

GOOD COUNSEL PLAYGROUP CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP FRI 30TH NOV **Recommencing Fri 1st Feb 2019**

9.00 - 11.00AM

Cost: \$2.00 per family BYO: Morning Tea & Waterbottle

Co-ordinators: Mrs Amy McEhlinney & Mrs Rosanne Mifsud



YEAR 6 GRADUATION **PAYMENT DUE BY** WEDNESDAY 28 NOV

GRADUATION - 3 DEC 2018 YR 6 PHOTO - 5.45PM MASS - 6.00PM DINNER - 7.30PM

CHRISTMASS EVE - VIGIL MASS 6.30PM

Calling for all parts: Joseph, Mary, shepherds, angels, animals! Come and be part of the real meaning of Christmas. Practice for the Children's Gospel is Fri 14th & 21st Dec commencing at 3.30pm in Mother of Good Counsel Church. Innisfail.



Contact Maria Clark on 0448 716 271

or Angie Sheerans 0409 871 636





TERM FEES — OVERDUE

Term 4 fees are now overdue. As the end of Term 4 is fast approaching, please make payment as soon as possible. Please be mindful and check your emails to

ensure delivery of your fee statement. 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.

REMINDER



WHEN YOU ARE PURCHASING **SCHOOL SHOES FOR 2018** PLEASE REMEMBER THEY NEED TO BE ALL BLACK. SOCKS NEED TO BE FOLD **OVER OR ABOVE THE ANKLE (NO LONG** SOCKS OR SOCKS THAT ARE NOT VISIBLE)

GCPS CHRISTMAS CONCERT **THURSDAY 6 DEC** 6.30 for 7.00pm **Blue Covered Area** Bring a chair

WHAT TO WEAR:-

Preps— Angel Shirt Yr 2 - 6 Christmas Shirt. blue skorts or shorts. white socks for girls, Blue socks for boys and black shoes for all.

All Mini Vinnies hampers will be handed over to St Vincent de Paul Society on the night. If you have not already donated by way of Christmas gifts / non perishable food items and are able to do so, please bring to school to be included in the hampers. Your donations are greatly appreCiated, see inserted letter.

> SCHOOL CONCLUDES FRIDAY 7 DEC AT MIDDAY



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers.

Things are certainly hotting up for the end of the school vear. Yesterday record temperatures with only a little reprieve for today. Luckily we received a breeze after 11am on both days to take the edge off the heat. Students this week have some cooler options for play time with the library and theatrette being very popular options. We are in a busy time of the year with teachers finalising reports, transition days and practices for assemblies and concerts. Teachers are finalising classes and booklists for 2019 which will go home next week. A reminder that Student Reports will be posted on the School Portal for parent access as well as in hard copy in a sealed envelope. I am in the process of reading each student report. Student Reports can bring mixed feelings for parents and students. Pleasure and pride if the child is performing well; considerable angst if they are not progressing as all would hope.

Reports can be an anxious time for students as they do not want to disappoint their parents. Your reaction to their Semester Report can affect the way they see themselves as learners. Teachers spend many hours preparing the report based on semester marks and have given feedback about how to improve. Before you open the envelope next week, check you are in a good space to read the information together. Focus on your child's strengths rather than weaknesses. Look at the effort being given regardless of the grading. It is important to focus on progress in all areas, their attitude and social development. Ask them for their opinion about how they have performed. After reports are read and discussed celebrate your child's efforts and plan a goal for the next semester.

This Thursday we will again hold our Talent Expo in the Blue Covered Area. The stage will be set and this year we have a record number of musical items for your enjoyment.

We will begin the Expo at 1.40pm with an introduced act from the GCC dancers. This will be followed by a number of musical pieces from our Instrumental Music students who attend classes each Thursday with Mr Wiltshire. We will then have students playing keyboard, vocalists, martial arts display, dancers and recitals.



Congratulations to our prospective Year 5 Student Leaders. Last Thursday we spent Leadership Day in the Theatrette looking at leadership and all that it entails at Good Counsel Primary School. Next Monday will be our Leadership Assembly for the change over from our 2018 School Leaders to our new 2019 students. Current Captains and School Council will hand over the reins to our newly elected Year 5 students. An exciting two weeks ahead. Good Luck to all!



Week 8 — Welcome to the Life of the School



Mini Vinnies Hampers Prayer Assembly...

