



NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 WEEK 9 • FRIDAY, 8 DECEMBER 2017

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A Christmas Reflection

For our final newsletter for 2017, we would like to share some extracts from Tim Kellor's latest book, *Hidden Christmas: The Surprising Truth Behind the Birth of Christ*. May these thoughts bless you with new insight and understanding of the miraculous gift that is the birth of Jesus, our Saviour.

"He is a Light for us when all other lights go out."

"Christmas is not simply about a birth but about a *coming*."

"The gospel, because it is a true story, means all the best stories will be proved, in the ultimate sense, true."

"You cannot judge God by your calendar. God may appear to be slow, but he never forgets his promises. He may seem to be working very slowly or even to be forgetting his promises, but when his promises come true (and they will come true), they always burst the banks of what you imagined ... God's grace virtually never operates on our time frame, on a schedule we consider reasonable."

"Christmas means not just hope for the world, despite all its unending problems, but hope for you and me, despite all our unending failings."

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:14 (NIV)

Dr Kate Bertram

FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM

Stayed tuned right up until Christmas Day for our Advent posts. We will take a break from both Facebook and Instagram over the Christmas/New Year period, until 15 January. Make sure you tune back in for information relating to *back to school* for 2018.

NEW CCS WEBSITE

Our 2018 new website will be launched in January 2018, in time for the start of the new school year. This will be the place to go for all information relating to Calderwood Christian School, and will link into our other social media posts.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER COLLECTION THANK YOU

Praise God for the generosity in our Calderwood school community. A very big thank you to all those who donated non-perishable items or a gold coin. Five large tubs piled high with goodies will be donated to our local Anglicare Toys 'n' Tucker appeal. Well done to our School Captains and Student Council. Keep your eye out on Instagram for photos.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

1 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem 2 and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." Matthew 2:1-2

- Praise God for Christmas and the hope we have in Christ.
- Pray for rest and safety for all our families and staff as we celebrate Jesus' birth.

CHECK YOUR CHILD'S BAG

These things went out this week:

- K-11 School Reports

KEY DATES

Monday, 22 January

Alinta uniform shop 9 am – 12 pm

Wednesday, 24 January

Alinta uniform shop 9 am – 12 pm

Friday, 26 January

Australia Day Public Holiday

Monday, 29 January

Students return

Dedication Service Assembly 8.50 am

Tuesday, 6 February

Year 12 UoW Discovery Day

Friday, 16 February

Swimming Carnival

Please visit our [website](#) for all of our calendar dates and many more important pieces of key information.

Please also check our [Facebook Page](#) and keep up to date with stories and photos.

Please check our [Instagram](#) account to see what has been happening today.

2018 EXECUTIVE TEAM

Calderwood Christian School's Executive Team for 2018 are as follows:

Principal Dr Kate Bertram
 Deputy Principal Mr Stephen Babbage
 P-4 Coordinator Mrs Sian Barnes
 5-8 Coordinator Mr Greg Maina
 9-12 Coordinator Mr Jonathan Nicholls
 Science/TAS Coordinator Mrs Gabbi Gerritsen
 English/HSIE Head Teacher Mr Garry Hol
 Head of Learning Support Mrs Jo Knight

THE UNIFORM SHOP 2018

Our Alinta uniform shop is now closed, re-opening on the following days for exchanges and pick up only:

Monday, 22 January 9 am – 12 pm

Wednesday, 24 January 9 am – 12 pm

Term 1 2018 Hours:

Monday 8.30 am – 10.30 am

Wednesday 8.30 am – 10.30 am

For pricelists, opening hours and shop details, you can visit our website:

www.calderwoodcs.nsw.edu.au

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP

The secondhand uniform shop is now closed until Term 1 Week 1, 2018.

Opening hours are:

Thursdays 8.30 am – 10 am

During the school term only. Families are invited to donate current uniform items in good condition for sale through the second hand uniform shop

CALDERWOOD STUDENTS - HARS MUSEUM

Nine students attended the HARS Museum at Albion Park Airport on Friday. This is an ongoing project where students that have an interest in engineering and aviation have the opportunity to work with qualified engineers on vintage aircraft that are still flying. Students have enjoyed getting their hands dirty with varied tasks such as dismantling pumps and changing spark plugs. See Instagram for a photo of Ben R inserting new plugs in a Vietnam War era Caribou STOL military plane.

CAREERS CORNER

Endeavour Energy apprenticeships

Learning on the job from some of the most experienced tradespeople and trainers in the industry. Subject to meeting strict performance criteria, they will graduate after four years with a Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician qualification. Applications from all ages and backgrounds, locally and interstate. The roles are advertised on our [website](#), and on LinkedIn and Seek and will close at 5 pm on Monday, 8 December 2017. If you have any questions, please contact either Terry Faricy: Terry.Faricy@endeavourenergy.com.au or the recruitment team: careers@endeavourenergy.com.au.

Women in Engineering Day Invitation

Macquarie University has partnered with [The Power of Engineering](#) to bring you our [Women in Engineering](#) event, Wednesday, 24 January 2018.

2018 – Year 12 UoW Discovery Day

Tuesday, 6 February. 2018 students will be traveling to the University of Wollongong to 'Taste and See' what university life is like. All students have registered their preferences. Please see details on Sigmee.

Year 11

Year 11 students have been signed up to the new school Careers Website,

www.calderwoodcscareers.com

and they have individual accounts. Please make use of this site to investigate careers, do interest quizzes and create resume documents etc. Please work with your child in this space, when planning what is best post school for your child.

Year 12 HSC Summer Master Class

program, January 2018 at UoW, for high achieving students currently in Year 11, opportunity to maximise their HSC results by undertaking a 3 week university-level subject. Upon successful completion of the program, participants will receive a guaranteed UoW Early Admissions interview, as well as credit points towards a UoW degree. See Mrs Gillett or check the notice board in the Hub.

Year 10, 11

UNSW Info Day – Saturday, 16 December

CURE FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER

In May/June next year, Mr Bertram will be involved in a charity event to raise money for a Cure for Childhood Cancer. He will be riding his motorbike right around Australia as part of the Steven Walter Foundation's 'Around Australia Ride'. Mr Bertram has already raised over \$2 000. If you would like to know more, or make a donation, please go to:

<https://aroundaustraliaride.everydayhero.com/au/grahame-bertram>

<https://childrenscancer.canceraustralia.gov.au/about-childrens-cancer/statistics>

COMMUNITY NOTICES

This is but, a small selection of notices. The community noticeboard is located outside E Block staff room and has a more comprehensive selection of notices. This board is updated weekly, keep an eye on it for all community information.

Combined Churches of Albion Park Carols

Tuesday, 12 December at Albion Park High School.

6.30 pm BBQ, face painting, animals
 7.30 pm Carols. BYO chair or rugs.

Holiday Tennis Camp

January 2 - 4 at Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club. \$70 (special family rates apply. All enquiries to:

Michelle Edwards 0403 289 974

Brett Edwards 0413 064 298

Youthworks Camps

Performing Arts Camp, 2-7 January

JAM Camp, 7-13 January

Leaders in Training, 24-28 January

See [website](#) for more details.



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