Caloundra Highlights

Term 1 - Week 1 - Thursday 25th January 2024

Dear Parents and Families.

Welcome back to a new school year!! Despite our first day back being a particularly hot one, it has been great to welcome back both our new and returning students to the school with everyone looking particularly good in their uniforms; all with a positive attitude and ready to learn. As a school we are looking forward to 2024 and the opportunities this will bring for our students, staff and community as we commence implementation of our finalised 4 -Year strategic plan.

As you may be aware via the school's Facebook page and parent emails the school has had numerous facilities works commence over the holidays. While I am pleased to say that some of these works have been completed (Paintina and refreshment of C and D block buildings), others such as the removal of low-density board from A block is still continuing. I would like to thank everyone for your patience and cooperation during this time. As a result, just a reminder that the following changes are in place until these works are completed.

- The Student Counter, Attendance and First Aid Room will remain located in N Block via Gate 9. If you need to collect your child/ren during school hours, please call the school and then wait outside Gate 9 on Bower Street. If your child/ren arrives to school late, please ask them to go to N Block via Gate 9 to be signed in.
- The Front Office and Finance Department can be accessed via the pedestrian Gate 10 on Bower Street. We cannot accept cash. EFTPOS or bank transfer for payments only.
- There will be no access to A Block from Queen Street. This is a construction site until further notice. However, the A Block pedestrian gate will be open before and after school.

During the past thirteen years, the TMR have been reviewing all school zones within Queensland. The review has highlighted that road safety in the Bower Street school zone at CSHS could be improved by the installation of flashing school zone signs. The school has recently been informed that the TMR now plans to replace the existing school zone signs on Bower Street with flashing school zone signs. The work is programmed to commence in the upcoming weeks. The installation of flashing school zone signs improves visibility of school zones and serves as an active reminder for motorists to slow down.

In other traffic news, the local council have advised the school of potential parking changes along Bower Street, including extending the current two-minute parking bay to incorporate four additional bays. This adjustment aims to enhance opportunities for parents to drop off and pick up students during peak periods. Once these works have been confirmed, I will advise the school community of the changes.

Additionally, there has been an issue raised by members of the community in relation to cars parking for extended periods in the adjacent Ben Bennett car park, hindering public access to the parkland. It has been identified that some of these cars belong to senior students at our school. To mitigate this, a four-hour timed parking restriction will be implemented in the car park seven days per week. Changes to the Ben Bennett car park and Bower Street are scheduled to take place early in the new year, although the exact timeframe is currently unknown. Senior students are encouraged to park in Plover Street if it is their intention to drive to school.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

- School photos will be held on Tuesday, 30th January, with a catch-up day scheduled for Friday 9th February. 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.
- Order envelopes have been sent home this week, please check with your child to make sure they have received theirs. Simply visit MSP Photography, and enter your unique shoot key located on your students envelope. If you have not received an envelope, please contact the office on 5436 8444.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

- On Friday, 2nd February 2024, we will be holding our whole school Annual Interhouse Swimming Carnival. There will be alternative activities available throughout the day for all students to participate, NOT just the competitive swimmers.
 - Permission notes have been emailed home, please return these by Monday, 29th January.

You may have noticed on your child's timetable a subject called 'Level Up'. The Level Up program has replaced Wellbeing and contains the mandatory <u>Respectful Relationships curriculum</u>. This time is also used for interschool Sport, Hobbies, Career Education, Community Programs and Independent study. To support students with independent study, they will have access to an online platform (Education Perfect) where they can complete interactive and tailored activities to suit their

TEXTBOOKS & ONLINE SUBCRIPTIONS

Online consent permission for your child/ren to be able to access textbooks and online subscriptions has been emailed home to parents via QParents for parent/carer completion. If you do not have access to QParents, please contact the office on 5436 8444. Please also check your junk/spam email. The subject line of the email will be: New consent request for (students Name).

YEAR 7 & 10 IMMUNISATIONS

- 2024 School Immunisation Consent Cards have arrived. Year 10 envelopes have been distributed and are to be returned by Wednesday 7th February. Year 7 envelopes will be sent home next week (week 2) and are due back by Wednesday 13th March. Please return ALL envelopes to D14 Immunisation dates are scheduled as below:
 - Term 1 Year 10 MenACWY & MENG B Dose 1 Vaccination 26/2/24
 - Term 2 Year 7 HPV & DtPA 10/5/24
 - Term 3 Year 10 MENG B Does 2 Vaccination 25/7/24

MONDAY NIGHT SECONDARY SCHOOLS NETBALL COMPETION

Attention all Netballers! Registration for the 2024 Secondary Schools Netball competition is now open. Registrations are required by Wednesday, 31st January. Please see Ms Adams-Smith at J Block HOY Hub or email sadam56@eq.edu.au for more information. Games commence from Monday 19th February (week 5) to Monday, 3rd June (excluding public holidays). Start at 4pm for Juniors through to 6:30/7:20pm for Seniors.

Natasha Wicks - Principal

Week Ahead - Week 2 2024

Monday 29th January

Tuesday 30th January

School Photos & Student Leader Photos

Wednesday 31st January

Yr 9 - 12 Volleyball POE Induction Day

Thursday 1st February

♦ Yr 7 - 12 EDGE Dance Orientation Day 8:40am -2:40pm Friday 2nd February

Interhouse Swimming Carnival

Senior Learning Hub

Year 11&12 Wednesday Learning Hub Schedule

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 8:30am

Year 12

Order Uniforms & Canteen via the QKR App!

Year Level Parades

Year 7 **Tuesday Resource Centre** Year 8 Monday Resource Centre **Tuesday Student Centre** Year 9

Thursday

Wednesday Year 10 Resource Centre Year 11 Friday Resource Centre

Resource Centre

