



From the Principal

Worship is a foundational orientation of the Christian life.

The first element of our strategic plan at Calvin is to foster Christian worship and prayer in the school.

The meaning of the New Testament Greek word most often translated 'worship' (proskuneo) is "to fall down before" or "bow down before." Worship is a state (an attitude) of spirit. Since it's an internal, individual action, it could/should be done most of the time (or all the time) in our lives, regardless of place or situation (John 4:21). Therefore, Christians worship all the time, seven days a week. (<https://www.gotquestions.org/Christian-worship.html>)

The Ancient Hebrews had a deep understanding of how faith and work came together in their lives. It shouldn't be surprising, then, that they used the same word for work and worship.

The Hebrew word 'avodah' jointly means work, worship, and service. The various usages of this Hebrew word found first in Genesis 2:15 tells us that God's original design and desire is that our work and our worship would be a seamless way of living. (<https://tifwe.org/avodah-a-life-of-work-worship-and-service/>)

We may worship in music and song, but we also worship in our vocation and play.

The author David Foster Wallace observed in his commencement speech at Kenyon College,

"Everybody worships. The only choice we get is what to worship. And the compelling reason for maybe choosing some sort of god...to worship...is that pretty much anything else you worship will eat you alive. If you worship money or things, if they are where you tap real meaning to life, then you will never have enough, never feel you have enough. It's the truth. Worship your own body and beauty and sexual allure, and you will always feel ugly. And when time and age start showing, you will die a million deaths before [your loved ones] finally plant you...Worship power, and you will end up feeling weak and afraid, and you will need ever more power over others to numb you to your own fear. Worship your intellect, being seen as smart, you will end up feeling stupid, a fraud, always on the verge of being found out. Look, the insidious thing about these forms of worship is not that they are evil or sinful; it is just that they're unconscious. They are default settings."

Wallace was not a Christian. He had a profound understanding of the necessity of worship and the corrosive power of misplaced worship. Even with this great insight and literary success he never grasped the truth of Jesus. Tragically, a few years after giving this speech, Wallace took his life. (Timothy Keller, Encounters

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with Jesus, 2014)

The greatest lyricist of the 20th Century, Bob Dylan penned many masterpieces of story telling. On becoming a Christian in 1979 he wrote the song, Gotta Serve Somebody. The chorus of the song tells us rightly,

*But you're gonna have to serve somebody, yes,
Indeed you're gonna have to serve somebody.
Well, it may be the devil or it may be the Lord,
But you're gonna have to serve somebody.*

In his City of God, Saint Augustine defined virtue as “rightly ordered love” (City of God, XV.23). He said: But living a just and holy life requires one to be capable of an objective and impartial evaluation of things: to love things, that is to say, in the right order, so that you do not love what is not to be loved, or fail to love what is to be loved, or have a greater love for what should be loved less, or an equal love for things that should be loved less or more, or a lesser or greater love for things that should be loved equally. (On Christian Doctrine, I.27-28)

Worship is nothing more than an expression of what we love. At Calvin, we build our programmes to affirm the love of Christ, and to cause others to reflect on where they have placed their love - to consider what they worship.

Iain Belot
Principal



2018

STUDENT LEADERS

Naomi Berg
Caleb Boonstra
Robyn Bosveld
Merryn Day
Rachel Davey
Thomas Di Pretoro
Emma Hall
Beth Hochman
Leah Hochman
Rebecca Laing
Finn Ledger
Isabel Legg
Sam Muggeridge
Vincent Mukundu
Hamish Powell
Jonathan Sijl
Ebony Webb



Dear Parents and Families,

This week has been packed with activities and opportunities. On Tuesday and Wednesday, Grade 3 students went on their first School Camp to Blue Lagoon. They had an amazing time and completed activities such as swimming at the beach, treasure hunts, team challenges, rock climbing and even a bonfire with bush damper! On Wednesday, I had the pleasure of joining the class for lunch and their final activity. This involved individual students building and climbing a tower milk crates to see how high it could get before they lost balance (all in the safety of a harness of course!). I was impressed with the amount of students who were willing to have a go and a special congratulations goes to Abe Diedericks who managed to stack and climb up 13 milk crates! A huge thanks goes out to our parent helpers, who all climbed the milk crates too, with Mr Hofman being the first person ever at Blue Lagoon Camp to stand on the crates and jump to reach the beam above (pictured below)! Well done to Mrs Dixon for her outstanding organisation of this camp and her willingness to show the students what it means to have a go at everything.



