As a parent, grandparent and teacher, I was greatly encouraged to read Mr Goldsworthy’s article in last week’s William Tell. A copy is kept on the school’s website if you haven’t already read it. We want to protect our children. Plain and simple. As a grandparent of a nearly nine month old boy, I often have to check myself so I don’t do everything for him – move that toy just a bit closer so he can reach it, pick him up as soon as he falls over, make a big fuss every time he cries, never feed him fruit again because he didn’t like it the first time. I am sure we can all see how doing these things could be detrimental for our children. They may never learn some things in life if we step in for them all the time.

As our children grow, the stakes get higher. There are so many things in today’s world that we want to shelter our children from. Failure at school, broken relationships, physical harm, hurtful words, embarrassment. The list is endless. Yet the reality is that they (like us) need to experience some of these things in order to grow and mature into a person who is capable of functioning independently in society. What parent doesn’t want that for their child?

In deep and meaningful conversations with my sister, she often asks me what I would do differently if I had my life over. At first, I’d think of all the things I’d change (being bullied at school, being overweight for most of my life, being the third of three daughters, my name and the list would become endless). Then it occurred to me that had I been able to change all these things, I wouldn’t be the person I am today and not only that, I may not be where I am today. My circumstances could be completely different and I have to be honest, I’m rather happy with my lot in life at the moment. Sure, it’s not perfect but I don’t know that I would want to change anything. The up and downs, the failures and successes have all contributed to the present.

I think Mr Goldsworthy hit the nail on the head when he concluded his article with, “Relationships are the key at home and at school.” I commence every enrolment interview by saying that relationships are important in girls’ education. The majority of girls are free to learn if the relationships in their lives (with parents, friends, teachers, etc) are all in order. As a teacher, I cannot overemphasise the importance of these relationships. Children, even as teenagers, need somewhere they can feel safe, loved and accepted no matter what the circumstances and it is often that home is this place. Students should also be able to trust that they can come to school and access this safety and acceptance as well. Our extensive wellbeing network plays a big part in establishing these relationships at school. It is hoped that we provide enough support to ensure that students feel valued and safe at all times.
We cannot possibly shelter our children from all things harmful. Our best job as a parent is to love and support them, walking with them through the tough patches and celebrating the good times.

NEW STAFF: Mr Nick Fahey joins us on the Maths Staff this term, replacing Mrs Deepti Hiwale who returns to India this week. Mr Fahey has a wealth of experience in the teaching field, having taught in England for some time during his teaching years. We look forward to his having a long association with the school.

MRS TAYLOR'S BRAG BOOK:

Staff:
Miss Taylor – Congratulations to Miss Taylor, our Dance teacher, who will be taking part in HSC marking during Weeks 4 and 5. It is a privilege to be selected for HSC marking in any subject, given the number of applicants from throughout NSW. It also gives staff a better idea of what is expected in the HSC which in turn, benefits our students.

Just Dance Night – What a wonderful night of Dance! Congratulations to the performing students and those who worked behind the scenes to bring it all together. Thank you to Miss Taylor and the staff as well. Without them, these wonderful events would not happen.

Mrs Burke – Well done to Mrs Burke who has been selected as a judge for the Australian Teacher of Media Awards. She will be on a panel of 3 judges assessing the Documentary-History section. Mrs Burke told me she thought she would just “throw her hat in the ring” and didn’t expect to be chosen. This is a perfect example of “you never know unless you try.” Apologies for all the clichés but they are very applicable in this case. I look forward to hearing about Mrs Burke’s experiences in this new venture.

Old Girls:
Julia Scott – Julia is one of our Old Girls, doing medicine at Adelaide University. We received notification that she has been the recipient of the prestigious Phoebe Chapple Bursary for accommodation in 2016. Congratulations to Julia on being chosen for this honour.

Boarding Expo - I am looking forward to going to Narrabri this weekend to meet with parents and spend a short while at the Boarding Expo. If you’re in the neighbourhood, please drop in and say hello.

