



CALOUNDRA
State High School

Caloundra Highlights

Term 4 - Week 10 - Friday 8th December 2023

Dear Families and Carers,

As the 2023 school year draws to a close, I would just like to thank all parents/carers for their support of the school throughout this year. 2023 has been a big year and as a school we have worked with our school community to develop our 4-year Strategic Plan, celebrated our 60th Year Anniversary and re-introduced and created some new key activities to support student engagement and learning. It has also been a year where we have seen a large number of facility refurbishments. Some of these will continue over the Christmas break and into the new school year. As a result, please take the time to carefully read the [Start of Year Information](#) and [P&C Newsletter December - 2023](#) to ensure you have the information required to set your child/ren up for a successful start next year. This information has also been emailed to all current and future parents. I personally would like to thank the entire Caloundra SHS staff for their hard work and effort in 2023 for providing quality education and a positive learning environment to our students.

During this festive season, my hope for all Caloundra SHS families is that you have time to slow down and enjoy the simple things. May this holiday break allow you to refresh, reconnect and recharge in the company of good friends and family.

Whatever you plan to do, and wherever you plan to be, I wish each one of you a happy and safe break. Thank you again for entrusting your children into our care. I am truly grateful and look forward to seeing you in the New Year 2024. Have a happy and restful holiday!

START OF 2024 OFFICE HOURS

- Due to continued project works on A block Administration Office, at this point in time, from Monday 15th January 2024 the following will apply:
- The Student Counter, Attendance and First Aid Room will remain located in N Block via **Gate 9 on Bower Street**. If you need to collect your child/ren during school hours, please call the school and then wait outside gate 9. Students arriving late will also need to enter via gate 9 to sign in.
- The front Office and Finance Department can be accessed via pedestrian Gate 10 on Bower Street, signs will be in place. Please note, EFTPOS or bank transfers for payments only, we cannot accept cash at this time.
- There will be **NO ACCESS** to A Block from Queen Street. This is a construction site until further notice.

MAIN OFFICE operating hours:				
Monday 15 January 2024	Tuesday 16 January 2024	Wednesday 17 January 2024	Thursday 18 January 2024	Friday 19 January 2024
8:00am to 3:30pm	8:00am to 3:30pm	10:00am to 3:30pm	CLOSED	10:00am to 12:30pm
FINANCE OFFICE operating hours:				
Monday 15 January 2024	Tuesday 16 January 2024	Wednesday 17 January 2024	Thursday 18 January 2024	Friday 19 January 2024
8:00am to 12:30pm	8:00am to 12:30pm	10:00am to 12:30pm	CLOSED	10:00am to 12:30pm

Finance normal operating hours of 8:00am to 12:30pm, Monday to Friday will commence from Monday 22 January.

Please note: **Friday 26 January** is a **Public Holiday** for **Australia Day**.

2024 TEXTBOOKS AND ONLINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

- The contract for our current supplier of online textbooks has ended and we will be entering into a new arrangement for the start of 2024. We also have a number of new online services that will be implemented next year. This will require consent from parents/carers through **QParents**. If you do not have QParents please contact the office on 54 368 444 or visit [QParents fact sheet](#) for further information.

CHANGE OF START/FINISH TIMES – 2024

- After careful consideration and consultation with our staff and community, the new start/finish times have been confirmed for 2024. This change will help to improve student safety at the end of the day as students will be able to board buses immediately. Thank you to all those who provided feedback on this.

- Start time: 8:40am and Finish time: 2:40pm

SUNSHINE COAST SCHOOL BUS CHANGES

- Changes to some Sunshine Coast school bus services will be introduced from the start of Term 1 on Monday, 22nd January 2024. Please visit the [CDC website](#) for summarised changes which will be published by 22nd December 2023. Timetables will be updated and available on the [Translink Journey Planner](#) from Monday, 8th January 2024. For any enquiries, please contact CDC Queensland on 5476 6622.

Natasha Wicks – Principal

Week Ahead - Week 1 2024

Monday 22nd January

- Yr 7/9/12 First Day
- Yr 11 Camp 8:15am Bower Street 22nd – 24th January
- 7-10/12 ISP Orientation & Australia Zoo

Tuesday 23rd January

- Yr 8/10 First Day
- 7-10/12 ISP Orientation

Wednesday 24th January

- 7-10/12 ISP Orientation

Thursday 25th January

- 11 ISP Orientation

Friday 26th January

- Australia Day Public Holiday

Senior Learning Hub

Under construction

School Contacts

Main Office: 5436 8444

Absence Line: 5436 8400

Attendance: attendance@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au

Staff Contact Directory

[Click here to access directory](#)

School Website

www.caloundrashs.eq.edu.au

Facebook Page

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

Administration Office Operating Hours

Monday to Friday 8:00am to 3:30pm

Finance Office Operating Hours

Monday to Friday 8:00am to 12:30pm

Uniform Shop Operating Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday (Closed Wednesday)

7:30am to 9:00am

[Order Uniforms & Canteen via the QKR App!](#)

Year Level Parades

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