



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Ten years after the Battle of Waterloo, while watching a cricket match at Eton, the Duke of Wellington was overheard to say: 'The Battle of Waterloo was won here'. Of course, the man who defeated Napoleon at Waterloo did not literally mean that old scholars from Eton College actually had won the battle. He meant merely that the games and sports at British colleges developed qualities in men that made them good soldiers. This original utterance was polished up and made famous as, 'The Battle of Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton'.

Christian character is our business at Calvin.

We advocate that character is built in all venues and arenas. We reject the notion implicit in the Duke's statement that the classroom makes no contribution to character development.

Our approach is holistic. We desire and plan to focus on the whole child: body, soul and spirit. Thus, our academic and co-curricular activities in their entirety make a direct contribution to building character. The ideal involvement by a student is a holistic one. It is ideal that students become involved in classrooms, sporting fields activities (for both their house and school), academic extension activities, debating, chess, service programs, and other initiatives. We are multifaceted people and the involvement in a broad range of initiatives is critical to develop our full persona and attributes.

Jim Dailey writes that '[t]he fires of trial not only test our faith but also refine our character. Scripture is clear that we are never exempt or pre-empted from that. There is no such thing as a victory without a battle. Often people dream of "the victorious life" as being some secret that we arrive at by so completely mastering every circumstance that there are no longer such things as trials. That simply isn't true.'

This is a point that I am regularly making as I write on the reports of every student in Year 4 to Year 12. The battle is a test of commitment, and our response is a method of developing character. It does not matter in which arenas we experience trials. It matters that we experience as many trials as possible. These learning opportunities build our emotional resolve, resilience and ability to problem solve, and assist in our understanding the reality that our future lies beyond our comfort zone.

Providing the opportunity to build Christian character is the vital purpose to the construction of the curriculum and co-curricular program at Calvin. Involvement is wonderful. Improvement in maturity, skill and temperament is precious.

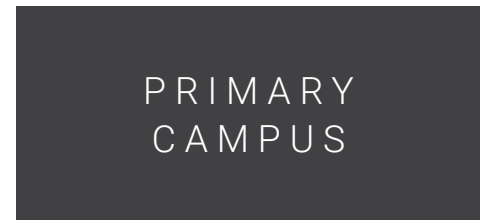
The most recent contribution to personal growth at Calvin in this regard is a systemic emphasis on setting goals. All students in the secondary school consciously set academic goals in the first few weeks of Term One. Students in the primary school set an expectation through the adoption of the goal, 'Attitude Matters'. These aspirational targets recruit the best of us. Generally, they enable us to discover and/or fashion better parts of our nature than we knew existed.

The feedback at the conclusion of this semester will no doubt present challenges. The act of setting goals and determining the approach to achieve them is the necessary element to foster the development of Christian character.

Everyone in the school is likely to find some Waterloo moment in their reports. It is an opportunity to grow Christian character.

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Dear Parents and Families,

Over the past month, teachers have been very busy writing **reports** for our Kindergarten to Year 6 students. These reports will come home today and are very informative, providing many good starting points for conversations with your children about what they are doing at school and how they are achieving. It's one of the times during the year that, when our students are asked what they did at school, they can't get away with the standard response of 'Nothing...!' I encourage you to discuss reports with your children and read the subject outlines above the ratings that summarise what the students have been studying in each learning area.

When reading your child's report there are a few things to take into account. Firstly, a student receiving a 'C' rating means they are working at grade level. This means they are on track to where they are meant to be for their year level. If Students are receiving a 'D' rating it does not mean they are failing, but working towards year level achievements. Both of these ratings hold a different weight than they did in the past, which is in line with all schools working under the Australian Curriculum. On the other hand, if your child receives a 'B' rating, they are working above the expected standard for their year level, with an 'A' rating meaning a child is working well above the expected standard. Please see the cover letter in the Student Portfolio for a table with more information on this.

Secondly, it is important to note that all students are different and all students learn and achieve at different rates. God has created us all individually, and as a result, we need to be careful when comparing reports, whether it be with class mates or siblings. As long as students are showing progress and putting in the required effort and attitude to their studies, we should be celebrating their results. There may still be areas that can be improved with extra work or effort, and this is where attending parent teacher interviews is very important. If you need support making a booking, please contact the office.

Symmons Plains Cross Country

On Tuesday morning, Mr Smith, Mrs Straatsma and Mrs Hurd took a group of students to compete in the Symmons Plains Cross Country. This event brings the best runners in the state together to compete and challenge themselves. A group of our Year 3-6 students participated in these races, giving their best and doing Calvin proud in the process. Congratulations to Matilda Lange, who placed 4th in her age group, earning her a place in the state cross country team. This gives her the opportunity to compete in the Cross Country Championships racing against students from other states!

Mr Andrew Nash - Deputy Principal

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.

Use the event code **jgsxw**.

Bookings open until

Monday 1st July at 9am.

As always if you have any questions or problems please contact the

Primary Office.

LEARNING WITH YEAR 1/2 G



In Term 2, all the Year 1/2 classes have been learning about "God's People In God's World". We have really loved learning about other countries and their cultures and traditions. We have had fun trying food from different countries, and we learned how to write our names in Chinese characters!



In Science we have done some cooking and fun experiments. We made pikelets and Dutch Stampot. We did a volcano experiment, a gummy bear experiment, and a salt and ice hands experiment.

Mitchell's Dad came to talk to us about electrical safety.

Mrs Anne-Petra Green - Year 1/2 Teacher



PRIMARY CAMPUS

Primary Office

Monday – Friday
8:15am – 4:00pm
Ph. 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 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

JULY

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

AUGUST

- 3 Working Bee
- 12-14 Year 5 camp - Far South Wilderness Camp
- 14-16 Year 6 camp - Far South Wilderness Camp

Secondary Term 2

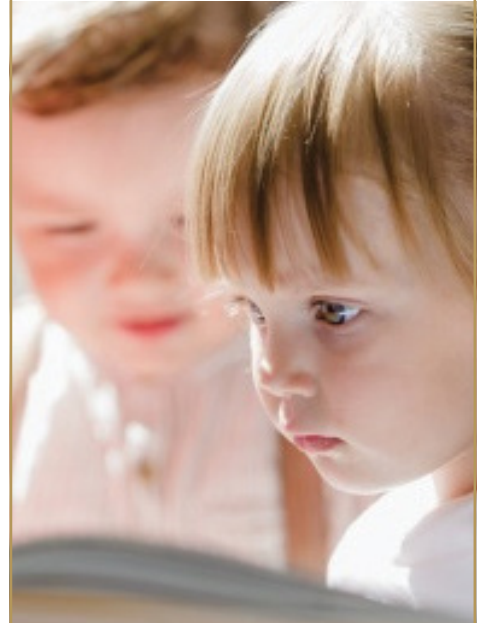
JULY

- 2 Secondary All Schools Cross Country
- 4 Year 9 Music & Drama Performance
- 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
child will love!

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

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

 **CALVIN**
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

YEAR 9 PATHWAY SUBJECTS FOR 2020



In Year 9, students at Calvin Christian School undertake the **Pathways Program**. This program allows students to choose two year-long subjects which enable consolidation of skills and deepening of understanding in the areas of the arts, technologies and languages. Each subject involves a year-long course of study of four lessons per week. The choices are:

- Visual Art
- Design Technology (Wood & Metal)
- Food Technology
- Digital Technology
- Music
- Drama
- German

Next term, our current Year 8 students will choose their Pathway subjects for Year 9, 2020!

QUEEN'S GUIDE AWARD



Recently one of our Year 12 students, Rebecca Laing, received her Queen's Guide Award from the Governor of Tasmania Professor, Kate Warner. To achieve this award it takes 12 months of commitment to various challenges that encourage the development of character, endurance and personal strength.

We congratulate Rebecca on achieving her award.

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 & s chalk**
- **Exercise books**
- **Sporting equipment (vortex, rounders cricket bats, footballs, volleyballs, netballs, frisbees, etc.)**

Donations will be collected from homerooms on Tuesday.

SECONDARY CAMPUS

Secondary Office

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PUSH UP CHALLENGE - 'CALVIN BALLERS'



3,128
PUSHUPS
OVER
21
DAYS

GET FIT
HAVE FUN
SUPPORT MENTAL HEALTH

JULY
8TH - 28TH

pushforbetter
pushforbetter
www.thepushupchallenge.com.au

THE PUSH-UP
CHALLENGE

SECONDARY
CAMPUS

Our Secondary Boys Basketball Team are doing the Pushup Challenge ably coached by Mr Quinn. The challenge involves completing 3,128 pushups over a 21 day period with all money raised going to Headspace National Youth Mental Health Foundation. The 3,128 number represents the number of lives lost in Australia due to mental health issues in 2017.

To find out more visit thepushupchallenge.com.au or to **DONATE** click [here](#)

NEW HOUSE MASCOTS

This week during Secondary Assembly we were introduced to our brand New House Mascots!

Wittenberg - Ember the RED Dragon, **Geneva** - Brutus the BLUE Bear

Westminster - Koning the YELLOW Lion.

We'll get to know our mascots a bit more in future newsletters and see them out and about at forthcoming Secondary sports events.



CALVIN'S YEAR 9 MUSIC
& DRAMA CLASSES
PRESENT

AN EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT

With special performances
by the
Concert Band and Vocal
Group
Thursday, July 4th at 7pm
Performing Arts Centre



GOLD COIN DONATION

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



*Interested in learning the art of
Oliebollen dough mixing?*

The “dough boys” are looking at training up interested people to
learn this job for future festivals.

Think you have what it takes to be a “dough boy”? contact
Christian de Kievit - cdekevit@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TASMANIA EMPLOYMENT

WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS



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:

Uniform Shop Manager

Part-time, commencing in Term 3,
4 hours per week in school term time
plus extra hours in January for back to school sales

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

Applications close Wednesday 31 July 2019
emmanuel.tas.edu.au

Opening Minds to Life's Possibilities

EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS A PART OF CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TASMANIA



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Secondary Science Teacher

Full-time, commencing in Term 3 2019

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Applications close Wednesday 3 July 2019
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Stepping Stones
Children's Services
We're sharing the care



Holiday Program

Stepping Stones are offering an extensive holiday care program for the
forthcoming school break. To book or find out more contact tarryn@sharingthecare.com.au
or call 1300 665 699 to secure your place but be
quick numbers are limited.

We also 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

it's
**WORKING
BEE**
time!

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!



THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone who
collected the Earn and Learn
stickers for our school.

Earn and Learn has now finished
for the year. If you still have
stickers please return them to
the Primary office as soon as
possible.