Next Tuesday, we are celebrating the inaugural Heritage Day. From here on in, the first Tuesday in March every year will be Heritage Day.

You are all welcome to attend the Secondary School Assembly where we will be honouring a number of people associated with founding the school. The assembly is to be held at the Reformed Church, Kingston, and will commence at 12:10pm.

We stand as a successful school because of the vision, sacrifice and work of those who went before us. It is right that we celebrate and honour their work.

They have given us our foundations. We may not even realise the heritage but it is all around us. It exists from the assumptions beneath our programmes and it whispers to us through the founding documents.

We are a Christian School where Christ is at the centre of everything. Jesus is the cornerstone (Ephesians 2:20) and the yeast (Luke 13:20-21). He is everywhere. He is in all things. We need to take Him with us everywhere.

This sense of God being ever-present was important to those who founded the school. There is no difference between the sacred and the secular. There is no place that this God doesn’t accompany us to.

One of my heroes is Peter Marshall (May 27, 1902 – January 26, 1949[1]). He was a Scots-American preacher, pastor of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, DC and twice appointed as Chaplain of the United States Senate.

In a sermon entitled, “Do What Ever He Tells You”, he observed the following:

God is a God of laughter, as well as of prayer…a God of singing as well as of tears.
God is at home in the play of his children.
He loves to hear us laugh.

We do not honour God by our long faces…our austerity.
God wants us to be good – not “goody goody”.
There is quite a distinction.

We must try to make the distinction between work and play less sharp….

If God is not in your typewriter as well as your hymnbook,
there is something wrong with your religion.

If your God does not enter your kitchen
there is something the matter with your kitchen.

If you can’t take God into your recreation
there is something wrong with the way you play.

If God, for you, does not smile,
there is something wrong with your idea of God.

We all believe in the God of heroic.
What we need most these days is the God
of the humdrum…
the common place…
the everyday.”

This is the nature of our school that we seek to build. We want God to inhabit the praises of our laughter, just as much as he does the praises of His people. We don’t leave Him at the door in Science class. God is even involved in Mathematics! He is present in the swimming carnival. The first lesson after lunch is not filled with the acts of the God of the heroic, but the God is still there with us in this mundane and everyday moment. It is not everyday that a school like ours is built. But it was built so that HE was here everyday.

Let us celebrate that.

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FROM MR. CALEB COOPER

Dear Parents,

There is a great African proverb which reads “It takes a whole village to raise a child”. While there are
great truths that we could draw from this quote we do want to acknowledge that student achievement
is enhanced when schools and parents work together in supporting and encouraging each child as they
grow and develop. I want to thank you for coming along to our Parent Talk evenings to work with us in
building strong healthy partnerships between home and school.

Upcoming Events…

PRIMARY SCHOOL PHOTOS

Primary School photos will take place this coming
Thursday 3rd of March for Prep – Year 6 students.
Students in Yr1 - YR 6 need to be dressed in the full formal uniform.
K-Prep wear sports uniform. Kindergarten photos are on Friday 4th of March.

Primary School Swimming Carnival

Parent help welcomed

The Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday, 8 March with races commencing at 10:30am.
House coloured swimming caps and t-shirts are required for all students.
These are available from the Primary School office.
Swimming Caps $2.00, T-shirts $7.00.

Please be advised that students are to remain in their house group at all times.
They are not allowed to sit with parents or go to the canteen.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

On Friday, 4 March 2016, the Primary School will be participating in Clean Up Australia Day. We will be
tidying the grounds of the Primary School. We ask that all students bring a plastic bag and a pair of gloves
on the day.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large number of items in lost property left over from last year. Parents please check the lost
property box held in the Primary School Administration block for any missing items.
This year, in term three, the Primary School is presenting

![The Lion King Jr.](image)

We are very excited and rehearsals are already underway. We would love help and support from the parent community and wider community so we can make this production the best it can be!

If you are interested in helping, and have skills in;

- building props and sets,
- painting,
- design,
- costume making,
- singing,
- dancing,
- acting,
- selling tickets,
- marketing,
- baking,
- professional skills in videography,
- lighting or sound,

**We would love to hear from you!**

Please email Lizzy at lsykes@calvin.tas.edu.au

Please include what area/s you would like to be involved in and when you are free during the week. Thanks in advance!
FIJI MISSION TRIP April 2016

Calvin’s annual mission trip to Fiji has taken on a renewed focus. Tropical Cyclone Winston has brought devastation to Fijian communities and our team is wanting to help where we can. The team will be visiting the Pacific Harbour region, in the south of the main island. As it was on the southern side of Winston’s impact, the structural damage was light. However, extensive flooding and sea water inundation has caused damage to the many small farmer’s plots and people’s livelihoods have also been severely impacted.

Home Rooms are collecting basic medical supplies to restock village & school first aid kits. The needs are simple: bandaids, Panadol (especially baby elixir), Betadine, Savlon, and bandages of all sizes. I thank the parents who have already added the extra items into their weekly shop and ask that you continue each week!

Our team will also be visiting four schools and working with teachers & students to help improve teaching in literacy, numeracy and science. We will also be giving basic first aid lessons.

We are working in partnership with MIV Fiji – our Fijian host in Pacific Harbour to determine the needs of each community. One critical area identified is supplies for the classes we will be working with. As most of the areas Calvin visit are small farming villages, the cost for parents to send their children to school may be the first thing to be impacted by TC Winston. As a school community, this is one area that Calvin can readily assist.

I ask for each Calvin family to consider a donation of AU$40 to ‘sponsor’ a Fijian school student in one of the classes we visit. Our plan to is to purchase school supplies, including text books and posters for the students and classrooms. We hope to sponsor up to 75 Fijian students. Upon our return we will be able to show you pictures of the students, their classrooms and schools and the Calvin team in action. If you would like to sponsor a student, please send your donation to the school front office where you will be provided with a receipt. You can also ring the office to pay directly. Simply ask the office to make a donation to Fiji Sponsorship and include your name.

Regards,

Margaret Bester
This year we have 30 new students doing Outdoor Education. To take advantage of the warm water and weather we began the year with kayaking. All the students have made a great start to the year. There have been some particularly brave souls challenge themselves and overcome a fear of capsizing. We look forward to seeing the adventures unfold and the students develop throughout the year.

Mr. Pat Stam
Support The Fiji Mission with the

Gold Coin Line

Homeroom against Homeroom!
The longest line of gold coins will win a
PIZZA PARTY

Start collecting now!

Money will be put towards supplies for schools

FIJI MISSION TRIP 2016

CAR WASH
BOOT SALE
OLIEBOLLEN

JOIN US ON MARCH 19
AT THE KINGSTON REFORMED CHURCH TO HELP FUNDRAISE FOR THE FIJI TRIP

CAR WASH CAR BOOT SALE SPOT Oliebollen 3 pack
$10 $20 $2

CONTACT FOR DETAILS OR BOOK A SPOT fijifundraising16@gmail.com

HUON CHANNEL SUMMERLEAS ROAD

The concept design to improve safety at the Huon Highway Summerleas Road intersection has been developed. Members of the community are invited to view and provide feedback on the design at the following public display:

Venue: Channel Court Shopping Centre (in the Woolworths Mall next to Specsavers)
Date: Saturday, 5 March 2016
Time: 11am – 3:00pm

Kingborough Council Staff will be at this event to provide further information about the design and answer any questions about the project.

The concept design will also be on display at the Kingborough Council office from 7-18 March 2016.

Further information about the project can be found at: www.transport.tas.gov.au/road/projects