News from 3C

3C has had a very busy start to Term 3. We have been writing retells of Traditional Stories and working on our multiplication facts however we are most excited about our work as scientists. This term we have been conducting some exciting experiments to investigate how heat travels. We have been discussing how to safely measure the heat of something and have been practicing using thermometers. At the end of the term we are going to be trying to find the best way to heat up water.

We have also become card makers in Technology and are learning about the different techniques and materials we can use to make cards for our loved ones. We hope that by the end of the term we will have a whole collection of cards to bring home.

P & C Meeting – Tuesday 2nd August 6.30pm
Administration Building
All Welcome!!
Hi all and welcome to another week at Calliope State School.

Last week I discussed the timeliness of revisiting our school priorities and taking the opportunity to celebrate and report on the progress we have made to date in each of the three areas, WELLBEING, CURRICULUM AND PEDAGOGY.

Our Wellbeing team has been working tirelessly to continue to build on our terrific school culture through the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Framework and the implementation of KidsMatter in providing research and evidence based structures around which our school can operate. We have been working to link this school-wide framework to the classroom as we develop our very own, Calliope SS Learning and Wellbeing Framework.

The Friends Program has been implemented in several year levels and continues to be reviewed and refined to ensure it is providing our students with high-quality learning opportunities regarding social interaction, developing and maintaining friendships and resilience.

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• Establish Wellbeing Priority leadership team comprising of members from each year level – enacted. Team meets regularly and is contributing to the future direction of wellbeing at Calliope SS |
| Reinvigoration of School Wide Positive Behaviour and Support (SWPBS) (Now called Positive Behaviour for Learning- PBL) | • Streamline policy documents, procedures and expectations and clearly define roles and responsibilities – ongoing  
• Staff induction program to ensure new staff to CSS become versed in CSS Signature Practices in Curriculum, Pedagogy and Wellbeing – update and ongoing  
• Explicit lessons and strategic timetabling of SWPBS lesson times – enacted |
| Improve student attendance                      | • Continuation of attendance team processes as per the Calliope SS Attendance Guidelines  
• Introduction of SMS attendance messaging system - implemented |

SAME DAY STUDENT ABSENCE NOTIFICATION

The safety and wellbeing of students are the highest priorities for Calliope SS, the Department of Education and Training and for the Queensland Government.

On Monday, 11th July, 2016, the report ‘When a child is missing: Remembering Tialeigh’ – a report into Queensland’s children missing from out-of-home care was released and the Queensland Government has accepted a recommendation from the Queensland Family and Child Commission that the Department will implement same day notifications advising parents/carers when a child has an unexplained absence from school.
Schools were notified last term that the new Education Queensland initiative of same day absence follow up for students in out of home care was beginning at the start of this term. This will apply to all students by Term 4 through legislation. This is a significant change as previously it was after the second day on unexplained absences that the school was required to follow up.

This is not a major change for Calliope State School as we have already implemented an automated same–day student absence notification text-messaging process as a part of our improvement agenda through the Everyday Counts initiate.

As parents you can assist us as a school to take the best possible care of your child by notifying the school on the same day your child is away.

I thank the majority of parents/caregivers of Calliope State School for doing an excellent job in letting the school know when your child is absent. The quickest way to inform the school is by phone.

Below is an excerpt from Education Qld regarding parent/caregiver responsibilities in relation to attendance at school and absenteeism:

"Each parent of a child who is of compulsory school age has the legal obligation to ensure their child is enrolled and attends a school, on every school day for the educational program in which the child is enrolled, unless the parent has a reasonable excuse.

From time to time a student may be absent from their educational program. Parents comply with their compulsory schooling or compulsory participation obligation by providing a satisfactory reason."

Remember every day counts.

**SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY**

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the 2016 School Opinion Survey. This information, when it returns to us, will provide valuable insight into the community’s thoughts and expectations about our school.

Jeremy Godden
Principal
Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) 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 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:


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

Jeremy Godden
Principal
Calliope State School
Botanic to Bridge – 21st August

We have three weeks to go until the Botanic to Bridge Fun Run. Please register as it is a fabulous family activity. Homework passes will be given to any students who can beat Miss Norris’s time.

