



# Calliope State School

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Calliope Kids  
are:

Safe

Respectful

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## What's happening in ...

### News from Prep/1E

The young learners in Prep/1 E never cease to amaze their teachers with their clever ideas and enthusiasm. The children have gained confidence through many activities. An example of this is, after being inspired by the Year Five's amazing dioramas on Friday Prep/1 E students had two replica models made by Monday afternoon; of course with their own spin on it.

In English, they have developed a repertoire of listening, speaking, viewing, reading, writing and creating skills. Both year levels have focused on improving their recount skills. Through this process the children have learnt about essential forms of punctuation and focused on capital letters and full-stops. The Year One children have had to include detail by adding adjectives and adverbs to their writing. They have continued to extend their vocabulary and have learnt to read with expression and fluency. Through engagement with literature Prep/1 E students have learnt about themselves, each other and the world, and are beginning to develop an appreciation of literature. Our favourite books so far have been: 'Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus', The Very Cranky Bear series and the Pug series. We also fell in love with a new book called, 'Sad the Dog', that allowed us to talk about emotions in stories and another new favourite is 'Something Wonderful' which has encouraged the class with their planning and designing.

Our highlight for this term is Year One's excellent spelling results last week. We all had great success with most of the class getting 100% and our lowest score being 7/10. We were so proud of ourselves.

Our Prep children had a great time on their Teddy Bear's Picnic and increased their knowledge about mapping.

We are looking forward to the next half of the year and will continue to focus on the four habits of mind that help us achieve success throughout our school lives. These are confidence, persistence, organisation and getting along with others. Thank you to all the wonderful parents in our room that continue to support us however they can.

# Principal's Piece

ABC TV is currently showing a program titled Revolution School. It is described as an inspiring series about everyday Australian kids and the science behind improving education.

This program has led me to reflect on the improvement agenda we are working on at Calliope State School. While we are not Kambrya College in Victoria, we at Calliope State School are working, on a daily basis, to improve student learning.

Teaching is an exciting and sometimes overwhelming profession. Teachers are asked to identify evidence-based practices, differentiate their instruction to meet the needs of each student who enters their classroom with a variety of academic and behavioural strengths and challenges: deliver high quality instruction in an engaging manner: assess students' learning relative to established curriculum standards; and complete a myriad of other tasks. To meet any of these demands, the school must also support and manage student behaviour.

Two areas where we are investing time and effort in understanding the science of school improvement is in teaching reading and managing student behaviour.

We are using an evidenced-based approach to manage student behaviour. The expectation is that teachers create and maintain a positive, organised and effective classroom environment. The framework used is **Positive Behaviour for Learning**.

PBL is a prevention framework based on a problem solving approach that emphasises:

1. Providing a continuum of support for all students;
2. Evaluating the implementation and outcomes of those supports;
3. Using data to guide decision making about how to improve and/or sustain implementation.

PBL counteracts the traditional "wait-to-fail" models that characterised the old way of doing business and moves us towards a prevention-based approach. This concept is similar to an evidenced-based approach to teaching reading where early intervention is used to ensure all students are readers as closing the gap is a low probability option.

Parents and community members see the surface features of PBL in the form of murals, classroom signs, reward and recognition systems, stamps, stickers and badges. But PBL is much more than posters, murals and badges. PBL is about the explicit teaching of behaviour and providing students with feedback and using positive feedback to reinforce the expected and required behaviour.

It is positive to see the number of students who are eligible to participate in our Fantastic Fun Friday for being Safe, Responsible or Respectful.

## **Principal's Parade**

This term's Principal's Parade (Friday 24 June 9:15am) will again showcase some amazing talent from our classes and celebrate some terrific achievement from our students. We would love to see as many parents there as possible. Please be reminded that, due to the construction that is currently happening, access to the hall will be through the front of the school.

This semester we will be presenting a new award for the first time. The Rotary Club of Calliope has donated a student laptop as the semester prize for the "Rotary Club of Calliope Everyday Counts Award". All students with attendance above 98% with no unexplained absences will be eligible. Eligible students will be put into a draw and the winner will be announced at Principal's Parade.

### **School Watch - Keep a watch on our school these holidays**

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see something suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene. Call School Watch on **13 17 88** and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter. The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education and Training, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools. Keep the number handy and let's work together to help create a safer school community.

### **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:

- 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 me directly.

Jeremy Godden  
Principal  
Calliope State School

## Dates to Remember

15 June	ICAS Spelling
17 June	NAIDOC Dancers
23 June	Report cards go home
24 June	Principal's Parade

## 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](mailto: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 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](mailto:admin@calliopess.eq.edu.au). If you would prefer a paper copy please inform the Office.

## Office hours are 8am-4pm

## Prayer Time with Chappy

**When: Every Wednesday**

**Time: 7:45 – 8:00am**

**Where: Chappy Sonia's office between 3A and 3B**

## Calliope's Wide World of Sport



### Athletics Carnival

Thank you to all of the students, teachers and parents who attended the 2016 Athletics Carnivals. It was great to see so many students participate and excel at different events over the 3 days. A special thank you to the Calliope RSL and the Calliope Roosters for the loan of their shade tents. Congratulations to our age champions and winning house, Oxley.

8 years – Mekal and Braith

9 years – Skye, Jasmin and Arian

10 years – Jordyn and Travis

11 years – Ellara and Tyler

12 years – Tracey and Darcy

### Country Coast Athletics

Congratulations to the 40 students who participated in the Country Coast Athletics Carnival on Friday at St. Francis, Tannum Sands. All students did extremely well and proudly represented the school. Congratulations to Tyler Peckham-Harris and Tracey Betts who were named Age Champions for their age division. Students who finished 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> in the 10-11 year old age group and 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 12 year old age group will receive an invitation to attend the Port Curtis trials at Boyne Island SS on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July. Good luck to those students!

