Calliope Kids are:

Safe
Respectful
Responsible

What’s happening in ...

Prep D

Four terms almost over! Look out Grade 1! Here we come! We have watched Prep D students develop into little readers and writers and it has been an absolute pleasure!

We have started swimming and what a great time we have in the pool.

We are getting ready for our Christmas Concert item to be performed in the last week of school. I’m sure you will love us!

We have started our trek around the world and every Friday we visit a new country and make a foreign food. Did you know that Aboriginals once ate Witchetty Grubs? Luckily Mrs Gilliland didn’t make us cook some! Instead we cooked Anzac cookies! Next we visited Asia. In some countries in Asia they eat crunchy Grasshoppers...but we made some fried rice. YUM! I wonder where we’ll go and what we’ll eat next.
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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.

**Office hours are 8am-4pm**

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### Principal’s Piece

*Every day is a learning day!*

The countdown is on with a very full three weeks head.

This Thursday night we have the Parent Information Night for students beginning the Instrumental Music program in 2015. You will be provided with general information and expectations about the program before breaking into instrument groups (eg. wind, brass, percussion, strings) for more specific information about the instrument your child will be playing. There are also trade displays so that you can talk to the experts about purchasing your instrument.

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

On Friday night we are playing a role in the Community Christmas Carols. The evening has grown from the success of last year’s inaugural event and will be held at the Calliope rodeo grounds. Each year level has been practicing a different carol which will be sung as part of an adaptation of the nativity play. We hope that many families will come along and support this community event as it promises to be a great evening for all. The P&C is holding a bottle stall, which you have all been busily helping with and we have over 400 bottles for the stall. The Choir and Band will also be performing.

**When:** Friday, 28 November, 2014  
**Time:** 4pm – Event Opens with stalls & children’s activities  
- Camel rides, Face painting, photos with Santa, CQ Bubble Sports  
- 5:00pm – Calliope State School Band/Choir  
- 5:30pm – Official welcome  
- 5:45pm – 8pm – Children’s Play/Nativity Story  
- 8pm - 8:20pm – Caitlyn Shadbolt Set 1  
- 8:50pm – 9:10pm – Caitlyn Shadbolt Set 2  
- 9:10pm – Close – Country Band  
**Where:** Calliope Rodeo Grounds  
Hope to see you there!

After six months of negotiation we have received approval for a new classroom building to cater for our growing numbers. A siting meeting will occur in the next couple of weeks with a timeline yet to be developed. It may be that one class is located in the Library for a couple of weeks at the beginning of the year, but in all, this is a very good outcome for our growing school.

Have a great week!  
*Marni Morrison*
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
26th November - R. Marsh, J. Burfield, H. Page
27th November - R. Thurgood, S. Taylor, L. O’connor
3rd December - S. Bukowski, M. Ingham, C. Campbell
4th December - M. Behrendt, L. O’connor, L. Smalley, C. Murphy

NO TUCKSHOP THE LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL

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 STATE SCHOOL P & C ASSOCIATION
Book Keeper
Part-Time – 4 hrs per fortnight during the school term to start in 2015

The Calliope State School P & C are looking for a Part Time Book Keeper.
Applications will close 12th December, 2014

Applications are to be marked “Private & Confidential” and returned to:-
Calliope P & C President
Calliope State School
PO BOX 232
CALLIOPE QLD 4680
Fax: 4975 6347
Email lyndaninness@skymesh.com.au

Applicants must be confident with Reckon Quickbooks Online and have access to the internet. This position can be done from home, but collection of invoices from the school will be necessary.
The position will include doing wages, superannuation, ATO paperwork, entering invoices from the Tuckshop and Uniform Shop, balance sheet reports and monthly reconciliation of accounts for monthly meetings, working with the P & C Treasurer to compile reports for the auditor at the end of the year.
Should you have any queries please contact Lynda Ninness, P & C President on 0427853709.

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.

School Banking
School Banking is held every Wednesday 8-9am at the Office. If you have 10 tokens and would like to redeem a prize, please hand in your redemption card and tokens to the office this Wednesday morning so prizes can be ordered before the end of the year.

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.

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
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.

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

Horse Riding and Farm Experience at Harmony Farm. Camping and accommodation available. Ph 4974 1267 or 0429 741 267.

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