



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I want to encourage you regarding the virtue of 'getting your hopes up.'

A positive expectation about our future is a powerful orientation in life, whether it be about a forthcoming opportunity, a desired ATAR score, an examination mark, a time in an athletics race, or a desired career. Life must revolve around a sense of achieving a better self. Remaining the same is not an option.

A working definition for hope that I prefer is 'the next step is up!' One of the standard biblical definitions is Hebrews 11:1: "Now faith is the substance of things **hoped** for, the evidence of things not seen."

Notice that hope is a precondition of faith. Faith is the result of nurturing our hope; before it was even a substance, it was a whim.

Hope says, 'Could I?' Faith says, 'I will'.

Yet hope has a number of surprising enemies.

The first is esteeming the current reality too highly. This might sound something like, 'But I only got a "C" on the last test!' It is the triumph of yesterday over tomorrow.

An absence of belief in a benevolent world is another. 'You watch, something bad will happen!' This pessimism will drain our energy to commence or sustain.

A third enemy of hope is underestimating our personal capacity. To doubt that we possess the necessary capacity will prevent the first glimpse of hope being realised. It might sound like, 'I'm a failure'.

As adults we must foster our children's commitment to hope.

To that end, we must also be the antidote to the enemies of our children's hope. We must check our attitudes to ensure that we are not modelling and implanting the thinking that undermines hope. We must guard against falsely esteeming current reality, alluding to the capability of the world to crush, and implanting doubts about personal capacity.

The Interim Reports may have identified slow initial progress of new initiatives and commitments to improve. I encourage you to take counsel of inputs and application rather than this initial progress score.

The **Year 10 –12 Senior Secondary Information Night** will have created fertile conversations where hope can be observed and kindled into faith. I would encourage parents and carers to listen for the expressions of dreams and aspirations in new ways, in the language of their children.

Conversely, there may be moments when doors seem to close on cherished plans for the future. In these moments it is vital to use encouragement to inoculate against the enemies of hope. Remind your child of the power of application. Express the fact that God does have a plan for them, and that they have been fashioned for that, and for those purposes. Continue to affirm their personal capacity.

Nurturing fleeting hope into firm faith is a vital contribution of parents and teachers.

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Principal

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Photos: Senior Secondary Information Night

Dear Parents and Families,

We have been welcomed back to Term 2 with a busy yet rewarding week. On Tuesday morning, the Year 3 class kicked straight into gear, presenting a fantastic Assembly item. All students were involved in a class dance item, and shared their colourful artistic flowers that showcased the primary and secondary colours. We also saw a great slideshow showing off their fabulous camp from Term 1. Their class item finished with a very entertaining interview with Horatio giving us an insight into the life of Mrs Conry. Well done to Mrs Dixon and her class for their efforts!

On Wednesday night we had a parent information night for Year 5/6 parents in which we outlined **Maths Pathway**. Thank you to all parents who attended. Mr Pascal provided an excellent presentation of what we are doing with Maths at Calvin, and we had a good question and answer session to help clarify our Year 5/6 program. An information pack with details about how your child is going, along with instructions on how to access the Parent Portal, will be sent home to all parents who were unable to attend. If you missed the information session, or require any further clarification, please email or talk to your class teacher.

On Thursday all students in **Prep to Year 6 participated in an Anzac Activity Day**. 'ANZAC' stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. On the 25th of April 1915, Australian and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the allied expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula. These became known as Anzacs and the pride they took in that name continues to this day. The Anzacs were courageous and although the Gallipoli campaign failed in its military objectives, the Australian and New Zealand actions during the campaign left us all a powerful legacy.

To commemorate Anzac day, our students were placed into eight mixed groups with students from Prep through to Year 6 in each group. These groups rotated through seven different activities to help them understand the importance and significance of Anzac Day. Activities ranged from baking Anzac biscuits and making poppies, to creating their own reflections of Anzac Day. We finished the day with a short ceremony to recognise the bravery and sacrifice of our past and present soldiers. Our School Captains, Holly and Fraser, read out the traditional Anzac Day Ode (see below). We also held one minute of silence and played The Last Post.

