

Newsletter

29 SEPTEMBER 2017

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Last Saturday morning I was privy, along with 400 to 500 other people, to a wonderful act of humility and dignity. I shivered in the unseasonal wintry blast of Hobart spring weather to watch the Calvin Secondary Athletics Team compete in the Sports Association of Tasmanian Independent Schools (SATIS) athletic competition. Most of Tasmania's independent schools were competing.

I sat with the crowd and competitors and watched the women's 3000 metre event. Within the space of eight paces after completing, and winning, the event the crowd and I watched Ebony Webb stop and commence encouraging the other competitors as they embarked on their final lap. She applauded them as they passed her. As each competitor completed her race Ebony wrapped each person in a congratulatory hug. Notably, the hug was warmly returned. It was an impressive display of an orientation to the lives of others. Ebony demonstrated both her athletic prowess and her considerable character. She was a witness for all to see. Her running was impressive. Her character was inspiring.

It is precisely this approach that the notion of *Be your Best* is intending to highlight and foster. We encourage the 'doing' of students to achieve personal best outcomes. We unashamedly champion the 'being' of mature character.

Sportsmanship is infinitely more important than winning. To me that is obvious and essential. There is a destructive and corrosive force in the 'win at all costs' mentality. It is a dangerous seed that blossoms into narcissism and performance enhancing drugs.

Examples of the victory of character are everywhere at Calvin. One of them, last Saturday, was Ebony's behaviour. But last Saturday it was also members of our athletics team who were not openly victorious but who attended and competed. Some honoured their commitment to be in the team even when it was inconvenient and the weather was freezing. This week it was evident in our basketball players. It also existed, although hidden from public view, in the students committing to late nights to give their best effort to the challenging assignment deadline. This focus has a personal virtue. It has a public power as well

Staff Retirement

Mr Patricio Pontes has advised me of his intention to enter the world of semi-retirement in 2018. Mr Pontes will conclude his time at Calvin in December. Mr Pontes joined us three years ago and has maintained the library's relaxed and warm environment. Students gather in the library as a place of learning and community. I thank Mr Pontes for his work in making this a welcoming space for all students. He has also contributed to a wide range of classrooms in Computing, Technology and Mathematics. We will miss such a multi-talented individual. I wish him well in his future.

Holiday Wishes

It is my prayer, and that of all the staff, that everyone in our community has a safe and relaxing break from school for the next two weeks. We look forward to welcoming students back on Monday, 16th October.

God bless,
Iain Belot

Let your light shine
before men in such a
way that they may see
your good works, and
glorify your Father
who is in heaven.
Matthew 5:16.



Mr Iain Belot
PRINCIPAL

Primary

Dear Parents,

Today was the last day of term and I am grateful for all that has taken place over the last nine weeks, the triumphs, celebrations, challenges and struggles. It is my hope and prayer that we and our students feel a sense of success and accomplishment from this term. Our students and staff work incredibly hard and the celebration of successes and the acknowledgment of failure, no matter how big or small are a vital part of learning and growing into well-rounded and mature people.

Footy BBQ

We concluded Term 3 with our House Captains leading our students in 20 minutes of fitness during line up. Students then enjoyed the day with Mr Smith leading footy workshops for each class and a sausage sizzle. It was fantastic to see so many students dressed up in their footy colours excited about the day.



Thank you to those parents who were able to come and participate and support our Footy Colours Day. It is always great and encouraging to have parents involved in school activities.

Thank you to all our staff who help ensure this day ran smoothly, particularly Mr Smith, Mrs Hurd and Mr Welsh.

Learn to Swim

In Term 4, the Primary School will participate in the 'Learn to Swim' program at the Collegiate Pool. This starts on the first day of Term 4. As parents, you are welcome to watch the lessons when your child is participating. All primary parents have received additional information about our Swimming program via letter earlier today. If you did not receive this please notify the Primary School office.

Term 4

Term 4 is a very full and busy term with new activities and opportunities waiting for both our teachers and students to experience. As parents you will receive a 'Welcome to Term 4' letter with all main events outlined at the beginning of the term.

I pray that you all have a restful and joyful holiday break in preparation for an exciting Term 4.

Caleb Cooper
Deputy Principal

PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Friday
8:30 am - 12:30 pm
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
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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.

Primary

FOOTY COLOURS DAY



The Primary Campus **Footy Colours Day** raised \$258.05 for our four Mission children through this event. Well done!

ARCADE DAY - YEAR 5

This week, after a whole term of planning, Year Five hosted an Arcade Day, featuring an array of games made by the students. There was a huge variety and the students' creativity and innovation was enjoyed by all the Primary School students and quite a few parents.

