



NEWSLETTER

6 JULY 2018

Dear Parents and Carers.

"Be honest with yourself" was the topic of my assembly address to students this week.

Reports will be with families in the very near future.

How we respond to the feedback contained in the report is critical to building an appropriate response.

Too often students do not correctly equate the Law of Effort and Reward. Rather, they consider a poor performance as a reflection of their intelligence, or capacity.

I shared with them the story of the Calvin student, who in 2015, was lamenting that the grade of 18% on her Year 10 Science examination perfectly reflected her lack of intelligence. It was all the evidence she needed to swell her ample self-doubt and decrease her motivation to continue working in science.

I asked her how extensive her preparation for the examination had been. She told me that she had done no preparation at all. She admitted to doing very little homework throughout the semester as well. I remarked that achieving 18% was probably a wonderful result given those circumstances.

Then there was that wonderful moment that I wish for all our students when they read their upcoming report; she smiled and said, "I suppose you could be right." There was that honesty. That moment when the facts rightly inform our response.

"Why don't you try next term and see what happens?" I suggested. To her credit she worked hard and achieved a grade over 50% in the final examination. She understood the Law of Effort and Reward more fully after those six months. She also had a more accurate insight into her own self-worth.

In assembly, I shared with the students the Law of Forgetting. There is a diagram here to example it. In essence, regularly reviewing information makes a great deal

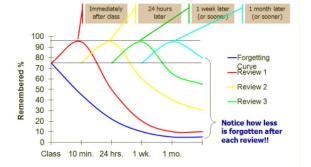
of impact on your ability to recall it.

Our homework timetable is built in such a way as to encourage this approach. Just working with your notes and handouts for 15 minutes, two times a week has a major impact on test and examination success.

Therefore, I wish your children the capacity to be honest with themselves when they read their report; that they measure their result against their effort. They are valuable regardless of their performance.

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Blessings.

PRIMARY - TERM 2 and TERM 3

5/7	Parent/Teacher Interviews
5/7	Primary Assembly - Prep
6/7	Term 2 Concludes
23/3 -	- 27/3 Teachers Professional Development
30/7	Term 3 Commences
31/7	ICAS English Competition Yr3-Yr6
9/8	Primary School Assembly
8/9	Oliebollen Festival
14/9	ICAS Maths Competition Yr3 - Yr6

SECONDARY - TERM 2 and TERM 3

6/7	Term 2 Concludes
23/3 -	- 27/3 Teachers Professional Development
30/7	Term 3 Commences
7/8	Parent/Teacher Interviews
8/8	Parent/Teacher Interviews
29/8	Trimester Two Showcase
7/9	Non-student Day (Moderation)
8/9	Oliebollen Festival

TERM DATES

TERM 2

Monday 30 April -Friday 6 July

TERM 3

Monday 30 July -Friday 28 September

TERM 4

Monday 15 October -Friday 19 December

From the Deputy Principal - Primary

Dear Parents and Families.

About nine months ago I made a very important decision for myself and my family; and for that matter for you and your families also. I moved from the Education Department, where I had been for 17 years, and came across to Calvin Christian School. It was a big change in culture, in a positive way, and I have really felt God's hand over the transition from day one. We are now one Semester through the year, and I feel privileged to be part of this environment and very proud of what we have achieved. The Educational output of the school and the students' commitment to learning is exceptional, evidenced by our above average results in NAPLAN.

The Christian culture at Calvin is embedded into the way we interact with each other as well as teaching practice in every classroom. Students have had opportunities to be involved in a wide variety of educational and cross curricular activities. This includes, whole school performances, mainland trips, local camps, swimming, athletics and cross country carnivals, leadership events and excursions along with fortnightly assemblies and day to day classroom activities. Many students have also taken the opportunity to be involved in our soccer, netball and basketball teams that run outside school hours.

The partnership with parents is strong with the Welcome BBQ in Term I and Parent Teacher interviews this week both being well attended. Parents also regularly come into the classroom for parent help, sacrifice their time and skills to coach our sports teams and attend school camps. Teaching PE from Kindergarten to Year 6 has been a real blessing, giving me the opportunity to personally get to know every student in the school. I feel blessed to be part of this strong community developed over 50 plus years, and wish to thank everyone for welcoming me so openly into this thriving environment.

Best wishes to Mrs McMinn!

