Calliope Kids are:

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What’s happening in …

7B
News from the students of 7B.

In Music, we have been practising our skills on the ukulele and singing in preparation for our assessment. There have been an awful lot of flops, but some amazing pops during this process. Some people have enjoyed singing, while others tried rap. There were lots of nerves performing in front of each other but in the end it was a success. Some groups just took to the stage and blew us away.

This term, in P.E., Miss Tuttle has been teaching us new swimming techniques for styles including breaststroke, backstroke, freestyle and butterfly, which we are trying to master. The students look forward to the Swimming Carnival in Week 9 with great anticipation and a few have suggested that ‘dog paddle’ should be included in the list of events.

With graduation fast approaching we have been working on our song and dance performance. We have covered a lot of work this term and have felt some pressure in having to complete assignments and other assessments in a short period of time. Even though we are excited for the year to end, we are all a little nervous about what high school may bring. Many students are looking forward to Orientation Day and seeing what their high school has to offer. We have come a long way since the start of the year but we are seeing the light at the end of our final year of primary school.
## Dates to Remember

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## 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.

## Principal’s Piece

### Every day is a learning day!

Volunteers are one of the greatest resources a school can have in assisting students to achieve great outcomes. As a small way to thank our wonderful parent/grandparent volunteers at Calliope School, we are hosting an afternoon tea for our volunteers. All volunteers are welcome to join us, please just RSVP to the school office.

- **Date:** Wednesday 19 November
- **Time:** 2.30pm
- **Venue:** Library Courtyard

This semester, Calliope School has been participating in a Regional Numeracy Project along with sixteen others schools in our region. Last week several staff, myself included, were fortunate to be invited to attend a workshop with other schools from around Queensland to look at ways to improve Numeracy outcomes for all students. With the assistance of the Numeracy Project Officer, our year 2, 4 and 6 classes have been implementing RTR (Reveal the Reason) lessons for the last fifteen weeks with some very impressive results in our improvement data on our pre and post-tests. This will expand into other year levels in 2015.

On Thursday this week, many of our year 5 students will be presenting their speeches as part of the Leadership process for 2014. It was pleasing to see so many students put in Leadership applications to take on a leadership role for next year. Parents and family members are most welcome to attend the speeches in the hall on Thursday for 9.15am. Good luck to all our candidates!

We’ve heard on the grapevine that some people think our school is ‘full’ and that they need to go to another school. This is not the case, and we are accepting all enrolments for students who live within our catchment area. All students are encouraged to attend the school closest to where they live.

## Have a great week!

Raelene Norris
**Stars of the Week**

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**2015 Prep Enrolments**
Enrolment packs for Prep in 2015 are now available from the school office. Children need to be born between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010 to be eligible for Prep in 2015. We are having another interview day for Prep this Friday, so give us a call and book a time.

**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.

Please note change- Uniform Shop will be open on 22 & 23 January 2015 from 12-3pm

**Tuckshop Roster**
19th November- S. Bukowski, M. Behrendt, R. Marsh
20th November- R. Thurgood, L. Smalley, L. Ninness

**P&C Bottle Stall at Community Christmas Carols**
Thank you to all the families who have been sending in their filled jars for our Christmas Bottle Stall at the Community Carols. This is a great fundraiser and we urgently require more filled jars to contribute towards the stall in order for this to be a success. If each family can donate a filled bottle or two, it would be greatly appreciated by the students, staff and families of our school.
Calliope’s Wide World of Sport

Interschool Volleyball
Calliope SS took on Tannum Sands 2 last Wednesday afternoon. Calliope took the lead early with some excellent serving from Connor and Aimy although Tannum came back with some great returns. At half time, Calliope SS were leading by 8 points. After half time there were some excellent rallies and skills on display but unfortunately Tannum won by 4 points. The team will be playing in the final on the 26th of November at 4.30pm.

Interschool Softball
Last Thursday, the Calliope SS softball team played Kin Kora SS in the battle for fifth place. The first innings had some huge hits and excellent plays by both teams, making the second innings crucial to win. Calliope, unfortunately, were all out quickly in the second innings and Kin Kora had some worthy hits, in the end taking the win.

Thank you to all the parents who travelled each week to the games and to Mrs Kettle and Miss Talmage for coaching the team.

Swimming Carnival
Senior
The swimming carnival will be held on the 1st of December starting promptly at 9.30am. Parents and spectators are welcome to attend.

