

CALOUNDRA HIGHLIGHTS

Week 1 - Term 1 - Friday 30th January 2026

Year 11
Connect Camp

Dear Parents and Families,

Welcome back to a new school year!

It has been wonderful to welcome both our new and returning students to Caloundra SHS. It was particularly pleasing to see everyone looking fantastic in their uniforms and beginning the year with such positive attitudes and readiness to learn.

I would like to make special mention of our new Year 7 students, who have embraced the transition to secondary school with enthusiasm. Their commitment to the Caloundra SHS culture of working has already been evident.

We also extend a warm welcome to the new staff who have joined us across various roles. Over the coming weeks, we look forward to sharing more information about their positions and contributions through our [Facebook](#) page. A huge thank you goes to our Senior Schooling team, who began the year by taking a group of Year 11 students to our annual Connect Camp. This experience provided an important opportunity for students to build positive relationships, develop leadership capabilities and prepare for the next phase of their learning journey.

As a school, we are looking ahead to 2026 with optimism and excitement about the opportunities it will bring for our students, staff and the broader community. Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to our families, local community members and staff for their support in ensuring our students have enjoyed a wonderful and positive start to 2026.

Natasha Wicks – Principal

School Photos

School photos will be held **Tuesday, 3rd February (Week 2)** with a catch-up day scheduled for Thursday, 12th February. Emails have been sent containing online ordering information via [MSP Photography](#) – select 'Sign in with student details' option.

Please note, it is mandatory for all students to wear their Everyday Uniform, including tie, black shoes, white ankle length socks and minimal makeup and jewellery.

Uniform Shop Operating Hours - 2026

New opening hours for 2026 are **7:30 – 8:30am, Tuesday – Friday** (closed Mondays).

QKR! [Instruction sheet](#). Please join the P&C Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/CSHSPC>

Whole School Permission Forms

In preparation for our whole school events in 2026, we are gathering permissions via a Whole School Permission form, through QParents Online Consent. Please refer to the email sent 21st January 2026, with details of the events this consent will cover, including **Interhouse Swimming Carnival, to be held in Week 3, Friday, 13th February 2026**. The online consent is to be completed via QParents or contact admin@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au for any queries.

Year 12 Formal Tickets

A reminder that invoices for Year 12 Formal Tickets have been emailed to families, please purchase your tickets via the Finance Counter by **14th February 2026**.

FACULTY FOCUS – SENIOR SECONDARY

Thank you to our parents of The Class of 2027 for supporting your students on their senior journey, which started at the Year 11 Connect Camp, from Day 1 2026.

Over 100 tired and happy new seniors started their academic journey today, after 3 days of connection at the Gold Coast Recreation Centre.

There were many highlights on this camp – the gorgeous location, with Palm Beach to the south and Burleigh Heads to the north.

Blessed with fine weather, all the planned rope challenge activities went ahead and optional river swims and sunrise hikes through the National Park were picture-perfect.

All newly arrived Year 11 International students joined us, to jump-start their Australian study experience. Mia N from Germany celebrated her 17th birthday a very long way from home yesterday!

After two days of climbing ropes and falling from heights, archery, beach time and short hikes, students spent the last morning together creating the Class of 2027 banner; writing a time capsule journal to themselves which will be opened at Graduation in 2027. They spent time with the Guidance Officer Ms Perkins establishing a personal senior survival toolkit and set personal goals for their senior journey with Head of Year Ms Adams-Smith.

But enough from me, what did the students think?

"We were trusted, we stepped up, the river swim was a highlight. This camp helped us talk to teachers in a relaxed, real way" – Harris T and Cooper J.

"Having the freedom to choose our downtime and pace ourselves during activities, made the camp more enjoyable and less stressful". – Zane W.

Such a smooth and memorable camp could not have occurred without our dedicated teachers, thank you again to this awesome team.