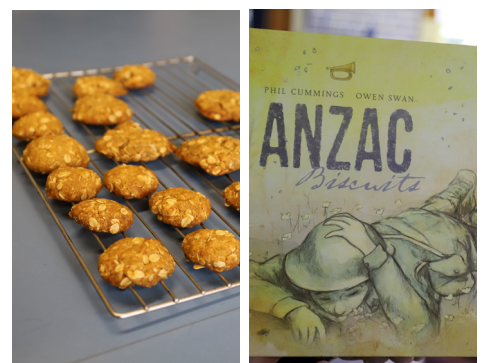
*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them."*¹

We have many other exciting and educational activities to look forward to in Term 2. Some of these include Prep, Year 1/2, and Music Assemblies; the Australian History Challenge; a visit from Sean W. Smith; and, the Huon and Channel Cross Country. We also have NAPLAN testing for Year 3 and 5 students, and school reports coming home at the end of the term.

Andrew Nash
Deputy Principal

¹ <https://www.army.gov.au/our-history/traditions/anzac-day>

PRIMARY CAMPUS



Primary Term 2

MAY

- 14-16 NAPLAN Testing Year 3 and 5
- 21 Primary Assembly Year 1/2D
- 29 Huon and Channel Cross Country

JUNE

- 10 Public Holiday (Queen's birthday)

KEY DATES

For all important school dates please check the **CALVIN CALENDER**.

calvin.tas.edu.au/calendar

Secondary Term 2

MAY

- 7-8 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 14 NAPLAN testing starts
- 15 Year 7 and 8 Showcase
- 17 Secondary Cross Country
- 30 SSATIS Cross Country
- 31 Science and Engineering Challenge Year 9 and 10

JUNE

- 5 Australian History Competition
- 10 Public Holiday (Queen's birthday)

For school life, photos and events, visit and **LIKE** our Facebook page.

fb.me/calvinchristianschooltasmania

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Woolworths Earn and Learn

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.

For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths, you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker sheet. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school or you can drop them into your local Woolworths collection box.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including Mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

If you have any questions, please speak to Lisa in the Primary school office.



CHOIR



Today the Year 6 choir, lead by Mr Brett Budgeon performed "If I only had a Brain" from the musical, *The Wizard of Oz*.

Lyrics

*I could while away the hours
Conferrin' with the flowers,
Consulting with the rain;
And my head I'd be a scratchin'
While my thoughts are busy hatchin'
If I only had a brain.*



*I'd unravel ev'ry riddle for my
Individdle
In trouble or in pain
With the thoughts that you'll be thinkin'
You could be another Lincoln
If you only had a brain.*



*Oh, I, could tell you why
The oceans near the shore
I could think of things I'd never
Think before,
And then I'd sit down and think some
more.*



*I would not be just a muffin',
My head all full of stuffin',
My heart all full of pain;
And perhaps I'd deserve you and be
Even worthy even you
If I only had a brain.*



PRIMARY CAMPUS

Primary Office

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

School Absentees

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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

Where: 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

YEAR 7-12 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Year 7–12 Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held next

Tuesday 7 May and Wednesday 8 May
Times: 3:30pm until 5:30pm and 6-8pm

To book your interviews click [here](#) and enter the event code **7rbpr**.

The **Web Portal will close at 6pm on the evening** prior to each interview day. It will be useful to refer to your child's interim report to book interviews and as the basis for discussion about your child's progress.

SECONDARY CAMPUS

Secondary Office

Monday – Friday
8:00am – 4:30pm
Ph. 6229 4829

School Absentees

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Ph. 6229 4829
absences@calvin.tas.edu.au

Student Health

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

YEAR 8 BOYS CAMP Fortescue Bay



YEAR 8 GIRLS CAMP Orana - Roches Beach



CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Boys Gold Ties are BACK IN STOCK

Now available in 2 lengths
54cm or 58cm

SOCCER TOPS

\$55
sizes 8 upwards to XL



WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

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



SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



Hobart Including highlights from around Tasmania

Once again we are selling the **Entertainment Book** as a whole school fundraiser. The books **WILL NOT** be sent home. If you would like an Entertainment Book please order on online: www.entbook.com.au/240714k or collect a book from the Primary Office.