



From the Acting Principal - Mr Andrew Nash

Dear Parents and Families,

Well done to teachers, students and parents on the completion of another successful term at Calvin Christian School. We have experienced many exciting educational activities across both campuses from Kindergarten through to Year 12. Primary School students have enjoyed their daily programs being enhanced through excursions, our Music Assembly, K-6 Basketball clinics and Mini Minds performances in Year 5/6.

Secondary students have had opportunities to further their talents and skills in the SATIS Athletics Carnival, fundraising initiatives, the Trimester 2 Showcase and ongoing co-curricular activities.

In addition to this, BookWeek, ICAS testing and Footy Colours Day have been experienced by students throughout the term. Students at Calvin Christian School are very blessed to have the opportunity for their learning programs to be enriched and their sense of belonging and community built through these extra activities.

A great example of this community was on display during Thursday lunchtime in a staff versus students basketball match. A large crowd of teachers and students were present to see Mr Quinn, Miss Harris and some Primary School recruits, Mr Smith, Mr Pascal and myself took on a team of students in Years 10, 11 and 12. The students got out to an early lead, but through some impressive shooting from Mr Pascal and Mr Quinn the teachers were able to work their way in front. In the end, however, youthfulness prevailed and the students won a very close game, 26 to 24. Well done to all involved, especially Bec Rumley and Luke Hartog for taking on the umpiring duties for the game.

Enrolments at Calvin are continuing to grow. This is a great endorsement of the strong Christian culture and academic performance of the school over an extended period of time.

We are aware that enrolment growth has the potential to impact class sizes. As a result, we are ensuring that we continue to resource all classes appropriately, utilising Teacher Assistants and providing learning support through Mrs de Kievit across all grades and subject areas.

We look forward to Term 4, with many more opportunities to learn both in and out of the classroom. Our prayer is that everyone enjoys a safe, happy and well-earned break, returning ready to finish the year strongly.

“May the Lord bless and keep you; the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn His face towards you and give you peace.” (Numbers 6:24-26)

Andrew Nash
Acting Principal

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in the recent Parent Satisfaction Surveys. These surveys are an extremely valuable tool for us to obtain feedback from our parents and students; feedback that allows us to better understand what our key stakeholders – you and your children – are feeling about many aspects of the School.

The 2018 survey saw 124 families participate. Whilst this number was slightly down on previous years, it was still a great result.

This year we decided to do something a little different, engaging students from Years 7 to 12 in ‘focus group’ meetings. The purpose of the focus groups was to provide the students with an opportunity to meet with myself and the leadership at Calvin and expand on the survey data, allowing them the chance to comment, in more detail, about what they liked and didn’t like about the School. Of particular interest to me, was gaining an understanding around the reasons the students indicated low satisfaction levels in the survey in some areas we thought we were doing well in.

As it was not possible to include all students in the high school in these focus groups, we invited each year level to nominate one of two of their peers to represent them in the meetings. This seemed to work well, and we ended up with seven student representatives in the Year 7-9 group and six student representatives in the Year 10-12 group.

I was extremely impressed with the way the students conducted themselves in the meetings. Each student brought with him or her an amazing level of insight, a profound respect for their peers, and for many, an astonishing level of maturity for their age.

There were many things the students felt we were doing extremely well at Calvin, however I was more interested in learning what they were not happy about in the School. We asked each group a number of questions ranging from what areas in the School they were concerned about (or that we could improve in) through to questions aimed to ascertain the students’ views around characteristics in a class or a teacher that promoted learning.

Our plan from here is for the leadership to re-group early in Term 4 and identify what we can change in the School, both in the short and medium term, to address some of the areas that were highlighted by the students as either concerns or areas we needed to improve in.

I’d like to thank the students who participated in the focus group meetings and to pass on my congratulations on a job well done!



Dave Gillman
CEO – Christian Schools Tasmania.

PRIMARY TERM 4

15-19 Oct	Learn to Swim
22-24 Oct	Learn to Swim
23 Oct	Kinder Introductory Session
25 Oct	Show Day
26 Oct	Student FREE Day
30 Oct	Kinder Introductory Session
7 Nov	Primary Athletics Carnival

SECONDARY TERM 4

24 Oct	Senior Drama Evening
26 Oct	Show Day
27 Oct	Student Free Day
8 Nov	Music Concert

CONFIRMING ENROLMENTS



We are currently confirming enrolments for 2019 and 2020.