Stars of the Week

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Word of the Week

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Chappy’s Corner
Relationship first, then children
Being too busy or too devoted to the kids is an excellent way of avoiding real time with your partner, during which you’d have to face and resolve difficulties. As your children grow older and everything becomes more complicated, the first thing to give way will be your weakened relationship. Time alone with your partner can weatherproof your relationship, protecting it from the storms of raising a family.
"The Blessing of a Skinned Knee’ by Wendy Mogel’

School Disco – Thursday 4th August

Risk and Protective factors
Children who have protective factors in their lives can have improved mental health. One way to understand mental health in early childhood is through risk and protective factors. The relationship between risk and protective factors is complex; however, it is known that reducing risk factors and building protective factors in children has a positive effect on their mental health and wellbeing.
To read more click on the click and it will take you to the full article on the Families page of the KidsMatter website. https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/mental-health-matters/mental-health-basics

Uniform Shop
The opening time for our uniform shop is Wednesday 8.15-9.00am. 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.

Prayer Time with Chappy
When: Every Wednesday
Time: 8:00– 8:30am
Where: Chappy Sonia’s office between 3A and 3B

Calliope Pool
Austswim Courses @ Calliope Pool – Teacher of Swimming & Water Safety – 27th/28th August
- Teacher of Infant & Preschool Aquatics – 2nd October
Enrolments can be made through Austswim Website. Course co-ordinated by Bernie – email dolphin-69@bigpond.com

Casual Position Vacant – Calliope Swimming Pool for 2016/17 Season
Pool Lifeguard (courses available through – royal Life QLD)
Aqua Aerobics Instructor
Learn to Swim Instructor
Please forward Resume and Qualifications to jodi.robertson@hotmail.com
School-wide Positive Behaviour Learning is:

A systems approach for establishing the social culture and individualised behavioral support needed for schools to be effective learning environments for all students.

Evidence-based features of SW-PBL

- Prevention
- Define and teach positive social expectations
- Acknowledge positive behaviour
- Arrange consistent consequences for problem behaviour
- On-going collection and use of data for decision-making
- Continuum of intensive, individual interventions.
- Administrative leadership – Team-based implementation (Systems that support effective practices)

Create a positive school culture:

School environment is predictable

1. common language
2. common vision (understanding of expectations)
3. common experience (everyone knows)

School environment is positive

- regular recognition for positive behaviour

School environment is safe

- violent and disruptive behaviour is not tolerated

School environment is consistent

- adults use similar expectations.

At Calliope SS our Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL) team collects behaviour data and as a team we respond to data by identifying problem behaviour or areas. As a team we respond by teaching the students the behaviour expectation through weekly lessons. At times, we may have to change or adjust systems and procedures to improve student behaviour. Most of all our SW-PBL procedures have common language used by students, teachers, admin, and the community of Calliope SS.

Remember our three rules: **SAFE, RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE**
Coping Café – 17th August
Parents are invited to come along and chat with support staff and other invited guests over a cuppa and cake on the 17th of August at 9am in the Library square.

Prep Information Session – 15th August
Student enrolments are now being accepted for the 2017 school year. If you have a child who is eligible for Prep in 2017 please enrol early so that you will receive all relevant information and details relating to the upcoming transition program. Students are eligible for Prep 2017 are born 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012. Enrolment details can be obtained through the school office.

Calliope Catwalk – 13th August 2016
Calliope Catwalk Ladies Day will be an afternoon of fun, fashion and friends and will include the Recycled Fashions and Wearable Art Fashion Awards. Parents can collect a book of 10 tickets from the office. Entry forms can be collected from the office.

Trivia Night – 6th August
Attached is the flyer for the Calliope Junior Rugby League’s Trivia Night, held on the 6th August at the Calliope State School’s hall. There are only limited tables left.

Calliope Rural Fire Brigade Community Day
Calliope Rural Fire Brigade Community Day is being held on Saturday 30th August from 8.30am at IGA carpark. Please come along with the kids to see the truck and meet the team members.

Community News