



# GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 4



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OFFICE HOURS  
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### POINTS OF INTEREST

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### DIARY DATES

TERM 4  
TUE 6TH OCT -  
FRI 4TH DEC

WED 28 OCT

SCHOOL BANKING  
8.00AM

CHOIR PRACTICE  
8.40AM—9.20AM

YR 7 GOOD COUNSEL  
COLLEGE  
ORIENTATION  
8.45AM - 1.00PM

THU 29 OCT

DAY FOR DANIEL  
STUDENTS TO WEAR  
RED SHIRT

7.00PM CYBERSAFETY  
PARENT SESSION

FRI 30 OCT

PRE-PREP SESSION #4

TUE 3 NOV

MELBOURNE CUP  
HAT & TIE DAY

FRI 6 NOV  
P&F BBQ & DISCO  
FREAKY FRIDAY /  
SPOOKY THEME  
6.30PM

### Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

Exciting news for Good Counsel Primary in 2016. After much planning financially with budgets, I can announce the following initiatives for Good Counsel Primary School for next year.

1. 14 classes which means we will not have any composite classes
2. Transition teacher 3 mornings per week to assist students in the transition from Prep to Year 1. We have trialled this in 2015 and it has been great for students who need assistance in literacy and numeracy
3. Role M - This Maths program which helps students across the school will be extended to 5 days per week. Currently we have 54 students working in small groups building their number knowledge.
4. For all families, the school tuition fee will have a country discount offered. This will equate to an approximate discount of 10% of tuition fees on top of Diocesan tuition discount
5. One year trial of tuition fee discount in 2016 for holders of means-tested health care and pension concession cards. This is a Diocesan wide initiative aiming to make Catholic Schools more affordable. The discount of 70% is for tuition fees only and does not apply to levies. (See attached fee schedule)
6. Additional counselling service in 2016 will see a school counsellor here at Good Counsel Primary School 2 days per week which is an increase from this year.

These initiatives will enhance the excellent education that your children already receive here at Good Counsel. We will continue with the quality service that we currently provide.

This Thursday night, we have Susan McLean presenting a parent information session on Growing Up Online. The main

focus of the talk is to make parents more aware of the potential dangers and safety tips that are imperative for all parents raising children in today's technological world today. This talk is aimed at parents of children of all ages 3 to 18 years.

DATE: THUR 29 OCT  
VENUE: GCPS THEATRETTE  
TIME: 7pm - 8.30pm  
Most important for ALL parents  
of children of ALL ages

Life Education Van - The Life Education Van will be on the school grounds all week. Class visits began yesterday and each year level will have an age appropriate topic that focuses on healthy eating and lifestyles, personal safety and well-being. The topics are presented by a trained teacher and class teachers will attend with the class.

Melbourne Cup Dress Up - Next Tuesday is Melbourne Cup Day - The race that stops a Nation - Well not here at GCPS but we will have a Hat and Tie Day.

World Teachers' Day - Congratulations to all teachers for the wonderful work that you do in each class to educate students here at Good Counsel Primary School.

Regards Liam



*AFL Auskick is running at your school in Term 4!*

*Where: Good Counsel Primary Oval*

*When: 1st session Fri 23 October*

*Time: 3.10pm - 4.10pm*

*Cost: \$70*

*You will receive a football, backpack with a hat, pump and more.*

*Sign up online [www.aflauskick.com.au](http://www.aflauskick.com.au)  
Or Shay Warburtib 40423000*



### Our Lady of the Rosary Prayer Assembly...

Congratulations 5GH students for the inspiring presentation of the Rosary and its prayers. Thank you Mrs Amanda Hurney for preparing the children. Thank you Mrs Genevieve Sugars for the large set of Rosary beads.

Thank you Fr Nathan...

Thank you Fr Nathan for introducing yourself to the children at Monday's Assembly. We look forward to your classroom visits. Thank you also, for the Reconciliation Sessions with the students of 6B last week, and 6H this week.

### 4PC Class Mass...

4PC's class mass will be on Monday 2 November.

Parents and extended family members are invited to join with the children in Mother of Good Counsel Church at 9:30am. This will be the first school mass the children will have celebrated together since receiving their Sacrament of First Eucharist.

### Mini Vinnies...

Thank you to the Honorary Mini Vinnies who supported the St Vincent de Paul Society members with their singing at Saturday night's mass celebrated by Fr Nathan. Thank you mums for encouraging the children's participation—Daniel Slater, Isabella & Rhiannon Marmara, Shyron & Shyrol Antony, Ashton & Savannah Vecchio.

### World Teachers' Day—Friday...

World Teachers' Day was inaugurated on 5th October 1994 by the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) to commemorate the 1966 joint signing of the UNESCO/ILO Recommendation



concerning the Status of Teachers. In adopting this recommendation, governments unanimously recognised the importance of competent, qualified and motivated teachers in society. Internationally World Teachers' Day is celebrated on the first Friday in October. However as this is usually during Australian school holidays, Australia celebrates the day on the last Friday in October of each year.

