



Dear Parents and Care Givers,

Today you will receive an interim report for your child or children. You will notice that we are using a new format.

Our principle concern is to create successful learners in life and within subjects. A student's performance is always governed by their attitude and approach rather than their intelligence. Our criterion have shifted slightly in this report to emphasise qualities that we believe are important to achieve optimal success. Consequently, you will see more criteria for 'Progress as a Learner' than you will for Academic Progress. This rightly emphasises the cause and effect relationship of what I call the 'Law of Effort and Reward'.

We are working deliberately to make the qualities listed under 'Progress as a Learner' become a common language for learning. This approach is based on extensive research into learning. It is not just a whim of taste.

It is my hope that you use this report as a foundation of the conversations at the forthcoming Parent Teacher night. There is even a space at the bottom of the each page for you to take notes in preparation for this conversation.

I would hope to see all parents at Parent Teacher night. It should be a celebration of progress not just a reporting in if there is an issue.

### *Blessings*

I wish everyone a peaceful and restful break from school and I am looking forward to having you all back safe and sound for Term 2.

Iain Belot  
Principal

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Dear Parents and Families,

After 10 big weeks we've come to the end of Term 1.

We've had a fantastic term including, camps, excursions, guest presenters, whole school activities as well as plenty of valuable learning in the classroom environment. I'd like to thank our teachers and support staff for all of the outstanding hard work they put into first term. I'd also like to thank the whole school community for making me feel so welcome at Calvin.

This week, Mr Smith, Mr Pascal, Mrs Hurd and myself have had the pleasure of accompanying the Year 5/6 students to Canberra. Students have really stepped up and grown into themselves and the responsibility required to be away from home for a full week! They have had many educational opportunities visiting places such as Parliament House, CSIRO, The Australian War Memorial, The AIS and Questacon. Students have developed new relationships and friendships as well as being challenged to build their relationship with Christ.

I want to thank Mrs Hurd and Mrs Conry for their work in organising this trip. It has been a well planned and successful experience. A huge thank you to our parent helpers, Mrs Sharon Verdouw, Mr Sean Conry, Mrs Zoe Overeem and Mrs Natalie Veryard.



Year 4 have also had a big week being at Camp Woodfield from Monday to Wednesday. This is another great experience that students have to learn outside the classroom at Calvin. Thanks to Mr Laning and Mrs McMinn for all of their hard work, making this camp another successful experience for our students.

My prayer is for everyone to have a safe and happy holiday. Looking forward to seeing everyone back safe and refreshed next term.

Yours Faithfully,  
Mr Andrew Nash

## PRIMARY CAMPUS

### Term 2 Dates

#### Week 1

30/4 Term 2 commences

04/5 Primary State Athletics

#### Week 2

10/5 Primary Assembly

DP and Swimming Champions

#### Week 3

15/5 NAPLAN

16/5 NAPLAN

17/5 NAPLAN

18/5 Primary Cross Country

(to be confirmed)

#### Week 4

23/5 Huon & Channel Cross Country

24/5 Primary Assembly – Year 3

25/5 Back up day for

H&C Cross Country

#### Week 5

29/5 ICAS Science competition

Year 2-6

#### Week 6

7/6 Primary Assembly – Year 2

#### Week 7

11/6 Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday

13/6 ICAS Spelling competition Yr2-6

14/6 ICAS Writing competition Yr2-6

#### Week 8

21/6 Primary Assembly – Year 1

#### Week 9

29/6 Reports sent home

#### Week 10

2/7 Parent/Teacher Interviews

3/7 Parent/Teacher Interviews

5/7 Primary Assembly – Prep

6/7 Term 2 Concludes

Year 3 - Term 1 Science

In Science this Term, Year 3 have been studying things that are living, non-living and once living. We know that in order for something to be classified as living, it must satisfy the seven characteristics of living things. All seven characteristics must be met.

We would like to share with you the scientific characteristics that determine if something is living:

- Growth – living things increase in size and can repair some damaged parts;
- Movement – living things can change their position in their environment by themselves. Plants, although slower and limited in their movement, can move;
- Reproduction – living things create similar organisms to themselves;
- Sensitivity – living things can sense and respond to stimuli in their environment;
- Respiration – living things convert energy from the environment (food) for use – a process which requires oxygen;
- Elimination/Excretion – living things produce waste which must be removed from the organism;
- Feeding/Nutrition – all living things have a continual need to take in food for the nutrients which are required for growth.