Lizzy Sykes
Teacher - Year 5



YEAR 4

The highlight of Term 3 has been the fabulous 'Cupcake Stall'. This is a fun and exciting activity that Year 4 students participate in each year for the Oliebollen Festival. The children enjoyed practising their cake decorating skills and tasting the results. On the day of the festival the students were rostered on to look after the stall and its clientele. With the help of many willing parents, they supervised hand washing and decorating. They also managed the till.

This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to practise skills they have learnt in the classroom. They use their Maths to take payment and give change. They learn about council regulations regarding food handling. They also get to put into practice 'Others First' as they give up their time at the Oliebollen festival to help out.

This was followed by highly enjoyable celebration of our A.R. with a cupcake theme! All this was under the close supervision of Mrs Judi Tyers. We are extremely grateful to her for ensuring all these activities were a roaring success.

THANK YOU MRS TYERS.

Christine McMinn
Teacher - Year 4



CALVIN SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESENTS

**Calvin & Channel
Year 5/6**

DANCE Night

**Thursday, 2 November
7:30pm to 9pm
MULTI PURPOSE HALL**

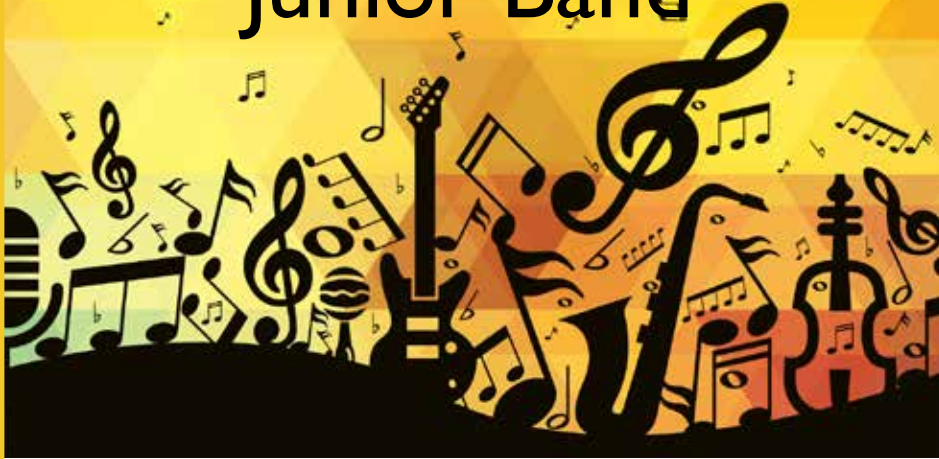
DJ, party food and drinks

For more info or to help out on the night contact
Gen Muenchhagen on 0403820577
or genm75@gmail.com.



CALVIN
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Invitation to join the Junior Band



During Terms Two and Three all Year 6 students have had the opportunity to play a woodwind or brass instrument. There is now an invitation to those students who would like to extend themselves musically to join the Junior Band

The Junior Band was established in 2016 with a group of Year 6 students and has been meeting weekly throughout 2017.

The band rehearses at the Senior School in the PAC (Performing Arts Centre) on a Tuesday afternoon from 3.30 – 4.30.

For further information please contact Mark Brothers at Calvin or Email mbrothers@calvin.tas.edu.au

It's **WORKING BEE** time



at Calvin Primary School!

Join us on

Saturday 24th June

1pm - 4pm

We have big jobs and small jobs.

Refreshments will be provided

All are welcome. If you cannot commit to the entire time, feel free to come and give an hour or two instead. Every bit helps!

Secondary

CAREERS MATTER

On Tuesday, Years 10-12 students were fortunate to hear from a panel of speakers on the topic “My Career - From High School to the Present”. The forum was designed to give students some insights into the decision making process around career planning after high school.

The Panel consisted of two police constables from Tasmania Police, three former Calvin students who are all studying at university and an employee of the charity group CanTeen. Mr Mike Jolly expertly asked panel members questions ranging from, “how important is passion?” to “what is one piece of advice you would give to your 17-year-old self about careers?”

Students were very engaged in the panel discussion and asked some reflective questions of panel members. They then took the time to seek out panel members to ask more questions at the end of the session.

I would like to publicly thank Mr Jolly for his excellent panel leadership and our panel members, Michelle from CanTeen, constables Vanessa and Sophie from Tasmania Police, Ashleigh Furminger, Connor Greatbatch and Elya Richardson, UTas students and Calvin Alumni.

Alison Whiteley
Careers Coordinator



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Secondary

ATHLETICS - SSATIS

Over the past couple of weeks a number of Calvin students have represented the school in the Southern and State SATIS Athletics Carnivals. The weather on both days was a little damp but despite this the team participated very well. Everyone gave their best and conducted themselves with great sportsmanship no matter where they placed.

We had a number of outstanding results with Taya Stevenson, Ebony Webb and James McEwan winning a number of their respective events. A special thanks to the parents, staff members and other students who came along to help out on the days too.

Well done to all the team!

