



### **NEWSLETTER**

### 5 JULY 2019

#### Dear Parents and Carers.

In recent weeks we have been conducting a review of our communication to the community. The importance of our weekly newsletter was affirmed. I am pleased to announce that from the beginning of Term 3 we will be transitioning the Calvin Newsletter to a direct email format. This will allow parents to read the weekly newsletter within their email. This will reduce the number of screens to navigate through and remove the necessity to visit our website and then download a PDF file. I hope that this makes for a more convenient encounter.

There will also be a number of changes with the format. The appearance of the regular first page, 'From the Principal', will change. The opening lines of the article will be visible and by clicking 'read more' the remainder may be accessed. This article will also be available in full length as a blog via our website.

In addition, there will no longer be a regular article by our Deputy Principal – Head of Primary, Mr Nash. This information will be offered as content within the magazine, or as part of our Facebook feeds, or when Mr Nash authors a front-page article. The Deputy Principal – Head of Secondary, Mrs Moroni will also contribute a front-page article from time to time.

If you have any feedback about these changes I invite you to complete a feedback form available in the Parents section of our website.

These changes bring our school into line with industry best practice and we are confident that this will improve your experience with our communication.

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### Staffing News

I want to express my appreciation to Mrs Alison Whiteley for her work this term as the Acting Head of Students during Mrs Carmichael's long service leave. Mrs Whiteley has fulfilled the duties of this role with energy and competence. She has provided effective leadership to the Heads of Year as well as making valuable and insightful contributions to the meetings of the school's Senior Leadership team. Mrs Whiteley will return to her accustomed role as Careers Officer and Head of Year 12 just in time for the busy period of subject selection, career planning interviews, and the journey with our Year 12 students to examinations.

### **Reporting News**

At the conclusion of the semester we issue a formal report to summarise the academic progress of students. I am delighted to observe that students are engaging in developing their learning habits and orientation to progress their grades in a more universal manner. It is my opinion that the contribution of the work that has been done in the Primary School around the theme Attitude Matters, and around goal setting in the Secondary School, has been significant in this shift. As is my preference, I have just written a remark on every student's report from Year 4 to Year 12. From this perspective, there is a noticeable difference from previous years.

Again, I affirm the importance of parents, students, and teachers connecting at the parent/teacher evenings in the Secondary School at the commencement of next term.

#### **Holidays**

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all families the best for the school holidays. I am well aware that many parents and carers work through this time, or have to take leave. In light of this, I am appreciative of the challenge that some families experience with the extra week of break that affords us the opportunity to have a concentrated time of professional development with our staff. The initiatives that we are able to undertake in this week directly affect the safety and educational quality of the offering at Calvin. In addition to the activities of the third week, which is compulsory for all staff, a dozen or so teachers are attending the International Christian Worldview Conference in Adelaide in the second week.

Blessings,

Mr lain Belôt - Principal

### From the Deputy Principal - Primary

Dear Parents and Families,

Well done to staff and students for another successful term of learning. Students have had many opportunities to be their best both in and out of the classroom environment. Students in Prep to Year 3 have been given the opportunity to show their work and speaking skills in assembly. This is a great chance for students to shine in a different setting, with many students showing skill and confidence in public speaking, especially those who ran their class interviews.

Our Year 3 and 5 students undertook their first round of online NAPLAN testing. All students brought outstanding attitude and effort to this assessment period and we look forward to receiving their results in the near future. We've also had opportunities for students to test their sporting abilities and stamina. A group of students participated in the Primary State Athletics Carnival, along with the Huon & Channel and Symmons Plains Cross Country events. We are very proud of all students who attended these carnivals. We have also had students represent Calvin playing in weekly sporting teams including soccer, futsal, indoor cricket and basketball.

Many classes were able to be involved in off campus events and excursions including a trip to the TSO for our Prep to Year 2 classes, a THRASS Hunt for Prep, multiple visits to the museum for Year 4 and sessions at the High Performance Cricket Centre for our Year 3-6 classes. These are all great opportunities to add to the excellent learning programs on offer in the classroom.

The term has concluded with Semester Reports and Parent/Teacher Interviews. It was great to see many parents take the opportunity to discuss these reports with their children and then come to meetings with teachers. If for any reason you were unable to attend these meetings, I encourage you to make an opportunity to meet with class teachers early next term. If you have any other questions or concerns about your child's report, please don't hesitate to contact us at the school.

