

TUCKSHOP



Linda is looking for Tuckshop helpers from 9:00am—11:00am if you are available to assist.

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE ON ARRIVAL

TUCKSHOP ROSTER:

WED	24 MAY	HELP NEEDED
FRI	26 MAY	DONNA GIUENI
MON	29 MAY	HELP NEEDED

If you can help out at any time, even for an hour during the busy times please inform either the Office or see Linda (Tuckshop Convenor).

Regular times for sale of uniforms are:
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY
8:00—8:30am and 11:00am—12:30pm



GOOD COUNSEL PLAYGROUP
GOOD SAMARITAN HALL
(Access via Owen Street)

EVERY FRIDAY MORNING—9:00AM-11:00AM
Cost: \$2-00 per family
BYO—Morning Tea for children

Co-ordinators: **Mrs Amy McElhinney & Mrs Rosanne Mifsud**
Join our "Good Counsel Playgroup" facebook page for more information.

ETTY BAY SLSC — SUNDAY 28th MAY 2017 10am at Town Pool
Are you aged 7 years or older as at 30th September?
Do you love Swimming, Sun, Surf and Sand?
We are looking for new members to join our club and become a part of an Australian icon as a Surf Lifesaver or Junior Lifesaver (Nipper).
To find out more about how you can become a member, please join us this Sunday at the Town Pool at 10am, for further information.

Please bring along:
Togs, goggles, water and a hat.



TERM FEES



Term 2 fees were issued last week. 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.

Year 5 & 6 "Game on Fitness"

Training for "Game on Fitness" continues each Thursday afternoon until 15 June for years 5 & 6 starting at 3.00pm - 4.14pm in the Blue Covered Area.



Positive introduction to Netball
Fun & safe environment
Weekly program with accredited coaches - For 5 - 7 year olds
Starts 11th July until 29th August (8 weeks)
Tuesdays 3.30pm - 4.30pm / cost \$80.00
Ph: Tanya 0417 705 498 or Deb 0447 777 306

Catholic Education Cairns Parent Engagement Workshop

- **Saturday 27 May**
 - **8.30am - 3.00pm**
 - **Catherine McAuley**
- Monica's College, Abbott Street Cairns**



St. George Rookies2Reds - Fitness and Ball Skills Training
Good Counsel Primary School
Wednesdays: 3.20pm - 4.20pm
Starting Wed 24 May - 21st June

Program Inquiries: **Dominic Power 0419 362 103**
Registration Inquiries: **rookies2reds.com.au or 1300 753 733**



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

23rd May, 2017

TERM 2 Week 6

Dear Parents/Carers,
The overriding challenge shared by all parents today centres around technology - their children's use and their own use. The following is an extract from Michael Grose and his helpful hints around the topic of Parenting in the digital age:-

Frequently, parents talk about children's use of technology as if the technology is a problem. However, technology is the context or background in which we must raise our kids to be safe, social and savvy. The bigger question we need to ask is: "What is good parenting in the digital age?"

Our job is to educate kids about technology - helping them be safe, smart and balanced users - so we need some guidelines to follow. Every parent needs to set their own guidelines suitable to their own situation.

Here are some ideas to help:-

Be a good role model - It's well established now that children will copy many of their parents' behaviours. Our behaviours and habits now extend to our use of communication technology, which is a good thing as we've got the chance to model smart, balanced technology habits. This means we need to be mindful of how often we have a mobile device in our hands when we are around kids. It means we need to take care that we don't use technology as an emotional pacifier when we feel stressed or under pressure. Model face-to-face communication and healthy ways to manage your stress levels.

Think about expectations and rules for your kids in the digital world - You wouldn't drop your kids off for the day in the middle of the city and say, "Have fun. Stay safe!" Yet we often do the equivalent to our kids with technology. Most digital devices are set up for adults, so when you introduce a piece of technology think carefully about its use and expectations before handing it over to your kids. Where possible and practical use restrictions under settings when you give a device to a child. Place your own restrictions around use and timing when

kids use devices, rewarding responsible use with greater freedom.

Create tech-free zones and times - Knowing when to cut off or leave technology is just as important as knowing when to use it appropriately. One way to teach appropriateness of technology use, is to introduce tech-free zones and tech-free times into your family. For instance, dinner tables and mealtimes should be kept technology free to encourage in the moment face-to-face conversations. Bedrooms should be tech free particularly at night to encourage children to get a good night's sleep.

The family that plays together learns together - Technology can bring us together or keep us apart. I recently saw a mother and her early teen son walking down a busy street both with their faces in mobile devices, only glancing up occasionally from their screens to make sure they didn't bump into others. Although physically close, mentally they were worlds apart.

Media and digital devices are an integral part of our world today, presenting opportunities and challenges for parents and children. It's part of the parenting job to help kids access digital media safely and sensibly, which involves setting limits and boundaries; knowing how kids are using technology and encouraging kids to connect with others, learn and keep themselves entertained away from technology as well. (Michael Grose)

Next week we begin the first of our Prep Interviews for 2018. If you have a child eligible to begin Prep for 2018 (born between 1 July 2012 - 30 June 2013), please ensure their details are handed to the Office so we can hold a place for them.

Congratulations to Stevi Blennerhassett for finishing 7th in the Cross Country recently held in Cairns. Well done to all our other competitors who finished in the top 25.

Welcome this week Cody (4PD) and Bridget Weldon (6B) to Good Counsel Primary School. We hope their stay in rewarding.