**Please join us for 4/5H's Friday Teachers' Day Prayer Assembly.**

### Thoughts for the Day...

- ♦ *2 Teach is 2 Touch Lives 4 ever*
- ♦ *Without teachers, life would have no class*

*Yours in Catholic Education*

*Maria Caltabiano Mrs C.*

*Assistant Principal Religious Education & Administration*

## 2015 Calendar TERM 4

Mon 26.10 Life Education Van at School this week

Wed 28.10 GCC Orientation Day for Yr 6

Thu 29.10 Day for Daniel—Wear a Red Shirt

50c Raffle tickets available

Cyber Safety Sue McLean 7:30pm Theatre

Fri 30.10 4/5H World Teachers' Day Prayer Assembly

Pre-Preps Day #4

Inter-School Sport

Mon 02.11 4PC Class Mass MoGC Church 9:30am

Tue 03.11 P & F Meeting Theatre 7:30pm

Fri 06.11 All Saints Prayer Assembly

Pre-Preps Day #5

Inter-School Sport

Student Council Freaky Friday Disco

Tue 10.11 Prep & Yr 1 Liturgy MoGC Church 10am

Wed 11.11 Remembrance Day Ceremony Blue Area

Thu 12.10 Yr 4 Herberton Historic Village Excursion

Fri 20.11 Mini Vinnies Hamper Assembly

Wed 25.11 GCPS Talent Show

Fri 27.11 Preps & Yr 1 Prayer Assembly

Mon 30.11 Leadership Assembly 8:40am Blue Area

Thu 03.12 GCPS Christmas Concert

Fri 04.12 End of School Mass MoGC Church 9:00am



SOCKS IN HIGH PLACES!—Mrs Archer & Mrs Dunne





## SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING Term 4 Week 3 Recipients *Program Achieve:*

6H	Summer-Rose Davis	<i>Persistence</i>
6B	Harry Negri	<i>Persistence</i>
5GH	Clara Cini	<i>All Keys</i>
4/5H	Kaitlin Onaindia	<i>Confidence</i>
4/5H	Shannon Bown	<i>Organisation</i>
4PC	Clint Blennerhassett	<i>Confidence</i>
4PC	Tess Wilson	<i>Confidence</i>
4PC	Bobby Johnson	<i>All Keys</i>
4PC	Logan Lizzio	<i>Emotional Resilience</i>
3Y	Nicholas Giandomenico	<i>Confidence</i>
3Y	Alicia Kuhn	<i>Persistence</i>
2WH	Sandor Zieger	<i>Persistence</i>
2WH	Ayden Edgerton	<i>Confidence</i>
2AL	Daisy Conroy	<i>All Keys</i>
2AL	Chelsea Scullen	<i>All Keys</i>
2AL	Daniel McAvoy	<i>All Keys</i>
2AL	Daniel Anderson	<i>All Keys</i>
1S	Callista Masina	<i>Confidence</i>
1S	Ryan Maccarone	<i>Confidence</i>
1G	Tatyana Richter	<i>Getting Along</i>
1G	Tony Yang	<i>Getting Along</i>
1G	Darren Rockley	<i>Getting Along</i>
PFD	Cecilia Loh	<i>Confidence</i>
PFD	Ishivneet Kaur	<i>Organisation</i>
PFD	Jaspreet Singh	<i>Persistence</i>
PC	Ella Picini	<i>Organisation</i>
PC	Sharyhs Kyle	<i>Confidence</i>



Below: School Officers celebrating a special Morning Tea on Wednesday 21st October.

## SOCKTOBER SNAPS...

Thank you everyone who contributed—\$300 was raised for the Missions and the children of Madagascar.



*tuckshop*



**LINDA IS LOOKING FOR HELPERS FROM  
9AM–11.00AM**

**PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE**

WED 28 OCT .....HELP NEEDED

FRI 30 OCT MICHELLE BORG

MON 02 NOV ..... HELP NEEDED

If you can help out at any time even for an hour during

Regular times for sale of uniforms are  
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY

8.00–8.30am and

11.00am – 12.30pm

*\$10 Interschool Sports Shirt now available*

Congratulations to Daniel Slater (5GH) and Alana Puccini (6B) who are finalists in the Make Art Competition for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Well done to all who participated.



Congratulations.....

A baby brother Thayden for Delayne Balderson (3Y) and her family.

## DAY FOR DANIEL

Thursday 29 October



"Wear your Red Shirts" with your school shorts or skorts.

50¢ Raffle tickets now on sale.

Great prizes to be won!!

All monies go to Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

## TERM FEES

We ask that all outstanding fees now be finalised prior to Term 4 fees being issued next week.. Please check your email for fee statements

**Should you not have received your Invoice by email please advise the office immediately.**

A reminder that every family will receive a fee statement eg: direct debit, families on remissions etc to keep you informed of your current balance.

**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.**



## **STUDENT TRAVEL REBATES Semester 2, 2015**



### **Bus Fare Assistance**

Does your child attend a **school outside the Brisbane City Council** boundary?

Does your family spend more than **\$33/week\*** on fares to and from school (\* \$25/week if you hold a concession card)?

Does your child travel on a **publicly available bus** not owned or associated with the school?

### **Students with Disabilities**

Does your child have a **verified disability** that requires **transport assistance** to and from school?

Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's **travel capability rating** as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and **apply at [www.schooltransport.com.au](http://www.schooltransport.com.au) by 31 October 2015.**

**Late applications cannot be accepted.**