Term 3 is now just around the corner. Some events to look forward to in Term 3 include Year 5/6 Camp from August 12-16. Book Week is the following week with our Book Week Assembly on Tuesday August 20. This year's theme is 'Reading is My Secret Power'. Students in Year 2-6 will also have the opportunity to undertake ICAS Testing, with these assessments being held in September. More information on all of these events will come out early next term.

I pray you have a safe, restful and happy term break, looking to come back for another term of learning and engagement on Monday July 29. May God be with you in your travels and times of rest during this holiday period.

Mr Andrew Nash - Deputy Principal

### PRIMARY CAMPUS



### **YEAR 4 NEWS**

As part of our 'Balance of Creation' unit in Science, Year 4 have been looking at the intricate details in God's design. We have germinated a variety of bean seeds and are experimenting with the effect salt water (salinity), vinegar (acid rain), temperature and compaction have on plant growth. We have also enjoyed dissecting flowers and fruit, and drawing scientific diagrams labeling each part. We are so grateful to the parents who helped make this safe and enjoyable. We have just started our biology presentations. We are studying the symbiotic relationship between two species, their life cycle, and important part they play in the food web.

### Mrs Colleen Anning / Mr Jono Laning - Year 4 Teachers







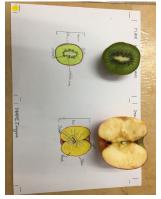




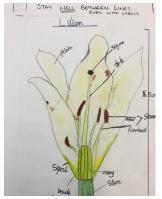


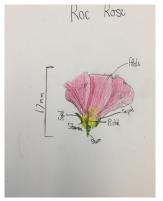












### PRIMARY CAMPUS

### **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 3

### **JULY**

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 3

### **JULY**

29 Term 3 Commences

### **AUGUST**

3 Working Bee

6 & 7 Parent Teacher Interviews

8 Gold Members Lunch (Emmanuel Christian School)

16 Student Theatre Company - Clue

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

## 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!

KEY DATES

### small wanders



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



### **REPORTS & PARENT TEACHER NIGHT**

Parents are reminded that Year 7-12 Semester 1 Reports were distributed to students TODAY. Parent-Teacher evenings are in the second week of Term 3 on **Tuesday 6th** and **Wednesday 7th August**. Bookings for these evenings will open during the first week of Term 3 with details distributed via email and in the first newsletter next term. Parent Teacher evening is also an excellent opportunity for students entering Year 9 to 12 in 2020 to discuss future subjects and possible pathways with their teachers.

### SUBJECT SELECTION COMING SOON



The online subject selection portal for Year 10-12 in 2020 will open in Term 3. Details of the subject selection process will be sent to students and parents early next term. To prepare for this process, please ensure that you are familiar with the Year 10-12 information found in the Senior Secondary Course Handbook 2020 which can be found on our website.

### **NETBALL**



Last week 11 Year 9/10 girls attended the Tasmanian Netball gala day at Creek Road Newtown. We came second in our pool but just missed out in the finals. It was a great day with some friendly competition. A very big thanks to Mrs Adler for coaching the team and training in the lead up.

### **PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY**

The Year 10 Introduction to Psychology and Sociology students spent time visiting the Calvin Kindergarten class last week as part of their unit on Lifespan Development. The Year 10's engaged the Kindergarten students in activities using water, play-dough and coins to see whether the younger students were able to understand Piaget's concept of conservation. Thank you to Mrs Flinn and the Kindergarten students who welcomed the older students into their wonderful classroom!



### SECONDARY CAMPUS

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### **CROSS COUNTRY**

### SECONDARY CAMPUS



On Tuesday Secondary students from Year 7 to 12 traveled to Symmons Plains for the Secondary All Schools Cross Country competition. Due to a deluge overnight, it was a wet and muddy course. All our students competed well. Highlights included **Rebekah Boonstra** finishing 8th, and **Jorja-Holly Laning** finishing 5th, with Jorja-Holly selected to represent Tasmania at the Australian All Schools championships in Wollongong in August! Well done to all our students! You see a gallery of photos on our **Facebook Page**.















### **VANUATU MISSION FUNDRAISER**



It took 175 emails and six committed Year 9 students, to organise a successful fundraising BBQ last Thursday. They raised \$330 dollars for the Vanuatu mission trip planned for later this month. The group wish to thank the school council for donating over a hundred burgers for the fundraiser!

### **UNIFORM SHOP**



The Uniform shop will be closed over the school holidays and will re-open Tuesday 30 July at 8.30 am. You can find the opening hours for the shop on the Calvin Calendar.

### 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



# 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**



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

Opening Minds to Life's Possibilities

EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS A PART OF CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TASMANIA





### **Holiday Program**

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

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.



### 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.



WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS