

Newsletter

24 NOVEMBER 2017

Leadership at the Zoo

How love precedes compassion, and compassion promotes action.

I went to the Zoo as part of my Masters in Leadership course. It was amongst the finest leadership seminars that I have ever attended.

As those on the course arrived we shared how mystified we were to be at the Zoo.

We were doubly curious upon discovery that the focus of our leadership day was the Melbourne Zoo's response to the plight of the Orangutan population in Borneo.

The Orangutan is an endangered species. The Bornean Orangutan population has declined by 60% in the past 60 years and is projected to decline by 82% over 75 years.

The greatest threat to their survival is human's clearing forests to cultivate land. The predominant crop is palm oil, which is used in a wide variety of products.

The leaders of the Melbourne Zoo were convicted that they needed to lead the rescue of the Orangutan.

They believed the solution lay in information, love and compassion.

The Zoo accepted the challenge of informing Australian consumers that palm oil was in the products that they were purchasing. However, manufacturers were not required to list palm oil as an ingredient under Australian food regulations. The leaders of the zoo decided to become a lobby group to change this requirement. They were successful in this cause.

Then they campaigned to raise awareness of the Orangutan's circumstances in Borneo. They asked Australians to assist the Orangutan by not purchasing products with palm oil as an ingredient.

The result was that people felt sad for the Orangutans. However, despite greater levels of information producing a deeper understanding of the issues, an increase in action never materialised.

The leaders at the zoo understood that the love was the missing ingredient. They proposed that people falling in love with the Orangutan would change everything.

So, they rebuilt the Orangutan enclosures. People were able to observe the lovable and remarkable characteristics of these intelligent and caring primates.

Love did change everything. Importantly, it bred compassion, which shifted a private sadness over the Orangutan's situation to a swell of compassionate action.

Calvin isn't a zoo.

Love is still at the centre of our endeavours. Not just because of Christian faith, but because it impels us to act in the world.

Scripture tells us:

Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Matthew 6:36-37

Our desire is to foster both compassion and train the 'workers' to go into the world.



Mr Iain Belot
PRINCIPAL

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued

Proposed Vision and Mission for Calvin Christian School



CST Vision: Provide the highest quality education that prepares students for a life of service to God.



Calvin Mission:

Calvin Christian School partners with parents to grow every student's unique identity, character and talents, and equip them to fulfil their God-given purpose.

Motto: Set your Mind on Christ

We Believe that:

- Christ is pre-eminent in the world and seeks relationship with us;
- Every life has purpose;
- School is an equipping ground for life;
- Education is for life not just vocation;
- Difference and diversity is necessary and valuable;
- Developing an individual's character is an essential function of a purposeful education.

These should be read in conjunction with the **CST statement of Faith**.

Values:

At Calvin these values guide our daily lives:

LOVE	First and foremost we are called to love others (John 13:34; 1 John 4:9; Mark 12:31) and accept God's love for ourselves. (John 3:16; 1 John 3:1; Romans 8:31) Love is to look for the good in others. We treat others with dignity because they too are made in Christ's image (Gen 1:27). Because we love we forgive first (Mark 11:25; Ephesians 4:32; Romans 3:23; 1 John 1:9).
COMPASSION	Even before we know someone we are moved by their circumstances and desire to extend resources and time to assist them (Luke 15:20; Matthew 25:35). We are prepared to act .
COURAGE	We are prepared to step first, stand alone, and go where others are not. (2 Timothy 2:16; 2 Corinthians 5:8; John 15:13) We encourage at every opportunity (Ephesians 4:29; 1 Thessalonians 5:11; Hebrews 3:13).
GENEROSITY	We live with generosity wherever possible. We choose to bless with a little extra, go a little further, or stay a little longer. (1 John 3:17; Romans 12:8).
DILIGENCE	We value the steady and constant effort to accomplish what is undertaken. We are industrious and not idle. (Proverbs 13:4; Proverbs 12:24) Persistence is a virtue (Galatians 6:9; Philippians 3:14; Proverbs 12:27; James 1:12)

In all we do, we aim to build people who are equipped and willing to make a difference in the lives of others.

Primary

Dear Parents

Pink Stumps Day will be returning to Calvin Primary next Friday!

We support the McGrath Foundation which raises money to place McGrath Breast Cancer Nurses in communities across Australia, making a real difference to families experiencing breast cancer.

As part of our Pink Stumps Day we will be collecting a gold coin donation and asking our students to come to school dressed in school uniform but with one item being pink!

We will also be sending a team of cricketers to Channel Christian School to play against their best !!! For those students selected to play cricket more information will be provided shortly with an invite to parents.

We look forward to 'turning the school pink' and fundraising for a great cause.

Earlier this week, our Year 6 students were introduced to Mr Huber who is the Year 7 Head of Year in 2018. During this time Mr Huber was able to talk to our students about what to expect when they start High School next year. More importantly it was a time to start to build and foster relationship between the Year 6 cohort and the Year 7 pastoral care team.

This was followed by the Year 6 Calvin parents meeting on Monday afternoon and the Year 7 Parent Evening on Wednesday evening. We know that transitioning from primary to secondary school can cause a wide range of emotions for parents and students. It is our hope that we can support this transition and help transition people from anxiety to confidence.



If you were unavailable to meet with Mr Huber we still have our Year 7 Orientation Day for parents and students on Monday 11th December. It would be great to see you there.

The process of organising our classroom teachers for 2018 is close to confirmation. Next year we will be having one class per year level from Kinder through to Year 6. There will be minimal internal movement to ensure teachers are able to continue to build a strong and rigours curriculum for their Grade. I hope to be able to confirm who is teaching where in the next newsletter with information regarding Orientation Day.

Have a wonderful weekend
Caleb Cooper
Deputy Principal

PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Friday
8:30 am - 12:30 pm
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Phone: 6229 3814

SCHOOL ABSENTEES
Primary School Absentees
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or email:
primaryschool@calvin.tas.edu.au

STUDENT HEALTH
Have your child's health
or allergies changed?
Please let the office
know as soon as possible.

**SMALL WONDERS
PLAYGROUP**
A free early years
program for children and
their parents/carers.
Thursday mornings during
school term 9:00 - 10:30 am
in the Kindergarten room.

YEAR 6W

As the Grade 6's approach the end of their last year in Primary, they have been wanting to organise a fundraiser so that the funds can be given back as a gift to the school. The students decided on a cup-cake stall. They made the cupcakes, decorated them, catered for all the different dietary needs found in our school community and then sold the cakes at recess and lunch for 50c.

It was a great success and the students were proud of their achievement. They couldn't believe how everyone's little bit of effort equalled a big outcome. The Grade 6's would like to thank staff, parents and students for their support.

Mrs Melanie Woods
Teacher - Year 6



SCHOOL BANKING

Thank you for a great year of School Banking.

We would like to thank all of our students who have participated in the CommBank School Banking program this year.

Our final School Banking day for 2017 will be Monday 11 December. If your child is eligible to order a reward item please ensure that the reward coupon is completed and returned prior to this Monday 4 December. Any tokens that have not been redeemed this year can be used in 2018.



Kindergarten visits the Botanical Gardens

On Monday the Kindergarten class visited the Botanical Gardens. Students enjoyed the warm weather and socialising with kinder students from Northern Christian School. They had time to eat and play together and explore the gardens in mixed groups. A treasure hunt and shape challenge was a highlight of the day.

Mrs Julie Smith
Kindergarten teacher



Christmas time is coming

and it's time to send out Christmas Cards to family and friends.

Calvin Christian School Christmas Card Collection!

\$10 for a set of 9 cards.

To purchase a set please fill in the form attached and return to the Primary school office with your money.

All funds raised will support our
Sponsor Children over the Christmas holidays



Calvin Christmas Card Collection

ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Student: _____ Class: _____

	Number of Sets
Pack of 9 Christmas Cards @ \$10	
9 of my child's winning Cards @ \$10	
TOTAL	
<i>Please return to the school office. Thank you.</i>	

Thank you for supporting the creativity of the Calvin Christian
Primary School students.