Junior
This year, Calliope SS will be holding cohort carnivals for years 1-3. These carnivals will be a wrap up of our swimming unit and are to be held over one session. The carnivals will include novelty races and rotational activities. Parents are welcome to help and attend the events.

1st of December
2.30pm – 3.15pm: Year 1
2nd of December
9.30am - 11am: Year 3
1.45pm - 3.15pm: Year 2

Yours in sport,
Carmen Tuttle

Toolooa SHS year 6 to 7 and year 7 to 8 orientation days.

Year 6 to 7 – Thursday 4 December (Full Day). Year 7 to 8 – Friday 5 December (Full Day)

- students to wear full primary school uniform
- bring a hat, water bottle and lunch (limited tuckshop service on the day)
- bring a notebook and pens/pencils to write
- bring any paperwork and enrolment packs not yet handed in

Parents are welcome to attend school tours on both days from 9-10AM

Instrumental Music Program
Information Evening for NEW students to the Instrumental Music Program in 2015.

Letters of offer have been forwarded home to students (and families) advising them of their child’s inclusion in the Instrumental Music Program for 2015. Waiting list letters were also be sent home at the same time. Please mark in your diaries the following date for the 2015 Information Evening for new students to the program.

When: Thursday, 27 November, 2014
Time: 6.30 pm
Where: Clinton State School Hall

We look forward to welcoming and meeting our new students and families to the program in 2015.
Gladstone State High School 2015 Year 8 Laptop Classes – position vacant
We have a limited number of spaces available for our 2015 Year 8 Laptop Class. The cost of the program over 3 years is $1410. Students and parents should discuss the program with our Deputy Principal, Narelle Madden before choosing to apply. If your child is selected, your acceptance form and payment of $800 must be received by Friday 28 November. Further information is available on inquiry.

School Play Equipment
School play equipment can only be used by Calliope State School students during school hours when they are supervised by staff. Use of the playgrounds is otherwise not permitted due to legal reasons.

The Calliope Breakfast Club
would like to thank our wonderful sponsors for helping us to provide a fortnightly sausage sizzle and juice breakfast to the Calliope School children. The Calliope & District Community Bank have sponsored us since November 2010 and the MAC Village Group were able to help us out in the first half of this year. Our Volunteers have been very impressed with the courteous manners of the Calliope school children. It has been a pleasure for us to be a part of their school life. On behalf of the Calliope Breakfast Club we wish you all a “Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.” Lorelle Hodgson Co-ordinator Calliope Breakfast Club.

Gladstone State High School Orientation Day
As the year quickly draws to a close we look forward to our Orientation Days. We have two days to enable the students to experience high school and get to know their peer mentors. We hope this is a time where questions can be answered, connections can be made and concerns can be addressed.
When: Term 4, Week 9
- Year 7 into 8 Tuesday 2.12.14 and Wednesday 3.12.14
- Year 6 into 7 Wednesday 3.12.14 and Thursday 4.12.14
Where:
- Meet at the hall on your first day
What to wear:
- Your school uniform
What to bring:
- Hat, water bottle, writing materials and a happy disposition along with a positive attitude

Enrolment forms: Please hand in your enrolment forms prior to orientation days (if you have not already done so). This is necessary so that students can already be placed into house groups and participate in activities during orientation days.
Lunch: A sausage sizzle will be provided on one of the orientation days (year 7s on the Tuesday and the year 6s on the Thursday). On the alternative day you may either bring your own lunch or purchase from the tuckshop.
Booklists: These details and other organisational details for next year will be provided at the orientation.
Performing Arts: Information regarding the Performing Arts Class will be provided on the orientation days.
Volleyball School of Excellence: Trials will be conducted on the second day of each age group (Year 7s on Thursday, Year 8s on Wednesday)
Uniform Shop: The Uniform Shop is open on the Orientation days from 8:15am – 3:30pm, as well as on Friday from 8:15am – 11:15am. The shop will also be open during certain days of the school holidays. Phone orders are also welcome on 4976 6193.
Travel: It is the responsibility of parents to organise drop off (9:00am) and collection (3:05pm) of students. If your child will be travelling by bus please contact the bus companies prior to these days.
If you require any more information please direct any queries to Nicki Collocott.
- ncoll55@eq.edu.au OR
- 4976 6155