



# Caloundra State School

Inspiring learners. Nurturing potential

## 2026 Term 1

### Week 10

#### Monday 30 March

- Cal100Km Club 8.15am @ Junior oval
- Y5&Y6 Life Ed
- NO Senior Y3-Y6 Parade

#### Tuesday 31 March

- Y5&Y6 Life Ed
- NO Junior P-Y2 Parade

#### Wednesday 1 April

- NO Cal100Km Club
- School Cross Country

#### Thursday 2 April

- Easter Hat Parade 9.10am
- Easter Raffle drawn at Easter Hat Parade
- Last day of Term 1

#### Friday 3 April

- Good Friday Public Holiday

### Term 2

#### Week 1

#### Monday 20 April

- **First day of Term 2**
- Cal100Km Club 8.15am @ Junior oval
- General P&C Meeting, 6pm at CSS Staffroom

#### Tuesday 21 April

- P-2 Junior Parade, 2.30pm CPAC

#### Wednesday 22 April

- Cal100Km Club 8.15am @ Junior oval

#### Thursday 23 April

- Dance Excellence Bootcamp

#### Friday 24 April

- School ANZAC Parade 9.10am
- Dance Excellence Bootcamp

#### Saturday 25 April

- ANZAC Day – School's March

**First school bell goes at 8:50am all students should be at school ready to start the day before this time.**

### Helpful Information

#### School Website

<https://caloundrass.eq.edu.au/>

#### Student Absences

0408 247 593

#### School Facebook

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

#### Caloundra State School P&C Facebook

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

#### Helping Hands

<https://www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au/qld/caloundra-state-school/>

#### QParents

<http://qparents.qld.edu.au>

#### Bpoint

<http://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete>

## This Week's Highlights

### Religious Instruction (RI) Brochure

If you'd like to find out more information on RI, please see brochure attached.

### Queensland Engagement and Wellbeing Survey (QEW Survey)

In Term 2, students in Years 4 to 6 will be asked to take part in the Queensland Engagement and Wellbeing (QEW) Survey. We know that wellbeing and engagement are important parts of your child's life at school. The QEW Survey is designed to measure how students view their wellbeing and engagement across different topics. The information we get from the survey helps us better understand and support our students. Further information will be communicated to parents and carers closer to the time. More information, including FAQs, can be found on the Education website: (<https://qed.qld.gov.au/publications/reports/statistics/schooling/students/queensland-engagement-wellbeing-survey>).

### Cross Country on Wednesday 1 April

Cross Country is next week on Wednesday on the senior (bottom) oval. The P&C have organised a coffee van to be onsite for those parents/carers who are coming alone to watch their child/ren.

Senior school (Y3-Y6) students will run in the morning between 9am and 11am. Junior school (Prep-Y2) students will run in the afternoon between 1.30pm and 3pm. Wear your house colours and appropriate footwear on the day.

### Caloundra State School Sports Houses

**Kings**

**Shelly**

**Moffat**

**Dicky**

### Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 2 April

We're inviting all students and parents/carers to attend the Easter Hat Parade on next Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 9.10am in the senior undercover area. Prep students will be making their Easter Hats in class. Year 1-6 students should create their hats at home and bring them on Thursday 2 April. P&C will be selling raffle tickets prior to the Easter Hat Parade in the senior undercover area on the day.

### CWA ANZAC Biscuit Recipe

We're excited to share that a representative from the CWA Caloundra Branch will be joining us at our Easter Hat Parade. They will be presenting Caloundra State School with a special Anzac Day themed book, with this year's story focusing on the much-loved ANZAC biscuit. They've also kindly shared their delicious ANZAC biscuit recipe, so make sure to get your baking organised this year (especially after last year's golden syrup shortage!).

### Helping Hands Update

Please see attached the Easter Holiday HQ program for Helping Hands. Booking in [here](#).

### P&C Update

#### Easter Raffle Donations

The P&C will be running its popular Easter raffle next week (week 10), with winners drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 2 April.

Thank you to our wonderful families who have already donated items, we truly appreciate your generosity. We are still welcoming donations of chocolate eggs, Easter craft and books, or any other Easter-themed items. Please drop these off at the office by 3:00pm on Monday, 30 March. Raffle tickets will be available for sale before school next week in the senior undercover area and on the morning of the Easter Hat Parade. [Sign up here](#) to help with Raffle ticket sales.

## The P&C Need a Treasurer! ... and President

We need you!

Our P&C is on the lookout for a Treasurer to join our team! No previous experience needed, just a willingness to help and a positive attitude. Support and handover will be provided!

We are also still on the lookout for a President. Interested? You'll work alongside staff and families to support events, share ideas, and help create a positive environment for everyone. If you enjoy connecting with people and want to play a part in shaping our school community, we'd love to hear from you.

Keen or curious? See Gen in the school office, send us an email at [pandccaloundrass@gmail.com](mailto:pandccaloundrass@gmail.com) or contact us via Facebook.

Let's keep the good things happening at CSS!

## **Term 2 P&C Events**

### Mother's Day Stall

Our annual Mother's Day Stall will be held on Tuesday, 5 May. We're reaching out to our crafty community for any handmade items you may be able to create and donate for the stall. Your contributions are greatly appreciated. Please drop off donations to the office by Friday, 1 May 2026.

We are also looking for any unwanted tea or coffee cups and small decorative plant pots, which we can repurpose for the stall. Thank you for your support!

### School Working Bee

#### SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for our School Working Bee on **Sunday 24 May** (week 5). It's a great opportunity to lend a hand and help keep our school looking its best. Whether you can spare an hour or the whole morning, every bit of help makes a difference. Please bring along any tools you may have to assist with the jobs on the day. As a thank you, the P&C will be providing a BBQ lunch for all volunteers. We'd love to see you there!

More information will be shared early next term.

### School Disco

Our first semester disco is scheduled for Thursday 28 May 2026 (week 6). Student council are currently working on a theme. We will share this as soon as we know. More information coming in early Term 2.

### Trivia Night

Back by popular demand, this year's CSS Trivia Night is on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June! Put it in your diaries. It's going to be another great night. We would love help with organising this event. See Gen, in the office if you're keen to help or email us at [pandccaloundrass@gmail.com](mailto:pandccaloundrass@gmail.com).

# VACANT POSITION

We're on the hunt for a friendly, reliable parent (or carer!) to jump into the **Treasurer role for our P&C.**

It's not as scary as it sounds! You'll be keeping track of money in and out, helping with fundraising totals, and giving quick updates at meetings. That's it!



### Why give it a go?

- Meet other awesome CSS parents
- Be part of what makes our school events happen
- Have a real say in where funds go (hello, resources for our kids!)
- Support provided – you won't be doing it alone

It's a small time commitment that makes a big difference. If you've got basic organisation skills, you're perfect



Caloundra State School P&C Association

## Seeking Donations

Seeking donations of **tea/coffee cups** and **small decorative plant pots** (not plastic grow pots).

We would like to get the plants planted and growing ASAP so that they are ready for the Mother's Day Stall.

Drop off to school office.

Thank you!



Caloundra State School P&C Association



## Why choose RI?

According to a recent national survey by McCrindle Research, 99% of Australian parents think that it is important to teach values to Australian school students. 84% believe that Australia's Christian heritage has been influential in shaping those values.

Many parents choose Christian RI for their children in order to give them the opportunity to question, explore and discover faith and Christian values for themselves as a part of a holistic education.

## Key benefits

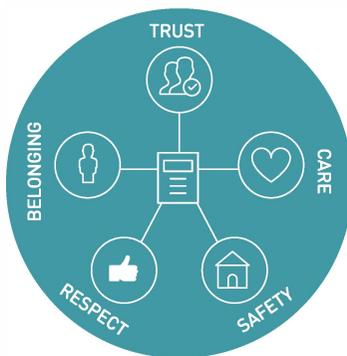
A recent Australian study by Prof Zehavit Gross, UNESCO Chair in Education for Human Values, Tolerance and Peace, Bar-Ilan University Israel and Prof Emerita Suzanne Rutland OAM, University of Sydney has found that RI has key benefits including:

Offers important **psychological benefits** to students' mental health and wellbeing

**Strengthens the multi-cultural fabric** of Australian schools.

Introduces an effective **values education** that empowers student decision making, fosters student action, and encourages student responsibility

Creates **safe places** for students to explore deeper questions of faith and belief



Christian **RI**

## Need more info?

More information about the RI program available at your school can be found on your school website.

**Otherwise contact [info@christianri.org.au](mailto:info@christianri.org.au) for more information.**



## Contact us

 [www.christianRI.org.au](http://www.christianRI.org.au)

 [info@christianRI.org.au](mailto:info@christianRI.org.au)

 For regular updates about RI,  
[FACEBOOK.COM/CHRISTIANRIQLD](https://www.facebook.com/CHRISTIANRIQLD)

 [INSTAGRAM.COM/CHRISTIANRI.QLD](https://www.instagram.com/CHRISTIANRI.QLD)



Christian **RI**



Information  
for families

[www.christianRI.org.au](http://www.christianRI.org.au)

## What is Religious Instruction (RI)?

RI is the time set aside in Years 1-12 in state schools where parents/carers can consent for their children to be educated in the faith of their choosing. Your child will only be placed in RI if you give your consent. RI is provided by major faith groups in many schools across Queensland. To find out what is available at your school please refer to the school website.

The Queensland Education (General Provisions) Act (2006) allows accredited representatives of recognised faith groups to make this contribution as part of a holistic approach to education.

RI is one way of promoting the spiritual development and wellbeing of young Australians.

RI lessons are usually conducted for up to 30 minutes on a weekly basis throughout the school year.



## How do I select RI?

RI is offered from Year 1 onwards and you can choose RI:

- **When enrolling** in your local school by nominating "Yes" on the enrolment form for your child to participate. You can then nominate which RI you want your child placed in, if it is available at the school.\*

## Who provides RI?

Volunteer RI Instructors from local Christian Churches come together to provide "Christian RI". These denominations may, amongst others, include Anglican, Australian Christian Churches, Baptist, Catholic, Churches of Christ, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Salvation Army and Uniting Churches.

## What is taught in RI?

Christian RI instructors use program resource materials which undergo reviews by independent third party curriculum experts, to ensure they are age-appropriate and meet relevant government legislation and Department of Education policies.

The providers of Christian RI are committed to delivering best practice religious instruction and using high quality program resource materials.



## **COUNTRY WOMENS ASSOCIATION -ANZAC BISCUIT RECIPE**

"Wives and women's groups sent biscuits from home. Anzac Biscuits were egg free therefore less likely to spoil. There is no evidence of when the sweet biscuit was given its name or how it was identified as an Anzac, but shelf life guaranteed their inclusion in the care packs that were sent to our soldiers overseas."

"There is also strong debate about the texture of Anzacs, some like a chewy biscuit and others like a crunch. For the chewy texture leave your teaspoon heaps and cook for 5 minutes less. For the crunchy ones flatten slightly when you pop them on the tray and cook 5 minutes longer.

"When the biscuits were sent to the soldiers more often than not molasses was used in place of the golden syrup as rations were hard to get."

### **Ingredients:**

- 1 cup plain flour
- 1 cup rolled oats (not quick oats)
- 1 cup brown sugar (you can use castor sugar)
- 3/4 cup desiccated coconut
- 1/2 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 1 tbs hot water
- 125g butter (if using unsalted add 1/2 tsp of salt to the flour)
- 2 tbs of golden syrup

### **Method:**

1. Set the oven to 170°C and line trays with baking paper.
2. Sift the flour and mix with the coconut, oats and sugar.
3. Dissolve the bicarbonate of soda in a cup with water and stir well.
4. Melt the butter (stove top or microwave) with the golden syrup and stir well until thoroughly mixed. Add the Bi-carbonate of soda. . It will foam up then pour into the dry ingredients. Mix well.
5. Place teaspoon-sized heaps on your tray allowing for the biscuit to expand. In the oven middle shelf for about 10-15 minutes or until golden brown.
6. Remove from oven and cool on cake racks. Enjoy!

