



Calliope State School

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Calliope Kids
are:

Safe

Respectful

Responsible



What's happening in ...

6B

It's **shocking** how much of a **blast** we've been having learning about electricity this term. Making electrical circuits, testing materials to discover whether they are conductors or insulators, and investigating how many watts common household appliances use and what this means to our overall energy consumption. We've even been looking at energy chains and how energy is transformed from an original source (fossil fuels, solar, wind, geothermal and hydroelectricity) to the electricity that powers so much of our lives. In coming weeks, students will be challenged to consider the sustainability and availability of energy sources to evaluate whether renewable or non-renewable fuels are the way of the future. These budding scientists are enjoying the hands on activities and are asking the questions that truly matter to the future of all mankind.



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Dates to Remember

29 May	Brekkie Club
3 June	Sports Day Prep-2
5 June	Sports Day Yr 3-6
8 June	Queens Birthday Holiday

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

School Payments

Please be aware that all eftpos transactions have a minimum limit of \$10.

Principal's Piece

Every day is a learning day!

It was a very busy and exciting week last week, with so many events happening. Students had spell-a-thon during the week, our Under 8's had a special morning on Wednesday, our new Prep building arrived, Chappy Sonia organised a pancake breakfast on Friday and we also had 232 students participating in Fantastic Fun Friday in the hall during first break. It was wonderful to hear and receive several positive comments and emails from both staff and parents about some of these events. We are truly lucky to have a staff, parent group and community who work so well together to provide so many opportunities for our students. A special thank you goes to our year 5 and 6 students for their fantastic work with Under 8's morning and the firemen from the Queensland Fire Service for their annual visit to Under 8's Day.



Home / school communication is important in maintaining links for our students. Teachers are available for parent meetings during the week; however, it is best to make an appointment to ensure the teacher is available before or after school on the day. Teachers are not available after 9.00am for meetings with parents as the school day has started.

This Friday, May 29th 2015 is P&C Day, a special day held each year to celebrate the important work undertaken in our State Schools by our Parents and Citizens Associations. All Schools are encouraged to acknowledge the valuable contributions that P&Cs make in assisting to deliver quality educational outcomes for all learners. Our Calliope P&C provide a range of weekly services such as tuckshop and Uniform Shop as well as their fundraising efforts throughout the year to provide things such as reading books, supporting school excursions through assisting with bus costs, building sheds for storage, providing fridges in classrooms and the list goes on. Thank you to our amazing P&C team and the volunteers who help out with events during the year.

This week, on Tuesday afternoon, Calliope will be hosting teachers from Tannum Sands State School and Boyne Island State School for our next cluster meeting. We will be moderating the recent English units that students have been completing. Our cluster meetings each term are one way we building relationships with colleagues in our local area.

Regards
Raelene

Chappy Corner

See your Child's Teacher as an Ally

It usually falls to a teacher to deliver the news that our child is not the next Einstein and many parents are not prepared for this. If your child complains about their teacher, see that through this your child will learn a new set of coping skills, skills he/she will need on the job and in marriage. Let your child sense that you respect him/her for his/her natural qualities and you will see your child gain the confidence he/she needs to truly shine!

THE BLESSING OF A SKINNED KNEE' by WENDY MOGEL

QSO String Quartet Visit

On Thursday, the 28th of May (Week 6), the Queensland Symphony Orchestra String Quartet will be visiting Calliope State School. The String Quartet will be presenting a short concert in the hall from 2:00 till 2:30. All students in Years 2, 3, and 4 will attend, along with continuing Instrumental Music students (Strings and Woodwind, Brass & Percussion) from Years 5 and 6. The concert will be a fantastic opportunity for students to see and hear a professional string quartet in action, and to learn more about the instruments. Any students who are thinking about starting in the Strings program are encouraged not to miss this concert.

Prep enrolments for 2016

We are now taking names of children who wish to commence Prep in 2016. If you have a child born from **July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011** he/she is eligible for Prep enrolment in 2016 at Calliope State School. Enrolment packages and information sessions will be available in term 3. Late last year, changes were made regarding Prep. Principals have the discretion to enrol students who turn five by **July 31st**. Prior to a decision being made, a detailed enrolment interview will take place to determine his/her suitability and readiness.

Spare Clothes

If your child has borrowed any spare clothes from the school could you please return them back to the office. Accidents arise and we endeavour to provide students with spare clothes, but a high volume of clothes have not been returned.