An official enrolment is required to secure a place.

To obtain an enrolment pack or confirm an enrolment, please contact our Enrolments officer, Kathryn McKillop via enrolments@calvin.tas.edu.au or through the school office 6229 4829.

TERM DATES

TERM 4

Monday 15 October
Wednesday 19 December

YEAR 4

As part of our studies in Science, Year Four have begun a model boat building unit. We have been studying the properties of natural and processed materials and one of our tasks was to fold origami boats made from a variety of materials (from cellophane to aluminium foil) and test both their 'foldability' and also their buoyancy under pressure. How many marbles could each boat hold, before they leak, or soak, and finally sink? We discovered that there are reasons origami is still made from paper.

This week we introduced the concepts of contact and non-contact forces with our creation of balloon powered boats. Students are beginning to appreciate that some interactions result from phenomena that can't be seen with the naked eye. They have also been set a challenge to make self-propelled boats over the holidays, thinking about thrust and drag. We look forward to testing these boats in a custom made racing pool early next term.

Mr Laning
Teacher - Year 4



PRIMARY CAMPUS

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

MINI MINDS CHALLENGE

Yesterday, Years 5 and 6 presented their group Mini Minds solutions. Mini Minds is based on the international problem solving competition; Tournament of Minds. Mini Minds required the students to collaboratively solve an open-ended challenge from the curriculum areas of: The Arts, STEM, Language Literature or Social Sciences. Their solution then needed to be incorporated into a dramatic presentation that all team members participated in. Throughout Mini Minds students developed their creative problem solving skills, team work skills, time management skills, leadership skills and much more. It's been a terrific time of growth and learning for the students!

Mrs Mel de Kievit



FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Today the Primary School held it's annual Footy Colours Day. Students came dressed in their favourite footy/sports team colours and got to enjoy a sausage sizzle at lunch time. Footy Workshops run by Mr Nash and Mr Smith were held throughout the day. Students brought a gold coin donation to support our four sponsor children.



PRIMARY
CAMPUS

CO-CURRICULAR PUBLIC SPEAKING

Co-curricular Public Speaking

Public speaking co-curricular students have had a fun time entertaining each other with speeches ranging from the hilarious to the very serious. Throughout the term all have spent time considering, learning about and putting into action things like: structuring a speech, engaging the audience, confident demeanors, eye-contact, use of humour, voice projection, research, evidence... and many other public speaking elements. Five of the students, Nathaniel Bradley, Emma Rohrlach, Molly Schmidt, Mackenzie Faulkner and Tessa Shea, decided to pit their skills in the public speaking competition – UN Youth Voice.

The regional round for this competition was held over a weekend early in September, with the finals the following weekend. Students in the junior section (Years 7 & 8) researched, wrote and delivered a speech of four minutes. The topics were related to pitching a solution to a global issue.

Competitors also had an impromptu task. They were each asked two, very probing, questions about their speech and given only two minutes to frame their answers and then two minutes to present. All very challenging!

All five Calvin competitors acquitted themselves most admirably whilst Tessa Shea was selected to progress to the finals. These were held in the atmospheric setting of the Legislative Council at Parliament House, which was a fitting venue for Tessa's excellent speech proposing solutions to access inequities in the justice system. Whilst Tessa didn't place in this year's competition she provided tough competition.

Congratulations to Tessa, Nathaniel, Emma, Molly and Mackenzie and to all our not-quite-so-public-yet, public speakers!

Ms Helen Sinclair and Mrs Carly Brouwer
Public Speaking Co-curricular teachers



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ICAS RESULTS

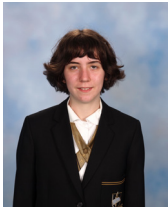
SECONDARY

ICAS English; ICAS English Writing; Australian History & Australian Geography Competition Results

A strong number of Calvin students across Years 7 to 12, participated in these competitions this year, including the Australian History Competition, which is a new opportunity for Calvin students.

All students are to be congratulated on the terrific achievement they each made, with notable mention to the following students for particularly high achievements.

