What’s happening in ...

4B

4B has had a very exciting start to Term 2 with the beginning of a new subject, Geography. During this unit the students are learning to identify the continents and oceans around the world as well as developing skills such as reading maps, legends, grid references, using directions, using scale and representing data just to name a few.

The students have been showing great enthusiasm with the hands on activities such as mapping and estimating and measuring distances using the scale on a map. The photos below are some examples of what the students have been doing in Geography this term.
**Dates to Remember**

- 13-15 May: NAPLAN
- 20 May: Under 8s Morning
- 23 May: FFF – Student/Teacher Ball Games
  - Crazy Sock Day
- 3 June: P&C Meeting
- 5 June: Korean Cultural Day
- 6 June: Sports Day
- 9 June: Queen’s Birthday
  - Holiday
- 13 June: Cleaners’ Day
  - Free Dress Day – State of Origin
  - FFF – Movie Day
- 17 June: ICAS Spelling
- 19 & 20 June: School Photos
- 20 June: Reports go home
- 20 June: Country Coast Athletics

**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 on 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. We appreciate and thank you for your cooperation.

**Newsletter Distribution**

The newsletter is published every Monday and is sent via email. If you have not given the school office your email please do so by calling the office or emailing vnoco1@eq.edu.au. If you would prefer a paper copy please inform the Office.

**Office hours are 8am–4pm**

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**Principal’s Piece**


Every day is a learning day!

A huge congratulations to our cross country team for a tremendous effort at the Port Curtis Cross Country last Friday. Calliope came 1st in the Large Schools category, 1st in the Country Coast Schools category and 2nd overall. Thank you to everyone who supported our students and our school at this event.

**Country Coast Schools**

![Country Coast Schools](chart)

Last year we were lucky enough to have Sibelco support our ‘Every Day Counts’ initiative, donating iPads to students who had 100% achievement. This year we aim to reward students with 100% attendance once again, but it may not be in the form of an iPad. Attendance at school is important for learning and research shows that students with high attendance achieve better than those with lower attendance. When a parent comes to us about concerns about their child’s progress, the first conversation we will have with them is about attendance. Term One’s 100% attendance letters and ice-cream vouchers will be out in the mail this week.

Have a great NAPLAN week; early nights and good breakfasts are important so that student’s brains are ready to go.

Have a great week!

Regards

Marni Morrison
We now have eftpos available at the office for your convenience. This facility is for school related purchases, not for P&C Payments. Please note there is a $5 minimum payment.

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.

Winners of the P&C Mother’s Day raffle are:
Max 4/5C
Zayne 6A
Kyle 7A
Molly 6B
Jordis 1B

Tuckshop Roster
14th May - R. Marsh, J. Burfield, Shayne, C. Nightingale
15th May- K. Booth, C. Murphy, L. Ninness
21st May K. Baker, C. Campbell, T. Gerardini
22nd May M. Ingham, L. O’Connor, S. Taylor

School Banking
School Banking is held every Wednesday 8-9am at the Office. If you are new to our school and would like to open up a Dollarmite account, please see Vanda in the school office. This program teaches kids about smart savings and good money management, while having lots of fun on the way.

Maths Mental Strategies
This week we are focusing on:
Prep – Year 3: Halve
Knowing doubles also helps with subtraction where related doubles pairs are involved. For example, for 12-6, knowing that double 6 is 12 is useful. The opposite of doubling is halving.

Years 4-7: Rounding
Friendly numbers, that is, numbers that end in a 0, are easy to add. Rounding offers the opportunity for students to quickly round to a friendly number, and then add or subtract to create a reasonable estimate for a computation. The majority of additions and subtractions carried out in the real world require a quickly estimated ballpark answer not an accurate answer. Using a number line or 100 square to actually see that a number over 5 is closer to the next 10 and a number under 5 is closer to the previous 10 helps some students to create a visual image needed for estimation.

