



# GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

25/08/15

Term 3 Week 7

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AND SERVE

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OFFICE HOURS  
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### POINTS OF INTEREST

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THE SCHOOL  
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### DIARY DATES

TERM 3  
(10 WEEKS)  
MON 13TH JUL-  
FRI 18TH SEPT

EVERY WED  
SCHOOL BANKING  
8.00-8.30  
DEPOSIT BOOKS TO BE  
TAKEN TO  
BANKING  
CO-ORDINATORS IN  
BREEZEWAY

WED 26 AUG  
CHOIR PRACTICE  
8.40AM - 9.20AM

MON 24 - 28 AUG

BOOK WEEK

WED 26 AUG  
FAVOURITE BOOK  
CHARACTER DRESS UP  
PARADE

FRI 28 AUG  
YR 1 DAFFODIL DAY  
PRAYER ASSEMBLY  
WEAR YELLOW/  
ORANGE SHIRT &  
GOLD COIN  
DONATION

### Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

This week we celebrate the 70th Anniversary of Children's Book Week. The theme this year is "Books Light Up Our World". Reading is such an important life skill. It involves making sense of print and constructing meaning from written language. When you read a book, an article, an advertisement, a timetable or an email, you gain information required for life. You may have childhood memories of reading lessons. Some will remember these lessons with delight while others remember the struggles, the difficulties and barriers that made the print on the page seem impossible to read.

Reading can be one of our greatest pleasures. It is also one of the most important skills we use on a daily basis. The need to read is central to the way we function socially, culturally and in commercial life. Many thanks to Mrs Farina who works part time in our library. Our library is always open and alive with weekly displays of new titles, interesting exhibits, competitions and reading activities. Laurann is passionate about students reading and encourages all students to take up reading. This week she has special Book Week events planned. Students, make an effort tomorrow to come dressed as a book character. Our Student Council will judge character dress ups at our 8.40am Parade. Parents are welcome to attend.

For 10 things you can do to help  
your child learn to read, see the  
attachment

Over the past two days, 30 students from the Innisfail District participated in the Peninsula Athletics Championships at Barlow Park Cairns. Four Good Counsel Primary School students competed and brought home gold, silver and bronze. A great effort. Congratulations to:-

Rochelle Hudson	1st U/11 Discus
	1st U/12 Shot Put
Kohen Briggs	2nd U/10 100m
	2nd U/10 200m
Sophie Barnes	3rd U/10 100m
	3rd U/10 Long Jump
Ryan Pedrola	10th U/12 800m

DATE CLAIMER -  
MAGGIE DENT

Parent talk - "Living Childhood",  
October 6, 7 - 9pm Tuesday night  
(first day back Term 4)

Cost: Free  
GCSP Theatre

As a speaker, Maggie cannot be missed. She travels the world talking to parents. Please mark this in your diary, on the fridge or calendar.

Next Sunday morning Year 6 students will be heading to Charters Towers then Longreach for their Outback Camp. We will send you many photos of the outback experience in next week's newsletter.

Congratulations to Jake Wynne (Yr6) and Jesse Catelan (Yr3) on their efforts at the State Judo Championships over the weekend. Jake won the Sportsmanship Award and Jesse placed 3rd in the U/34kg class.

Regards  
Liam

### POSITION VACANT -

**Mother of Good Counsel Parish Centre**  
Administration position available 6 hours per week to assist with Parish centre and finance department. Permanent position - flexible with hours.

Finance duties include - Quickbooks data entry, reconciliation of planned giving & bank accounts, account payments, BAS preparation, and liaison with Finance Manager.

Parish duties include - phone enquiries, Baptism arrangements, assist with Parish Bulletin preparation and other general duties.

Applications to - Parish Priest Father Kerry Crowley PO Box 64, Innisfail Qld 4860 [priest@gcc.qld.edu.au](mailto:priest@gcc.qld.edu.au)

Phone (07) 4061 6633

Closing date Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2015



## 4PC Prayer Assembly...

Thank you Mrs Rosemarie Pensini and Mr Adrian Conroy for acknowledging the children preparing for the Sacrament of First Eucharist on Sat 29/Sun 30 August and Sun 6 September:

Brendan Zahmel, Matthew Schramm, Kaitlin Onaindia, Indy-Anna Nunan, Alexis Morales, Isabella Marmara, Logan Lizzio, Jessika Kenderick, Rylee Jones, Braeden Johnson, Bobby Johnson, Aidan Herbert, Jasmin Ham, Amy-Leigh Burke, Bianca Brant and Lily Nutting.