With gratitude,

Mrs Fry

Head of Senior Secondary

CDC School Bus Changes – Term 1 2026

Changes to some Sunshine Coast school bus services have been introduced from the start of Term 1 - **Tuesday, 27th January 2026**. Network changes including new and altered routes incorporating timing changes have been implemented to improve on-time running, address overcrowding and selected Sunshine Coast school bus services. For more information, please visit [CDC Queensland](#).

QParents Registration

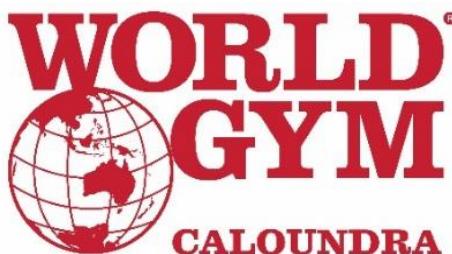
Please ensure you have registered for QParents, as this is the platform the school is currently using for parents/carers to receive and respond to consent requests, receive and pay invoices online, view attendance records, report cards, as well as provide absentee notifications. If you need assistance registering, contact the office on 5436 8444 or email admin@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au. For further information visit: [QParents](#), [QParents registration process](#), and [QParents fact sheet for parents](#).

Sponsor Spotlight

We're excited to announce an incredible new partnership for 2026 with **World Gym Caloundra**, a valued **Brass Sponsor** of our **High-Performance Athlete (HPA) Program**, supporting students committed to excellence in sport and wellbeing.

With a strong focus on strength training, fitness and healthy lifestyles, World Gym Caloundra aligns closely with the goals of our HPA program, helping students build discipline, confidence and physical capability both on and off the field.

As part of their support for our school community, World Gym Caloundra is offering an exclusive deal to all Caloundra State High School students, including a **6-month discounted membership for \$17.95 per week** and a **limited-time 24/7 key tag for \$39 (usually \$79)**. For details on how to access this offer, please email the [Marketing Team](#). We look forward to working with World Gym Caloundra and sincerely thank them for their investment in student performance and wellbeing. To learn more, [book a tour of World Gym Caloundra](#) or check out their [Facebook](#) page.



Behaviour Beacon

Please ask your child if they have watched the Caloundra Constants video, which was included in the First Day Presentation and outlines our shared school expectations.

During Weeks 1 and 2 of Term 1, our Behaviour Beacon focus is Respect, Integrity and Kindness (RIK). Teachers are supporting students to settle into routines, build relationships and clearly understand behavioural expectations using our Behaviour Expectations Matrix.

Teachers are also establishing support systems early in the term, so students know who to approach if they need help. These processes are designed to support wellbeing and learning across the school.

If you have any questions about behaviour and support at Caloundra in 2026, please feel free to contact your child's Head of Year. We look forward to a positive start to the year.

Week Ahead –

Week 2, Term 1

Monday 2nd February



Tuesday 3rd February

- ◆ School Photo Day – Including Leaders

Wednesday 4th February

- ◆ 7-12 EDGE Dance Extension Orientation Day

Thursday 5th February

- ◆ 9-12 ISP Speed-Friending, 1st Break
- ◆ 11 Visual Art Excursion 8:40am – 1:30pm

Friday 6th February

- ◆ HPA Induction @ UniSC & Apex Queensland Youth Camp (Twin Waters) 6:45am – 2:40pm

Year Level Parades

Year 7 – Monday - Resource Centre

Year 8 – Friday - Resource Centre

Year 9 – Tuesday – Student Centre

Year 10 – Wednesday – Student Centre

Year 11 – Thursday – Resource Centre

Year 12 – Tuesday – 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

Attendance:
attendance@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au

School Contacts
Main Office: 5436 8444

Absence Line: 5436 8400

[School Website](#)

[Facebook Page](#)

[11 & 12 Wednesday Exam](#)

[Schedule](#)

Uniform Shop Operating Hours
Tuesday - Friday
Closed on Public Holidays

7:30am to 8:30am
Order online via Qkr!

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