Dear Parents and Families,

This week marks a significant milestone for 139 Caloundra SHS Year 12 students and their families. Majority of these students walked through our gates five years ago with shiny shoes, crisp uniforms and bright dispositions (with a side of nerves no doubt). Today they walk through those same gates with furry chins and deep voices (half the cohort), confidence, purpose and five years' worth of learning and lasting memories. Year 12, on behalf of all the staff, we wish you well in your future. To the parents of our year 12 students, we send you a heartfelt thank you for partnering with the school and staff during your child's journey at Caloundra. We have been honoured to be trusted with that which is so precious to you.

On Tuesday night we had the privilege of celebrating the incredible achievements of students across all year levels. A special mention must go to our Vocational Education Student of the Year, Lewis W and school DUX, Mia D. Congratulations once again to all the award recipients and their families.

This week the Deputies, Heads of Departments and I have been visiting classes to talk to students about their learning. It has been an absolute pleasure to hear about what they are learning and to hear them describe why they are learning these things. As teachers, we so often assume that because we have taught something, it's been absorbed. It's interesting to do a reality check and understand what students have actually learnt. The information gathered during these visits helps our leadership team to evaluate how we're doing and shape the next steps.

Danielle Priday - Acting Principal

#### Year 12 External Assessment Protocols -27/10 - 20/11

The External Assessment timetable is available <u>HERE</u>. These exams are extremely important for our year 12s and the final challenge of their schooling journey. Students MUST attend on time and prepared for their exams. If a student does not attend and does not have a valid reason for their absence it can impact significantly on their QCE attainment.

A reminder to all families that these assessments are strictly monitored by QCAA and as a result, it is **imperative that you contact the school immediately if, for some reason, your child is unable to attend their scheduled exam**. You can contact the school on 5436 844 and ask for Michelle Fry, HOD Senior Schooling.

Our Senior Celebration week will follow the External Assessment block and we are busy finalising the finer details for of our Senior Graduation evening on **Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2025.** If you have not RSVP'd for this event, please do so immediately as space is filling up. Ticket collection processes will be communicated to all parents once all seats have been allocated.

Senior Clap Out is schedule for the morning of Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2025 - parents and friends are invited to gather at **Gate 9 on Bower St from 10:30am**. We would love to see you there!

#### Vaccinations – Year 10

A reminder that Year 10 MENG B Dose 2 vaccinations are scheduled for **Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> November.** If you have any questions, please contact Ozcare on 5413 8460 or email SBVP@Ozcare.org

# FACULTY FOCUS THE ARTS

The start of term 4 is a big one for our Arts Faculty with many things coming to a close for the year. With performances of music and dance at both Awards Night and Sports Awards we love to showcase the special talents of our students in both Extension Dance and Music programs.

This year we have had many great successes across our Arts programs. Our first ever Art Gallery at the Caloundra RSL saw hundreds of parents, friends and community members see the brilliant work of our visual artists across Years 7-12, showcasing the variety of skills taught including but not limited to clay, painting and drawing.

This term we have also wrapped up our Edge Dance season with our 'Light the Night' Showcase, where all of our 80+ dance students were able to shine on stage. The dancers not only had the opportunity to perform their competition dances, but also class work and their own choreographies.

Last weekend our Edge dancers were ready for their Dance X QLD State Finals. With Amazing results in our biggest competition of the year.

Charlotte C and Lilah W placing first in the Junior Secondary Duo Category.

Zoe A and Kiana W Placing Second in the Senior Secondary Duo Category.

Junior Edge Musical Theatre Placing 4<sup>th</sup> Junior Edge Contemporary Placing 5<sup>th</sup>.

We are so proud of our teams with 9 Dances across all year levels making it to the State Finals.

Finally, this term we have wrapped up Year 12 classes for Art, Media, Music and Dance. We are so proud of our student's success with many achieving full marks in their IA3 across the Arts Subjects. A special Shoutout to Kyeisha C and Mia W for achieving full marks in all year 12 internal assessment for dance this year.

Ms Millach

Dance Teacher



#### Term 4 Pouch-Check - Reminder

We will be conducting the Term 4 pouch-check on **Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> November.** If your child does not have their pouch for the second time on this day, a replacement pouch will be issued and an invoice for \$15 will be sent to you. Your child will then be able to collect the new pouch from D14.

#### E-Scooters & E-Bikes

The illegal use of E-scooters and E-bikes continues to be an issue in our community and across the state. As a school, our role is to educate our students to be well-informed and to stay safe. As you may know, since the start of 2025 we have not supported the storage of illegal and/or illegally used E-scooters and E-bikes on school grounds. Despite communication with individual parents, a small number of students have continued to store their vehicles at school. Please do not support your child to engage in illegal use of E-scooters or E-bikes, this will help us to promote safety in our community. Please see here for information including laws regarding this before you purchase a vehicle for your child.

#### Headspace After Hours – A Headspace Day Event

On **Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> October from 2 – 5pm** (Headspace Caloundra – 67 Bowman Rd), young people aged between 12 - 25 are invited to explore activities such as: Glow-in-the-dark art, silent disco, mini movie theatre, print your own tree, free food and more! This unique afternoon will transform the centre into an immersive, multi-room experience filled with fun and creativity. Click here to register.

## **Sponsor Spotlight**

We're proud to recognise Henzells Agency as a Lighthouse Keeper Sponsor of our Caloundra SHS Volleyball Program.

A cornerstone of the Sunshine Coast community, Henzells recently celebrated an incredible 90 years in business, marking nine decades since first opening their doors in 1935. Their long-standing commitment to excellence and community connection continues to make a lasting impact across our region.

As a trusted name in local real estate, Henzells' support helps our Volleyball students access opportunities to develop their skills, teamwork and confidence on and off the court.

We congratulate Henzells on this remarkable milestone and thank them for their continued support of our school and student

athletes.

Learn more about their story and services at www.henzells.com.au



#### Week Ahead - Week 4, Term 4

#### Monday 27th October

 Year 12 External Exam Block 27/10 – 20/11

#### Tuesday 28th October

♦ ICL Bushcare Program 10 - 11am

#### Wednesday 29th October

- ♦ 7 ISS Gala Day 1
- Rock & Water, Yr9-P4, Yr 7-P3
- 8 Hobbies, Bushwalking 1:35 –
  2:35pm
- ♦ 9-12 ISP Surfing P3/4

#### Thursday 30th October

- 10 & Broad Horizons Experience UniSC, 8am - 2pm
- 8 ISS Gala Day 1
- Inter-School Surfing Competition, WindanSea Schools Cup, 6:30am – 2:40pm

#### ◆ Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October

- World Teachers Day
- Day for Daniel
- ISP Noosa 5km Fun Run, 5:30am –2:30pm
- ♦ ICL Caloundra Friends, 1 2:30pm

#### 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



### **Behaviour Beacon**

The Behaviour Beacon for weeks 3 and 4 is: Kindness - We Celebrate Success

We've had an absolutely fantastic start to Term 4! Our students have returned focused, positive and consistently demonstrating kindness, respect and integrity.

While learning remains our top priority, Term 4 is also a time for celebration-recognising the effort, growth and achievements made throughout the year. We have so many special events like Sports Awards Night, Academic Awards Night and Year 12 Graduation. A special congratulations to our Kurrimundi students for winning the Caloundra Cup and earning a well-deserved trip to Wet'n'Wild!

This term is all about celebrating success, big and small. When we focus on the effort, kindness, teamwork and growth, we create a school community we can all be proud of.

We can't wait to see what our students continue to achieve as we finish the year strong!

#### **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@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au

School Website
Facebook Page
Yr11/12 Learning Hub
Term 4 Senior External

**Exams** 

Uniform Shop Operating Hours Monday, Wednesday, Friday Closed on Public Holidays 7:30am to 8:30am Order online via Qkr!

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