## St Vincent de Paul Choir...

Thank you to all who students, staff and parents who came along in support of the Vinnies Choir at Saturday evening's Mass:

Shyron Antony, Ashton Vecchio, Alicia Kuhn, Marcia Kuhn, Daniel Slater, Kate Brunetto, Jack Brunetto, Emma Onaindia, Kaitlin Onaindia, Alexis Onaindia and Ella-Rose Yang, as well as, Savannah Vecchio and Shyrol Antony from GCC.

Thu 27 Aug... St Monica, the mother of St Augustine, prayed that he would change his ways and follow Christ. *Let us pray for all mothers who are worried about their children. God of life, grant patience and strength to mothers concerned for the well-being of their children and keep their children safe.*

Fri 28 Aug... We celebrate the conversion of St Augustine whose change of heart made him the greatest of teachers and bishops. *Let us pray for bishops and Church leaders. God of all wisdom, may the leaders of the Church today imitate St Augustine's love of learning and his skill in bringing people to Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Yours in Catholic Education*

Maria Caltabiano Mrs C.

Assistant Principal Religious Education & Administration

## 2015 Calendar... TERM 3

- Wed 26.08 Book Character Dress Up Day  
Shire Hall Excursion—Author
- Fri 28.08 Gold Coin Yellow/Orange Dress Day  
Daffodil Day Prayer Assembly 1G & 1S  
Fowler's Cup U12 Netball Cairns  
Interschool Sport Yr 3-6 Sports Shirt req.
- Sat 29.08 Sacrament of First Eucharist MoGC  
6:30pm
- Sun 30.08 —Fri 4.09 Yr 6 Outback Camp
- Sun 30.08 Sacrament of First Eucharist MoGC  
9:00am
- Wed 02.09 Prep Father's Night
- Fri 04.09 2AL Father's Day Prayer Assembly  
Animalia Excursion Prep & Year 1  
Interschool Sport Yr 3-6 Sports Shirt req.
- Sun 06.09 Sacrament of First Eucharist St Rita's SJ
- Tue 08.09 3/4K Liturgy MoGC Church 10am.
- Wed 09.09 Math Olympiad #5
- Thu 10.09 Prep Fairy Tale Day
- Fri 11.09 2WH Prayer Assembly  
Interschool Sport Yr 3-6 Sports Shirt req.
- Tue 15.09 5GH Class Mass MoGC Church 9:30am  
P & F Meeting 7:30pm Theatre
- Wed 16.09 Bike Safety Blue Area
- Fri 18.09 Jim Graham RL Cup  
Mary Mills Netball  
Term 3 ends

Class	Wk 6 Colour Points	3Y	POLDING
PC	POLDING	3/4K	MACKILLOP
PFD	MARCELLIN	4PC	POLDING
1G	MARCELLIN	4/5H	POLDING
1S	POLDING	5GH	MACKILLOP
2AL	MACKILLOP	6B	CLANCY
2WH	MARCELLIN	6H	CLANCY





## SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

### Term 3 Week 6 Recipients

#### *Program Achieve:*

6H	Haylee Rhodes	<i>All Keys</i>
6B	Harry Negri	<i>Persistence</i>
5GH	Syren Letizia	<i>All Keys</i>
5GH	Cindy Champion	<i>Confidence</i>
4/5H	Sam Hooper	<i>Persistence</i>
4PC	Isabella Marmara	<i>Organisation</i>
4PC	Maddison Swain	<i>Persistence</i>
4PC	Sunpreet Singh	<i>All Keys</i>
3Y	Tara Borg	<i>Organisation</i>
3Y	Ryley Lacaze	<i>Confidence</i>
2WH	Zoey Morales	<i>Persistence</i>
2WH	Mathew Johnson	<i>Persistence</i>
2WH	Aidan Lo	<i>Organisation</i>
2AL	Ashton Vecchio	<i>Persistence</i>
2AL	Joshua Lowrey	<i>Getting Along</i>
1S	Harlem Mercer	<i>Confidence</i>
1S	Ned Negri	<i>Confidence</i>
1G	Abigale Hudson	<i>Emotional Resilience</i>
1G	Cooper Lynn	<i>Emotional Resilience</i>
PFD	Sarah Anderson	<i>Persistence</i>
PFD	Isabelle Peake	<i>Persistence</i>
PC	Ayden Powell	<i>Persistence</i>