This week we had our Year 3-6 Swimming Carnival. It was great to see my first taste of the rivalry between Jordan and Jericho, but even better to see the effort, encouragement and determination that was displayed by all on the day. The highlight for me was when two leaders from Jordan went into the pool to help and support a younger swimmer from Jericho during a race. I'm proud to say that there were many other fantastic example of sportsmanship and encouragement like this throughout the day. The results of the carnival and the Swimming Champions for Junior and Senior Swimmers will be announced in the coming days. A huge thanks to Mrs Karen Hurd for her effort and organisation in setting up a fantastic day for all involved.

This week we sadly say goodbye to her after 13 years of working in the Primary School office. As mentioned by Mr Belot last week, Karen has taken up the position of Co-Curricular Officer at the Secondary campus. I think all would have to agree that Karen has been a huge part of what makes the Primary School tick over her time in this role. She has been a massive help to me settling in to my role in 2018 and I can't thank her enough for her support, patience, knowledge and organisation. What will be a big loss to us in the Primary School will be a huge gain to the Secondary School and I know Karen will do an exceptional job in her new role. God's plans for us often change unexpectedly and I know this will be a great new journey and experience for all, especially Karen (Jeremiah 29:11).

PRIMARY CAMPUS

Primary Office

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

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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



This week we have also started Reading Buddies in the Primary School. This involves a group of students from Prep to Year 5 being paired with a reading buddy from Year 3-6. They join together with Mrs de Kievit after lunch two days a week to do shared reading in the quadrangle. This is a great opportunity for readers to develop fluency, skill and confidence, whilst offering another opportunity for students in the school to develop their skills of leadership and peer support.



A few quick safety reminders. We love to see people hanging around in the quadrangle for a chat and building the community of the school after the bell, but unfortunately we are unable to safely provide staff for duty in the playground after school. As a result, all play equipment will be out of bounds for students after 3pm. This include with parent supervision, as it is too tempting for others to come and join unattended and create unsafe situations. We do provide duty teachers in the morning from 8:20am and endeavour to have the bottom gate opened by this time. In the event that the gate is still locked, please be patient and resist the urge to let students climb over the gate. With the concrete path, this is a serious injury waiting to happen.

Thanks for your continued support and partnership with the school in the education of your children. It is evident from the amount of support and attendance we have had with Year 3 Camp, the Swimming Carnival, parent help and other events that education at Calvin is a joint venture between staff and parents.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Nash
Deputy Principal – Head of Primary

CALVIN CANBERRA TRIP - APRIL 2018

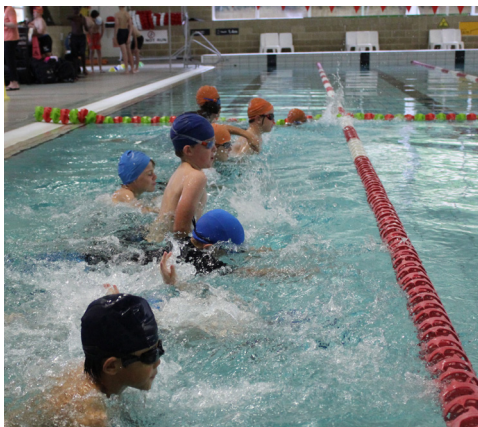
Students from our school (and Channel Christian School) will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$150 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

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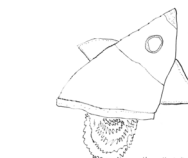
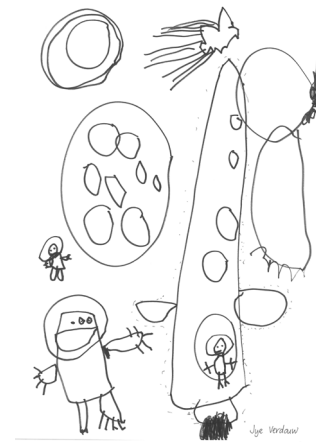
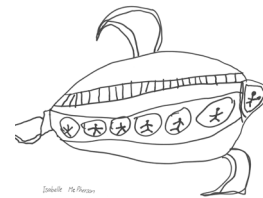
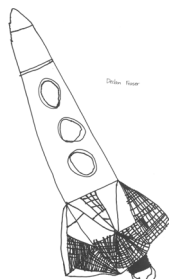
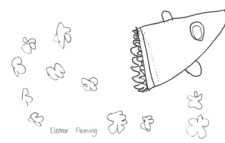
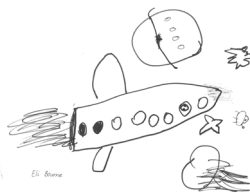
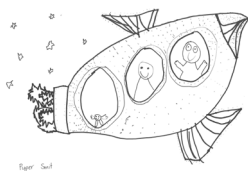
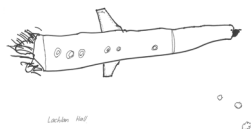
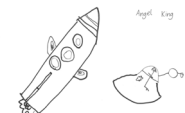
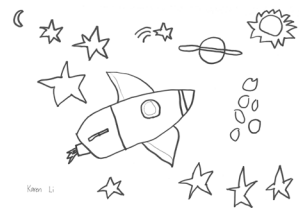
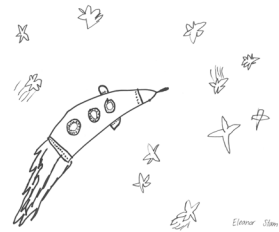


In Prep this term we have been learning about the 7 days of Creation.

