



Calliope State School

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What's happening in ...

News from 2E

During the term the students have started off extremely well with creating a wreath for our ANZAC commemorations as well as beginning to look at new content for the term. Some students volunteered their time to participate in the ANZAC Day march to the cenotaph. It was a great introduction to our Hass assessment.

Throughout the term we looked at stereotypes in stories and the language used to describe characters. We used persuasive language and students created/presented an argument stating why the character doesn't really represent a stereotype. The students were great at identifying traits and enjoyed identifying stereotypical and non-stereotypical characters in stories or movies that they remember or discussed.

The students have made huge improvements in spelling by using the Thras chart and identifying the phonemes and graphemes in words. This was evident due to their spelling choices in their English assessment and their pre and post spelling test.

The students have made amazing push and pull toys this term and each student put in a lot of effort and energy into their creation. Each student was able to not only participate but also was able to discuss what their toy does and reflect with the Year 6 students how they can improve their toy.

Another great achievement for our class is our reading groups. We have had some fantastic parent helpers sitting with our students and listening and engaging in discussions around our reading books. The students have worked incredibly hard and had made big improvements from last terms results.

We love to have fun in our room.



Principal's Piece

This term has passed by so quickly. I encourage you to ask your child/ren about their highlights from the last ten weeks. There has been lots of learning happening, visits and special days. It is always interesting to find out personal highlights as they are so individual.

Under 8s Morning

Only one sleep to go! We are very excited to be hosting the Under 8s Morning tomorrow from 9.15 – 10.45am. We will have all the favourites including face painting, decorate a biscuit, making edible necklaces, goop and painting. Thank you to all the staff who have been very busy preparing for this annual event.

We also welcome lots of visitors to the activities including the Calliope Kindy kids and Goodstart children. We hope to also have other community favourites from the Fire Brigade and Police joining us. Parents and younger siblings are most welcome to attend as well.

Visitors

Over the last week we have been very fortunate to have many visitors to our school who are enhancing our culture and wellbeing.

Last week we celebrated NAIDOC week at first break each day with a different activity. We welcomed Aunty Neola to talk to students, we created a beautiful mural using handprints, students made bracelets and watched Dreaming Stories. On Friday the Waru dancers from Rockhampton entertained everyone with their traditional dancing. A highlight was watching (and then joining) our own Calliope dancers. Thank you to Caroline Geesu for her hard work in organising the NAIDOC Week activities.

On Friday we were also presented with some more very colourful Buddy Benches from the 1996 Chanel High fundraising group. We thank them for their generosity and the Buddy Benches are on the front oval.

Our Year 1 students also participated in their Fire Education visit from the local Fire Brigade on Friday. They learnt all about fire safety and making plans at home in case of fire. We look forward to the next visit when they get to explore the fire truck.

Gladstone Literacy Centre

Next semester the Gladstone Literacy Centre will be located at Calliope School. We will have 13 students attending as part of the next intake. Students from Tannum Sands and Benaraby will also be participating in the focussed literacy sessions.

Celebrations

Many classes have been celebrating their learning from the term over the last few weeks. Year 6 students held very successful Travel Expos recently. This morning I attended the Prep D 'Love of Learning' with their parents. On Friday we will finish the term with our Principal's Parade, where more classes will share their learning. I look forward to seeing many of you at the parade in the hall at 9.15am.

As this is our last week of school for Term 2, I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday break and look forward to seeing you again on Monday 10 July.

Regards

Raelene
Acting Principal



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Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Dear parents/carers,

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

All Australian schools participate in this annual data collection.

The data provided to the Australian Government is aggregated data only. Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child's details to be included, please let me know.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:

- Department's website: <http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html>
- Australian Government Department of Education website: <http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact the school.

Raelene Norris
Acting Principal

Dates to Remember

- 19 June Chocolates due back
- 21 June Under 8's Day
- 22 June Reports sent home
- 23 June Principal's Parade
- 10 July Term 3 resumes

Office hours are 8am-4pm
EFTPOS is AVAILABLE 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.

