



# GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 7



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OFFICE HOURS  
8.00AM—3.20PM

### POINTS OF INTEREST

Religious Life of the School

### DIARY DATES

TERM 1  
MON 23RD JAN -  
FRI 31ST MAR

WED 08 MAR

CHOIR  
PRACTICE  
8.40AM - 9.20AM

SCHOOL  
BANKING  
8:00AM  
IN THE  
BREEZEWAY

FRI 10 MAR  
COLOUR CAP-  
TAINS  
PRAYER AS-  
SEMBLY

FRI 17 MAR  
ST PATRICK PRAYER  
ASSEMBLY

GREEN DRESS DAY

LAP RUNNING  
STARTS WED  
8 MAR - 24  
MAR

MONDAY  
WEDNESDAY &  
FRIDAY  
8.00AM - 8.30AM



Dear Parents,

This Wednesday March 8, we celebrate International Women's Day. This is a global celebration of the economic, political and social achievements of women in the past, the present and the future. The theme the Australian National Committee of UN Women has chosen for International Women's Day for 2017 is "*Empower a Woman, Empower a Nation. Together we can empower women across the globe*".

Where would we be without women in our lives - they are the fabric of a family that hold the threads together during times of difficulty, despair and tragedy. Women, particularly in developing countries face systematic discrimination in education, employment, health care, control of assets and participation.

Women make up approximately 70% of the world's poor; 2/3's of people unable to read and write are female; 11.4 million women and young girls are in forced labour. 1 in 3 women and girls experience physical and sexual violence.

We can change these statistics:-

- \* In our attitude toward women
- \* In not accepting domestic violence in our community
- \* In speaking out for women's causes
- \* By treating the women in our lives with respect
- \* Through donations to project compassion to assist women in the world
- \* Through Prayer

I am constantly reminded here at Good Counsel Primary School of the fantastic work women do each day in the education of our children. Thankyou to all women for the work, seen and unseen each day.

### MEET & GREET / DISCO

Thankyou to the P&F and Student Council (and their families) for the great Meet & Greet and Disco. A huge crowd attended and certainly had a fantastic time. Special thanks to our Patrol D.J. Mrs Russell ably assisted by Miss Todd providing music and games for the students. Thanks also to the BBQ attendants and those who helped in the kitchen. We will keep you posted on our next event in Term 2.

### Principal's Column

#### LAP RUNNING

Starting this Wednesday 8th March and continuing for the next 3 weeks, morning lap running will take place on the oval. This is to prepare our students for the upcoming Cross Country. Running will be on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8.00am - 8.30am. Every lap students run gives one point to their colour house team. At the end of the lap running program the house with the most points will receive a free frozie. Students can bring a change of shirt and joggers each day and change into their correct uniform after lap running. Parents please encourage your child to be part of our running program, get fit and have fun!

#### P&F MEETING

The next P&F Meeting will be held Tuesday March 28 starting at 7.30pm in the Theatre. All welcome to attend.

#### PARKING

It is a miracle that some 800 students from the two schools arrive safely each day. Car parking is always tight so please show patience at drop off and pick up times.

Parents please be aware that the carpark on the top level outside Prep is for prep parents only. There is also a disabled park that is to be left vacant unless you hold the appropriate signage for your vehicle.

Please refrain from parking at the double gates as this is to be left vacant for the Bluebirds Mini Bus that drops off students each morning.

Parking on Rankin Street is for parents but please do not park across the staff carpark entry at the top end of the school.

Please be aware that the scaffolding on the Church will be removed this week once the roof repairs are complete. Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

Regards *Liam*



The GCC Year 11 buddies joined us last week for one of our Ash Wednesday ceremonies as we commenced our Lenten journey. Thank you for your leadership and support of Preps and Year One students. Thank you Father Nathan for blessing and distributing the ashes.

Congratulations to the children for setting our *Hearts on Fire* with the love of Jesus last Friday and reminding us to have faith. Thank you to Mrs Louise Wone and Mrs Michelle Ham for their preparation.

Caritas Australia's Project Compassion calls on everybody to "Love your neighbour" in 2017. Thank you parents and students for your generosity for the class efforts in the first week of Project Compassion. Thank you teachers for engaging the children in their understanding of 'Neighbour'. 4PD's Colouring in Competition winners will be announced at Friday's Assembly.