As part of our discussion about Day 4 – when God made the sun moon and stars - we talked about how we could see them for ourselves. One way that was suggested was travelling by rocket or spaceship.

The Prep children then had the opportunity to draw their very own rocket. First we looked at different pictures of spaceships, thinking about whether they would need to use ‘curved’ or ‘straight’ lines to form their rocket. The children then thought about which way they needed to turn their paper, either ‘portrait’ or ‘landscape’ to best fit their drawing. Next they had to decide when to use a permanent marker or a fine line pen to add detail. The children worked hard on their drawings and selected their best to share with you. We hope you enjoy our rockets!

Karalyn Bylsma
Prep Teacher





ADF Gap Year applications for 2019 have opened.
It's a unique opportunity for students to try out a career in Navy, Army or Air Force and get a feel for a military life without committing for a longer period.

Through an ADF Gap Year you'll:

- Gain valuable skills and work experience
- Enjoy a great salary package plus free healthcare
- Live a varied, active and healthy lifestyle
- Make friends with like-minded people
- Get the opportunity to see more of Australia

In 2019 there are 14 roles to choose from ranging from admin to artillery and even flight crew, plus this year we're offering 30 Army Officer roles - places are limited.

ADF Gap Year – Navy	Closes 9 April 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Combat Engineer	Closes 9 April 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Officer	Closes 23 April 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Artillery Operator	Closes 23 April 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Infantry Soldier	Closes 14 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Driver	Closes 21 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Administration Assistant	Closes 21 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Warehouse Assistant	Closes 21 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Air Defence Operator	Closes 21 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Cabin Crew	Closes 7 March 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Warehouse Storeperson	Closes 28 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Aviation Support Technician	Closes 28 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Airbase Protection and Security	Closes 4 June 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Administration Assistant	Closes 4 June 2018

Closing dates are driven by demand and may close sooner than listed.
Apply NOW

REQUIREMENTS

- Australian citizen
- Aged between 18 and 24 years on admission
- Year 12 completion (required passes vary by job)

SECONDARY CAMPUS

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PROMOTIONAL PHOTO SHOOT ON THE SECONDARY CAMPUS.

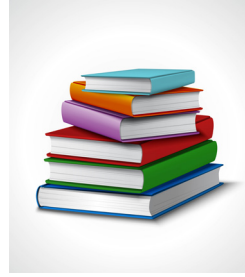
On Wednesday 21 March a professional photographer will be taking photos of students on the Secondary Campus. These photos will be used for promotional purposes. They may appear on the Calvin website, Calvin Facebook page, in various print media and for internal and external publications.

If you **do not wish** for your child to be in these photos please let the school know by Monday 19 March, by emailing our Publications Officer, Carina Van Der Kley, email: cvanderkley@calvin.tas.edu.au

WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

LIBRARY HELPERS 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.



Once again we are selling the Entertainment Book as a whole school fundraiser. Flyers will be sent home next week 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

School Uniform Shop

Secondary Campus

Phone: 6240 1883

Email: 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 Vunerable 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.

It's **WORKING BEE** time

at Calvin Primary School!

Join us on

Saturday 24 March

1pm - 4pm



Refreshments will be provided

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

SALE ITEMS

White sports socks have been reduced to **\$6** a pair
(until sold out)

Black Kolotex opaque tights **\$5** a pair
in girl's and women's sizes
(until sold out).

Long Sleeve PE tops **30% off** retail price
(available in sizes 4/6/8/10 - great for winter!)

Older style Track pants **50% off** retail price until sold out.
(parachute material) in most sizes.

If you cannot make it into the shop you can pay over the phone
and items will be delivered to the Junior School.

Middle and Senior students are able to come to the shop
before/after school or at recess/lunch.

Phone: 6240 1883



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OUR SCHOOL
AND GET COLLECTING**



We would love your help collecting Coles Sports for Schools for our school.
Tell your friends and family to get involved as well, because the more
vouchers we collect, the more sports gear our school will receive.



Support Calvin's sports program by collecting vouchers at your next Coles shop.
Vouchers can be dropped in at the Primary office.