

# "The Beacon"



### Date Claimers

#### SEPTEMBER 2018

06/09/18 06/09/18	Book Fair Parade 9:15am Open Afternoon 3pm – 5pm
07/09/18	Dean O'Brien (author of Deano Yipadee)
11/09/18	Dance Extravaganza P – 2 5pm & 3 – 6 6:30pm (Art prizes announced)

### Message from the Principal: Stephen Logan

#### NAPLAN

We have received the preliminary results from the Yr3 & 5 NAPLAN tests done last term. We are very excited that all of the interventions that we have put in place (extra support teachers, dedicated DP to the P-2 sector, extra Guidance, MiniLit tutors, extension and or extra-curricular activities etc) and a focus on teacher quality have paid dividends. The scores below show how we have performed against all Queensland schools and against all schools in Australia. Blue is good; green is excellent; and red is not so good. Our support team now works with teachers to drill down into the data to see the specific area that may need attention and which areas we are doing really well. This process then informs where we focus going forward.

Thank you for your support in getting your children ready for these tests as well as encouraging them every other day so they can reach their full potential.

#### 2018 NAPLAN Performance Measures Summarised for Caloundra State School (0859)

For All Students

(Preliminary Data for 2018)

School	Year Level	Max n	Reading			Writing			Spelling			Grammar and Punctuation			Numeracy		
			Mean	Top 2 Band %	NMS %	Mean	Top 2 Band %	NMS %	Mean	Top 2 Band %	NMS %	Mean	Top 2 Band %	NMS %	Mean	Top 2 Band %	NMS %
Australia	3		433.8	53.1	95.6	407.2	42.0	94.4	417.8	46.6	94.1	431.7	53.7	94.5	407.7	39.4	95.7
	5		509.0	38.5	94.8	464.6	13.8	89.9	502.5	34.6	94.4	503.6	35.9	93.5	494.2	27.7	95.6
Queensland	3		429.7	51.4	96.2	397.7	36.6	94.0	410.9	43.6	94.3	429.7	52.2	95.3	399.2	35.2	95.9
	5		506.1	37.1	95.0	453.9	11.0	87.4	496.7	31.2	94.4	501.1	34.7	93.9	487.6	24.2	96.0
Caloundra State School (0859)	3	91	432.1	48.4	98.9	412.5	48.4	97.8	431.9	57.1	97.8	453.9	56.0	98.9	413.1	40.0	100.0
	5	78	521.1	44.9	97.4	468.8	15.4	89.7	495.2	28.2	96.2	504.2	35.9	94.9	486.5	23.1	94.9

#### NOTE:

- This report is generated based on the student demographic information provided on the NAPLAN tests and may differ from the information recorded at the school.
- Max n: maximum number of students for whom there is a score. This excludes students who were absent, exempt, or withdrawn from the test.
- Top 2 Band %: Percentage of students achieving in the top two bands for each year level.
- NMS %: Percentage of students performing at or above the National Minimum Standard.
- Pending: The data is currently not available for release.
- Percentage figures are calculated by including exempt students and excluding students who were absent or withdrawn. The percentages of students represented in the table have been rounded and may not sum to 100.

Colour Key Legend	
	Above the National Cohort
	Similar to the National Cohort
	Below the National Cohort

The Queensland Government is undertaking a review of NAPLAN in the Queensland context, to better understand the impacts NAPLAN is having on learning and teaching within the state. The first stage of the Review, conducted in June 2018, focused on consultation with parents.

The second stage is now underway, with consultation extending to students, teachers, principals and other key education stakeholders across Queensland. Queensland students in years 3 to 10 are now invited to provide feedback on their experiences with NAPLAN, via an online survey. Students wishing to participate will require the consent of a parent or carer, who can assist with completing the survey at home. The survey link is available at <https://survey.lsia.com.au/s3/2018NapRevStudent>. Further information on the student survey and the Review are provided within the survey link.



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## Message from the Deputy Principals: Brendan Bopf & Catherine Crawford

### DANCE EXTRAVAGANZA

Dance lessons have been going extremely well and we are excited to show you what the students have been learning this term. Our Caloundra SS Dance Extravaganza will be held on Tuesday, 11 September at Caloundra Events Centre. Tickets are \$5 each and will be available from Tuesday, 28 August via this link:

<https://theeventscentre.com.au/product/caloundra-state-schools-dance-extravaganza/>

Students have free admission if they are watching their siblings perform. All other family members will require a ticket, with one purchased ticket per person covering both the Junior and Senior shows.

To allow all families to watch the performance, we will be running two separate shows; Prep-Year 2 and Years 3-6. Parents are required to transport their children to and from the evening event. Please note the performance times below.

