



CALOUNDRA HIGHLIGHTS

Week 1 - Term 2 - Thursday 24th April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to start of Term 2! What a great week this has been. Our students arrived back at school after a well-deserved break with a positive attitude and eagerness to commence their studies. Having visited many classrooms this week, it was pleasing to see how quickly students have settled back into the expected behaviours for learning such as being prepared and on time, as well as engaging in class activities. Students, in the next couple of weeks, will be receiving their upcoming assessment tasks and criteria sheets for all their subjects. I encourage parents to discuss these with your children and if you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher. A great opportunity to discuss your child's academic progress to date is to attend the upcoming parent /teacher evening on **Tuesday, 6th May**. Please bring your child with you so that we can work together to further enhance their learning.

The week finished with our school's ANZAC Day service on Thursday morning and our guest speaker was none other than Drew Mitchell, one of our amazing teachers at Caloundra SHS who is also an ex-serviceman having completed many years in the Australian Defence Force. His speech was personal and raw, with every one of our students listening respectfully to his every word. The service was a powerful reminder of the freedom we now have thanks to the sacrifices of our brave servicemen and women, and everyone connected to them. Tomorrow, our students will be marching on behalf of the school, culminating with our School Captains laying a wreath at the Caloundra RSL service. A huge thank you in advance to all our students who will make time tomorrow to participate and march with the school in order to honour our service men and women. It is these small acts of respect that make Caloundra SHS and the community very proud.

Natasha Wicks - Principal

ANZAC Day Community March

All Students are invited to attend the ANZAC Day Community March on **Friday, 25th April**. Students are to meet at 8:30am (for 9:00am start) at the Caloundra Shopping Centre carpark, wearing full everyday uniform with tie, hat, water bottle and sunscreen applied prior to arrival. All students in Signature Programs are expected to attend.

Term 1 Progress Reports/Parent Teacher Interviews

Term 1 Progress reports will be emailed home on **Tuesday, 29th April** and will include an invitation to attend Parent-Teacher Interviews on **Tuesday, 6th May** from **3:00-5:30pm**, in the Student Centre. Bookings open Tuesday, 29th April.

Term 2 Senior Exam Timetable

The Term 2 Senior Exam Timetable is available on our [website](#). Students must ensure they allow themselves plenty of time to meet starting times, as traffic delays are NOT grounds for extra time. Drink bottles and pencil cases must be **CLEAR**, use pens that cannot be erased and white out is not permitted. It is critical that all assessment times are adhered to (no early departures). If your student is enrolled at SCTTC on a Wednesday, has a traineeship or attends the Kawana Health Hub, school exam dates **must be prioritised**.

FACULTY FOCUS - INTERNATIONAL

Exciting Times for Caloundra SHS International Program - Host Families Needed!

It's been a buzzing start to the year for the International Program at Caloundra SHS. We've recently welcomed students from Japan, Germany, Norway, Brazil, Chile, Austria and Italy who have jumped straight into life on the Sunshine Coast—joining classes, making new friends, and experiencing everything from surfing lessons to snorkelling at Tangalooma. Our international students have added a wonderful energy to our school community. They've participated in Harmony Day celebrations, tried their hand at Aussie sports, and even cooked traditional meals for their host families. These cultural exchanges have been incredibly rewarding for everyone involved.

As our program continues to grow, we are currently looking for short-term and long-term host families to help us provide a home-away-from-home for these amazing young people. Hosting is a fantastic way to learn about new cultures, build international friendships, and make a real difference in a student's life.

Host families receive full support and a fortnightly reimbursement. Currently, we are offering a \$100 registration bonus for all new host families upon the confirmation of their first student placement (Study Abroad students only). If you have a spare room and a warm, welcoming home, we'd love to hear from you!

For more info or to express interest, please either fill in this [FORMS SURVEY](#), or contact our International Program Coordinator on 5436 8469 or international@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au.

Mrs Edwards
HOD Student Culture



QPARENTS – Have You Registered?

