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OUR NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 2



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From Our
Principal
Mr Marcelle
Calitz

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Mr Marcelle Calitz



We had a beautiful start to Term 4 with many memorable moments from wellbeing activities, pancakes, silver trail, twin day, (I even met my twin), carnival, dance, and preparations for the Year 11 camp.

Several students came to see me for support in the last week. I use the following process when I collaborate with students:

1. **Calm** – check that I am calm before and while I listen to students.
2. **Compassionate** – I show compassion through listening first to students without judgement.
3. **Curious** – I focus on being open to finding out what has created students' perceptions and ensuring that we understand how helpful support for students can be put in place.
4. **Collaboration** – Students are more likely to cooperate when they feel safe, understood, and supported so that they Focus on insights I share as I invite them to work with us rather than letting them feel I am telling/criticising/ judging them which will let them resort to Fight, Flight, or Freeze.
5. **Choices** – when I understand what students want to achieve, I invite them to consider other choices that may help to improve academic engagement or create, restore, and maintain safe and supportive relationships. Our choices are important because when every choice has a predictable outcome, we have the autonomy to choose the outcome we prefer. "Every choice we make is a vote for the person we would like to become" – James Clear, author of Atomic Habits.
6. **Competence** – our staff coach students new skills and give them opportunities to practice skills. When we improve our students' skills, they are all more likely to experience a sense of accomplishment.
7. **Celebrate** – I check in and help students to notice the improvements in engagement that resulted from our collaboration. If this is a positive, transformative, and helpful process for students, then they are more likely to reach out for support from us.

I pray that we shall "be a place of safety from stormy winds, a stream in the desert, and a rock that gives shade from the heat of the sun" (Isaiah 32: 2).

Mr Marcelle Calitz
College Principal



From the
Deputy
Principal
Primary
Mr Aidan
Frewen-
Lord

From Our Deputy Principal Primary

Mr Aidan Frewen-Lord

Welcome back to the final term of 2025. I love Term Four as it gives us plenty of opportunities to celebrate. There are a number of events this term, so please keep your eye out on our Facebook page and Newsletters for the latest information on these events.

Operation Christmas Child

Thank you, parents, students, teachers and all of the staff who helped us pack and organise boxes this year! A special thank you goes to C2 who did fundraising throughout the year, saving their recycling money to donate towards the postage of boxes. Due to the amazing generous hearts of our ACC families, we have packed over 120 boxes this year. Thank you for showing your love for God and others in your actions!!

ACC Christmas Carols

On Wednesday 26th November, we will have our ACC Christmas Carols on the College oval once again. Please see below for the rough schedule for the event.

6:00pm Sausage Sizzle Starts

6:30pm Christmas Carols and Performances begin

8:30pm Event concludes

Awards and Celebration Assemblies

In Term 4 we have a number of assemblies and events to celebrate student success. More information about each event, along with invitations for relevant parties will be sent out closer to each one.

In Week 6, Friday 14th November, we will have a Primary Awards Assembly to celebrate our students in Prep-Year 5 who have memorised the required Memory Verses. We will also hand out some other awards from throughout the year.

In Week 7, Friday 21st November, we have the Year 12 Graduation assembly.

In Week 8, Friday 28th November, we have our Year 6 Graduation and Award Assembly. We will celebrate the conclusion of Primary schooling for our students and hand out some awards to acknowledge the hard work and achievements of a number of these students.



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Last Week Activities

In the final week of Term 4 there are a number of activities also:

- Instrumental Music Performances: Monday 1st December to Wednesday 3rd December
- Year 6 into 7 Transition Day: Wednesday 3rd December
- Christmas Assembly: Thursday 4th December
- P&F Christmas Market: Friday 5th December

Term Four Class Assemblies

Below is the list of classes that will be presenting items at the Primary Assemblies this term. Please refer to any communication from the classroom teacher, as dates can change from time to time.

Week	Date	Class	Details
1	10 th October	Whole School (Carmichael)	8:30-9:30am
2	17 th October	L2 (Year 2)	8:30-9:15am
3	24 th October	M1 (Year 1)	8:30-9:15am
4	31 st October	L1 (Year 2)	8:30-9:15am
5	7 th November	General Assembly	8:30-9:00am
6	14 th November	Primary Awards	8:30-9:45am
7	21 st November	Year 12 Farewell	8:30-9:45am
8	28 th November	Year 6 Graduation	8:30-10:30am
9	27 th November	Christmas Assembly TBC	8:30-9:15am (Thursday)

Mr Aidan Frewen-Lord
Deputy Principal Primary



From the
Deputy
Principal
Secondary

Mr Mal
Schneider

From Our Deputy Principal Secondary

Mr Mal Schneider

Welcome to Term 4. I trust that the September holidays was a good chance for some family time and an opportunity for our students and staff to recharge before embarking on what is always a term full of activities and learning. Congratulations to our CBSQ basketballers on a successful tournament. A big thank you to Mr Welsby, Mr Loftin and Mr Isaacson for your commitment and enthusiasm in giving our students such a wonderful opportunity to compete so well against schools from across Queensland. This week our top chess team of Levi B, Josefa B, Sterling C and Losalini B will travel to Brisbane to compete in the State finals. I look forward to hearing how they go. Thanks Mr Welby and Mrs Bole who will be travelling with the team.