We would like to wish Mrs McMinn a fantastic and well-earned break with her long service leave for Terms 3 and 4. We sincerely thank her for her commitment and diligence in teaching the Year 4 class on Thursday and Friday during Semester I. We will miss you Mrs McMinn.

Mrs McMinn will be covered by Miss Amy Needham for the remainder of the year. Miss Needham has been a highly competent and reliable relief teacher across a range of classes throughout Semester I.

Long Service Leave for Mrs Denholm

Mrs Denholm will also be on long service leave for the first two weeks of Term 3. Mrs Denholm will be covered by Mrs Kim Holmes for this period. Mrs Holmes is a valued and skilful member of our teaching community covering classes from Prep to Year 4 on a regular basis.

Well done Teachers and Support Staff

I would like to thank our teachers and support staff for their outstanding commitment, professionalism and excellence during Semester I. I have been very impressed with the quality of teaching and learning along with the support and guidance offered to all members of our school community.

Andrew Nash Deputy Principal

PRIMARY CAMPUS



Year 6 Boys Basketball Team after beating the Kingston High team in their division!



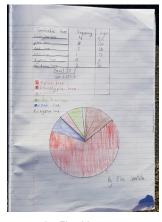
Mrs McMin and her Year 4 class at Thursday's Assembly.

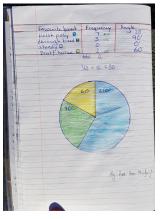


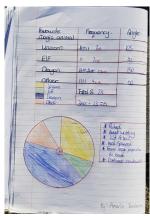
YEAR 5

Mathematics

Recently, Grade 5 have been developing our skills and knowledge on how to appropriately collect, collate and present data using appropriate graphs. We have been looking at how certain graphs are useful for specific data. This unit has allowed us to analyse data and highlighted how companies can present misleading data to promote their product. Students have been encouraged to question companies advertising to see whether the information given to them is credible. Below are some examples of the great work they have done.







by Elias Vaatstra

by Ava Van Muilwijk

by Amarlie Verdouw

Science

We have been fortunate enough to have Mrs Adler from the High School Science department come in with a 'pluck'. A pluck is a heart, liver, lungs and kidney of an animal. We were demonstrated information regarding how the lungs and heart works. We had the opportunity to touch, feel and experiment with each organ. It was an engaging and insightful lesson that gave us an insight to dissecting and how our bodies are wonderfully made and function.

Mr Francis Pascal Teacher - Year 5









PRIMARY CAMPUS

Primary Office

Monday- Friday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm Phone: 6229 3814

School Absentees

Primary School Absentees
Phone: 6229 3814
email:

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

YEAR 7.1 AND YEAR 7.3 GERMAN





Letter writing isn't something that happens very often these days, but the Year 7 German class have had a go and written letters in German! Students from Year 7.1 and 7.3 have written letters to students at Quenstedt-Gymnasium in Mossingen, a small city in South West Germany. We eagerly await their replies.

Mrs Monika Ridge German Teacher

EXCELLENT EFFORT AT THE DEBATING GRAND FINAL!

The 2018 Southern Schools Debating Competition concluded with the Grand Finals on Wednesday evening. In the Novice final, Calvin Christian 2 took the Affirmative against Taroona High School 6's Negative position on the topic: Space Exploration is a waste of money.

To have reached the Grand Final was beyond the expectations of the tentative beginnings of the team, but as the season unfolded it became clear that both Calvin teams were strong competitors in the roster. Making it to the Grand Final, despite the awareness that there needs to be a losing team, can't help but raise hopes for the possibility of a win (there is a trophy after all!)... Sometimes however, we are presented with the opportunity to be gracious losers despite those strong feelings of disappointment. Thus it was for Calvin 2.

However, it was a strong debate from both sides, the quality of which is reflected in the adjudicators' split decision – two awarded the debate to Taroona, one awarded it to Calvin. The loss margin was just one point!

Calvin 2 debated strongly and competitively. When faced with defeat, they lost most graciously. Despite the disappointment all team members have had a great deal of fun and have achieved much with which to be well pleased and satisfied. Calvin I and 2 team members have learnt and accomplished so much in the debating and the social spheres. As their debating coaches, Mrs Brouwer, Dr Evenhuis and I heartily congratulate each of them. Thanks too, to debating parents for their support and the transportation.

As the representatives of Calvin's return to the debating competition, they have set an excellent standard and we are already eagerly anticipating the 2019 competition and hopefully working with many more keen debaters.