Music:
Moorambilla Voices – I was privileged to attend an afternoon tea at Government House in Sydney during the holidays. As part of the afternoon, the Moorambilla Voices performed, of which, two of our students Abi and Laura Murray are members. It was a truly inspirational afternoon, not only listening to these wonderful voices but also being in such a beautiful setting. Students in this choir practise continually when they are together and their schedule is demanding. A concert featuring the Moorambilla Voices will be held in Dubbo on September 24. If you enjoy choral singing, I’m sure you will find this an entertaining event.
https://moorambillablog.wordpress.com gives more insight into this wonderful group of young musicians.
Lucy Cantrill - Lucy recently participated in the Sydney Eisteddfod and received a Highly Commended for her Mozart piece. Congratulations Lucy on an incredible performance. The competition is fierce in this eisteddfod and this is an amazing achievement. For all our musicians, AMEB exams are coming up. We wish them all the best and trust that you are rewarded appropriately for all the hours of practice.

HRIS Cultural Festival - Unfortunately I could not make this event due to its clash with the Just Dance night but having been last year, I know what a wonderful opportunity this is for students to practise their musical skills with others as well as attend workshops. Well done to students on their performances and once again, thank you to staff who gave their time to make this happen. I trust you all manage to catch up on your sleep after arriving home at 1.30am!

Hockey News:
Bella Cameron, Jess Davidson, Ashlee Chaffey - Congratulations to these girls who were part of the U13 team who were co-winners at the recent state hockey carnival. A fantastic effort. Jess and Bella went on to be selected in the Under 13 Blues side (A team photo is available on the Hockey NSW Facebook page).
Lori Edgar - Lori has been selected to participate in the Under 15 NSW Hockey Squad for 2017. Congratulations Lori.
Gaby Hathway - Well done to Gaby who was selected in the State U15 Blues team for hockey.
Emily Chaffey - Congratulations to Emily and old girl Alice Arnott, who played for NSW in Launceston recently. Their team was runner-up for the tournament.

Mrs Judy Taylor
Head of Secondary Girls
# UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SECONDARY GIRLS

## TERM 3

### Week 3
- **Monday, 1 August**: Trial HSC Exams commence
- **Thursday, 4 August**: Year 11 Ancient History Excursion
- **Friday, 5 August**: Year 11 Extension English Workshop

### Week 4
- **Monday, 8 August**: German HSC Oral Exam
- **Wednesday, 10 August**: Year 10 Geography Fieldwork excursion
- **Friday, 12 August**: Trial HSC Exams conclude
  
### Week 5
- **Monday, 15 August**: Year 8 Subject Choices Session at 12:30pm
- **Tuesday, 16 August**: AgQuip
- **Wednesday, 17 August**: AgQuip
- **Thursday, 18 August**: Dance HSC Practical Exam

### Week 6
- **Monday, 22 August**: Student Leadership election process begins
- **Thursday, 25 August**: Year 11 Young Driver Expo
- **Saturday, 27 August**: North West Tournament of Minds Regional Finals

### Week 7
- **Monday, 29 August**: P & F Auxiliary Meeting at 5:30pm
- **Thursday, 1 September**: National All Breeds Show commences and finishes on September 4
- **Friday, 2 September**: Drama HSC Practical Exam

### Week 8
- **Thursday, 8 September**: Shakespeare Day
- **Friday, 9 September**: Proposed Year 11 Dinner

### Week 9
- **Tuesday, 13 September**: Year 11 Exams commence

### Week 10
- **Monday, 19 September**: Year 12 Girls’ Retreat commences
- **Wednesday, 21 September**: Year 11 Exams concludes
  
### Week 11
- **Thursday, 22 September**: Year 12 Graduation Day
- **Friday, 23 September**: Term 3 concludes at 3:25pm
HRIS Athletics

Calrossy Anglican School were represented by a team of 50 athletes at the HRIS Athletic Championship on Monday 25 July.

After a successful competition we were named Champion Under 12 and Under 14 female team while being placed second overall in the schools championship.