#### **Prep – 2 Schedule**

4.15pm Prep-2 and CalSquad/CalStars students to be dropped off at the Glasshouse Room of the Events Centre where class groups will be clearly marked.

4.30pm Café and doors to theatre open

5.00pm **P-2 Dance Extravaganza begins**

CalSquad

Prep to 2 classes perform

CalStars

6.00pm P-2 students to be collected from the Glasshouse Room

#### **3-6 Schedule**

5.45pm Years 3-6 students to be dropped off at the Glasshouse Room of the Events Centre where class groups will be clearly marked.

6.00pm Café and doors to theatre open.

6.30pm **3-6 Dance Extravaganza begins**

CalStars

Years 3 to 6 classes perform

CalSquad

7.30 pm 3-6 students to be collected from the Glasshouse Room

### YEAR 6 CANBERRA EXCURSION - PARLIAMENT AND CIVICS EDUCATION REBATE PROGRAM (PACER)

Our Year 6 students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

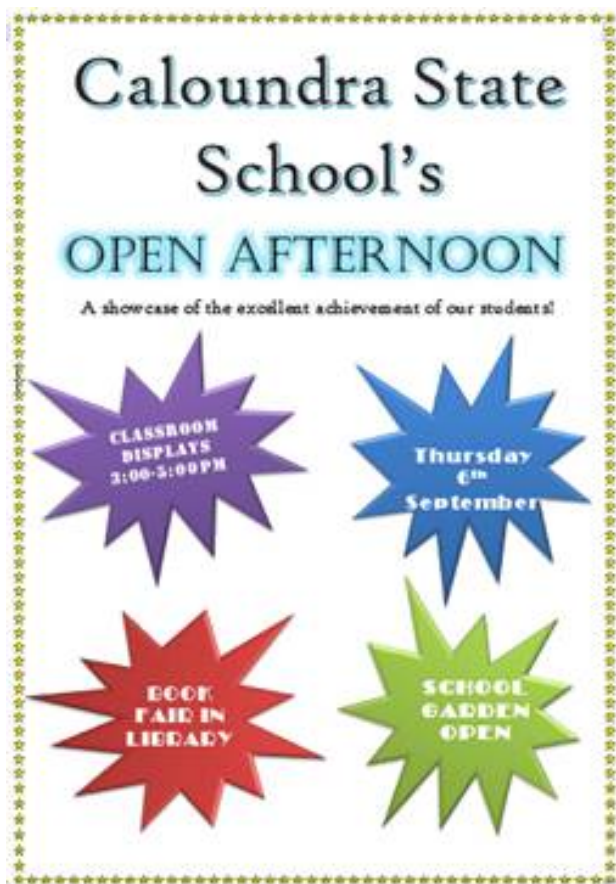
The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$60.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and was factored in to the excursion costings.



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## OPEN AFTERNOON

This Thursday is our annual Open Afternoon. This is a great opportunity for you to invite family and friends to our school so they too can enjoy the marvellous work done by your children. Student work, photo stories of the events during the year and class displays of art work and other projects will be on show for you to have a look at. We are trying a different format this year to enable parents to come into the classrooms immediately after school at 3pm on 6 September. Please attend – your children will feel more proud of their work if you show an interest in it.

**Message from the office: Kylie Bland, Margie Braund, Robyn Rawson, Sue Martin**

What a busy term we have had full of excursions and activities! The weather is still quite cool at times so please ensure your child/children have the correct clothing for school.

### HEAD LICE

As the warmer weather approaches head Lice can be a constant companion to your child/children. Please ensure if you receive a text message to advise of head lice in your child's class to check and then treat your children if any signs of head lice are found. Further information can be found on our Website, Facebook or at the office.

### LATE STUDENTS AND EARLY DEPARTURES

Any student/s that are late to school must be signed in at the administration office by a parent/guardian and a reason given for being late. Students that are dropped to school late and not signed in by a parent/guardian are deemed to be an unauthorised late arrival and a parent/guardian will need to advise the reason for the late arrival.

Constant late arrivals affect the administration office as well as classroom interruption's affecting learning outcomes in the class.

Please ensure if you are needing to collect your child/children early from school that a note or email is advised to the class teacher beforehand. Once they have been signed out in the administration office book, we will phone the class for the children to come to the office. If collection is during lunch breaks you will need to collect children from the playground areas.



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Any messages that need to be passed on for after school pick up times, need to be advised well before 1pm each day as we cannot guarantee messages being passed onto classes later than this.

## **SKIPATHON**

**Friday, 14 September** is the final date for payment of all Skip-a-thon money. Please ensure all money pledged has been paid before this date. The sooner the money is handed in the sooner we can finalize the event and prizes can be sent home.