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Secondary

DRAMA YEAR 9 AND TASC 2

Last Friday evening the Years 9 and TASC 2 Drama classes shared the culmination of a year's work in their end of year presentations. The Nines performed a series of scenes taking the audience from colonial Australian theatre to the work of contemporary playwrights; giving a fascinating insight into how our theatre has evolved over the centuries. They did a terrific job with some archaic language as well as complex dialogue from modern writers.

The TASC 2 class presented their devised work *About Love*, which explored a number of types of love and grew from many interesting classroom discussions and research. They worked in the Epic style which involves the use of a great variety of media and methods of communication to ensure the audience is considering the topic carefully.

This double bill made for a great night out for our audience who responded enthusiastically to both presentations. Well done to all of the students, who gave focussed, skilled and entertaining performances!

Emily Di Pretoro
Head of Creative Arts
Teacher of Drama
Artistic Director of Student Theatre Company



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FINANCIAL LITERACY - TASC I

An important part of being financially literate is knowing how to prepare and manage a budget. To test their monetary skills and understanding, the TASC I Financial Literacy class was asked to construct and coordinate a fundraising activity all under the constraints of a \$50 budget.

The class decided they wanted to raise funds for World Vision Australia, and make and sell chocolate brownies in order to raise money for the organisation. Students were set the task of preparing a budget, writing a fundraising proposal, shopping for ingredients, creating advertising materials, baking the chocolate delights, selling their wares and donating the proceeds on the World Vision website.



After much careful work and planning, the class managed to raise \$88 on Wednesday and deposited the money into World Vision's account less than an hour later. Thank you to everyone who helped our Financial Literacy class help children in need.

Mrs Carly Brouwer
Miss Carly Bouts
Learning Support



This week, Year 9 students Hayley Byers and Hannah Willoughby had the privilege of meeting the Hon. Jacqui Petrusma MP in the House of Assembly as part of the Stepping Up Women in Parliament Schools' Program.

Secondary

YEAR 12 LEAVERS - the Mercury newspaper special feature

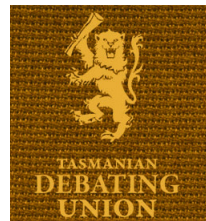
About 50 Tasmanian schools including Calvin will feature in the Mercury's special Class of 2017 publication next week, celebrating this year's Grade 12 students. Nearly 3000 students will be pictured. This 80-page supplement will appear in the Mercury next Wednesday, November 29.



Registrations open for Debate Camp 2018

Registrations remain open for our summer Debate Camp, to be held at Orana Guide Camp in Roches Beach from the 11th to the 14th of January 2018.

The camp is open to students who will be in **grades 10 to 12 in the 2018 school year**. Running for three and a half days, the schedule will include knowledge workshops, skills exercises, social events and several formal debates, providing a unique opportunity for students to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to debate at a high level and to collaborate with debaters from around the state. Experience with debating is not necessary, and **all interested students are encouraged to participate**. We will work with individual debaters at their own pace to ensure they get the most out of the program.



The camp will be fully supervised by experienced adjudicators, all of whom hold current Working with Children Checks. The cost to participants will be \$120, covering activities, food and accommodation for the duration of the camp. **Financial support is available for students who cannot otherwise afford to attend.**

Registrations close **Friday 1 December 2017**, but places are filling fast. Please contact Kathryn Ellis at president@tdu.org.au if you have any questions about the event, or would like any further details.

2017-18 Advanced Development Program

This Summer, the TDU will once again run an Advanced Development Program open to all interested students going into grades 9 to 12 in 2018. The Program is designed to build on students' existing ability as debaters, providing them with an opportunity to develop their skills and knowledge and to collaborate with other students with a particular interest in and aptitude for debating. Students interested in participating should email the President by **Wednesday 6 December**.

Whole School

2017 TRADING DAYS AND TIMES

Extended Trading Hours

All new parents are advised to make an appointment.

