



Pictured: Calvin's Cultural Exchange students experiencing camel riding in Doha.

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to extol the influence and commitment of our current **School Council** Members. These half dozen people have been pivotal in making a significant difference in both the quality of parent connection to the school and the operation of the school itself.

Prospective parents often enquire about the opportunities to connect to the school and make a contribution. Taking the step to join our School Council is the most influential action that you can take. Through eight or nine meetings a year, this group influences our reputation in the community through organising our annual parent forum, assisting in overseeing the Oliebollen Festival, beautifying the grounds, and producing events that foster parent connection. They desire to promote connection and pride in our community.

I am currently seeking a number of people who are willing to join School Council and support me in building the school as a strong and healthy community. We are very mindful of the busy lives that people lead. We are committed to have a number of hands making smaller contributions.

I would be delighted to receive an email expressing your interest in joining the School Council. I would then like to meet for a conversation. The only requirement is that you walk in a Christian faith and are willing to join the school association.

Camps

We are concluding a very busy term with some major undertakings.

The camping program at Calvin is extensive. Each camp targets a specific objective that pertains to furthering the developmental needs of children, their educational and cultural growth, or their personal development.

The Grade 5 and 6 students of Channel and Calvin are heading off to Canberra next week. While there is great benefit in the personal development sponsored by travel, a real objective is to sample the culturally rich environment of our nations' capital. It is valuable to connect students of this age to the vision of our nation's culture, heritage and traditions. By exposing them to this world that is bigger than themselves we hope to foster an increased sense of their place in the citizenship of our nation. In addition, it is a wonderful team building exercise for students to deepen their knowledge and appreciation of their class mates. I wish them well and am grateful for all the work that teachers and parents have

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undertaken in preparation for the tour.

Our Year 8 students completed their camp this week. The objective of this camp is to foster security in the emerging identity of students. We recognise that boys and girls are in different phases of their development and thus require different activities and types of support. Accordingly, we run two gender specific camps. The central question that guides the program is, "Who am I? The boys consider the ideas of masculinity. We present activities and conversations that foster their engagement of the ideas of "steel and velvet" as part of their identity. The girls receive affirmations of their worth that combat the culturally stereotyped messages.

Again, I am appreciative of the staff who willingly invest in the holistic development of the students in our care. We value the deepening of relationships between students and staff in these environments.

Our students on the European Exchange arrived safely. They had a wonderful perspective expanding opportunity in their stop-over in Doha. Students experienced the desert in a 4WD, had a swim in the Persian Gulf, and looked into Saudi Arabia and its mountains. Upon arrival in Amsterdam they had their Easter Service in the oldest church in Amsterdam. The following day they visited Anne Frank's House. There is much here that will shift your perspective about yourself and your place in the world.

This consideration of self in time and place is very much our goal. We want to promote the awareness of citizenship. Whether it is citizenship in the school community, or on a national or international stage, we need to see the world as bigger than ourselves. From this vantage point it is natural to consider what contribution we might make ourselves.

Iain Belot
Principal



Dear Parents and Families,

It has been great to see everyone back relaxed and refreshed after our 5 day Easter break. Easter is an ideal opportunity to spend time with family and friends whilst also reflecting upon the selfless sacrifice that was offered to us through Jesus' death. A well-known Bible verse comes to mind during this time, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). I pray that we will continue to live in the grace offered by His sacrifice and treat each other in a manner that is pleasing to Him.

Swimming Carnival Results

Last week in Assembly we announced the results of our Swimming Carnival as well as our Junior and Senior Swimming Champions. After a 9 year reign of Jericho, we had a changing of the guard with JORDAN winning the 2018 Swimming Carnival! In a very close and competitive day the final score was 747 to 704. Well done to the following students who were crowned Swimming Champions in their division:

SENIOR BOYS

Champion: Cameron McEwan
Runner Up: Riley Overeem

SENIOR GIRLS

Champion: Ebony Young
Runner Up: Holly Haas

JUNIOR BOYS

Champion: Isaac Wells
Runner Up: Austin Hughes

JUNIOR GIRLS

Champion: Kaiya Wilkie
Runner Up: Evelyn Stevenson

Trophies will be presented to these students in our first Assembly next term.

