**TUCKSHOP** 

WED 05 DEC LINDA / HELP NEEDED

FRI 07 DEC NO TUCKSHOP

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL TUCKSHOP ORDERS ARE WRITTEN OUT ON A PAPER BAG WITH AMOUNT OF MONEY ENCLOSED

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

Last day for tuckshop/ purchasing of uniforms for 2018 will be Wednesday 5th December.

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# 2019 UNIFORM SHOP

# **OPENING HOURS**

Opening hours for uniform shop for 2019 are as follows:-



Monday 21st January Wednesday 23rd January Friday 25th January **TIMES: 9.00am - 2pm** 

## **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



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# 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 2019 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 1 - 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.



# **GOOD COUNSEL** PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

4th December, 2018

TERM 4 Week 9

Dear Parents/Carers

Last night we celebrated the Graduation of our Year 6 Class of 2018. The evening began with a liturgy that highlighted these students and the journey travelled. A meal was then shared at Brothers Leagues Club where many stories were told, memories celebrated and certificates and gifts presented. Our Year 6 students, a group of 38. will be remembered for their competitive spirit, their friendliness and certainly the mature attitude in which they took on the leadership of our school community. We wish all our Year 6 students every success in their future endeavours as they close the chapter on their Primary School education and prepare to enter Secondary School in 2019.

Reports go home today! The semester report focusses on both what work each student has completed and been assessed on against the Australian Curriculum, and will also give a record of what students need to focus on for their learning to progress. Please take the time to discuss the report with your child/ren and if clarification is required contact their class teacher. Thankyou to all teachers for their efforts to provide a comprehensive account of student learning and assessment.

Students have been notified of their 2019 classes today. Many hours have been put into placing students in a class and with students they will best work with. We have attempted to keep friendship groups together, however this is not always in the best interest of class combinations or your child. If your child has friends in the other classes they will certainly have plenty of social time before school and at lunch time and it is not the end of the world. We have had a huge boost to our enrolment numbers and each class will have new students starting in 2019. An information pack with their class, booklist and information related to the start of next year is enclosed in their envelope. Tuckshop menu insert in today's

newsletter. Information about starting times for 2019 - see calendar page 3. This information will also be available on our Parent Portal and published in the Advocate over the holidays.

At the end of any school year, we have staff changes. It is always sad to see people move on and accept new challenges in their lives. This year we farewell two staff members who have taught here at Good Counsel Primary School in 2018. Mrs Emma Laumea who taught Year 5 will be moving home to Tully to take up a teaching position at Tully State School and Mrs Lauren Bower (Miss Watkins Prep) who is moving back to Brisbane due to her husband taking up a new opportunity down south. On behalf of the GCPS students, parents and staff, thank you both for your contribution at Good Counsel this year and wish them every success for their future.

Congratulations to next year's Year 6 Student Leaders who were announced yesterday at our Leadership Assembly:-

School Captains: Isabella Booth & Joshua Lowrey

Student Council: Natasha Lee Bow, Alexis Onaindia, Miriam Ungil, Cooper Ingram, Lachlan Elliott and Bennet Benoy

**Sports Captains:** 

MacKillop - Zoey Morales

Jason Schramm

- Zoe Kukulies Clancy

Jeremy Weldon

- Sheri Evans Trent Finta

- Daisy Conroy Marcellin

Ashton Vecchio

Mini Vinnies Executive positions will be finalised early 2019.

We are looking forward to all Year 6 students stepping up to take on the leadership of Good Counsel Primary School in 2019.

Last week's Talent Expo showcased some

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**OFFICE HOURS** 8:00 AM-3:20PM



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DIARY DATES

TERM 4 Mon 8 Oct -Fri 7 Dec

THU 6 DEC **WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT** 

6.30 FOR 7.00PM



FRI 7 DEC 9.00AM WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

11.50AM YEAR 6 COUNTDOWN

WHOLE SCHOOL CONCLUDES **MIDDAY** 





20 items including Instrumental pieces, vocals, dance routines and martial arts display. Our opening act was the Good Counsel College Dance Troupe and we closed with the staff "Splish Splash" and synchronized swimming routine. Congratulations to all students who braved the stage to perform. Well done to Mr Wiltshire's Instrumental students. Lessons will again continue each Thursday in 2019.

This week we will be busy with various ceremonies, Christmas Concert and end of year Mass on Friday. I take this opportunity to thank the wonderful staff here at Good Counsel Primary School who work so hard to provide an excellent education for our students. Our teachers and support staff do the extra and sometimes unseen things to make our school stand apart from others. This is what makes Good Counsel Primary School a great school. Thankyou to Fr Kerry and Fr Nathan for their guiding presence in our school and for leading class celebrations throughout the year.

As we enter the Advent Season, please make this Christmas special and attempt to take your children to one of the religious celebrations and ceremonies offered at this Holy Time. Wishing you all a safe, happy and holy Christmas and New Year. School concludes at 12pm Friday with the Year 6 countdown at 11.50am.

#### Regards Liam



May the Blessings of Christmas time be with you and yours.
Yours in Catholic Education, Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C APRE/APA/SEL

# 1 Corinthians 13 - A Paraphrase

If I decorate my house perfectly with plaid bows, strands of twinkling lights and shiny balls, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another decorator.

If I slave away in the kitchen, baking dozens of Christmas cookies, preparing gourmet meals and arranging a beautifully adorned table at mealtime, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another cook.

If I work at the soup kitchen, carol in the nursing home and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family, it profits me nothing.

If I trim the spruce with shimmering angels and crocheted snowflakes, attend a myriad of holiday parties and sing in the choir's cantata but do not focus on Christ, I have missed the point.

Love stops the cooking to hug the child. Love sets aside the decorating to kiss the ...(partner). Love is kind, though harried and tired. Love doesn't envy another's home that has coordinated Christmas china and table linens.

Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of the way, but is thankful they are there to be in the way.

Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return but rejoices in giving to those who can't.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails. Video games will break, pearl necklaces will be lost, golf clubs will rust, but giving the gift of love will endure.

by Sharon Jaynes

#### Thought for a lifetime...

Each of us is an Innkeeper who decides if there is room for Jesus.

Neal A Maxwell



#### **2018 TERM 4**

Thu 6.12 Christmas Concert

Fri 7.12 End of Yr School Mass 9:00am Yr 6 Countdown Blue Area 11.50am

#### **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