Dear Parents,

Last Wednesday our Prep, Year 1 and 2 classes buddied up with our Good Counsel College Year 11 students. Each year this makes our Ash Wednesday Liturgy so special. For the older Good Counsel College students, it brings back memories of their Primary School years and for our younger students they stand with the ‘big kids’ who they will grow into in the next decade. It is an extra special time for siblings to join up and this year we had several who were partnered including the Yangs, Wolbers and the Hurneys to name a few.

Many thanks to Mrs C and Mr Goodes for organising the liturgy.

Last Friday the cyclone attention was not on our area which was a relief. Unfortunately for the residents of Central Queensland Cyclone Marcia ripped through Yeppoon and Rockhampton and then further south. We know only too well the destruction caused by cyclones. Over the weekend I spoke with a friend who is Principal of St Benedict’s in Yeppoon who reported that they had fared fairly well. They had much tree and shade sail destruction and many rooms suffered wet carpets but very little structural damage. Once power is restored towards the end of the week, they hope to have many of their students back in class. Many of their families though have suffered major damage to their houses making them unsafe to live in.

We know only too well what they are going through at this time. Please keep these communities in your prayers during their time of recovery and rebuilding. Attached to the newsletter today is a letter from our Executive Director regarding how we can support these needy families, many who supported our community after Cyclone Larry and Yasi.

This Friday we will hold a gold coin free dress day. Monies raised will go to the school communities in Yeppoon.

PARENTING TIPS
How you as parents can participate in your child’s education in a positive way:
- Make sure your children start the school morning well. Ensure a good night’s sleep, healthy breakfast and arrive early so they get a chance to play and catch up with their friends. Pack a healthy lunch and check they have their daily learning requirements.

BOOKCLUB
Bookclub has changed this year. Ordering will be online and from home. This will alleviate the difficulty of lost or misplaced cash. Books will still be sent home once they arrive at school. New instructions will be sent home with the Bookclub order next week.

Regards, Liam
Life of the School—Week 5

2015 TERM DATES...

TERM ONE
Fri 26.02 Caritas Just Leadership Day
Fri 27.02 Colour Captains Assembly
Fri 06.03 3/4K Prayer Assembly
Tue 11.03 School Photos
Fri 13.03 6H St Patrick’s Pr. Assembly
Tue 17.03 St Patrick’s Green Dress Day
Fri 20.03 4/5H Good Samaritan Charism
Sat 21.03 Mini Vinnies at Mass 6:30pm
Fri 27.03 3Y Palm Sunday Assembly
Tue 31.03 6B Last Supper Assembly
Wed 01.04 CROSS COUNTRY
Thu 02.04 5GH Stations of the Cross
Fri 03.04 Good Friday

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Easter Mon 6 April

TERM TWO
Mon 20 April - Fri 26 June (10 weeks)
Sat 25 April ANZAC Day
Mon 8 June Queens Birthday

TERM THREE
Fri 10.07 INNISFAIL SHOW
Mon 13 July - Fri 18 Sept (10 weeks)
Sun 26.07—Sat 01.08 CEW

TERM FOUR
Mon 5 Oct Labour Day
Tue 6 Oct - Fri 4 Sept (9 weeks)

Ash Wednesday... thank you Mr Kenny for leading our liturgies last week. Thank you children for your solemn participation.

Project Compassion Prayer Assembly...
Congratulations 4PM students and your teachers Mrs Rosemarie Pensini and Mrs Amy McElhinney for the well-rehearsed readings and presentation to get us underway for this year’s Lenten program—Food for Life. We will take up Pope Francis’ invitation to: make space in our heart... respecting the God-given rights of everyone to have access to adequate food.

Thank you to all the children who supported the St Vincent de Paul Society Choir at Mass on Saturday night. Thank you parents for assisting your children uphold their social justice commitments as Mini Vinnies and as the Good Counsel school and parish community. Such wonderful support from our 2014 Mini Vinnies with last year’s School Captain—Savannah Vecchio, Rhiannon Marmara, Caitlin Urquhart and Shyrol Antony continuing where they left off. Thank you 2015 6B President Tayla Holdcroft, along with Ashton Vecchio, Alexis Onaindia, Shyron Antony, Jack Brunetto, Isabella Marmara, Kaitlin Onaindia, Emma Onaindia and Kate Brunetto.

Thought for the day...
Joy—We need to be light-hearted in what we do, avoid taking ourselves too seriously. It is a cheerful revolt against self and pride. Our work should be jubilant, carefree, merry. And we are not speaking of a silly, superficial bubbly kind of joy like that flaunted in modern society. No, this is a deep, resonant joy that has been shaped and tempered by the fires of suffering and sorrow: joy through the cross, joy because of the cross. Author uncertain.

Yours in Catholic Education—Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C.
Assistant Principal Religious Education & Administration
An Information Night will be held on Wednesday 25 February at 7pm in Mother of Good Counsel Church to meet you and your child and to provide an overview of the year.

The Sacramental Program for 2015 is due to begin very shortly. If you have a child who has been baptised Catholic and is in Year 4 (or an older grade) and you have not completed an enrolment form for the program, please contact Angie at the Parish Office on 40616633.

Lisa deBuck Sacramental Coordinator

### SOCIAL and EMOTIONAL LEARNING AWARDS 2015

#### Term 1 Week 4 Recipients

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### Week 4 School & Overall Colour Points

**House Winner — MacKillop**
PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 25 FEB  HELP NEEDED
FRI 27 FEB  AMANDA FERGUSON
MON 02 MAR  HELP NEEDED

If you can help out at any time even for an hour during the busy time please let the tuckshop know.

Regular times for sale of uniforms are MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY
8.00—8.30am and 11.00am —12.30pm

SATURDAY 28TH FEB
DANCE & PLAY WITH
PEPPA AND DORA!

TIME: 10am till 12noon
Venue: Innisfail PCYC
Cost: $10 per child or $25 family

Innisfail Kids Club invites all local children to come along

DANCE & PLAY

With Peppa Pig and Dora the explorer!
An interactive, Confidence Building and fun way to spend your Saturday morning.

PH: 07 46343328
EMAIL: fngstudios@outlook.com

TERM FEES
Term fees will be issued in due course. Those families seeking a remission for 2015 must make an appointment to see the Principal ASAP.

As we are now operating with the new system, your Term Fee invoice will be emailed to you each term.

For direct deposits please use your Reference No 973........... (ask at office or note on bottom of invoice) to ensure that monies are paid against correct family.

PAYMENTS OVER THE INTERNET
NEED TO ENSURE USE OF FAMILY CODE AND EMAIL/FAX CONFIRMATION OF PAYMENT TO OUR OFFICE ON 40612271.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
WEDNESDAY 11TH MARCH

Envelopes will be sent home today. All students are to have their own envelope on photo day (but payment can be put in one envelope).

Sibling envelopes are available from the Office or you can order online prior to Photo Day.

Step 1: Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code TGB 9TD 7P1

Step 2: Enter your student’s details.

Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection.)

Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page).

Please note: LATE FEES will apply once orders are closed | Family/Sibling photo orders online close 48 hours before the first school photo day however they can be purchased with an envelope on photo day

Money and envelopes to be brought in only on photo day.

MILO / HAVE A GO CRICKET
FRIDAY 27 FEBRUARY
5.30PM-6.30PM
GOONDI SPORTS RESERVE
BBQ & Presentation break-up
JOHN DALAMARAS 0428 744 538