Oscar Ody, Levi Davey, James McEwan, Joel Verdouw, Rory Kent, Josh Bosveld, Luke Hartog, Ben Legg, Fletcher de Kievit, Olivia Byers, Aneka Heyne, Tristan Webb, Daniel Hartog, Kyle Flakemore, Hayley byers, Zahara Kuilenburg, Milla Parfrey-Evans, Mackenzie Oudman, Hannah Willoughby, Paul Ollington, Amy Sharp, Ellie Doyle, Taya Stevenson, Abbey Tromp, Jonathan Sijl, Ebony Webb

Stuart Millar
Head of Athletics



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Secondary

OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP - Wilderness Feast



The Outdoor Leadership class had a “Wilderness Feast” on Friday, 22/9/17. The lesson was planned and run by Bethany Birch for her Negotiated Leadership Project. We walked on Mt Wellington and cooked a communal 3 course meal at a place with a great view. The class divided into groups for entree, main and dessert. We had a great time and everyone returned to school very full!

Patrick Stam
Teacher of Outdoor Education and Sport Science.



JOIN OUR SAILING TEAM

Students are invited to join the sailing team. After school on Tuesdays at the Sandy Bay Sailing Club, Nutgrove Beach. We will sail as a team of three boats with two in each boat. The cost for the 6 events is \$60 per person which includes boat hire, insurance etc. The season will start on Tuesday October 24 and will end on November 27. Each event consists of three races that last from 6-10 minutes each around a triangular course. Team sailing is open for experienced sailors from as young as Year 6 but older students without experience are also welcome.

Interested students should speak with Dr Evehuis directly or e-mail him at: cevenhuis@calvin.tas.edu.au



Secondary

ICAS ENGLISH AND ENGLISH WRITING COMPETITION

A number of enthusiastic Calvin students participated in the ICAS English and English Writing competitions this year, and they are all to be heartily congratulated on their fine achievements.

ICAS English Writing Medallists

A special mention must be made for Molly Hartog (Year 7) and David Vonk (Year 10). Molly and David not only gained a High Distinction in the Writing Competition, meaning they scored in the top 1% of participating Australian students in their respective year group, but they are also the 2017 English Writing Medallists. The medal is awarded to the top-scoring student in each year group in Tasmania, so an outstanding achievement indeed.

ICAS English

Year 7	Jack de Puit (Credit) Arielle Reader (Participation) Molly Hartog (Distinction) Levi Vonk (Credit) Tessa Shea (Distinction)
Year 8	Jasmine Straatsma (Distinction) Rory Kent (Credit)
Year 9	Lawson Grey (Participation) Caleb Reader (Distinction) Cade Swanson (Distinction)
Year 10	David Vonk (Distinction)

ICAS English Writing

Year 7	Molly Hartog (High Distinction and Year 7 Writing Medal) Tessa Shea (Distinction) Levi Vonk (Credit)
Year 8	Ava Swanson (Credit)
Year 9	Daniel Hartog (Merit) Caleb Reader (Credit) Cade Swanson (Distinction)
Year 10	David Vonk (High Distinction and Year 10 Writing Medal)

Well done 2017 participants!

Helen Sinclair
Head of Humanities



Whole School

Oliebollen festival

THANK YOU!

A very big THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered their time and effort at the Oliebollen Festival. The support and generosity of so many people helps make this event a significant fundraiser for Calvin each year.

We are very thankful for the community we have at Calvin – parents, grandparents, old scholars, students, teachers and staff – all who contribute in making the Oliebollen Festival the success that it is. Your efforts are truly appreciated.

Calvin Christian School Council.

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11-13 October 2017

Kingston Free Presbyterian Church
(50 Channel Highway, Kingston)

for more information
Ralph or Tanya 0452538562
revrhall@gmail.com

10.30 - 12 noon

ages 3-13

Bible Stories
Songs
Quizzes
Games
Craft
Pizza

Holiday Bible Club

 **kingstonfpc**

Whole School

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

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 4.00pm

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 – 4:00pm
Resume 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, information, photos and events, visit our Facebook page.

Community

KINGSTON BEACH SAILING CLUB

Kingston Beach Sailing Club is a Yachting Australia Discover Sailing and Tackers Centre. If you are interested in your child learning to sail, Tackers 1 (Having Fun), Tackers 2 (Tricks and Techniques and Tackers 3 (Sailing Fast) will be starting again on 14th October.

We will still be offering classes for more experienced and older children, as well as adult learn to sail. All boats and equipment is provided.

Numbers are limited and positions are allocated on a first come basis. Contact Jenny on 6229 5040 or 0421064590 for registration and information, or email jgraney@kbsc.org.au



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BRICKS 4 KIDZ® school holiday workshops using LEGO® Bricks are a fun way for boys and girls to spend their school holidays in Hobart.

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!



Contact Kylie:
hobart@bricks4kidz.com
0408 487 393

Cost

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

Check out the website and enrol here:

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