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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.

Stars of the Week

Prep A	Isla	Prep B	Nate
Prep C	Mitchell	Prep D	Cain
1A	Archer	1B	Gian
1C	Halle	1D	Paige
2A	Callum	2B	Tyson
2C	Elan	2D	Cohan
2E	Ellie	3A	Lachlan
3B	Archie	3C	Xavier
3D	Tori	4A	Matty
4B	Peyton	4C	Georgia
5A	Mackenzie	5B	Charlotte
5C	Caleb	6A	Noah
6B	Zarah	6C	Mai
HPE	Cooper	MUSIC	Keeley

Under 8's Day

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. Parents, younger siblings and carers are very welcome to attend our Under 8's day celebrations.



Chocolate Drive – Year 6

All outstanding boxes of chocolates for the Year 6 chocolate fundraiser need to be returned by asap. All money raised also needs to be returned to the school as soon as possible.

Lost Property

There is a large amount of lost property stored under B Block. Can you please check the lost property if your student has misplaced or lost a jumper, lunch box, water bottle or any school article. The lost property will be checked and named items will be returned to the student. All unnamed lost property not claimed by the end of week 10, will be donated to a charity organisation.

Prayer Time with Chappy

When: Every Wednesday

Time: 8:00– 8:30am

Where: Chappy Sonia's office



Chappy News

Below is a photo of students from Calliope school who participated in the Bella Girl Program with the School Chaplain. Thank you to Calliope Women's Association for partnering with Calliope State School Chaplaincy to run the Bella Girl Program.



Prep Enrolments for 2018

Our prep enrolments for 2018 are now open. Families that live within our catchment area are invited to enrol for 2018. Enrolments for Prep 2018 are now open for children born 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013. A Prep Information session and interviews will be held in Term 3. Please contact the office for additional information.

P & C NEWS

Uniform Shop

The opening time for our uniform shop is

Wednesday and Friday

from 8.30-9.10am. 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

Cooler Weather

The weather is certainly getting cooler in the mornings. Please ensure that as per our enrolment agreement your child is wearing the correct winter uniform. Calliope State School jumpers are available from our uniform shop. Please clearly mark your child/children's jackets with their name.

Personal Details

Do you have a need to update your personal details, phone numbers, mobile numbers, addresses, email, emergency contacts, court orders to name but a few. At times we are finding one or more has changed, which could lead to a delay in contacting you in an emergency. Please advise us and update if your personal circumstances have changed.

Also, if you are moving over the holidays can you please notify the school office before the end of term.



**Calliope Country Club's
"Biggest Morning Tea"
28th June 2017 @
10am to 2pm
\$20 per ticket.**

Tickets are available for purchase at the club or book your table and pay on the day. Ph: 4975 7454. RSVP for bookings is the 21st June.

Competition Details:

1st: Bake a scrumptious cake and present it to the judges on the day.

2nd: The outfit or hat that best embraces the theme!

Theme: "Whatever Makes you Feel Joy"

Botanic to Bridge 2017

Registrations are now open for the 2017 Botanic to Bridge. Early bird discount is available until Sunday 18 June. Registrations close on Thursday 17 August at 9am. It is a great family activity and part of the fees are returned to our school. The event will be held on Sunday 20 August this year.



NAIDOC Week Photos



School Watch

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NAIDOC WEEK



Last week our school celebrated Naidoc Week. A big thank you to Caroline Geesu for co-ordinating Indigenous activities throughout last week where our students got to experience culture within our school. We had the privilege of invited guests, the Waru Dancers from Rockhampton, our own student dancers, sharing the meaning of 'Welcome to Country' by Aunty Neola Savage (Gooreng, Gooreng) and varied lunchtime activities.





