

Congratulations Juliet Santitto (5GS) who competed in the Qld JDS Tennis State Finals in Rockhampton over the weekend. FNQ team - 1st place.
Well done girls!



Juliet U/11 Champion & Logan U/13 9th place

Congratulations to Jordan Ozzi (4PD) 5th highjump, Chayse Briggs (5T) and Xavier Di Carlo (5T) who participated in the State Athletics last week in Brisbane.

Well done boys!

FNQ Tennis Champions -
GCPS Red Ball Tennis
Team

Well done team!



THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER CAMERON STELZER'S - AUTHOR VISIT

On Thursday, we have a special visit from Author and Illustrator Dr Cameron Stelzer to run workshops with our Year 1-5 students. Year 1-2 students will enjoy an interactive Big Screen Book Reading and follow-along drawing activity with Cameron. Cameron will be engaging Year 3-5 students in a writing workshop exploring exciting and descriptive language, and blockbuster action stories – think gripping suspense scenes, epic action encounters and hold-on-to-your-seat cliff-hangers.

In conjunction with the Author Visit, Good Counsel Primary School families have a special opportunity to purchase signed and personalised copies of Cameron's books at special prices. Individual items are \$15 each and there are also exclusive book sets available. Students will receive an order form on the day of the workshops. Forms and payment can be returned the following day, Friday 20 October, to the **Library**. Cameron will personally sign books (including the child's name and message), and students will receive their books in time for the school holidays.

Students are to wear their normal school uniform but may wear Pirate headwear only which may be a Pirate Hat, Scarf or eye patch.



TERM FEES

Term 4 fees have now been issued. Please make payment by the due date. Please be mindful and check your emails to ensure delivery of your fee statement.

A reminder that every family will receive a fee statement regardless of payment arrangements or concessions, to keep you informed of your current balance.

Please be aware for direct deposits into the school's bank account it is imperative to use your 973..... Reference located at the bottom of your invoice to ensure that monies are credited against the correct account and not delay payments. **Also, please email remittance to avoid payments being overlooked.**

TUCKSHOP

WED 18 OCT KELLY JONES
FRI 20 OCT KATHERINE DUFFILL
MON 23 OCT LINDA CROATTO

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

GOOD COUNSEL PLAYGROUP
GOOD SAMARITAN HALL
EVERY FRIDAY MORNING 9.00AM - 11.00AM
Cost \$2.00 per family
BYO - Morning Tea for children

TONGA V ITALY

Cassowary Coast fans are invited to the Tongan & Italian Rugby League teams' open training sessions. Watch them prepare for their last match before the Rugby League World Cup!

TONGA - OPEN TRAINING SESSION

Tully Showgrounds - 3pm - 5pm
Thursday 19th October

ITALY OPEN TRAINING SESSION

Callendar Park Innisfail - 2.30pm - 4.30pm
Thursday 19th October

See flyer for game details for Friday October 20



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

17th October, 2017

TERM 4 Week 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is difficult to put into words the tragedy that occurred last Friday with the loss of one of our Year 6 parents. Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers go out to the Pike family who have been associated with Good Counsel Primary School for the past two decades as their eight children have been educated through the Primary and Secondary schools. The family has asked for some private time but we at school will be able to support in the coming weeks and months. Year 6 classes will participate in a special prayer service this week and we will offer counselling to any staff or student who requires it. I have been in contact with Alister, Kyanna's father and he has thanked everyone for their thoughts, prayers and sympathies. We are unsure of final funeral arrangements but know that the service will be at the Catholic Church at Mission Beach possibly Friday or Saturday.

Rest in Peace



Should you be a 'face booker' we have reactivated our school site to disseminate information regarding school events or notices. We will extend this capacity to a school 'closed group' in the coming months once protocols have been set for those accessing the site. Stay tuned for more 'posts'.

On another note, we have to face the possibility of teachers leaving and new staff beginning. This year we will have three teachers moving or changing their role in the school. Mr Gerry Brunetto will be moving to Cairns after 10 years at GCPS teaching Year 3, Year 7 and Year 6 (Gerry was here with Year 7 2000 and 2001 and then returned to Townsville). Gerry has secured a teaching position at Our Lady Help Of Christian School in Cairns for 2018. We wish he, Linda, Kate and Jack all the best

in their move to the big smoke.

