



Calliope State School

16 August 2016

Calliope Kids
are:

Safe

Respectful

Responsible



What's happening in ...

News from Prep C

This term Prep C has been super busy. At the beginning of the term we celebrated 100 days of school with the students participating in different activities such as making 100 days of school glasses and fairy bread. This term in English we are reading lots of books to make opinions as well as identify and make rhyming words. In Maths we have been looking at basic addition, patterns and mass and in Science we have been observing and discussing the weather and its effects. We have also been looking at diagraphs and making posters and different artwork in relation to these. Here are some of our 'ow' (like in cow) owls.



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Open Night

24th August – 5pm

Principal's Piece

Week 6 already!

Science Week activities

This week is Science Week which means will once again welcome back Professors Smelly and Teapot for another fun-filled week of science activities and events for our students. This week's activities will culminate with an expo and demonstration of some of the very cool technology available today. Members of the Qld Police Service will be on hand with a variety of aerial drones, robots and droids for students to learn about and see in action.

Information for Parents about Early Childhood Services

Over the coming months Queensland Government is breaking down the myriad of information about early childhood services available to parents by providing a series of videos to better inform parents about what to look for when choosing a quality service.

This initiative provides a direct means of engaging families in early childhood education and care by making information more digestible and easier to understand.

The first video produced is about Family Day Care.

To find out more about what parents should look for in choosing a quality family day care service, watch the videos on our website at www.earlychildhood.qld.gov.au or on our YouTube channel at <http://www.youtube.com/DETQueensland>.

Coughs, Colds and the Flu (including the dreaded man-flu!)

At this time of the year student and staff absenteeism increases as a result of the impact of influenza. Effective infection control is one strategy for reducing the spread of the flu. All parents are encouraged to take the standard precautions and if in doubt visit your doctor and take the necessary steps to minimise spreading the flu.

While we actively encourage student attendance at school, in the interest of adopting positive infection control, it is advisable for sick students to remain at home until they are well enough to attend school. Additionally, while we negotiate the traditional cold and flu season, it is important to minimise unnecessary absences, just in case.

Queensland Health (www.health.qld.gov.au) has some great resources for families regarding management of illness and infection control.



Instrumental Music

In the coming weeks, our Instrumental Music teachers will be involved in recruitment of students for the 2017 IM program. Students will be invited to performances from the current IM bands and ensembles and will be given information notes to take home-keep an eye out for these in your child's school bag.

We are just over half way through the term with year 5 camp on its way with a host of different activities on the horizon. Please ensure that all payments are made by the due date to ensure your child does not miss out on these highly educational and important activities.

Calliope SS administration and staff are always grateful to have supportive and positive parents like you as part of our wider school community. Please know that you are always welcome at our school and that if you would like to volunteer your time in any capacity please let either your child's teacher or administration know.

Building Progress Report

You will have, no doubt, noticed some significant progress on the new administration and classroom building currently under construction on the eastern side of the school. This week we should be seeing a convoy concrete trucks commencing the pour for the slab - an exciting milestone in any building project! The staff carpark has been delayed slightly by our unseasonal wet weather and will be completed in due course. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, students and community for their patience during the construction phase. Particular thanks to parents for their patience and understanding during yesterday's drop-off time. It is all going to be worth it in the end! We are very keen to do what is required to ensure that the project is completed on time for the start of the 2017 school year but, as always, the safety of students, staff and parents will be in the forefront of our minds.



Jeremy Godden
Principal

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 August at 9am in the Library square.



Coping Cafe

You are invited to attend Calliope State School's cake and conversation Coping Café!

Parents come along and chat with support staff and other invited guests over a cuppa and cake. This is a great opportunity to get to know your children's support network and school community. We would like to meet you, and as an integral part of your child's growth and support, encourage parents and caregivers to be part of our positive school community.

Who might you meet at Coping Café? Staff from Special Education, Literacy and Numeracy, our awesome Administration team, the School Chaplain and Guidance Officer, and occasionally special invited guests.

What do I bring? Conversation, concerns, congratulations and children you may have at home!

Do I need to RSVP? No! Coffee, tea and cake is provided we just need YOU there to share it with.

Wednesday 17th August
9.00 am in the Library Square

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Dates to Remember

16 August	Hippo Hippo Excursion
16 August	ICAS Maths
17 August	Coping Café
22-25 Aug	Book Week
24 August	Open Night 5pm
22-25 Aug	Book Fair

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 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.