Subject Selection for Year 9&10 2026

This term I will be speaking with the Year 8's and 9's about the subject selection process for their electives in 2026. Subject selection for Years 9&10 is done via an online subject selection format, rather than paper forms. More information will be communicated in due course, but if you have a child in Yr 8 or Yr 9, keep your eyes out for an email with the online form to select subjects.

2025 Academic and Principal's Commendation Awards

I look forward to our Celebration and Awards Evening on the 19th November, where we come together to celebrate life and learning through Christ-centred education. As well as reflecting on all of God's blessings throughout the year, it's also an opportunity to present some awards. I have once again outlined the criteria for our main awards here. In the coming weeks I will be posting award recipients on notice boards. Students are encouraged to check for their name. Sometimes, we can make mistakes collating the data, so if you child thinks they may have received an award but is not named, please encourage them to see me. I don't bite, I promise!



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Principal's Commendation Award for Diligence

This award recognises Secondary students who engage actively in the learning process across all subject areas; bring their best attitude and efforts to every class; respect the role and authority of their teachers; make the most of every opportunity for their own learning; and contribute positively to the learning environment of others.

Gold Academic Award

To earn a Gold Award for Academic Excellence, students have a grade point average (GPA) equivalent to and A- or higher. For senior students, this is calculated from only General & Applied subjects. For Years 7 & 8, Trimester 3 will not be included in the calculations.

Silver Academic Award

To earn a Silver Award for Academic Excellence, students in Years 7 – 10 must receive a minimum of 3 A's and 2 B's from their course of study; and in Years 11 and 12 a minimum of 2 A's and 2 B's from six subjects.

It should be noted that academic awards are calculated from results up until the last day of Term 3. This allows us to draw on the 'fullest and latest' information on consistent achievement at that point in time but allow time for preparation of certificates etc.

Mr Mal Schneider
Deputy Principal Secondary

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

SPOTLIGHT



Term 4 has gone off with a bang and it has been so wonderful to bring awareness to Mental Health Week and celebrate our school community.

It was a joy to bring this to you and we loved seeing some sweet dance skills, hearing big questions, seeing inspiring chalk messages, worshipping with the students in the hall and serving you free pancakes! Thank you students and staff for participating and helping us mark Mental Health Week. It's a topic that matters to all of us. We hope that the week was fun for you and let's take good care of each other.

Moving forward, **our wellbeing team will now be called the Engagement Team**, as it reflects more appropriately how we focus on improving the academic engagement of our students. Improved academic engagement is a part of wellbeing.

We look forward to supporting our college, partnering with the staff, families, volunteers and individuals who make ACC a wonderful place to grow and learn. We are grateful to God for the opportunity!

If you would like to connect with any of the Engagement Team (Mrs. Fragnito, Ms. Gray, Chappy Dani, Chappy Brendo, Mrs. Russell and Mrs. Kempster), please contact the Office.

Bless you,
ACC Engagement Team

Staff Appreciation Day

On 31st October, we will be celebrating our staff members and all that they do for our College.

If you would like to contribute a plate of food, please contact pandf@acc.qld.edu.au

Please join us to pray for our community, students, staff, and plans.

PRAY WITH US

EVERY FRIDAY | 8:30AM | NEAR THE COFFEE CART

*Ask our coffee cart team if direction is needed

Market Day

Wednesday 29th Oct

Year 8 Market Day

- Pioneer hall - oval side
- Primary go on a rostered basis
- Secondary from 10.45 am – 11.00 am.

Secondary Interschool Swimming Carnival



A review of the Townsville Secondary School Sport Calendar led to a trial of moving the Interschool Swimming Carnival to this week — Thursday, 16th October. The date change meant that we competed with a much smaller team than in previous years, but this may have been one of our best performances yet!

Please see below for our Honour Roll of 17 fantastic Secondary students who represented the College so well today. We are so proud of this team, who not only swam brilliantly but also filled in for many races where we didn't have a full team to compete.

A special mention goes to our three senior students who represented the College today and were excellent role models for our team.

