



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Traditional values are alive and well in this modern world.

Prospective parents are expressing with increasing clarity which features attract them to consider Calvin Christian School for their children. Four reasons predominate:

- Being a Christian school;
- Having a reputation for both academic standards and duty of care;
- Having a holistic approach; and,
- Upholding traditional values.

These families have conducted their research and are articulate on the school's prominent standing in all four of these areas.

They express their belief that the clear link between all of these outcomes is a value-driven approach around traditional values of a disciplined environment. It is beyond clear that parents are strongly favouring a values-driven approach that they perceive as being eroded in the modern world. Preserving values from generation to generation is a difficult task. However, it is vital for the health of our families, school, community and society at large. The preservation of respect for individuals and authority are two contested value positions.

The challenge for parents and teachers is that the values we are teaching are all too often very different to those of contemporary youth culture. It is valuable and proper that each generation has its own identity. This is best demonstrated and identified through the generational connection to different genres of popular music. Mozart might be timeless, but the sound of the 1970s is vastly different to the that of today. Classics are timeless, but hits may be popular for a time only. Differences in generational values were once a slight variation on a theme. Changes we once witnessed were only a shift of emphasis around a common thread of generational values. It now is tempting to consider that the core values are altering. For example, honesty was always the best policy. Now, ensuring loyalty and alignment to friends has become paramount, regardless of veracity.

So, I pose the question, 'What do we and our children have in common with a frog and a fish?'

The answer is provided by two old philosophical chestnuts.

Question: How do you boil a frog? Answer: Place it in cold water and raise the temperature gradually until the frog is boiled. It will not notice the temperature change.

Question: Does a fish know what it is like to live in water? Answer: Probably not as it doesn't know anything different?

Each year Beloit College in the USA releases the Mindset List, which was originally prepared by Ron Nief, Director Emeritus of Beloit College Public Affairs; Tom McBride, Professor Emeritus of English; and Charles Westerberg, Brannon-Ballard Professor of Sociology. The purpose of the list was to remind teachers that they must adjust their cultural references in their explanations.

For example, the students commencing their first year of university this September in the USA are mostly 18 years of age and were born in 1999. ([See here](#))

- These students are the first generation for whom a phone has been primarily a video game, direction finder, electronic telegraph, and research library.
- eHarmony has always offered an algorithm for happiness.
- There have always been emojis to cheer us up.
- It is doubtful that they have ever used or heard the high-pitched whine of a dial-up modem.
- Whatever the subject, there's always been a blog for it.
- Women have always scaled both sides of Everest and rowed across the Atlantic.
- Bill Clinton has always been Hillary Clinton's aging husband.

Their cultural soup is of a very different flavour to that of their parents.

Traditional values can be lost in the passing of one generation. Our position, and the Christian position, is to maintain these values as fundamental to the tradition that has Christ at the centre. Calvin has a reputation for fostering traditional values. So, let us continue our vigilance and be careful to notice subtle changes over time. Let us consider the cultural and social environment within which we live, not allowing distractions and shifting societal norms to cause us to lose track of our Christian principles. Let's continue to faithfully encourage and instil these values in the next generation.

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Dear Parents and Families,

As you're aware, this year the theme for the Primary School is Attitude Matters. As with all aspects of life, the small things make a big difference with our attitude. This term we have been focusing on a few of the seemingly small things that have big flow on effects for student attitude and behaviour.

One of these has been the way we move around the school, especially when moving as a class. These behaviours are ingrained in students from Kindergarten, but there are times when we need to re-teach and go over the expectations we have in these areas as students progress through the school. Students have been reminded of the need to move sensibly in two lines, staying together as a group. This not only has obvious safety benefits, but also reinforces respect for our teachers and encourages pride in our students and the school. On Wednesday, we had a parent visiting the school on an enrolment tour. Year 5/6H were walking back from Physical Education following our movement guidelines. This parent was obviously impressed by the way our students were moving and was able to witness first-hand the respect they were showing to other working classes they were moving past. This small attitude change has been taken on quickly by our students and has had big flow on effects in other areas of student respect and school pride.

Another seemingly small area I have noticed that has a big impact on student attitude is the willingness to wear correct uniform. Students who ignore or 'tweak' uniform regulations are more likely to push the boundaries or inappropriately challenge other rules and expected levels of respect throughout the day. Whether it's wearing branded socks, or deliberately wearing sports or formal uniform on the wrong days, students are choosing to set themselves apart from basic expectations before the school day begins. This often leads to other poor behavioural choices and lower levels of respect for others throughout the day. I've also noticed students that have changed their attitude and come on board with uniform expectations making better choices and showing improved levels of respect in their classroom environment. Being fully aware of uniform expectations and sports and formal uniform days helps nip this issue in the bud before it has an impact on student attitude.

We pray that our students continue to recognise the big impact these small choices have on their daily attitude, as they honour God, others and themselves with their actions. We are also reminded of the impact that our students can have on us and the community, displayed through their attitudes and actions. 1 Timothy 4:12 states, 'Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in love, in faith, in purity.'

