations and features of the world. In the 'Spotlight on Europe' activity, it was wonderful to hear their dreams of exploring the wider world one day.



Principal's Piece

It is nice to be back at Calliope School after my extended break. During my time in Vietnam and Cambodia I was fortunate to visit a few schools and found some significant differences as well as many similarities. In one small village the children sang us a song in Vietnamese which was lovely. The floating fishing village was an eye opener, as the children learn to swim before they learn to walk. With water surrounding them, I guess it is an essential skill to learn! We are indeed lucky to have all the space that we do at our school, with plenty of area to play and run on our two ovals.



Mother's Day Stall

Each year, prior to Mothers' Day, the Calliope State School Parents and Citizens' Association convenes a Mothers' Day Stall. This stall provides an opportunity for every learner to purchase a gift for their mother, grandmother or other significant female figure in their life.

The gifts start from \$1.00 and there will be a wide selection to choose from. It is recommended that money is sent to school in an envelope or a snaplock bag. The stall will be open on Wednesday 9-Thursday 10 May. Classes will visit the stall with their class teachers. Volunteers are always sought, even fifteen minutes is of a great help. If you are able to assist, please let a member of the P&C Association know via their Facebook page.

Classes visiting Wednesday 9 May – Prep A, Prep B, Prep D, 1A, 1B, 1D, 2A, 2B, 3A
3C, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 5A, 5B, 5C, 6B

Classes visiting Thursday 10 May - Prep C, 1C, 2C, 2D, 2/3E, 3B, 3D, 6A, 6C



NAPLAN

Next Tuesday-Thursday students in Years 3 & 5 will be completing their NAPLAN assessments. The schedule of testing is below:

NAPLAN timetable:

NAPLAN 2018 paper test timetable

	Tuesday 15 May 2018	Wednesday 16 May 2018	Thursday 17 May 2018
Year 3	Language conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>45 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>45 minutes</i>
Year 5	Language conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>50 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>50 minutes</i>

Timelines for Calliope State School

Tuesday 15th May 2018

Time	Year 3 and Year 5
8:15 – 8:45	NAPLAN years Big Breakfast (Tuckshop area)
8:45 – 9:10	Move to classrooms and morning routines
9:10 – 9:15	Roll Marking
9:15 – 9:30	Introduction Time (As per Test Administration Handbook for Teachers)
9:30 – 10:10	Language Conventions
10:10 – 10:30	20min rest break (Year 3 - Play area – undercover front oval and playground – fruit break) Year 5 – undercroft.
10:30 – 10:35	Transition/Settling time
10:35 - 11:15	Writing

Wednesday 16th May

Time	Year 3 and Year 5
8:15 – 8:45	NAPLAN years Big Breakfast (Tuckshop area)
8:45 – 9:10	Move to classrooms and morning routines
9:10-9:15	Roll marking
9:15 – 9:30	Introduction Time (As per Test Administration Handbook for Teachers)
9:30 – 10:15 (Year 3) 9:30-10:20 (Year 5)	Reading

Thursday 17th May

Time	Year 3 and Year 5
8:15 – 8:45	NAPLAN years Big Breakfast
8:45 – 9:10	Move to classrooms and morning routines
9:10-9:15	Roll marking
9:15 – 9:30	Introduction Time (As per Test Administration Handbook for Teachers)
9:30 – 10:15 (Year 3)	Numeracy
9:30-10:20 (Year 5)	

If you have any questions about your child's participation in the NAPLAN tasks, please speak with Mrs Crapp (Year3-6 Deputy), Mrs Bishop (HOSES) or Mr Wright.

A special breakfast will be provided each morning of the testing for students in Years 3 & 5, between. This will be available from the tuckshop area.

Cluster Meeting - Transition to Prep

Once a term our Prep teachers, Ms Twiner and myself meet with staff from the Calliope Kindy and Goodstart Calliope to share our expertise and knowledge around early childhood education. It is also a great way to discuss transition processes from Kindy to Prep. Our transition program happens early each year, to ensure a smooth transition to Prep for all students. This week we are meeting again and will also be discussing our annual Under 8s morning of activities, which will be on Monday 25 June this year.

Prep Enrolments - 2019

Parents are welcome to put their child's name down at the school office for Prep in 2019. Children are eligible for Prep in 2019 if they were born between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014. We will put names down on our list and Parent Information meetings and enrolment interviews will be held next term. All 2019 Prep students (and any new students) enrolling at Calliope School must provide a copy of a birth certificate to be eligible for enrolment.

Parent Workshops

Our next Parent Workshop is on Thursday 17 May at 4.30pm in the Admin building. The session is a repeat of the "Discovering the Code" workshop held last term. It focuses on using a code introduced in Prep, to decode words when reading. This workshop is aimed at Prep parents and parents new to our school with children in Year 1.



Realene Norris
Deputy Principal

!!DATES TO REMEMBER!!

8th May – ICAS Digital Technologies

15,16 & 17th May – NAPLAN

21st May – Parent Workshop
Spelling

24th May – Coping Café

25th May - FFF

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 to please update your information by calling the office on 4975 8333 or emailing

admin@calliopess.eq.edu.au

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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.