Honour Roll

Amirali J.
Zander C.
Taniqua Y.W.
Abbey H.

Age Champions

12 Years Girls – 1st Place: Georgia B.
13 Years Girls – 3rd Place: Millie P.
14 Years Girls – 1st Place: Sophia B.
15 Years Girls – 1st Place: Grace G., 3rd Place: Delia C.
17 Years Girls – 1st Place: Amy-Leigh H.
13 Years Boys – 2nd Place: Henry W.
14 Years Boys – 2nd Place: Blake S., 3rd Place: Cooper Q.
15 Years Boys – 1st Place: Luke P., 3rd Place: Edward A.
16 Years Boys – 1st Place: Alfred A.
17 Years Boys – 2nd Place: Joey F.

Thanks to Mr Robertson!

Mr Robertson has just finished organising his final Secondary Interschool Team as he steps down from his role as Secondary Sport Coordinator this year — a position he has held since 2011. He's not leaving, just reshuffling his role within the College.

For the past 14 years, he has organised carnivals, block sport teams, representative trials, and has also served as an NQ Manager for Water Polo. Thank you, Mr Robbo, for your outstanding example of teamwork, encouragement, and faith in sport. We appreciate you and the many hours you have dedicated to creating sporting opportunities for our students.





The Northern School Sport 11-19yrs Aquathon Trials and 13-19yrs Triathlon Trials 2025 (for 2026) are happening on Sunday 9th of November.

If your child will be aged 11-19yrs in 2026 and they are exceptional at swimming, running and riding, please contact the school PE teachers for more information on the trial and 2026 State Championships.

The closing date for the nominations is 1st of November.

Primary Worship Band

The Primary Worship Band will be playing from 8-8:30am at the Coffee Cart on Friday morning, 24th October.

Buy your morning coffee and worship with us!



The Reading Room

Do you want assistance with your English or Humanities work?
Or do you just want a quiet space for reading?
Help is available!

Where: in E27
When: First break every Wednesday
Bring along your lunch!





**Christmas
Appeal**

FOOD DRIVE DONATIONS

**Deliver to
Front Office
by 5th Dec**



This year Annandale Christian College will be collecting food donations for the upcoming Salvation Army Christmas Appeal. The Front Office will be a donation point for non-perishable food items from now until the last day of Term 4. Friday 5th December.

Let's join together as a College community to share the hope and joy of Christmas with families who are struggling this season.

Elevate Education's Term 4

Parent Webinar Series

Elevate Education delivers high-impact workshops to our students that help to develop their study skills, motivation, and exam preparation. Over the next term, you're invited to join their parent webinar series, where you can help support your child at home by reinforcing the skills they're learning at school.

How You Can Help Your Child Manage Their Time

29th October 6:30pm (AEDT)

How To Help Your Child Alleviate Stress

12th November 6:30pm (AEDT)

How You Can Build Resilience in Your Child

26th November 6:30pm (AEDT)

How You Can Set Your Child Up for Success

10th December 6:30pm (AEDT)

Register today at: <https://go.elevateeducation.com/auschoolwebinars>

Covering Readers

Curriculum has lots of readers that need covering ready for 2026. If you have some time and would like to help by contacting some readers, please see Natalie Hosie or Emma Hartin, or email primcurric@acc.qld.edu.au. We will provide you with everything you need. Thank you!



3 x GOLDEN GUITAR WINNER

BRENDON WALMSLEY

IN CONCERT

ROAD ^{TO} RIVERLEIGH
VIA TOWNSVILLE

FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER
COMMON GROUND CHURCH OF CHRIST
Fulham Rd & Palmerston St, Vincent
6PM BBQ
7PM CONCERT

TICKETS:
brendonwalmsley.com.au

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KEY DATES 2025

DATE	EVENT
20 - 22 October	Year 10 & 11 Biology Camp
Tuesday, 21 October	Arts Arvo
Tuesday, 21 October	Primary Interschool Swimming Carnival
Tuesday, 21 October	Kindy Visits to Prep
Tuesday, 21 October	Kindy Parent Info Night
22 - 24 October	Year 11 Leadership Camp
Thursday, 23 October	Kindy Visits to Prep
October 27 - November 15	Senior External Exam Period
Monday, 27 October	TCEA Meeting
Tuesday, 28 October	Kindy Visits to Prep
Wednesday, 29 October	Yr 8 Market Day
Thursday, 30 October	Kindy Visits to Prep
10 - 13 November	Library - Last Borrowing Week
Tuesday, 11 November	Remembrance Day Assembly
Thursday, 13 November	Middle School Ethics Olympiad
Friday, 14 November	Primary Awards Assembly
Monday, 17 November	Year 12 Celebration Day