



1 February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Stage Parents and Parent Helpers 2024

We would like to invite all parents (mums and dads), to consider supporting the College community through the role of "Stage Parent".

A Stage Parent connects with class teachers and other parents, assisting the College in building and maintaining a positive sense of community amongst the families of each Stage.

It is possible for this to be a shared role between a few parents of a Stage.

Some initiatives of Stage Parents may include:

- Praying for the students and their families
- Sending emails or cards, initiating support for families in times of sickness, or when welcoming a new baby
- Organising occasional get-togethers for students and their families
- Clarifying information or getting further details to support parent questions
- Advocating for the College, speaking positively and wisely into conversations both online and face to face
- Welcoming new families into the College and introducing parents to each other
- Volunteering to support /lead school or stage-based fundraising activities

The role of the Stage Parent is to balance this carefully with a desire to serve and support. If you would like to take on this role, could you please email the office;

jo-ann.johnson@calvarycc.qld.edu.au

Once we have a willing group of parents, we will make a time to meet and discuss your thoughts of contributions to this role.

Parent Helpers are also a way that you can be involved. To support the classroom in a more frequent or routine way, parents can email class teachers to arrange a day and time that is suitable each week or fortnight etc, to work with the students as another adult in the room. Directed by the teachers, our Parent Helpers could find themselves reading with students or working with small groups. Stage teams will provide further information about how parents can help at the upcoming Parent Information Evening.

Please keep in mind that all parents working closely with students and families of the College, are asked to maintain integrity about what they observe in the classroom or hear from teachers or other parents. Respecting the privacy of students and their families is extremely important.

Yours faithfully

Zoe O'Donnell
Acting Head of Junior School