Attendance – Every day Counts

2018 School Attendance for Week 3, Term 2						
Fri 27/04/18	Mon 30/04/18	Tues 01/05/18	Wed 02/05/18	Thurs 03/05/18		
92.5%	92.4%	94.5%	90.7%	91.3%		
Whole School Attendance for the Year to Date: 94%						
Prep	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
93.4%	93.7%	93.9%	94.1%	94%	95%	94.4%

Congratulations to 1D for being the attendance winners for Week 3 with an amazing attendance result of 98%. They were watching their attendance carefully throughout the week and they knew that they had 100% attendance for 4 of the 5 days! Great effort 1D. This week there were only 8 classes which were at or above our school attendance target of 94%.



Stars of the Week



Prep A	Harrison	Prep B	Diesel
Prep C	Lawrence	Prep D	Paiten
1A	Nate	1B	Roman
1C	Caitlin	1D	Colby
2A	Paige	2B	Sienna
2C	Jessica	2D	Millie
2/3E		3A	Jasmyn
3B	Mia	3C	Kahrlin
3D	Tahliah	4A	Archie
4B	Jenna	4C	Curtis
4D	Tori	5A	Max
5B	Alexis	5C	Annabelle
6A	James	6B	Matilda
6C	Jacob	PE	Jasmin
Health	Claire		

PRAYER TIME WITH CHAPPY

When: Every Wednesday

Time: 8:00– 8:30am

Where: Chappy Sonia's office



**OFFICE HOURS ARE
8AM-4PM**

**EFTPOS is AVAILABLE in
the office.**

Student Absences

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RotaKids

On Thursday 3/05/18, Mr Capill came in and talked to us about setting goals and we learnt that if you fail try again. If your goal is too high set it down lower and keep trying to reach your best. Also there will be fitness games all first break next week.

From your Friendly RotaKids

Mothers' Day Stall

Please find below the roster for 2018 Mothers' Day Stall which is being held this week on Wednesday and Thursday. The Mothers' Day Stall is organised by the school P&C.

2018 Mothers' Day Stall		
Time	Wednesday 9 th May	Thursday 10 th May
9.30-9.45	Prep B	6C
9.45-10.00	Prep A	6A
10.00-10.15	4B	1C
10.15-10.30	3A	3B
10.30-10.45	4A	2D
10.45-11.00	5A	2C
Break		
11.45-12.00	3C	3D
12.00-12.15	1D	2/3E
12.15-12.30	Prep D	
12.30-12.45	4D	
12.45-1.00	6B	3A
1.00-1.15	5B	Prep C
Break		
1.45-2.00	1B	
2.00-2.15	1A	
2.15-2.30	2B	
2.30-2.45	2A	
2.45-3.00	4C	
3.00-3.15	5C	



Weekly Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Focus



RESPECTFUL – I display best behaviour at all times

The PBL focus for week four is 'I display best behaviour at all times.' Some examples of displaying best behaviour at all times include:

- using manners when speaking with staff and students;
- being ready to learn with all books and equipment;
- being quiet in class and allowing others to learn;
- and walking when on the concrete.

Please take a minute to reinforce the importance of displaying their best behaviour at all times with your child, and remind them that they can receive stamps for responsible behaviour during class time and Cool Coins during break time.

PBL update

Fantastic Fun Friday happened on Friday, 4th May and we had 378 students attend! Well done to all staff involved and to the students displaying SAFE, RESPECTFUL and RESPONSIBLE at school.

Enjoy your week.

Brian Rowe
Student Welfare Team





Should I be concerned? Suggestions for families

Children's mental health difficulties and how to get help

Some children have emotional and behavioural difficulties that are mild, short-lived and can be resolved with minimum help and support. Others may have difficulties that seem more serious, and interfere with everyday life. Their emotions or behaviour seem to be different to other children of the same age. When problems occur for more than a few weeks and interfere with school, home, friendship or daily life, it is probably time to seek assistance. The following signs may indicate your child has a difficulty that needs professional attention:

- Frequent, unexplained temper tantrums
- Unusual fears
- Difficulty in going to sleep or staying asleep
- Sadness and feelings of hopelessness that don't go away
- Avoiding friends or family and wanting to be alone most of the time
- Refusing to go to preschool or school on a regular basis
- Inability to get along with other children
- Hyperactive behaviour or constant movement beyond regular playing
- Noticeable disinterest or decline in school performance
- Frequent aggressive reaction (more than typically expected in the situation)
- Severe difficulties with concentration, attention and organisation
- Significant changes in behaviour over a short period of time

Things to take into account when deciding on the need for treatment

1. How severe the symptoms are in terms of:
 - how much distress they cause
 - how often they occur.
2. How much impact the symptoms have on the child:
 - at home
 - at school
 - elsewhere
3. How the child's behaviour and feelings compare with that of other children the same age.
4. Any particular experiences within the child's family, school, community or culture that may be influencing the behaviours of concern.

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5. How the difficulties are affecting the child's:

- behaviour
- emotions
- thoughts
- learning
- social relationships

Your doctor or school psychologist/counsellor can provide further advice.