Ms Sinclair
Head of Humanities

SECONDARY CAMPUS



Team I
(L-R) Toby DiPetoro, Leanne Tiong,
Lucy Memory, Reuben Conry and
Emma Rohlach



Team 2 (L-R) Fritha Day, Tessa Shea, Molly Schmidt, Tam Shea and Nathaniel Bradley

CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAM - TERM 2

The last lesson on Thursday afternoons was a highlight for Secondary students as they participated in co-curricular activities. Students were able to learn a new skill, challenge themselves physically or mentally, relax with arts and crafts, or the outdoors. The photos below show some of the electives this term. Other electives included; Basketball, Creative writing, Cross Country, Debating, Fishing, History Challenge and TED talks.

SECONDARY CAMPUS

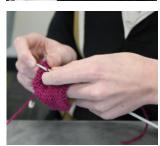






Board games & Chess Cooking First Aid







Papercraft
Knitting & Crocheting







Papercraft Robotics STEM





Jazz Band Girls AFL





Netball Table Tennis







Woodwork Clock Making





NACHOS STALL manager needed



We are looking for a person(s) who can manage and run this new food stall. This stall will be gluten free, catering for festival goers who want a gluten free option.

For more information please contact Ingrid Hartog by email - ihartog@

sweets



Donations of Iollies:

Marshmallows, Banana's, Jelly Beans, Snakes, Party Mix, Chocolates, Lolly Pops, Raspberries, Chocolate Frogs, Jaffas, Licorice All Sorts, Jersey Caramels, Smarties etc.

Please donate sweets in the **ORIGINAL SEALED** packaging they were purchased in. Due to health reasons we cannot accept jars, cups etc that have already been prefilled with sweets.

Donations of ingredients could include

- sugar, coconut
- · icing sugar
- Rice Bubbles
- cornflakes
- plain sweet biscuits
- · chocolate melts
- condensed milk
- paper cupcake holders
- •ribbon, and cellophane bags

If you would like to be a volunteer cook, some ideas for sweets are:

- coconut ice
- fudge
- truffles
- chocolate crackles
- honey joys
- peanut brittle
- · rocky road
- •popcorn

(please attach a label listing ingredients)

If you are able to help, please send your donations to Kinder, Prep and Year I classes. For further information please call Catherine Ratcliffe on 0412 501 892 or email her at crat@live.com.au

tombola



The Tombola Stall needs lots of goodies to go into jars. Please help by bringing in items to the school office for this very popular children's stall!

Ideas include:

Stickers,

swap cards,

rubber finger puppets,

hair ties,

whistles,

packaged lollies,

erasers,

candy,

stampers,

hair clips,

mini pencils,

pencils,

mini toys,

match box cars,

balloons,

lip gloss,

bracelets.

ribbons,

mini note pads, beads etc.

ANYTHING KIDS ENJOY



Saturday 8 September 10am-2pm

WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

Attention business owners

Support our school and get FREE advertising for your business.

Do you have a businesss that provides goods or services to the community? Would you consider donating an item or voucher for services to the school to be sold during the 2018 Calvin Oliebollen Auction?

If so, please email Bonny at bmoroni@calvin.tas.edu.au so that your item can be collected and added to our Auction List.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Once again we are selling the **Entertainment Book** as a whole school fundraiser. If you would like an Entertainment Book please order on online: www.entbook.com.au/240714k or collect a book from the Primary or Secondary office.

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Calvin Uniform Shop will **CLOSE** for the school holidays on Thursday 5 July at 4.00 pm

We will re-open Tuesday 31 July at 8:30 am.

CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAM

HATS FOR THE HOMELESS



WOOL NEEDED (darker colours please)

Thank you to those who have donated wool already. We have a lot of bright coloured wool and are now after wool that would suit men, preferably darker colours of green, blue, grey, black or brown.

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 Vunerable 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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED





WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

Volunteers are needed to look after the school stick insects and/or goldfish over the school holidays. There are 4 fish and 4-5 stick insects.

All food, tank, filters, chemicals, etc. will be supplied to keep fish happy. Stick insects are much easier to look after and only need a spray of water everyday and fresh Messmate (Euaclyptus obliqua) leaves once a week.

Anyone interested and would like to have these temporary pets for the holidays. Please contact Calvin's Lab Technician, Glenda Adler on 0409 480 396.