Term 4 Trading days in December 2017

Tuesday 5 Dec and Thursday 7 Dec 8.30 am to 4.00 pm

Tuesday 12 Dec and Thursday 14 Dec 8.30 am to 4.00 pm

Tuesday 19 Dec 8.30 am to 4.00 pm

The Calvin Christian Uniform Shop CLOSSES

Tuesday 19 December 2017 at 4.00 pm

2018 TRADING DAYS AND TIMES

RE-OPENS for **Back to School** on Monday 22 January 2018 at 10am

JANUARY	Monday	22 Jan 10.00 am to 3.00 pm
	Tuesday	23 Jan 10.00 am to 3.00 pm
	Wednesday	24 Jan 10.00 am to 3.00 pm
	Monday	29 Jan 10.00 am to 4.00 pm
	Tuesday	30 Jan 12.00 pm to 7.00 pm
	Wednesday	31 Jan 10.00 pm to 4.00 pm

FEBRUARY	Thursday	1 Feb 10.00 am to 4.00 pm
	Friday	2 Feb 10.00 am to 4.00 pm
	Monday	5 Feb 8.30 am to 4.00 pm
	Tuesday	6 Feb 8.30 am to 4.00 pm
	Thursday	8 Feb 8.30 am to 4.00 pm

Normal Trading hours: Tuesday and Thursdays 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Resumes on 6 February 2018.

Please contact Joanne to make an appointment time.

Phone: 03 6240 1883

Email: ccs.kingston@midford.com.au

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Secondary Campus

Opening Hours

Tuesday and Thursday
8:30am - 4pm

WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE REGISTRATION

Parent volunteers at Calvin are asked to obtain a Working with Vulnerable People Registration.

For details please contact

Primary Office:

6229 3814

Secondary Office:

6229 4829

CALVIN FACEBOOK PAGE

For school life, photos and events, visit our Facebook page.

Community



LEGO® HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

BRICKS 4 KIDZ® school holiday workshops using LEGO® Bricks are a fun way for boys and girls to spend their school holidays in Hobart. (We will also be in Launceston these holidays!)

With our very own special BRICKS 4 KIDZ® models and lots of creative free-play building, kids always have fun at our LEGO® workshops!

Our school holiday programs are designed for kids aged 5 – 12 and are staffed by trained, screened BRICKS 4 KIDZ® instructors. Children will rotate between different stations during our sessions and work and play with different types of LEGO® - including Technic pieces such as gears, axles, electric motors and more! We also have heaps of fun in our break times – with different ball games and fun activities!

Cost

Full day \$80 incl GST
Half day \$40 incl GST

Check out the website and enrol here:

www.brick4kidz.com.au/tasmania-hobart/



Contact Kylie:

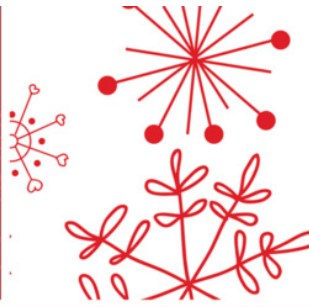
hobart@brick4kidz.com

0408 487 393

Please turn over for details of locations, workshop dates and the different themes we are offering!

Community

MAKE A CHRISTMAS GINGERBREAD HOUSE



DATE: Saturday 9th December

TIME: 2.30pm - 4:00pm

WHERE: The Centre,
St Clements Church
100 Beach Road, Kingston

COST : \$20 per
gingerbread house
(includes house, lollies & gift wrapping)

A fun time for the
whole
family including a
Christmas message

Bookings Essential
by Friday 1st December

Phone : 6229 7678

(church office 9am-1pm)

9 Lessons and Carols



3rd December
7 p.m.

At St. Clements in
our beautiful
Chapel

- Based on the traditional service highlighting the Birth of Jesus as told through lessons and carols
- Sumptuous supper served after in the Centre
- Guest Artist—Christopher Waterhouse
- All Welcome

St Clements
Anglican