Thank you to the Yr 6 Mini Vinnies for their efforts throughout the year. They have been active with their class bake-sales, and school raffles in support the Innisfail St Vincent de Paul Society. The Crazy Dress Day last Wednesday, raised \$271.00. Their final task for the year is to collect the donated goods from the Class Hampers in support of families at Christmas time. Please find inserted in this newsletter, a He was alone and working hard, letter from the Mini Vinnies, requesting your support of non-perishable food from For just a minute, Yr 3-6 classes if possible, or a gift from Preps-Yr 2. Thank you for your support he looked like one of our members throughout 2018 from the Mini Vinnies Executive.

> Teresa of Avila (1515–1582) Christ Has No Body

Christ has no body but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks Compassion on this world, Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good, Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, Yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks

compassion on this world. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Leadership Assembly...

Next year's student leaders will be announced Monday 3 December at the 8:40am Leadership Assembly. Our thanks to this year's Captains, Student Councillors and Colour House Captains for their efforts throughout 2018.

Thoughts on Student Leadership...

Leadership is something special. It is not selfish. It reaches out to others. It sets a good example, and show others the best 'in them'. It respects others. It is not overpowering. It is not an ego trip.

Leaders takes responsibility when the opportunity is at hand.

- They carry out a job smoothly and without fanfare.
- Leaders are alert to situations that might call for help.
- Leaders know how to talk-they realise that talking is an important way of communication-they talk with confidence, reason and patience.
- They talk in such a way that they make others feel at ease and understand them. (MJR 2003)

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

I See Jesus...

- I saw Jesus last week He was wearing blue jeans and an old shirt. He was up at the church building; But it was Jesus, I could tell by his smile. I saw Jesus last Sunday He was teaching a Sunday school class
- He didn't talk real loud or use long words. Just for a minute, he looked like my Sunday school teacher But it was Jesus,
- I could tell by his loving voice.

I saw Jesus yesterday He was at the hospital visiting a friend, who was sick, They prayed together quietly. Just for a minute he looked like our friend Bob But it was Jesus, I could tell by the tears in his eyes.

I saw Jesus this morning He was in my kitchen making breakfast And fixing me a special lunch. For just a minute he looked like my mum But it was Jesus; I could feel the love from His heart.

I see Jesus everywhere Taking food to the sick, Being friendly to a new newcomer and for a minute Think He is someone I know But it's always Jesus; I can tell by the way He serves. Written by Summer Waters aged 11 years



SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL TEACHING AWARDS

ALL KEYS 2A Whole Class Mylee Cora Darren Rockley Gavin Shannon 6W Whole Class

CONFIDENCE

Khushnoor Gill Charlotte Mifsud Ella Borg Kobi Dotti Anna Smith Thomas Van Bael Ryan Maccarone

GETTING ALONG

Ava-Marie Johnson Daniel Anderson 5L Whole Class

ORGANISATION

Vivianne Ungil Sabrina Pollard Theo Kassiotes Sarah Anderson Hemi Acheson Mitchell Barker

EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE Ella Giueni

Thought for the Day Don't be afraid to fail. Experience is just mistakes you don't make anymore.



Leadership Day Speeches—Excellent day for Year 5 students-Thank you teachers and students.

Crazy Dress Day— Thank you to everyone who made the effort! Thank you Yr 6 Mini Vinnies.



2018 TERM 4	
Fri 30.11	Preps & Yr 1 Prayer Assembly
Mon 3.12	Leadership Assembly 8:40am
	Yr 6 Graduation Mass 6:00pm
	Graduation Dinner 7:30pm
Tue 4.12	Yr 2 Poetry Recital
Thu 6.12	Christmas Concert
Fri 7.12	End of Yr School Mass 9:00am
2019 TERM 1	
Mon 28.01	AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY
Tue 29.01	Term 1 commences
	(Preps & Yr 1 refer to letter)
Fri 01.02	Student Council Prayer Assembly
Mon 04.02	Welcome Assembly 8:40am
Tue 05.02	P & F AGM Theatrette 7:00pm
Fri 08.02	Beginning School Mass 9:10am
Mon 11.02	Mini Vinnies Badging
Fri 15.02	5W Good Samaritan Charism
Wed 06.03	Ash Wednesday Liturgies
Fri 05.05	Term 1 ends
2019 TERM 2	
Fri 20.05	GOOD FRIDAY
Sun 21.04	EASTER SUNDAY
Mon 22.04	EASTER MONDAY
Tue 23.04	Term 2 commences
Thu 25.04	ANZAC DAY
Mon 06.05	LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY
Fri 28.06	Term 2 ends
2019 TERM 3	
Fri 12.07	INNISFAIL SHOW
Mon 15.07	Term 3 commences
Fri 20.09	Term 3 ends
2019 TERM 4	
Mon 07.10	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
Tue 08.10	Term 4 commences
Fri 06.12	Term 4 ends