### Botanic to Bridge

The annual walk/run is on again on Sunday 21 August 2016. Early bird registration closes on Sunday 19 June. From Monday 20 June, standard registration fees apply. A part of all registration fees from Calliope families participating comes back to the school.



## Deadly Australians

Deadly Australians will be at Calliope School in the first week of next term. Notes with details were sent home last week. Payment and permission forms are due back by Monday 20 June.

## Chappy's Corner

### A lifelong quest for character

Effective parenting involves a simple formula: One third love, one third law and one third sitting on your hands. We understand the one third love. One third sitting on your hands means that you'll turn a blind eye to lots of minor transgressions, pick your targets well, and be judicious with discipline. One third law means that you'll be tough. You need all three for the formula to work.

*"The Blessing of a Skinned Knee" by Wendy Mogel'*

Join us as we **'Venture Out'** for a day of awesome games and activities that will challenge you like never before. Meet up with mates and get to know new people while spending time enjoying the sunshine. As well as launching rockets and passing people through spider webs, we'll be exploring the bigger questions of life and faith that will help us live a truly adventurous life. Parents, 'Venture Out' and join us for a meal at the end of the day while we tell you about our great adventure. Date: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June, Cost: \$25. Head to the website to register

<http://sucamps.org.au/camps/ventureoutdaycamp/>

### Parents Morning Tea

Come along and meet Calliope State School's support staff

When: 9-10am Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Where: Library's Court Yard

Please RSVP to Chappy Sonia [shain48@eq.edu.au](mailto:shain48@eq.edu.au) by the 21<sup>st</sup> June (please include any dietary requirements)



### Enrolments for 2017

Our enrolments for 2017 are now open. Families that live within our catchment area are invited to enrol for 2017. Enrolments for Prep 2017 are now open for children born 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012. A Prep Information session and interviews will be held in Term 3. Please contact the office for additional information.

## 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](http://www.flexischools.com.au).

### Calliope Pool

**Austswim Courses @ Calliope Pool – Teacher of Swimming & Water Safety – 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> August**

**-Teacher of Infant & Preschool Aquatics – 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

**Enrolments can be made through Austswim**

**Website. Course co-ordinated by Bernie – email [dolphin-69@bigpond.com](mailto: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](mailto:jodi.robertson@hotmail.com)**



## Community News

### 2016 – June/July School Holiday Activities

Please find attached a flyer advertising school holiday activities in June/July.

### Curry Night – 8<sup>th</sup> July

Attached is a flyer advertising a Curry Night at Calliope State School on 8<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm.

### A Night With The Stars

Please see attached flyer for this event on 30<sup>th</sup> July.

### Calliope Catwalk – 13<sup>th</sup> Aug

Save the Date: 13<sup>th</sup> August  
Calliope Catwalk Ladies Day will be an afternoon of fun, fashion and friends and will include the Recycled Fashions and Wearable Art Fashion Awards.



**Calliope Catwalk**  
*Recycled Fashion Awards 2016*

We are looking for entrants in this year's Calliope Catwalk Recycled Fashion Design Awards

Categories for 2016 include:

- Recycled Wear
- Wearable Art
- Primary Students White T Shirt Redesign
- Secondary Students White T Shirt Redesign

\$250 Cash for winners of Recycled Wear & Wearable Art Categories and \$100 Cash for the Students White T Categories

Prizes close 15th July, winners required by 28th July

For more information on entering please contact [calliopecatwalk.calliope@gmail.com](mailto:calliopecatwalk.calliope@gmail.com) or to view photos from previous years

[f](#) Calliope Catwalk Ladies Day

### Student of the Week

<b>Prep A</b>	Ruby-Lee	<b>Prep B</b>	Archer
<b>Prep C</b>	Rhys	<b>Prep D</b>	Jazmy
<b>Prep/1E</b>		<b>1A</b>	Hunter
<b>1B</b>	Henry	<b>1C</b>	Chloe
<b>1D</b>	Zane	<b>2A</b>	Aidan
<b>2B</b>	Malakai	<b>2C</b>	Savannah
<b>2D</b>	Abbey	<b>3A</b>	Jorden
<b>3B</b>	Emmy	<b>3C</b>	Lydia
<b>3D</b>	Ryan	<b>4A</b>	
<b>4B</b>	Munyaradzi	<b>4C</b>	Alec
<b>5A</b>	Abbey-Jean	<b>5B</b>	Declan
<b>5C</b>	Sofia	<b>6A</b>	Paige
<b>6B</b>	Jahi	<b>6C</b>	Kyran
<b>PE</b>	Jacob	<b>MUSIC</b>	Katelyn

### Gladstone Region Combined Schools String Workshop

It is time for our annual String Workshop! This is a fantastic chance for our string students to consolidate on what has already been learnt this year, and perform at a Gala Concert. Forms can be collected from the office. **The workshop costs \$30 and payment and form needs to be returned to the office by 17<sup>th</sup> June.**

### Fanfare

Congratulations to our Concert Band on their Silver Award at Fanfare this year.



### Lost Property

A large number of lost lunchboxes can be located under B Block. We encourage parents and students to please check under B Block if you have lost your lunchbox. These items will be donated to charity at the end of this week if not claimed.

### Word of the Week

benefit