Mr Andrew Nash - Deputy Principal



PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent-Teacher interviews will be held in the Primary School on **Monday 1st July** (3:15 – 8pm) and **Tuesday 2nd July** (3:15 – 6pm). Interviews are 15 minutes in duration.

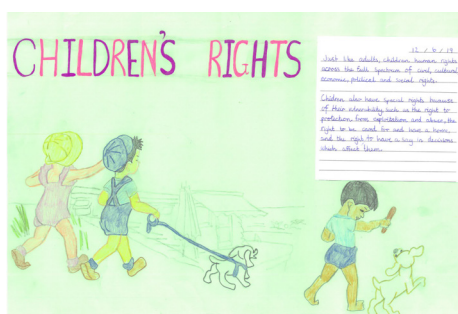
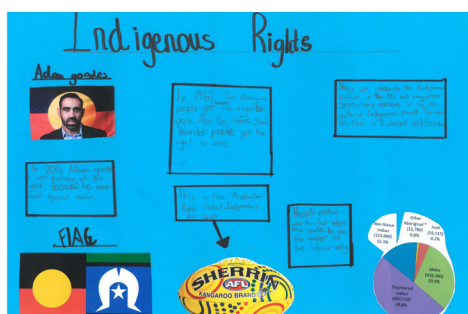
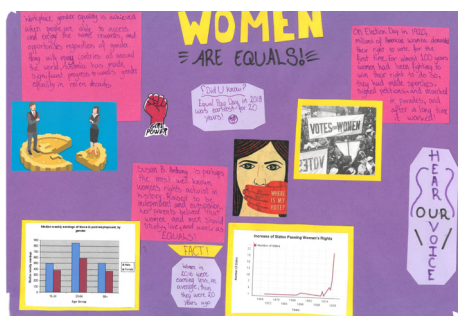
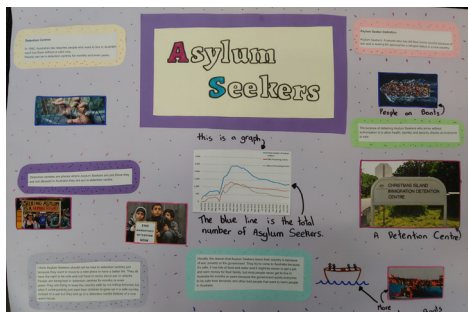
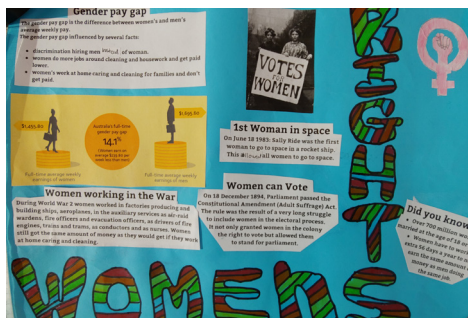
Interviews can be booked online at schoolinterviews.com.au. Please use the event code **jgsxw**.

The booking system will be open for bookings until Monday 1st July at 9am. As always if you have any questions or problems please contact the **Primary office**.

STUDYING AUSTRALIAN HISTORY 5/6H

This term Year 5/6 Hofman have been doing a Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) unit, studying Australian History. Students created posters to raise awareness for the Human Rights of a particular people groups. A few topics covered included, Women's Rights, Mandatory Detention, Indigenous Rights and Asylum Seekers.

Mrs Bronwyn Hofman - Teacher



PRIMARY CAMPUS

Primary Office

Monday – Friday
8:15am – 4:00pm
Ph. 6229 3814

School Absentees

Primary School Absentees
Ph. 6229 3814
primaryschool@calvin.tas.edu.au

Student Health

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

Small Wonders Playgroup

A free early years program for children (0–5 years) and their parents/carers. Thursday mornings during school term. 9:00am–10:30am in the Kindergarten room

After School Care

After school care is provided by Stepping Stones Children's Services. To find out more please contact them on 1300 665 699 or admin@sharingthecare.com.au

Primary Term 2

JUNE

- 25 Prep Assembly
- 25 All Schools Cross Country - Symmons Plains
- 28 Primary Music Assembly
- 28 Reports sent home

JULY

- 1&2 Parent Teacher Interviews
- 5 Last day of Term
- 29 Term 3 Commences

Secondary Term 2

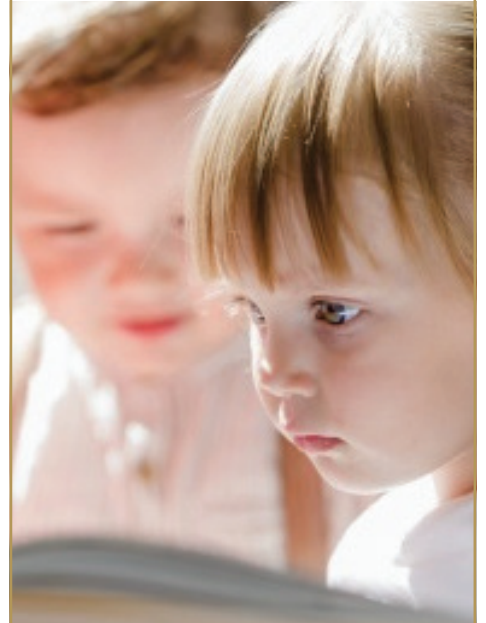
JULY

- 2 Secondary All Schools Cross Country
- 4 Year 9 Music & Drama
- 5 Reports sent home
- 5 Last day of Term
- 29 Term 3 Commences

For all future school dates please visit calvin.tas.edu.au/calendar

KEY DATES

small
wonders



Kindergarten Enrolments for 2020



Our School
is currently
experiencing growth
across all classes!