We have done a Science experiment about one category of living things – plants. We planted some rocket and radish seeds in a shoebox. One half of the shoebox was exposed to sunlight while the other half was covered by a lid, denying those seeds natural light. Both sides were watered.

Our class had to predict what we thought might happen to the seeds that were denied sunlight. Most of us predicted that the plants denied sunlight would not grow as well as those exposed to sunlight, because plants need light (amongst other things), to grow.

We checked the findings of our experiment yesterday against our predictions from last week. As you can see from the photos, we were correct!

God truly is amazing the way he figured out exactly what living things need in order to survive and then provided those things for us!!!

Mrs Jo Dixon – Yr 3 Teacher

Primary Office

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

School Absentees

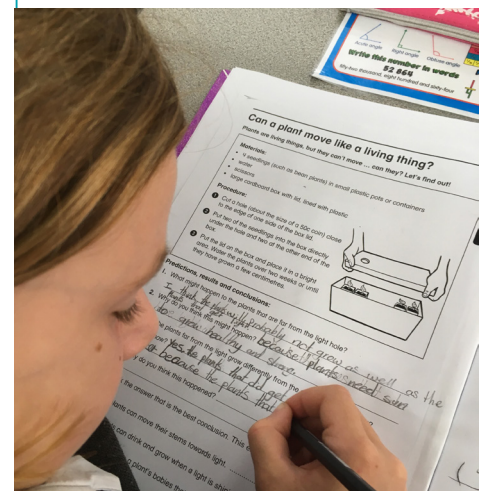
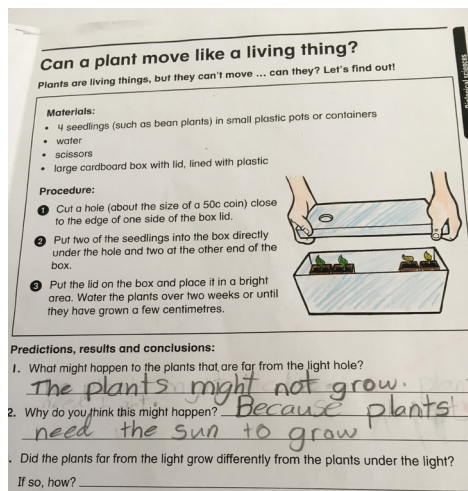
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primaryschool@calvin.tas.edu.au

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 (0-5years) and their parents/carers.  
Thursday mornings during school term.  
Time: 9:00-10:30 am  
Where: Kindergarten room



## Kindergarten and Prep - Excursion to the Botanical Gardens

Kindergarten and Prep went to the Botanical Gardens on Monday to enjoy the delights of Autumn, as we appreciated God's amazing world.

The bus trip was a highlight, along with the abundant supply of leaves to toss in the air (and just occasionally at an adult)! Waterfalls everywhere, finding a floral clock, a new viewing area to see the ducks on the lily pond and finding so many new vegetables and fruit growing were just some of the experiences we had as we explored the Gardens. We also discovered that the Gardens are 200 years old! It was a tired but contented bunch that travelled back on the bus to school in the afternoon.

*'I liked the pink flowers as we went up the stairs from the big arch'* Lori - Kinder

*'I loved picking leaves up and putting them in my bag'* Madeline - Kinder

*'I liked playing in the leaves with Indi and Mrs Thurston'* Alaska - Prep

*'I liked looking at the fruit and vegetables'* Isabelle - Prep

Miss Karalyn Bylsma (Teacher - Prep)  
Mrs Julie Smith (Teacher - Kindergarten)



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## YEAR I visit the Sustainability Learning Centre

On Thursday March 22nd, Year I visited the Sustainability Learning Centre at Hobart College for a 'Minibeast Adventure'. We began the morning looking at a variety of insects and other Minibeasts in glass bottles. We then looked at a variety of stick insects and mealworms. Soon we went bush armed with our drop-sheets and magnifying glasses to find a selection of little creatures in the wild.

Students collected an arrangement of sticks and bracken to assist them to make clay Minibeasts back in the centre. Ruth, the centre teacher, discussed how to make worm farms. After lifting the lids on the compost heaps she was met with a few comments on the smell followed by some pinched noses. The children were entranced with the worms and made their own worm farm out of plastic bottles. They happily delved into the handful of worms presented ready to introduce them to their new habitat!

All in all it was a fantastic learning experience which consolidated our classroom studies on Minibeasts.