Miss Erin Todd will be moving to Townsville having taught here this year in Year 5 and also the two years Erin taught Year 7 before her time overseas. Erin has applied to Townsville Cath Ed and State Ed so we wish her every success in securing employment next year.

We will have many opportunities to thank them for what they have contributed to GCPS during their time here.

Mrs Jenny Fey will be moving from Prep into a Part time (3 days) Reading Project role and internal relief after teaching at GCPS in Prep for the past 20 years and before that at St Rita's Babinda. After much discussion with Jenny during the start of this year she feels the time is right to take the plunge out of Prep and use her skills in other areas of the school. This will be a huge change after a life time working with those little faces that entered our school grounds for the first time in Pre School and Prep.

Our new teachers will be Miss Adrienne Worth in 6W. Adrienne is a local who was educated here at GCPS and completed her 4th year Prac with Maree Helm (6H) last year.

Mrs Emma Laumea (nee Stoter) is a mature age graduate who is originally from Tully (first cousin of Mrs Amy McElhinney) will teach Year 5L.

Miss Lauren Watkins who has spent the past three years at St Rita's SJ will teach Prep W.

All three teachers are very keen to join the GCPS teaching staff for 2018. We will have opportunities to welcome them in the coming weeks.

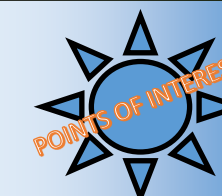
Regards,
Liam

PIE RATS (PIRATE) YEAR 1 - 5
Students to wear normal school
Uniform with a Pirate Hat, /Scarf or eye
patch.
See page 4 for details.

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OFFICE HOURS
8:00 AM—3:20PM



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DIARY DATES

TERM 4

Tue 3rd Oct -
Fri 1st Dec

WED 18 OCT
CHOIR PRACTICE
8:40AM—9:20AM

SOCKTOBER
CRAZY SOCKS &
GOLD COIN

THU 19 OCT
CAMERON STELZER
VISIT
PIRATE HAT, SCARF
& EYE PATCH ONLY

TUE 24 OCT
YR 4 HERBERTON
EXCURSION

THU 26 OCT
DAY FOR DANIEL
RED SHIRTS ONLY



Children's Socktober Mission Day...

Thank you to the Mini Vinnies Executive who stepped up to present Friday's Socktober Prayer Assembly. Our Socktober Gold Coin Mission Day is on tomorrow, Wednesday 18 October. We hope to **Sock it to Poverty** to help the children of Uganda. Thank you in advance for wearing your crazy socks and for your gold coin donation. Best Crazy Sock wearing student in each class will receive a Frozie. Thank you classroom teachers.



Change of Date— Prep C & Prep FD Liturgy...

Parents and extended family are welcome to join the children with the Preps for their class liturgy tomorrow Wednesday 18 October in Mother of Good Counsel Church at 2:00pm.

3WH Prayer Assembly...

3WH will present 'Our Lady of the Rosary Prayer Assembly' on Friday 20 October. Thank you Mrs Louise Wone and Mrs Michelle Ham for preparing the children. All staff and students are asked to bring their Rosary Beads to the Prayer Assembly.

1G & 1S Class Liturgy...

Year 1's Liturgy will be Wednesday 25 October in Mother of Good Counsel Church at 2pm. Parents and extended family are welcome to join with 1G and 1S students.

Mini Vinnies ...

The Vinnies Saturday evening mass will be on this Saturday 21 October at 6:30pm. Yr 6 Mini Vinnies, your presence will be greatly appreciated if you have the opportunity to join with and support the SVDP members.

Feast of St Luke—Evangelist, 18 October...

By early Christian tradition, Luke is named as author of the Third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. He wrote to reassure those who had grown uncertain toward the end of the first century. In his gospel, the compassion of Christ is inclusive of all: Gentile and Jew, the poor and the rich, women and men, the outcast and the privileged.

With Sincere Sympathy...



We offer our deepest sympathy to Kyanna Pike (6B), her dad Alister and her siblings Mitchell, Kahla, Nathan, Jamie, Katrelle, Gererd, and Rhett for the loss of their mother and his wife, Kerri.