QParents provides a 24/7 online access to receive and respond to consent requests, receive and pay invoices online, view attendance records, report cards, as well as provide absentee notifications. If you need assistance registering, contact the office on 5436 8444. [QParents registration process](#) and [QParents fact sheet for parents](#)

Facebook Stories

We love celebrating student success! If you would like to share your child's achievements with us, please send an email with photos and information to marketing@caloundrashes.eq.edu.au.

Careers in Health Evening

The Sunshine Coast Health Institute (SCHI) is running a Careers evening on Tuesday, 13th May. This event is targeted at students in year 11 and 12, as well as currently enrolled tertiary students. With a range of exhibitors, panel talks and simulation suite turbo tours, this promises to be a very worthwhile event and will cater for students seeking a pathway into a broad range of health careers with both TAFE and University study pathway options.

Tuesday, 13th May 4:00pm – 6:00pm Sunshine Coast Health Institute, 6 Doherty Street Birtinya (opposite the main entrance to SCUH)

Register your FREE ticket here: <https://tinyurl.com/SCHICareers2025>.

Sponsor Spotlight

A huge thank you to our Brass Sponsor, McDonalds for their generous support of our Volleyball Program. Their investment in our school is making a big impact.



Behaviour Beacon

The Behaviour Beacon for weeks 1 and 2 of term 2 is: Integrity - we do the right thing, even when no one is watching. This fortnight, students will be talking about how integrity is about having the strength of character to stand by your values, even when there's no one around to hold you accountable. It's about making the right choices — even when it's hard, inconvenient or unpopular. Integrity is a core value that underpins our whole school community. In a school environment made up of people from many different backgrounds and beliefs, it's important that we all align with the shared values of our school to help us work together positively and respectfully.

You can support your student by talking to them about our school values and encouraging them to act with integrity—not just when others are watching, but all the time.

Week Ahead – Week 2, Term 2 2025

Monday 28th April

- ◆ SC Netball Competition, Fishermans Rd
- ◆ 10 Volleyball Refereeing 13-15yrs State Championships QRSS, Caloundra Indoor Stadium
- ◆ 10 TMT CSQ Virtual Reality Experience
- ◆ Guidance Officer Week, 28/04 -09/05

Tuesday 29th April

- ◆ 7-12 Progress Reports Emailed
- ◆ Rugby League 10-12 boys Regional Trials, Redcliffe JRL 29/4 - 30/04
- ◆ 9/11 QCIA Inclusive Ed. Ben Bennett Walk 9am-10am

Wednesday 30th April

- ◆ Rock & Water Program Yr8-P3, Yr9-P4
- ◆ 11 Marine - Boating 8:30am-12:30pm
- ◆ 6, 11&12 Dance Excellence Workshop, 8:40am-2:30pm
- ◆ Yr 8 Hobbies, Walking – Ben Bennett P4

Thursday 1st May

- ◆ ICL Bushcare Program 11:30am-1pm

Friday 2nd May

- ◆ ICL Caloundra Friends 1-2:30pm
- ◆ Deadly Young Persons Program P4

Year Level Parades

Year 7 – Monday Resource Centre
Year 8 – Tuesday Resource Centre
Year 9 – Tuesday – Student Centre
Year 10 – Wednesday Student Centre
Year 11 – Friday Resource Centre
Year 12 – Thursday Resource Centre

QUICK LINKS

Administration Office Open Hours
Monday to Friday 8:00am to 3:30pm

Finance Office Open Hours
Monday to Friday 8:00am to 12:30pm

School Contacts
Main Office: 5436 8444

Absence Line: 5436 8400

Attendance:
attendance@caloundrashes.eq.edu.au

[Staff Contact Directory](#)

[School Website](#)

[Facebook Page](#)

[Yr11/12 Learning Hub](#)

Uniform Shop Operating Hours
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
(Closed Wednesday)
7:30am to 8:30am
Order online via Qkr!

The P&C Meets each month on the 2nd Monday at 5.30pm.