Office hours are 8am-4pm



Stars of the Week

Prep A	Lilly	Prep B	Sienna
Prep C	Lincoln	Prep D	Navaya
Prep/1E		1A	Zackery
1B	Maddison	1C	Chloe
1D	Ashlyn	2A	
2B	Ashley	2C	Annabel
2D	Lincoln	3A	Jai
3B	Roy	3C	Andrew
3D	Travis	4A	Jace
4B	Jarvis	4C	Charlotte
5A	Riley	5B	
5C	Jazzyna	6A	Jayde
6B		6C	Thomas
PE	Michael	MUSIC	Jack

Word of the Week

justify

Local Author Meet and Greet

Olivia, Kimberly, Brayden and Jacob travelled into the Gladstone City Library to meet a local author, L J Higgins. We got the opportunity to hear an inspiring speech where Linda shared her love of writing. She also spoke of her trilogy Dawn of the Dreamer, Fall of the Dreamer and Rise of the Dreamer. Linda Higgins has always loved reading and writing even when she was in Primary and High School. She was quoted saying 'Inspiration is everywhere'. We thank Linda for making us feel welcome. We are so proud of our local author and her achievements.

Written by Olivia, Kimberly, Brayden and Jacob.

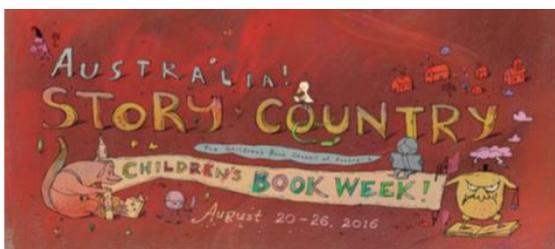


Chappy's Corner

As I was driving to work this morning, I was listening to a podcast and heard a statement that I have heard so many times before. "When you go on an airplane, the flight attendants will always tell you that if there is an accident to put on your oxygen mask before you help your child or anybody else." The moral of this story is to always look after yourself first because you are not helping anyone else if you are struggling emotionally, mentally or physically. Looking after yourself and giving yourself permission to reward yourself or have a break is a really important thing to practice and however you do that is up to you and your family. So go on, Have a break. Have a KitKat!!

Book Week – 22nd – 26th August

The theme for Book Week 2016 is **Australia: Story Country!**



Book Week is being held from the 22nd August to 26th August. Come dressed as your favourite book character on Friday 26th August, but please remember to bring your uniform to change into after parade. Books can be purchased at Book Fair before school from 8.30-9am with a parent present and during lunch breaks, during this week also.

Gladstone State High School Enrolments

Year 7 enrolments for 2017 are now open at Gladstone State High School. Enrolment packs can now be collected from the Gladstone SHS Administration building. Upon collection of an enrolment pack, *all* students either need to provide proof of residence in their catchment (rates notices, electricity bill, etc) or confirm a sibling currently attends the school before a pack can be distributed. Upon enrolment, students will be required to have an interview with a member of Gladstone State High Schools leadership team. Opportunities for these interviews at our primary school will be made available and advertised soon.

Mt Larcom State School – Come and Try Day

Please see attached flyer advertising Year 6 Come and Try Day at Mt Larcom State School, transitioning into Junior Secondary being held on Tuesday 30th August 2016, 9.10am to 3.00pm.

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

Bookings are now available for Term 4 swimming lessons at Calliope Pool. Bookings with payment can be made weekdays at Calliope pool between 9am-10am and 3pm-4pm. The contact number for the Calliope Pool is 0497815393.



Open Night – 24th August

Calliope State School is holding an Open Night on the 24th August at 5pm. All parents, carers and members of the community are invited to attend. Please refer to the agenda below.

Calliope State School

Open Night

Wednesday 24th of August



Agenda:

- Classrooms will be opened from 5 pm to 6 pm.
- Book fair will be in the Hall Foyer from 5 pm to 6 pm.
- Parents are invited to make their way to hall at 6 pm to listen to the School's Choir and a presentation by Mr Godden to view the construction of the new school building.

Community News

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.

Botanic to Bridge – 21st August

We have one week to go until the Botanic to Bridge Fun Run. Please register as it is a fabulous family activity. Registration closes on the 17th August. Homework passes will be given to any students who can beat Miss Norris's time



Variety Concert

Sunday 28th August 2016
1pm start

161 Sun Valley Rd,
Gladstone (New Apostolic Church)

Raffle and Door prizes

Refreshments after the Concert

Gold Coin Entry

For more information:

Craig 4975 6828

Souths Softball

Please see attached flyer advertising Souths Softball Come & Try – Sign On day being held on Sunday 4th September 11am – 1pm.

Positive Behaviour of Learning (PBL)



Resilience

How are your child's resilience skills developing?

Resilience is the ability to cope with life's ups and downs. Children's resilience is enhanced when they:

- are loved by someone unconditionally
- have an older person outside the house they can talk to about problems and feelings
- are praised for doing things on their own and striving to achieve
- can count on their family being there when needed
- know someone they want to be like
- believe things will turn out all right
- have a sense of a power greater than themselves
- are willing to try new things
- feel that what they do makes a difference in how things turn out
- like themselves
- can focus on a task and stay with it
- have a sense of humour
- make goals and plans, both short and longer term.