Stars of the Week

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Staying safe around bats
Students need to be aware that bats and flying foxes pose minimal risk to humans but may spread harmful viruses if they scratch or bite someone. Refer to the Living with Bats website.
**SWPBS**

**Play Areas – General**

### 4 options at play time:

- **Eating area/covered area**
  - finish eating
  - if you don’t have a hat
  - play handball
  - play undercover games

- **Playground**
  - playing on the equipment
  - playing in the sand

- **Oval**
  - running games (tiggy, etc...)
  - sports (soccer, cricket, touch football, etc...)
  - other games

- **Library**
  - read books/borrow books
  - play board games
  - Grades 5-7 can use the computers (with a pass)

**Prep Options**

- Prep playground
- **Oval (from the Eastern tree line to the MPH), once settled in**
- Under B block
- Library

**Year 1 Options**

- Year 1 playground
- **Oval (from the Eastern tree line to the MPH)**
- Under B block
- Library

**2/3 Options**

- 2/3 playground
- **Oval (from the Eastern tree line to the MPH)**
- Under B block
- Library

**4/5 Options**

- 4-7 playground and front oval (includes the cricket nets and netball courts) **during second break**
- Back oval and basketball courts **during first break**
- Tuckshop area/shade cloth area (**students with no hat are to only play under permanent roofs not shade cloth areas**)
- Library (Year 5 on computers with a pass)

**6/7 Options**

- 4-7 playground and front oval (includes the cricket nets and netball courts) **during first break**
- Back oval and basketball courts **during second break**
- Tuckshop area/shade cloth area (**students with no hat are to only play under permanent roofs not shade cloth areas**)
- Library (Year 6 & 7 on computers with a pass)

**Reminders for all students:**
- No P-3’s on back oval
- Students with no hat are to play under permanent roofs, not shade cloth areas
- No playing in the ‘creek’ area between the front and back ovals
- Long jump pits are out-of-bounds
- 4-7’s are to use the cement bridge only to access the back oval
- No students should be playing in the trees between the 2/3 playground and the handball courts adjacent to the 4-7 playground
**Under 8’s morning**
Our annual Under 8’s morning will be celebrated on Tuesday 20 May at Calliope School. Students in Prep – Year 3 will be able to participate in a wide range of activities on the oval from 9.15 – 10.45am. Our year 6 and 7 students will be involved by assisting the teachers to run the activities. Parents are most welcome to attend. Please return permission forms this week if you have not already done so.

**2014 Premier’s Reading Challenge**
Calliope School will again be participating in this state-wide event. The Challenge commences on 20 May and concludes on 5 September. Prep – Year 2 students must read or engage with 20 books, Years 3 and 4 students must read 20 books and Years 5 to 7 students must read 15 books. Reading Log forms will be sent home with all students from Prep – Year 7 next week. Once students have completed the Challenge they will return forms to their class teacher.

**Calliope’s Wide World of Sport**

**Port Curtis Cross Country**
On Friday, 7 dedicated students travelled to Benaraby to compete for selection in the Port Curtis Cross Country team. Delaney and Kiera were first up and both ran a solid race. Kiera finished 6th overall and Delaney raced well with one of her fastest times. Isaak and Wally raced next in the biggest race of the day. Out of 60 racers, Wally placed 15th and Issak ran an exceptional race finishing in the middle of the pack with a great time. Brooke raced next and flew through the other competitors. Brooke finished 4th overall and earned herself a place in the Port Curtis team. Next was Connor who raced against the leaders the whole race, finishing in the top 15. Calliope’s last race was the 12 year old girls, Abbie and Alexa raced very well and both finished in the top 20. Well done to all the students who participated! Thank you to all the parents who travelled to Benaraby, supported the children and who helped set up and pack up the tent.

**Port Curtis Rugby League**
Last weekend, Connor, Carsen, Chase and Jai went to Mackay to participate in the Capricornia rugby league trials. From all reports, the boys played fantastically with Connor and Jai selected in the Capricornia teams. Well done boys!

**Upcoming Port Curtis Sport**
Softball Trials – 22nd of May
Girls Rugby League Trials – 12th of June

**Buslink QLD Pty Ltd**
Buslink QLD Pty Ltd is currently looking to recruit a casual school bus driver for work in the Calliope area – based at our Calliope depot. The role offers 4 hours’ work per school day (20hrs per week for 40 weeks per year) Buslink is looking for a person who:

- has an MR licence
- preferably has experience in the passenger transport industry
- has a focus on safety and customer service
- is looking to work for a stable organisation with long-term secure contracts
- is capable of getting a Drivers Authority
- may have some spare hours in the day and looking for that extra income

**Immediate start available for experienced Driver with MR licence and current Drivers Authority**

Full training is available for persons with little or no previous experience.

Please apply to: busdriver@buslinkqld.com.au

**BRING YOUR DOG ALONG TO GLADSTONE’S MILLION PAWS WALK ON SUNDAY 18TH MAY, CANOE POINT, TANDEM SANDS. WALK STARTS 9AM.**