Calliope State School RotaKids

A look back at Semester 1, 2017



Rotary District Governor Craig Winter chartering (officially starting) Calliope School's RotaKids Club at a special parade. Our school captains and vice-captains took on the board positions (President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary). We inducted two class representatives from each class in years 3-6. The reps were chosen by their peers. The reps serve for one semester (two terms). The reps will report to a buddy class in Prep-2.



RotaKids ran lunch time activities for Prep to help them develop their confidence. They played tunnel ball and captain ball in preparation for Sports Day. They also had a mega obstacle course on the oval.



Free Dress Day - 'What you want to be when you grow up'. The money raised will purchase magazine subscriptions for the library.



In collaboration with the P&C, the 5c Drive raised \$876 to contribute to fees for year 6 camp. 1D and 4A enjoyed class parties for being the classes that raised the most money.



RotaKids organised a canned food drive for the Dignity Hub at Roseberry Community Services.



Free Dress Day wearing purple raised funds and awareness for prevention of Domestic and Family Violence. We raised \$340.



RotaKids had GM Colleen to speak about all the community programs Roseberry community services run.



Sergeant Vicky from the police also came to speak at the RotaKids meeting.



Helping children to manage feelings

"Let's go, let's go. Come on Dad!"

This is the family outing that everyone in the family has been waiting for. Seven-year-old Voula has been up since dawn jumping around excitedly.

When Voula gets wound up it can be difficult to keep things under control.

She doesn't seem to understand that her baby brother doesn't like her jumping around and poking at him, or that her Dad is a bit slower in the mornings and needs his space.

You don't want to dampen her enthusiasm, but you'd like her to be able to express it in ways that are less annoying to others!

Learning to manage feelings

Children's feelings are often intense. They can be quickly taken over by feelings of excitement, frustration, fear or joy.

When feelings take over children's behaviour, they can find it difficult to manage without adult support. This is why learning how to recognise and manage feelings is a very important part of children's social and emotional development.

Understanding that all sorts of feelings are normal, that they can be named, and that there are ways of handling them are the first things children need to learn about feelings. Understanding that feelings affect behaviour, and being able to recognise how this happens are important steps for learning to manage feelings.

How parents and carers can help children manage feelings

1. Notice feelings

Before we can learn how to control feelings, we first have to notice them. You can help your children notice feelings by noticing them yourself and giving them labels: happy, sad, excited, frustrated, angry, embarrassed, surprised, etc. Giving feelings names helps to make them more manageable for children.

Learning to pay attention to how they are feeling helps children understand that they can have emotions without being controlled by them.

2. Talk about everyday feelings

Talking with children about what it's like when you're angry, sad, nervous or excited helps them find ways to express feelings without having to act them out through negative behaviours. Children learn these skills best when they hear adults and peers using words to express feelings and when they are encouraged to use words like this too.

Learning to name feelings helps children find ways to express them without having to act them out.

3. Create space for talking about difficult feelings

Help children to separate a feeling from a difficult reaction by helping them name it. Being able to say or think, "I am feeling angry," means that children don't have to act really angry before anyone takes notice. It allows them to choose how they will respond. The same idea works with other difficult feelings like nervousness or fear.

Learning to cope with feelings helps children manage their behaviour at school and at home. It helps them learn better, relate to others better and feel better about themselves.

Things to remember

- learning skills for managing feelings takes practise
- noticing and naming feelings comes first
- talking about everyday feelings in normal conversations makes it easier when the difficult feelings come up
- talking about difficult feelings is usually best tried after the feelings have calmed down a bit, and when children, parents and carers are feeling relaxed.

Things to try at home

- Use feeling words when you talk with children about everyday situations: "You scored a goal! How exciting was that!"; or: "It's pretty disappointing that Kati can't play with you today."
- Invite children to describe their own feelings: "I'm feeling pretty nervous about going to the dentist. How about you?"; or "How did you feel when...?"