## 2015 Calendar... TERM 4

Mon 5 Oct Labour Day  
 Tue 6 Oct - Fri 4 Dec (9 weeks)  
 Tue 06.10 NAIDOC Celebrations Maggie Dent 7:30pm  
 Mon 19.10 CTJ Day—PUPIL FREE DAY  
 Mon 26.10 Life Education Van at School  
 Wed 28.10 GCC Year 7 Orientation Day  
 Thu 29.10 Cyber Safety Sue McLean 7:30pm Theatre  
 Tue 06.10 NAIDOC Celebrations  
     Maggie Dent 7:30– 9:00pm Theatre  
 Wed 11.11 Remembrance Day Ceremony Blue Area  
 Mon 30.11 Leadership Assembly 8:40am Blue Area  
 Thu 03.12 GCPS Christmas Concert  
 Fri 04.12 End of School Mass MoGC Church 9:00am

## Snowflakes...

Not too long ago in a place not too far away, a field mouse asked a wise old owl what is the weight of a snowflake. "Why nothing more than nothing," answered the owl. The mouse went on to tell the owl about the time he was resting on a branch in a fir tree, counting each snowflake until the number reached 3 million, 471 thousand, 952. Then with the settling of the very next snowflake – *crack*. The branch swiftly snapped, tumbling the mouse and the flake to the ground. "Umh! ... Such was the weight of nothing," said the mouse.

So the next time you think your contributions, your acts of charity, your works for justice, your gifts of love, and your talents are nothing, or that they are small in comparison to those of others, remember that when one is added to another, and then to another and so on, great things can happen from nothing.

In the same way, what seems ordinary can be changed into something extraordinary with just a little extra nothing. Author Unknown.



## DAFFODIL DAY YEAR 1 PRAYER ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 28 AUG

Year 1G & 1S students invite staff and students of GCPS to wear orange and/or yellow sun safe shirts and donate a gold coin to this worthy cause. **Year 3 - 6 remember sports clothes.**

tuckshop



LINDA IS LOOKING FOR HELPERS FROM  
9AM–11.00AM

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 26 AUG HELP NEEDED  
FRI 28 AUG AMANDA FERGUSON  
MON 31 AUG ..... HELP NEEDED

If you can help out at any time even for an hour during

Regular times for sale of uniforms are  
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY

8.00–8.30am and

11.00am – 12.30pm

\$10 Interschool Sports Shirt now available

### School Banking Day Reminder



Don't forget that Wednesday 26 Aug is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. Please take your Bank Book to Miss Braun Mrs Gracie the Banking co-ordinators who will be sitting in the breezeway from 8.00 - 8.30am.

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AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM,  
ASSESSMENT AND  
REPORTING AUTHORITY

#### PRIVACY NOTICE

Information required to determine the Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA) for schools

This notice is from the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), to advise you that ACARA has requested your child's school to provide ACARA with information about you and your child. Your school may disclose to ACARA information such as your child's gender, date of birth, country of birth, background language, residential address, parental occupation and parental education.

This information is disclosed to ACARA under the ACARA Act 2008 for one or both of the following purposes:

- formulating national reports consisting of aggregated data on school performance; and
- assisting government to formulate policies in relation to education matters.

ACARA will not disclose this personal information to any third party. If you do not want your school to provide this information to ACARA, please advise your school within seven (7) days of receiving this notice.

Further information about ACARA can be obtained from the ACARA website at [www.acara.edu.au](http://www.acara.edu.au).

## TERM FEES

Term 3 fees were issued last week. Please check your email for fee statements. Due date for fees 11 August.

***Those families remaining who still require a remission for 2015 must make an urgent appointment to see the Principal ASAP.***

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.

**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.

## Dress as your Favourite Book Character - Parade

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August  
8.40am covered area



Small prizes for all  
who dress up



## JAMIE GOSLING FOOTBALL ACADEMY

OPEN MORNING - SUN 30 AUG -

9AM - 11AM

MEET THE COACHES, Q&A's ALL WELCOME

GRADING DAY - SUN 13 SEP - 9AM - 2PM

SQUADS, SESSIONS & KIT SIZING ALLOCATED  
FOR REGISTERED PLAYERS

ACADEMY START DATE - MON 12 OCT

ENROL NOW AT [WWW.JGFA.COM.AU](http://WWW.JGFA.COM.AU)

VENUE: STRATFORD SOCCER CLUB

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