An online option for sponsors is also available by following links on the school’s website page: [www.caloundrass.eq.edu.au](http://www.caloundrass.eq.edu.au) On the Home page look for QUICKLINKS and Skip-a-thon. The money raised from the Skip-a-thon will provide valuable resources for the school. Thank you for your support.

## **STUDENT ABSENCES**

**Text: 0418 159 088**



## **STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

PA	Week 6 – Harry H - For joining in classroom activities. Keep it up Harry! Week 7 - Sienna R - For being a polite and respectful friend.
PB	Week 6 – Dylan D - For being a fantastic friend to everyone in the monkeys. Week 7 - Taj D - For his enthusiasm, stamina and ability in the Skip-a-thon!
PC	Week 6 – Week 7 -
1A	Week 6 – Ella C - For tremendous improvement in Maths and for being a patient Maths Buddy. Week 7 – Jasmine R – For great improvement in reading
1B	Week 6 – Mackenzie C - For improvement with efforts in completing her work. Week 7 – Slater O - For fantastic effort during reading groups.
1C	Week 6 – Zoe N - For trying her best and giving all tasks a go. Week 7 - Levi M - For excellent concentration during independent writing.
2A	Week 6 – Amelia L - For thinking deeply and carefully when completing comprehension tasks Week 7 - Katie W- For being thoughtful and careful painting in Art Lessons
2C	Week 7 - Daniel S - For always working at his best and for being a good kid.
2D	Week 6 – Cohen F – For working well and applying himself to tasks. Cohen has settled in well to our routines and is an active participant in class. Week 7 - Mila B – For being actively involved in all our learning activities. Amazing work Mila!
3A	Week 6 – Dave - For being a respectful and hard-working student who is always ready to help others. Week 7 – Tyler - For an improved effort in classroom activities and for reliably completing his homework.
3B	Week 6 – Maya O - For great Maths task results and valuable contributions in Geography Week 7 - Cooper B- For trying hard to keep himself organised and complete work neatly
3C	Week 6 - Hannah B - For settling well into our school this term and showing excellent work habits Week 7 - Evie J - For being a responsible learner and showing great creativity in writing.
3D	Week 6 – Serenity J – For being respectful in all learning areas. Week 7 – Taylah E – For being an enthusiastic learner during writing lessons
4A	Week 6 – Pipi B - For always respectful to adults and peers and is highly thought of by them because of this quality. Week 7 - Seanna D - For a respectful student who exhibits good manners and courtesies.
4B	Week 6 - Yullarrah D – Welcome to the Caloundra State School family. Great start settling in to your new school. Week 7 - Callum T – For improved focus and concentration in learning areas.



5A	Week 6 - Lily L - For being a great learner in class Week 7 - Taliah M - For great work on your art assignment Week 7 - Jordan E - For great work in geography
5B	Week 6- Brodie G - For always demonstrating great sportsmanship and effort at interschool sports. Week 7 - Ethan H - For a great effort with his poem analysis of 'Mother Earth.'
5C	Week 6 – Emma C – for using her skills from training and setting up a fantastic try at Oztag Week 6 - Kassidy D – for completing an excellent analyse of a poem Week 7 - Benjamyn S - For creating a colourful creature based on his character traits in visual art
56D	Week 6 - Azaelea B - For asking interesting questions at the Sea Life Excursion at Mooloolaba Week 7 - Jacob W - For putting so much effort into his Geography Assignment
6A	Week 6 – Kaleb G - For an excellent effort on all class tasks.
6B	Week 6 - Matisse M - For working really hard to improve her math results. Week 7 - Summer L - For being brave in trying new adventures in her life.
6C	Week 6 - Ashton A - For being a responsible and active learner. Week 7 - Owen T - for being active and engaged in all activities on camp; representing our school with pride.

## Community News

### FRENCH SPEECH CONTEST

Enjoy a few pictures from the French speaking competition that took place last Sunday (August 26th) at the University of the Sunshine Coast. This year the contest drew 580 students from 45 schools competing across 7 languages from year 4-12.

Nine Caloundra State School students participated in the event (Maya L, Koby D, Marley B in Y4; Eve T, Sara D, Mia B, Jayla L in Y5; Erin L and Sarah F in Year 6).

All were very well prepared and very happy with the experience and their performance. A big thank you to parents, siblings and grandparents for accompanying and encouraging the children on the day.

Congratulations to all who participated and especially to Koby D from 4C and Mia B from 5B who received Highly Commended awards for their efforts!

Bravo!



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## RIDE AND SCORE

Exciting news for **School Scooter Commuters** –

We are inviting **YOU** to join RideScore!

**RideScore** – Where kids are rewarded for their active trip and parents are reassured on their arrival and departure via email notification. Go to School Website – Quick links and [register now](#).