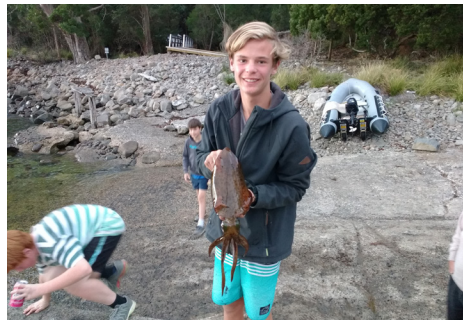
Mrs Kim Denholm  
Teacher - Year I



**YEAR 8 GIRLS CAMP  
ROCHES BEACH  
4-6 APRIL**



**YEAR 8 BOYS CAMP  
FORTESCUE BAY  
4-6 APRIL**



**SECONDARY  
CAMPUS**

**Secondary Office**

Monday- Friday  
8:00am - 4:30pm  
Phone: 6229 4829

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**Student Health**

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Students are invited to join a  
**STUDENT PRAYER  
GROUP**

at lunchtime on Wednesdays.

The emphasis would be on praying for our school and the wider community. Students will be taught some principles of prayer based on Jesus' modelling through 'The Lord's Prayer'. If you would like to come along please see Mrs Ineke Laning or email: [ilaning@calvin.tas.edu.au](mailto:ilaning@calvin.tas.edu.au)

## SENIOR SECONDARY

We invite all students in years 9, 10 and 11, and their parents/guardians, to our Senior Secondary Information evening of Thursday May 3. Students and parents/guardians will have the opportunity to talk to staff about subject selections, individual opportunities and personal pathways for 2019.

## SECONDARY CAMPUS



## YEAR 10-12 INFORMATION NIGHT

An essential evening for all parents and students going into Year 10 and Senior Secondary in 2019.

### At Calvin Christian School we provide

- Dedicated professional staff who have an interest in the wellbeing of each student.
- Excellent preparation for University and future studies.
- An environment where students can be their best.
- Access to Vocational Education and Training Courses.
- Ongoing career and vocational guidance.
- Strong pastoral care.
- Small classes.
- Individual support from subject teachers.
- A supportive close community.

Thursday  
MAY 3  
7:30-9:00pm

MULTI PURPOSE HALL  
Calvin Primary Campus,  
Maranoa Road, KINGSTON

RSVP to Julie Berg at  
[admin@calvin.tas.edu.au](mailto:admin@calvin.tas.edu.au)  
by Friday April 27



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Clarence City Council is undertaking a pavement upgrade project in the Rosny Park interchange during the period from **16 April to 6 May** inclusive. The final week of works coincides with the first week of Term Two.

**The interchange is being temporarily relocated to Bligh St between Ross Ave and Gordons Hill Road for the duration of the works. Stops A-D will be on the council chambers / police station side of Bligh St, Stop E will be outside KFC, and Stop G near Petbarn. All stops will be marked with signage and timetables.**

All general access and school bus routes will continue to depart from the same stops and at the same times at the temporary interchange location.

Further details, including maps, are available from the Metro website.

We appreciate your sharing this with your school community to ensure families are aware of the temporary stop locations at Rosny Park. We are also sharing this information via our online channels.

If you have any further questions please contact Gregg Lennox, Statewide Stakeholder Engagement Manager, at [gregg.lennox@metrotas.com.au](mailto:gregg.lennox@metrotas.com.au)

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## SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



**Hobart** Including highlights from around Tasmania

Once again we are selling the **Entertainment Book** as a whole school fundraiser. Flyers will be sent home soon with the youngest child in each family which will enable you to pre-order a book or digital membership. All pre-orders will receive bonus offers. Entertainment books will be sent home with the youngest child in April.

**If you DO NOT wish to have an Entertainment Book sent home,** please contact the Primary school office on 6229 3814 or [primaryschool@calvin.tas.edu.au](mailto:primaryschool@calvin.tas.edu.au)

## WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

### School Uniform Shop

Secondary Campus  
Phone: 6240 1883  
Email: [ccs.kingston@midford.com.au](mailto:ccs.kingston@midford.com.au)  
Opening Hours  
Tuesday and Thursday  
8:30am - 4:00pm

### 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.

## LIBRARY HELPERS still NEEDED

Calling all parents, grandparents or other volunteers who would like to help our Primary and Secondary School Libraries by covering and shelving wonderful new books. Training provided. All materials supplied. Contact Mrs Jaeger or Mr Murray in either library or on 6229 4829 for details.