Camp -Year 4

Next week is a busy week for camps. We have our Year 4 students heading to Camp Woodfield from Monday through to Wednesday. To quote Mr Laning, "students will be focusing on God's incredible creation, team-building, construction and nature studies, with a bit of geography and a lot of fun thrown in! Activities will include Bush Walking, Night Games, Shelter Building, Camp Fires and Damper Making, Billy Carts, a Flying Fox, Trampolines, a Low Ropes Course, a Water Slide and Archery Attack." I'm sure they will be very busy and have a fantastic time.

Canberra Trip

Year 5/6 students will be heading off to Canberra for the week. During this trip students will develop an understanding of Australia's origins, political history and layers of government with visits to Parliament House, the War Memorial and the Royal Australian Mint. It will be a great opportunity for students to challenge themselves, develop new and stronger relationships with their peers and come away with amazing memories and life-long impressions of Australia's past and present.

On Monday, our Kinder and Prep classes will be heading to the Botanical Gardens. This will be a great opportunity for students to enjoy learning in and off campus environment as they observe the changes that occur to our trees and plants during autumn.

Andrew Nash

Deputy Principal – Head of Primary

PRIMARY CAMPUS

Primary Office

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

School Absentees

Primary School Absentees
Phone: 6229 3814
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 (0-5years) and their parents/carers.
Thursday mornings during school term.
Time: 9:00-10:30 am
Where: Kindergarten room



YEAR 2

This term Grade 2 have been working on maps, drawing them, reading them and using them to give directions, specifically with the terms north, south, east and west.

We have observed many maps, including; road maps, world maps, a jigsaw puzzle map of Australia and many others. One very important feature included in most maps is a key. A key may contain colours, symbols and patterns, which represent zones, places or routes of travel.

Students describe maps as follows:

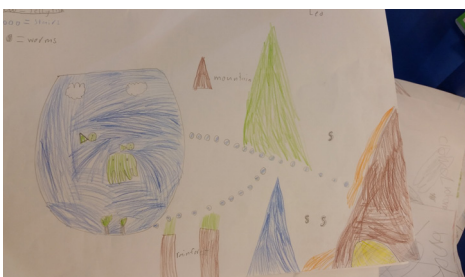
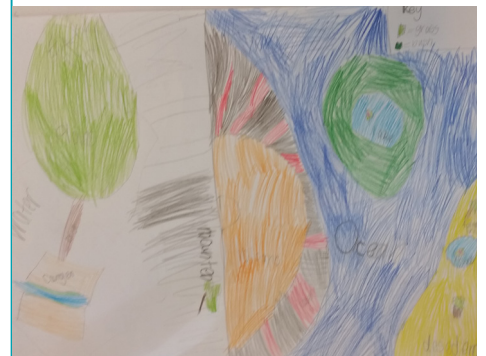
"A map is a piece of paper that has details to tell you where things are. So, if there was treasure, it would show you where the treasure is". - Horatio.

"A map is to show you places where to go and knowing where you are going". - Lucy

"A map shows you where to get around and how to get to places". - Jedd

We have also explored the many geographical land features, including various habitats, mountains, and rivers, etc. In groups, we created dioramas including each of these features and a map to represent this diorama.

Mrs Heather McCallum
Year 2 Teacher



DEBATING

Calvin novice debating teams continued their winning streak on Wednesday night against Ogilvie and Fahan, with both teams convincingly and successfully arguing that "Beauty Pageants Should be Banned".

Unfortunately, one team had to forfeit their points, but the adjudicator still awarded Calvin students with top marks on the night for their manner, method and matter.

Good work and well done debaters!



SECONDARY CAMPUS

Secondary Office

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

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CO-CURRICULAR - BASKETBALL

This week for Basketball co-curricular we had training given by Aaron Douglas. Aaron played in America at College level and played for the local Tasmanian Devils back in the day. We thank the Kingborough-Huon basketball association for giving us Aaron to assist with training.

Belinda Straatsma
Head of Health & PE



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

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS



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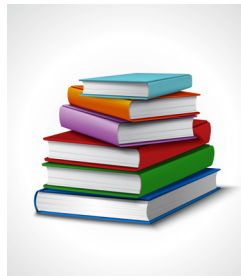
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WORKING BEE

Thank you to everyone who came and helped with our last Working Bee at the Primary School. Lots of hard work helped clear trees and undergrowth. This area will be developed into a nature play area for the younger grades. Exciting things to come!

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.



WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

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.



Hobart Including highlights from around Tasmania

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