**MAYBE YOU WOULD LIKE TO ASK A PARENT OR ADULT TO HELP YOU MAKE SOME BISCUITS TO CELEBRATE ANZAC DAY WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS**



THE GREAT OUTDOORS

# Caloundra State School

56A Queen Street, Caloundra, QLD, 4551

Monday 06 April to Friday 17 April 2026

Ph: 0457 735 704

6:30AM  
TIL  
6PM



Scan to book online!



Mon 06 Apr



TUE 07 APR



Be Challenged  
Build Your Buzz

### Big Day Out

**Excursion: Junior Survivor**  
Bring a spare change of clothes in case it's rainy or we get messy!

Big Day Out plunges into the great outdoors with the Junior Survivor challenge. Solve nature puzzles and tackle team challenges on this hands-on day full of adventure and fun.

BASE FEE \$68.54  
EXPERIENCE FEE \$81.00  
DAILY TOTAL \$149.54  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$14.95

WED 08 APR



### Camp Champions

**Special Event: Outdoor Explorers**

Packed with hands-on challenges and bush survival fun, Camp Champions is an action-packed outdoor adventure! Learn cool knot-tying tricks, make tasty damper, and send secret emergency signals.

BASE FEE \$68.54  
EXPERIENCE FEE \$30.00  
DAILY TOTAL \$98.54  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$9.85

THU 09 APR



### Antarctic Explorers

**Make and Take: Penguin Pals**

Brrr... it's time for an Antarctic adventure! Enjoy a cosy day of creativity sewing your very own take-home penguin, with plenty of frosty fun and winter explorer vibes along the way.

BASE FEE \$68.54  
EXPERIENCE FEE \$20.00  
DAILY TOTAL \$88.54  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$8.85

FRI 10 APR



### Astronaut Adventures

**Service Day**

Get ready to launch into an out-of-this-world adventure! Astronaut Adventures combines space-inspired creativity with energetic games and hands-on fun. A day packed with imagination, movement, and intergalactic excitement.

BASE FEE \$68.54  
DAILY TOTAL \$68.54  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$6.85

MON 13 APR



### Into the Wild

**Excursion: Hoppers Movie**  
Popcorn and water included!

It's movie time with an Into the Wild twist! Sit back and enjoy a big-screen adventure with Disney and Pixar's Hoppers.

BASE FEE \$68.54  
EXPERIENCE FEE \$55.00  
DAILY TOTAL \$123.54  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$12.35

TUE 14 APR



### Mindful Moments

**Special Event: Yoga Adventures**

Stretch, move, and breathe your way through a Mindful Moments adventure! Children will explore yoga through playful poses, fun movement challenges, and calming breathing activities.

BASE FEE \$68.54  
EXPERIENCE FEE \$32.50  
DAILY TOTAL \$98.54  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$9.85

WED 15 APR



### On the Green

**Special Event: Barefoot Bowls**  
Dress up in green

Let's get rolling! Today we will be learning the rules, skills, and gameplay of barefoot bowls. Children will be able to practice and develop their physical and mental skills required for the game while enjoying fresh air and fun!

BASE FEE \$68.54  
EXPERIENCE FEE \$32.50  
DAILY TOTAL \$101.04  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$10.10

THU 16 APR



### Ocean Oasis

**Make and Take: Shell Painting**

Dive into an Ocean Oasis of creativity! Paint a wall shell hanging, craft colourful Coral Reef creations, and design an Ocean Bottle to take home. A relaxing, imaginative day full of coastal fun and creativity.

BASE FEE \$68.54  
EXPERIENCE FEE \$20.00  
DAILY TOTAL \$88.54  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$8.85

FRI 17 APR



### Natural Wonders

**Service Day**

**Bring a change of clothes as we are likely to get messy!**

Explore the outdoors at our Natural Wonders nature play day! Create muddy masterpieces, tackle nature challenges and take on a Nature Ninja Warrior course. Fresh air, messy fun and outdoor adventure all in one exciting day!

BASE FEE \$68.54  
DAILY TOTAL \$68.54  
FROM AS LOW AS\* \$6.85