With this in mind we wish to remind current school parents that applications for Kinder in 2020 are NOW OPEN.

If you have a child who will enter Kinder in 2020 please contact our Enrolments Officer to ensure you don't miss out!

A FREE play based

EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM

that you and your
children will love!

**THURSDAYS
9:00-10:30am**

To find out more contact us
OR visit
calvin.tas.edu.au/small-wonders

 **CALVIN**
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

HOBART EISTEDDFOD WINNERS



Congratulations to Theresa Smith (Year 8 student) and Levi Vonk (Year 9) who competed in the Pianoforte Section of the Hobart Eisteddfod. On Friday afternoon Levi was awarded first in the John Menadue Memorial Prize and and Teresa Smith was awarded second. On Sunday evening, Levi came first in the 16 years and under Australian Composer (Solo) section.

Well done to both students on their achievements.

PACK A PACK FOR VANUATU MISSION TRIP



In support of our upcoming **Vanuatu Mission** trip, students and families are being asked to donate items for distribution to the students being visited at three schools and a Kindergarten in both village and slum areas. Collection of the following items will take place through Home Rooms in Years 7-10:

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners
- Erasers, chalk
- Exercise books
- Sporting equipment (vortex, rounders cricket bats, footballs, volleyballs, netballs, frisbees, etc.)

Or make a donation of money at the secondary front office.

SECONDARY CAMPUS

Secondary Office

Monday – Friday
8:00am – 4:30pm
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absences@calvin.tas.edu.au

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Stepping Stones

Children's Services
"We're sharing the care"



WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

Stepping Stones - After School Care

We still have space for additional students in our After School Care program by Stepping Stones! If you are interested please contact them on 1300 665 699 or admin@sharingthecare.com.au

HOODWINKED

A Robin Hood Musical

Join Robin Hood and his merry gang as students of Channel Christian School re-create the timeless tale of courage triumphing over greed. With a live student band and a whole forest full of surprises, this will be a performance you won't want to miss.

Matinee sessions:
Thur June 27 1.30pm
Fri June 28 1.30pm

Evening sessions:
Thur June 27 6.30pm
Fri June 28 6.30pm

To book a ticket or find out more go to hoodwinkedmusical.eventbrite.com.au



DID YOU KNOW? SCHOOL GOVERNANCE



Calvin, along with **Channel**, **Emmanuel** and **Northern** are part of the Christian Schools Tasmania Network and members of **Christian Education National (CEN)**. This great little **video** gives a great run down on how our schools operate. If you have any questions about this please **contact us**.

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

NEW TRACK FLEECE PANTS have arrived at the Uniform Shop.

Sizes 10/12/14/16 /Small/Medium now in stock.

Email OR call the Uniform shop on 6240 1883 to find out more.



Emmanuel Christian School is a growing K-10 school on Hobart's Eastern Shore

Expressions of interest are invited from suitably qualified practising Christians for the following position:

Teacher Aide


Part-time for 22 hours per week in school weeks, commencing in Term 3 2019

For information visit cst.tas.edu.au/employment
To apply email: hr@cst.tas.edu.au

Applications close: Wednesday 26 June 2019
emmanuel.tas.edu.au

Opening Minds to Life's Possibilities

EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS A PART OF CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TASMANIA



Emmanuel Christian School is a growing K-10 school on Hobart's Eastern Shore

Expressions of interest are invited from suitably qualified practising Christians for the following position:

Secondary Science Teacher

Full-time, commencing in Term 3 2019

For information visit cst.tas.edu.au/employment
To apply email hr@cst.tas.edu.au

Applications close Wednesday 3 July 2019
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School Uniform Shop

Secondary Campus
Ph. 6240 1883
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:
Ph. 6229 3814
- Secondary Office:
Ph. 6229 4829



Join us at Calvin
Saturday 3 August

1pm - 4pm



If you cannot commit to the entire time, feel free to come and give an hour or two instead.

Every bit helps!

Refreshments will be provided.

All Welcome!



Calvin is taking part in the 2019 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Last year, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you. From now until June 25th 2019, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. Staff, parents, grandparents, neighbours and friends who shop at Woolworths can collect stickers.

If you have any questions, please contact the **primary school office**.

Coming in Term 3
Calvin's Student Theatre Company Presents

CLUE



MR. GREEN
HALL
LEAD PIPE



PROFESSOR PLUM
LIBRARY
CANDLE STICK



MISS SCARLET
LOUNGE
DAGGER



MRS. WHITE
KITCHEN
PISTOL



MRS. PEACOCK
DINING ROOM
WRENCH



COLONEL MUSTARD
BILLIARD ROOM
ROPE

