



Calista
Primary School

Calista News



Our Purpose

"To provide a safe and supportive environment which enables students to strive for personal, social and academic success. We prepare students to become functional citizens who are empowered to contribute to, and succeed in, an ever changing society."

Shade Sails:

The school has been very fortunate to receive a grant of \$30,000 for the purpose of building shade structures. We have decided to use this money to put up shade sails around the outside of the main quad, outside the Art and Music rooms. This will provide the students with shaded places to eat their recess and lunch and to sit during break times. It will also shade the rooms and bags during the day and be a colourful addition to this area.

School Uniforms:

The lovely ladies in the front office have been busy re-organising our school uniforms to make sure that we always have sufficient supplies available. Due to large stocks we have had to re-locate these out of the office area. We ask that you please put in your orders as normal. These will then be filled and brought up to the office for collection. You will be notified when they are ready to pick up (usually the same day). We thank you for your patience.

Year 6 Graduation:

The date for the Year 6 Graduation has been decided. This will be held on **Wednesday 16th December 2020**. It will be a slightly different format this year so please keep an eye out for details of this next term.

Use of the Drive and Drop/pick-up:

If you use the drive and drop on Chilcott Street you will notice that we have not been able to block off entirely the bays at the back. The City of Kwinana have received complaints about traffic congestion at the roundabout. We will still try to put out some bollards to help with this problem but are asking that you do not arrive early and use these bays for parking. If we keep these bays free then it makes the drive through much easier at the end of the day. Thank you to all of those parents who have been using this well and please remember to drive slowly and indicate when pulling in and out of the bays.

Faction Athletics Carnivals:

Due to an extremely busy term; the decision was made to hold our annual Faction Athletics Carnival in Term 4. To ensure that we meet our requirements regarding numbers of adults on the school site we are having three small carnivals; each followed by a colour run to end the day. The carnivals will be as follows:

Tuesday 20th October: Year 1 & 2 Carnival and colour run.
Wednesday 21st October: Year 3 & 4 Carnival and colour run
Thursday 22nd October: Year 5 & 6 Carnival and colour run.

Of course you are welcome to attend any of these carnivals if your children are involved. Please keep an eye out for notes explaining the final arrangements before the end of the term.

Kindergarten Enrolments:

We are still taking enrolments for Kindy for 2021. Be quick to make sure that you get a place as they fill fast!

Calista PS

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18th September 2020

Special Dates to remember

- ☺ **Athletics Carnivals:**
Year 1/2 Oct 20th
Year 3/4 Oct 21st
Year 5/6 Oct 22nd
- ☺ **End of Term 3** Friday
25th September
- ☺ **Start of Term 4**
Monday 12th October
- ☺ **School Photo's** Monday
26th & Tuesday 27th
- ☺ **Year 6 Graduation**
Wednesday 16th December

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Farewell:

As you know, Mrs de Boick left us at the end of Week 6 to go on maternity leave. We are all eagerly awaiting her happy news and will let you know as soon as we hear.

Today is Ms Williams last day with us before she also goes on maternity leave. We would like to wish her all the very best and will eagerly await her happy news as well.

Mr Atkinson is also going to be a Dad so will be taking some leave when the baby arrives. We are hoping for visits from all of the new babies in the coming weeks.

Staff Information:

We have a few staff taking leave over the last two weeks of Term 3. As a result we have had to shuffle people around a little.

Mr Kordas is having knee surgery and will be out for the remainder of Term 3 and the whole of Term 4. Mr Wall will be replacing him as Deputy for the remainder of the year.

Mr Hixon will be replacing Mr Wall as our Phys Ed Teacher.

Mr Ballard is also out for the remainder of the term having hip surgery. We wish them both all the best and a speedy recovery.

School Photos:

School Photos are set to be taken on Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th October. This is Week three of Term 4. Please remember to order your photos so that you don't miss out.

Book Week:

Book Week is also scheduled for Week 3 of Term 4 so keep your eyes out for a note about activities that are being run around the school. We have also heard that there may be a Book Week Parade so be creative around the theme "Curious Creatures & Wild Minds.

Colour Run:

Information will be coming home very soon about the colour runs which will occur at the conclusion of each of the Faction Athletics Carnivals. This is the first time that this event has happened at Calista PS and we are all looking forward to it.

Fortnightly Focus:

Our PBS Fortnightly Focus is " We are safe when we sit down whilst eating". It is fantastic to walk around the school and see everyone sitting quietly and eating their food. It means that food is not dropped on the floor as we move around and also assists in keeping our school clean and tidy. Well done to everyone!

Breakfast Club:

Breakfast Club continues to be served Monday-Thursday mornings from the art room in the new take-away style which is working really well. FoodBank have been very generous and ensured that we do not run out of the favourites each day. Spaghetti is a big hit !!

Honour Certificates:

Honour Certificates are being given out at our Friday Forum each week. We present the Junior Certificates on even weeks and the Senior Certificates on odd weeks.

Birthday Cakes and Lolly Bags:

We have had a few queries regarding sending cakes and lolly bags to school. Could we please ask that you DO NOT send these items to school. We have a number of students with allergies and are also meant to limit the number of sweet food items served on the site. Please save these items for parties and celebrations at home.

Returning in 2021?

If you are not returning to Calista PS in 2021 (with the exception of Year 6 students) Could you please let us know. We are starting the process of class placements and staffing and this information is vital.

Faction Points:

Blue	Gold	Green	Red
2743	3262	2591	2360