Ms Helen Sinclair
Head of Humanities



ICAS English
High Distinction
ICAS English Writing
High Distinction
Tessa Shea



Australian Geography Competition
High Distinction
Australian History Competition
Distinction
Rebecca Rumley



Australian History Competition
Distinction
Amelia Smith



Australian History Competition
Distinction
Jack de Puit

ATHLETICS

Over the past couple of weeks Calvin has participated in two SATIS Athletics events. Despite the dismal weather, which destroyed our tent, Calvin was strongly represented at the southern event. Everyone competed admirably to the best of their abilities with a number of outstanding performances.

Ebony Webb won both the open 1500m and 3000m and Alicia McConaghy from year 7, not only won the 400m but smashed the existing record by 3 seconds. Well done to both girls and to all that competed.

Last Saturday, sporting our new tent, a small team ventured up to Launceston for the State SATIS edition. Ebony again won the 3000m and was narrowly pipped into second place in the 1500m. Sheridan Hay had a very busy day competing in five events and achieving a personal best in the high jump.



We look forward to the next event on the athletic calendar being the Christian Schools Competition in November, where we hope to again perform strongly.

Mr Stuart Millar
Athletics

SCIENCE

In Science this term, students have been learning about Plate Tectonics and the theories of Continental Drift. To further extend this knowledge, the Year 9 students and staff from the Science department ventured to Fossil Cove Conservation Area in Blackman's Bay last Thursday.

Fossil Cove is considered an area of national significance as there are thousands of fossils visible in the wave-cut rock. Students spent time categorising fossils and considering how plate movement could have caused the oceanic fossils to move to what we now see as land. Students also observed areas in the rock where magma had been pushed in 'weak spots' to create distinct patterns. Overall, it was an informative and enjoyable time (even though the students had to climb a big hill!).

Miss Sam Harris
Science teacher



CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Calvin Uniform shop will
CLOSE Thursday 27 September at 4.00pm and
REOPEN Tuesday 16 October at 8.30am.

Now is the time to check with the uniform shop that they have the correct sizes for your child for Back to School 2019.

They are able to order in **extra small** or **extra large sizes** or **made to order items**, but they need to know as soon as possible.

If you come to in January/February it will be too late! The wait time can be up to 12 weeks on some items. Skirts and Blazers are items worth checking.

Please call Jo to discuss your uniform needs on
6240 1883
Tuesday or Thursdays only.

To avoid disappointment **ORDER NOW!** It will save the stress at back to school time for you and for the uniform shop

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 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.



Calvin Christian School is a co-educational school of 500 students in Kingston, 10 kms south of Hobart. The school has a strong tradition of academic success and has an enviable reputation in the Hobart community.

Expressions of interest are sought from suitably qualified practising Christians for teaching positions in the following disciplines:

Kindergarten

Full-time (1.0 FTE)

Music

Classroom and Bands - Full-time (1.0 FTE)

Senior English

Experience in TASC - Full-time (1.0 FTE)

Design and Technology

Part-time (0.38 FTE)

German

Part-time with view to full-time

The positions will commence in January 2019.

For enquiries, or to request an application package, please contact Human Resources by email at hr@cst.tas.edu.au
Applications close: 4pm Monday 15 October 2018.

www.calvin.tas.edu.au

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS 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 positions:

Secondary Teachers in Maths, Science and HPE/Outdoor Education

- Up to 1.4 FTE available
- Could suit full-time or part-time applicants
- Leadership experience may be an advantage

For enquiries contact Mr Scott Winkler, Principal 0427 584 679

or email: swinkler@emmanuel.tas.edu.au

Applications close: **Monday 15 October 2018**

www.emmanuel.tas.edu.au

Opening Minds to Life's Possibilities

EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS A PART OF CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TASMANIA



School Calendar 2019

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Term dates

- Term 1: Mon 4 Feb - Fri 12 Apr 2019 (10 weeks)
- Term 2: Mon 29 Apr - Fri 5 Jul 2019 (10 weeks)
- Term 3: Mon 29 Jul - Fri 27 Sep 2019 (9 weeks)
- Term 4: Mon 14 Oct - Wed 18 Dec 2019 (10 weeks)

School days

- School holidays
- Public holidays (observed date)
- Teacher professional learning
- Other non-school days