*Yours in Catholic Education—
Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C. APRE/APA/SEL*

Footprints in the Sand

*One night a man had a dream.
He was walking along the beach
with the Lord.*

*Across the sky flashed scenes
rom his life.*

*For each scene he noticed two
sets of footprints in the sand..*

*One belonged to him, the other to
the Lord.*

*At the lowest and saddest times
in his life,*

*he noticed that there was only
one set of footprints.*

He questioned the Lord about it.

*"Lord, you promised to be with
me always,*

*but during the most troublesome
times in my life,*

there is only one set of footprints.

I don't understand why

when I needed you most

you would leave me."

The Lord replied,

*"I love you and would never leave
you.*

*During your times of trial and
suffering,*

*when you see only one set of
footprints,*

it was then that I carried you."

Anon.



TERM FOUR CALENDAR

Tue 17.10 P & F Meeting Theatrette 7:30pm

Wed 18.10 Children's SOCKTOBER Gold Coin
Mission Day

Yr 1 Warrina Lakes Excursion
PFD & PC Liturgy MoGC 2:00pm

Thu 19.10 Cameron Stelzer—Pie Rats Author
Library Workshops Yr 1—5

Fri 20.10 3WH Our Lady of the Rosary Assembly
Inter-school Sport Wk 3

Sat 21.10 Vinnies Mass MoGC 6:30pm

Tue 24.10 Yr 4 Historic Village Excursion

Wed 25.10 1G & 1S Liturgy MoGC 2:00pm

Thu 26.10 Day for Daniel—Red Shirts

Fri 27.10 5T World Teachers' Day Assembly
Inter-school Sport Wk 4

Wed 01.11 Billy Slater League Tag Callendar Pk

Fri 03.11 3B Prayer Assembly
Inter-school Sport Wk 5
P & F BBQ Blue Area 6:30pm
7:30pm Logies/Movies/TV Stars Disco

Tue 07.11 Melbourne Cup Hat & Tie Day

Wed 08.11 4PD Class Mass MoGC 9:30am
Prep Information Night 6:00-7:30pm

Thu 09.11 Yr 5 Leadership Day Theatrette

Fri 10.11 Remembrance Day Prayer Assembly

Mon 13.11 6B Class Reconciliation MoGC 11:15am

Tue 14.11 4B Class Mass MoGC 9:30am
P&F Meeting Theatrette 7:30pm

Wed 15.11 5T Class Reconciliation 11:15am

Fri 17.11 Mini Vinnies Hamper Prayer Assembly

Mon 20.11 6H Class Reconciliation MoGC 9:30am

Thu 23.11 GCPS Talent Expo 1:30pm

Fri 24.11 Prep & Yr 1 Prayer Assembly

Mon 27.11 2018 Leadership Assembly 8:40am

Yr 6 Graduation Mass 6:00pm

Yr 6 Graduation Dinner 7:30pm

Tue 28.11 Yr 2 Poetry Recital Theatrette

Thu 30.11 Christmas Concert 6:30pm

Fri 01.12 End of School Mass 9:00am MoGC

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING

GETTING ALONG

Torah Pucini
Jaiveer Janjua
Clair McBride
Tayla O'Brien
6B Whole Class

CONFIDENCE

Ryan Maccarone
Harlem Mercer
Hannah Patterson
Kayani Kawiri
Flynn O'Brien
Aidan Herbert

ORGANISATION

Annabelle Smith
Simra Surha
Rapture Williams
Thomas Van Bael
Charlie Dickinson
Maddison Swain

EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE

Cooper Healey
Sienna Torrisi
Kolby Andrews
Jemimah Conroy

PERSISTENCE

Frankie-Rose Tagget
Jake Tabone
Noah Redding
Ella Sciacca

ALL KEYS

Amie Blanckensee
Justin King
Reagan Vang
Natasha Lee Bow
Ayden Edgerton



GOOD COUNSEL PLAYGROUP
GOOD SAMARITAN HALL

(Access via Owen Street)

EVERY FRIDAY MORNING
9.00AM - 11.00AM
BYO - MORNING TEA FOR
CHILDREN

Co-ordinators: Mrs Amy McElhinney
& Mrs Rosanne Mifsud



Day for Daniel

Thursday 26 Oct
Wear your red shirt with
your school shorts or
skorts

50¢ Raffle tickets on sale

Year 4 Excursion

Tuesday 24 Oct

Historic Herberton Village
Forms and Payment are now
due.