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OFFICE HOURS
8:00 AM—3:20PM



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DIARY DATES TERM 2

Tuesday 18th April—
Friday 23rd June

WED 24 MAY
CHOIR PRACTICE
8:40AM—9:20AM

FRI 26 MAY
YOUNG PERFORMERS
CHORIC SPEAKING

TUE 30 MAY
ICAS SCIENCE

WED 31 MAY
FOOTY DRESS DAY

Rookies 2 Reds begin this Wednesday. Book in online. Bring a change of clothes for training Years 3 - 6.

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Principal's Column continued from Page 1...

Congratulations to the students who participated in the Peninsula Soccer Championships on Sunday. The team exceeded expectation winning 5 games with 3 losses. A great result and well done to Marcus Cini, Jordan Ozzi and Daniel Keough who have been selected in the training squad for possible selection today.

Good luck to our Year 2 students who will compete in on Friday 26th in Innisfail Young Performers' Choric Speaking Section. Friday June 2, our Choir will be compete in the Innisfail Young Performers Choir Section. We wish all our individual students who will compete over the next two weeks, the very best in their respective Speech and Drama events.

Regards *Liam*



**Welcome to the week that was:
Friday's Mini Vinnies Prayer Assembly...**

Thank you to the Year 6 Mini Vinnies School and Class Representatives for stepping up without much notice for a celebration of Family Prayer Assembly swap with the Colour Captains. *Loving God, you gift us with family, a place where we learn to love, to share, to forgive and to grow into the kind of people you want us to be. We pray that we may strive to love and honour those in our family as Jesus teaches. Amen.*

Principal with Preps visiting his Office...

A welcome time out from his busy schedule—Mr Kenny with Eadie, Ava, Naomi and Jharral as they checked out the Administration Office.



**Ceremony to celebrate the
Sacrament of Confirmation
Monday 19 June 7:00pm
Innisfail
Tuesday 20 June 7:00pm
South Johnstone**

**We keep in our prayers the children
preparing for Confirmation:**

- Isabella Booth, Karleigh Costa
- Ayden Edgerton, Sheri Evans
- Anthony Giandomenico
- Behnjamin Johnson, Aidan Lo
- Mathew Johnson, Joshua Lowrey
- Ryan Millard, Zoe Morales
- Oliver Nutting, Aiden O'Brien
- Alexis Onaandia, Jordan Ozzi
- Jason Schramm, Callum Scullen
- Chelsea Scullen, Gavin Shannon
- Jared Spinella, Jake Tabone
- Mia Terry, Aidan Van Bael
- Ashton Vecchio,
- Stevie-Rose Wallis

TERM 2 DATES 2017

- Wed 24.05 Library Simultaneous Story Time
- Fri 26.05 Colour Captains Prayer Assembly
Young Performers for Choric
- Sat 27.05 Mini Vinnies at Mass 6:30pm
- Tue 30.05 ICAS Science
Yr 6 Biggest Morning Tea
- Wed 31.05 **State of Origin Dress Day**
- Fri 02.06 Yr 1 Pentecost Prayer Assembly
Brave Hearts Prep—Yr 3
Young Performers for Choir
- Tue 06.06 Math Olympiad #2
3WH Class Liturgy
P & F Meeting 7:30pm
- Wed 07.06 School Officers' Day
- Thu 09.06 Prep Prayer Assembly
- Mon 12.06 6B Class Mass
- Tue 13.06 ICAS Writing
3B Class Liturgy
- Wed 14.06 ICAS Spelling
- Fri 16.06 GCPS Confirmation Pr. Assembly
- Mon 19.06 Sacrament of Confirmation MoGC
- Tue 20.06 Sacrament of Confirmation St Rita's
- Wed 21.06 800m Callendar Park
- Thu 22.06 Andrew Chinn Concert 1:40pm
- Fri 23.06 Athletics Carnival Castor Park
- Sat 25.06 Mini Vinnies at Mass 6:30pm

TERM THREE

- Mon 10 July - Fri 15 Sept
- Mon 10.07 Reconciliation Week
- Fri 14.07 Innisfail Show Holiday
- Sun 23.07 Catholic Education Week

TERM FOUR

- Mon 02 Oct Queen's Birthday
- Tue 03 Oct - Fri 1 Dec
- Tue 03.10 NAIDOC Week

Thought for the Week...

I've learned...that the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.

I've learned...that everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.

I've learned...that when you harbour bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

I've learned...that everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

I've learned...that sometimes love, not time heals all wounds.

I've learned...that that sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

**Library National Simultaneous Story Time
Wednesday 24 May 2017**

Preps to Innisfail Town Library

Year 1, 2 & 3 GCPS—Mrs Laurann Farina



PERSISTENCE	ORGANISATION	CONFIDENCE
Aaliah Jia	Amandeep Singh	Addler Ingram
Naomi Boota	Brogan Fisher-Leach	Finlay Edmondson
Eadie McCoomb	Blake Swanson	Sandor Zieger
Matthew Morales	Breanna Bignall	Joshua Lowrey
Aaliya Briggs	Maddison Swain	Amara Ambrum
Mace Jones		
Phoenix Di Carlo	ALL KEYS	GETTING ALONG
Chelsea Scullen	Juliet Santitto	Regan Vang
Denai How Kee	Ruby Kukulies	Henry Carpenter
Jared Spinella	Charlotte Boevink	
Shyron Antony		



Rookie 2 Reds...

Playtime action on the oval last week with Dominic Power.

Futsal...

Thank you to Mrs Hayley Russell for the Futsal coaching time that has gone into preparing the Futsal players who competed in the 2017 FNQ School Futsal Titles in Redlynch last week.

Congratulations to the U10 Boys for taking out the honours: Jordan Ozzi, Trent Finta, Ashton Vecchio, Chayse Briggs and Zaviah Di Carlo.

Yours in Catholic Education—Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C. Assistant Principal Religious Education & Administration