P & C NEWS

Uniform Shop

The opening times for our uniform shop are **Monday 8.30-9.30, Wednesday 2.30-3.30, and Friday 8-9**. The uniform shop will now have eftpos available *most* Mondays and Wednesdays. Otherwise cash and cheque 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 the next Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

Tuckshop Roster

27th May- S. Kington, M. Ingham, R. Thurgood
28th May- T. McCarthy, S. Taylor, A. Mills

Thanks to Rocco's Mini Digger Hire for kindly donating time and their machine to do the earthworks for the P & C's new storage shed.



Card Making
Every Monday
First Break
4A Classroom
with Chappy Sonia

Lunch Box Ideas

Mini ham and zucchini quiches

Ingredients

- 2 sheets frozen puff pastry, defrosted
- 1 small zucchini, grated
- 80g ham, diced
- 1/2 cup (40g) tasty cheese, grated
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 cup (125ml) milk

Method

1. Preheat oven to 210°C (190°C fan-forced).
2. Using a round cutter with an 8cm diameter, cut 9 circles from each sheet of pastry. Press them gently into the rounds of a patty-pan tray. (You will either need two trays or to do this in two batches).
3. Distribute the zucchini, ham and cheese evenly into each pastry case. Whisk eggs and milk in a jug and gently fill the pastry cases. Bake for 14 minutes until puffed and golden.



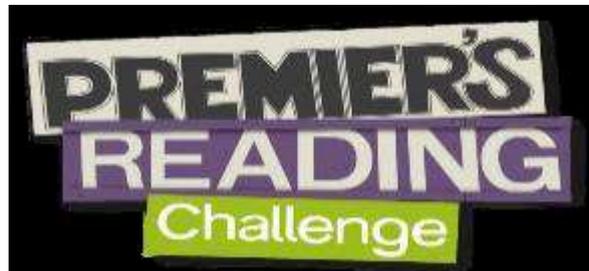
Stars of the Week

Prep A	Katie	Prep B	Mikayla
Prep C	Paige	Prep D	Zoe
Prep E	Chelsea	1A	Curtis
1B	Lily	1C	Izaac
1D	Daniel	2B	Tristan
2C	Cameron	2/3D	Maycee
3A	James	3B	Brianna
3C	Logan	4/5C	Mia
4A	Summer-Lee	4B	Hugh
5A	Ryder	5B	Tehya
5/6C	Zac	6A	Amelia
6B	Delaney		

Premier's Reading Challenge

Forms have been set up for each child to participate in the 2015 Premier's Reading Challenge. Students may write down their Home readers as part of their reading collection. There will be fortnightly draws on parade for readers who have completed the Challenge. For more information, visit the following website ...

<http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge/>



Absences

We currently have a high volume of unexplained absences, so please inform the school of your child's absence. Letters will be going home next week regarding unexplained absences. Please return this letter stating your explanation so our system can be updated. If the letters are not returned, it will be recorded as unexplained absences on your child's report card.

Year 6 Senior Shirts

Shirts have arrived and are available for collection from the office once your final payment has been received.

Calliope State School - Athletics Carnivals 2015

Junior Sports Carnival – 3rd of June, 2015 (PREP - Year 2)

9.20am	Sprint Races
9.45-10.45am	Rotational Activities - Long Jump, High Jump, Thong Throwing, Frisbee Discus, Clothes Relay, Sack Races and Tunnel Ball
10.45am	Sprint Finals

Senior Sports Carnival – 4th of June, 2015 (YEAR 3 – 6)

9.30-10.30am	800m Races
10.30 – 11am	200m Heats
LUNCH – Year 3 (8 year olds) High Jump	
11.45-12.30pm	9 Years High Jump
12.30-1.15pm	10 Years High Jump
LUNCH	
1.45-2.30pm	11 Years High Jump
2.30-3.15pm	12 Years High Jump

Senior Sports Carnival – 5th of June, 2015 (YEAR 3 – 6)

9.15am	House March
9.30-9.45am	200m Finals
9.45-10.15am	100m Heats
MORNING TEA	
10.30-12.45pm	Field Events – Shot Put, Discus and Long Jump
LUNCH	
1.15-2pm	Ball Games
2-2.30pm	100m Finals
2.30-3pm	Relays
3pm Presentation	