All of our athletes performed to the best of their ability and a selection of results are below:

12 Years
Phoebe Wilson 1st 100m, 200m, Long Jump and Javelin, 2nd 12 Years Age Champion

13 Years
Finella Plamer 1st High Jump
Jessica Davidson 1st Shot Put, Discus

14 Years
Emma Klasen 1st 100m, 200m
Sophie Hedley 1st High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump

16 Years
Sharna Tapp 1st 800m, 1500m
Amory Merrick 1st Javelin

17 Years
Emily Chaffey 1st 800m, 1500m, Shot Put, Discus
Eliza Falkenmire 1st Javelin
Sharnee Magner 1st High Jump

A number of Calrossy Anglican School athletes also broke Division 2 Athletic records. Congratulations to:

Sharna Tapp 16 Years 800m (2.30.31)
Emma Klasen 14 years 100m (12.50), 200m (25.32)
Sharnee Magner 17 years Long Jump (4.67m)
Amory Merrick 16 Years Javelin (27.01m)
Emily Scrivener 16 years Javelin (24.72m)
Grace Barry Open 3000m (11.59.50)

Thank you to Mrs Klasen, Mrs New, Mr Lange and Mr Starr for their support and encouragement of the team at the championships.

A team to represent HRIS at the AICES Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 31st August will be selected in the coming weeks.
**Winter Sport**

Netball and Hockey have recommenced for Term 3.

Finals series for Hockey will commence on 5th September with Grand Finals being played on 19th September.

Netball finals commence on 3rd September with Grand finals scheduled for Saturday 17th September.

Basketball trials have started and the competition will continue until late in Term 4. Calrossy Anglican School has four teams currently entered (two in Year 7/8 and two in Year 9/10). All teams have places available for interested players.

Draws for all competitions are emailed to both parents and students each week, are on the Calrossy Anglican School website and hard copies are placed on school noticeboards. Netball and Basketball draws are also available on the respective sports websites.

I would also like to offer a reminder to both parents and students of their expected behaviour at and around the sporting fields of Tamworth. While the umpiring or refereeing may not always be perfect, the people who are involved in this important aspect of sport need support not criticism if we are to assist in improving their standards. I would also like to stress that while winning is fun and has its place in sport, at school level it should not be the primary focus.

*One thing young people have to always keep in mind when deciding what they want to do with their lives is - Is it fun? Is it something that I’m interested in? Is it something I enjoy?*  

*Bob Schieffer*

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**Mr Mark Gallienne**  
**Director of Sport**
FROM THE WEARHOUSE

Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday
Email: rosecottage@calrossy.nsw.edu.au
Telephone: 5776 5194
Fax: 5776 5199
Call into: 9 Raglan Street, Tamworth

ABSENTEE LETTERS BY EMAIL

A reminder for parents who wish to send the note explaining their child’s absence by email, the best address is: attendance@calrossy.nsw.edu.au

All unexplained absences are required to have an explanatory note either in writing or via email. In the event that a note is not provided, absences will be recorded on your daughter’s or son’s school report as unexplained.

GRANDPARENTS/SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

We are currently finalising arrangements for this special day on our calendar. Please return the Grandparents/Special Friends Day contact information form to Dimity Saunders at campuspa@calrossy.nsw.edu.au

or phone 5776 5105 as soon as possible to ensure invitations are sent out. We are requiring this information no later than Friday, August 12.

For catering purposes we require numbers of all those attending on the day.
Anglicare Northern Inland (ANI) is a ministry of the Anglican Diocese of Armidale. Among other services, it provides an amazing set of well-being courses. We would like our school community to be aware of this education program as part of our welfare program.

Oxley Vale Anglican Community Church  
Sundays 8:00am, 10:00am  
Oxley Vale Public School  
Manilla Rd TAMWORTH 6761 2042 ovacc@internode.on.net

St John’s East Tamworth  
Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am  
102 Carthage Street  
TAMWORTH 6766 2170 stjohnstamworth@bigpond.com

St Paul’s West Tamworth  
Sundays 8:00am, 10:00am, 6:00pm  
18 Church Street WEST TAMWORTH  
6765 8227 stpaulstamworth@internode.on.net or www.stpaulstamworth.org.au

St Peter’s South Tamworth  
Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 6:00pm  
Cnr Kathleen & Vera Streets  
TAMWORTH  
6765 9304 stpeters@northnet.com.au, www.stpeterstamworth.org.au

St Luke’s Loomberah  
Sundays 9:00am  
Duri-Dungowan Road, Loomberah