Calliope Kids are:

Safe
Respectful
Responsible

What’s happening in …

3C
Boom! Crash! Splash! It is 3C working on their sizzling starts. We have been using sounds, speech and actions to make our writing make the reader keep reading. This ties in well with the year three unit of persuasive texts. The students have been reading Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss and I Wanna Iguana by Karen Kaufman. We have been investigating the certain words these authors use to persuade the reader.

In PE, students in 3C are learning different types of basketball skills. They really enjoy dribbling the ball.

NEW Smoking Ban Policy!

From January 1 this year smoking any tobacco products or using an electronic cigarette within five metres of any state or private school grounds has been banned. This applies before, during and after school hours as well as over weekends and school holidays. On the spot fines can be issued by environmental health officers, police officers or other officers authorised by the local government to anyone found in breach of this legislation. The ban does not extend over businesses or residences that share a property boundary with a school. Please remember to put out your cigarette and dispose of the litter thoughtfully well before you reach the school boundary. Please Visit http://www.health.qld.gov.au/public-health/topics/atod/tobacco-laws/schools/default.asp
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.

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Newsletter Distribution
The newsletter is published every Tuesday and is sent via email. If you have not given the school 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

School Payments
Please be aware that all eftpos transactions have a minimum limit of $10.

Principal’s Piece
Every day is a learning day!

Last Friday we presented our 2015 School Leaders with their badges. Thank you to Councillor Karen Porter and Policeman Andrew (Calliope SS Adopt-A-Cop) for presenting the badges on parade. The leaders will be attending a Leadership Day with other Primary School leaders on Monday February 16. I look forward to a wonderful year working with our leaders.

Attendance at school is a priority at all schools. This year Calliope has a target of 94% attendance across the school. We will be introducing a weekly class attendance award to be presented on parade each Friday for the class with the highest attendance rate for that week. Students with 95-100% attendance each term receive recognition. Our students with 100% attendance for the year will also be acknowledged at the end of the year at our last Principals’ Parade with a certificate and surprise. If your child is away due to illness or family reasons please ensure you contact the school either through a note to the class teacher or phone the absence line on 49758366 or email absences@calliopess.eq.edu.au.

As many of you would know, our enrolment numbers from Day 8 were 589 students. This means we now have 24 classes at Calliope State School, including five Prep classes. Due to the increasing student enrolment, we have had to make some minor adjustments in the lower school. All classes have started this week in their new class groups. Thank you for your support while we made the changes last week.

Regards
Raelene
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**Stars of the Week**

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**Parent/ teacher meetings**

During week 4 of this term, all classes will be holding a parent/teacher meeting to discuss class routines and expectations. All parents are welcome to attend.

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**No excuse words**

As part of our Spelling and Writing program at Calliope this year, we are continuing to use ‘no excuse words’ in all grades from Year 1-6. This week your child will be bringing home their list of words that are the no excuse words for their year level. These are the words that all students at that year level are expected to spell correctly in all written work.

**The Calliope Breakfast**

Breakfast Club will start again in 2015 on Friday 13 February.

**Students arriving Late or early departures**

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**Messages for Students**

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**P & C NEWS**

**Uniform Shop**

The opening times for our uniform shop. The uniform shop will be open every Monday 8.30 to 9.30am and Friday from 8.00 - 9.00am.

Please remember that Uniform Shop sales are by cash or cheque only. If you are unable to be at the uniform shop on Monday mornings you can fill out an order form and leave it at the office and the P & C will fill the order and deliver it to your child’s classroom the following Monday. If you require an order form you can collect one from the office.

**Tuckshop Roster**

11th Feb- C. Murphy, R. Marsh, K. Birch.
12th Feb- R. Thurgood, M. Behrendt, M. Ingham.
18th Feb- A. Austin, S. Bukowski, K. Birch.
Community News

Gladstone Performing Arts Company (GPAC) Youth Theatre Group
The GPAC Youth Theatre group will commence in the 2nd week of Term 1 on Wednesday afternoons from 4:15 to 5:15pm. Activities will include singing, dancing, acting and drama. For more information or to register your interest in your child attending, please contact Sarah Bobart: 0408728594 or join our group on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/GladstonePerformingArtsCompany/

Junior Golf Clinics
Starting Wednesday 11th Feb and Thursday 12th Feb. Times: 3.30pm to 4.00pm - 8 years and under. 4.15pm to 5.15pm over 8 and more experienced. 7 Weeks $100. Please ring Gladstone Golf Shop 7am to 5.30pm 49782649.

HOCKEY
Souths Sports Club will be holding their 2015 sign-on day on Saturday 14th February, between 3-6pm. It will be held at Rigby Park Hockey Fields on Dawson Hwy, opposite the 24hr servo. All grades, boys and girls, are welcome to register, and bring the whole family for a free sausage sizzle and bouncy castle. Enquiries to southshockey@gmail.com

Calliope Kindergarten is holding its 2015 Annual General Meeting
At Calliope Kindergarten, 14 Menzies Street Calliope. Tuesday, 17th February 7:00pm. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a new Committee to lead the Kindergarten in 2015. Look forward to seeing you there.

The Annual Bus Conveyance Meeting for the Dan-Dan Bus Run will be held on Monday 23rd February at 9:30am at Annabelle’s Coffee House. It is a legal requirement from Main Roads & Transport that this meeting be held annually, if not the bus run may cease. Phone Kate Chapman 49756132 for any further information.

Connect -2-Kindy Coordinator - Calliope
The Benevolent Society are currently looking for a Connect-2-Kindy coordinator to work in the Calliope area. They will be based at Calliope School, working with children and families from 0 – 3.5 years. Please see link below for more information. http://www.benevolent.org.au/jobs/current-opportunities/2015/02/06/760--connect2kindy--coordinator

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Please return to the office to inform us of your email address for newsletter purposes.

Students Name: ____________________________________________
Parents Name: ____________________________________________
Email: ____________________________________________________
Signed: _____________________________ Date: ______________

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.

Every minute of every hour of every session of every day of learning counts at Calliope State School
Calliope’s Wide World of Sport

Interschool Soccer
The boys and girls soccer teams will both be competing in the Toyworld Cup on Monday afternoons at the BITS Soccer Fields. Both the boys and girls will be playing at 4pm on Monday the 9th of February. Good luck to both teams.

Interschool Rugby League
The boys and girls have started to train with coach, Mr Mohi Andersen, for the Development Cup which will be held on Wednesday afternoons at Briffany Creek. Calliope SS will play their first game on the 18th of February with a time and team to be advised.

Port Curtis Swimming
Congratulations to Jai, who will be competing in the Capricornia Swimming Trials in Rockhampton. Jai has been training hard and has swum some very competitive times in recent carnivals. All the best, Jai!

Australian National Anthem

Verse 1
Australians all let us rejoice,  
For we are young and free;  
We've golden soil and wealth for toil,  
Our home is girt by sea;  
Our land abounds in Nature's gifts  
Of beauty rich and rare;  
In history’s page, let every stage  
Advance Australia fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia fair.

Verse 2
Beneath our radiant Southern Cross  
We’ll toil with hearts and hands;  
To make this Commonwealth of ours  
Renowned of all the lands;  
For those who’ve come across the seas  
We’ve boundless plains to share;  
With courage let us all combine  
To Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia Fair.