The children enrolled in the Sacramental Program will be attending one of two Reconciliation Days, either Saturday 11 March or Saturday 18th March as organised by Lisa de Buck. Please phone Angie at the Parish Office on 40616633 if requiring further details.

Mt Sinai is the name of a desert and it was the mountain upon which Moses received the Ten Commandments. Correct answers from: Ruby Kukulies, Bennet Benoy, Grace Wone.

Fri 10.03 Colour Captains Prayer Assembly  
Fri 17.03 6H St Patrick's Prayer Assembly  
Sun & Mon 19/20.03 RL Peninsula Trials  
Fri 24.03 3B Palm Sunday Assembly  
Netball Peninsula Trials  
Tue 28.03 6B Last Supper Assembly 8:30am  
Wed 29.03 CROSS COUNTRY  
Thu 30.03 5GS Stations of the Cross 8:30am  
Fri 31.03 Brief Friday Assembly 8:40am  
3pm Term 1 ends

Tue 18 April - Fri 23 June (10 weeks)  
Tue 25 April ANZAC Day  
Mon 01 May Qld Labour Day Holiday

Mon 2 Oct Queen's Birthday  
Tue 3 Oct - Fri 1 Dec





## SEL CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS WEEK 6

### CONFIDENCE

Kobi Dotti  
Tora Pucini  
Bella Baldwin  
Brayden D'Urso  
Lexi Evans  
Zac Gracie  
Anthony Giandomenico  
Marjorie Tagget  
Sunpreet Singh

### GETTING ALONG

Navreet Basra  
Zachary Woodall  
Emilee Pickard  
Jharra Koraba  
Scarlett Di Carlo  
Matthew Morales  
Frankie-Rose Tagget  
Veral Tiwari  
Joquin Bown  
Jorjia Mansfield

### ORGANISATION

Julia Yang

### PERSISTENCE

Ethan English  
Ella Travers  
Amira Braun  
Audrina De Sabbata  
Heleana Kuhn  
Mathew Johnson  
Chayse Briggs  
Harry Morrison  
Tess Wilson

### ALL KEYS

Zyon toms  
Phoenix Di Carlo  
Cameron Barnes  
Colleen Purcell  
Lachlan Maccarone



## TUCKSHOP



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

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 08 MAR .....SONJA BUDD  
FRI 10 MAR .....CATHY HITCHINGS  
.....VICKY KIPPIN O'CONNOR  
MON 13 MAR .....HELP NEEDED

If you can help out at any time even for an hour during the busy time please let the tuckshop know.

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



### GOOD COUNSEL COLLEGE YR 7 2018 ENROLMENT INFORMATION EVENING

**TUESDAY MARCH 14**  
**2 SESSION TIMES AVAILABLE**  
**5.30PM - 6.30PM &**  
**7.00PM 8.00PM**

**IN THE COLLEGE MUSIC ROOM**  
**(enter off Owen Street to follow the signs)**  
**Phone the College Office on 4063 5300 for**  
**any further queries. College P&F providing a**  
**free sausage sizzle.**



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#### Public Consultation

The Northern Queensland Primary Health Network (PHN) has commissioned Balance! Edmonton Family Practice to undertake a survey to determine if people in the Cairns region are interested in using an after- hours allied health service. Allied Health is a term used to describe the broad range of health professionals who are not doctors, dentists or nurses. Allied health professionals aim to prevent, diagnose and treat a range of conditions and illnesses and often work within a multidisciplinary health team to provide the best patient outcomes.

**Our survey is available at:**  
**<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TRTGLPX>**  
or at [www.balancehealthclinic.com.au](http://www.balancehealthclinic.com.au)

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.  
For any technical issues phone Emma on 07 4055 4400

## TERM FEES

Term 1 fees are now overdue. Please check your emails for fee statements and make payment as soon as possible.

**Should you not receive your  
Invoice 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.

**A reminder 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.**



### GOOD COUNSEL PLAYGROUP GOOD SAMARITAN HALL (Access VIA OWEN STREET)

**FRIDAY MORNINGS 9.00AM - 11AM**

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.



Our Sympathy.....  
To Carmel Parisi and  
family (Darren Rockley  
3B) on the recent loss of  
her Uncle.