



# GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

08/09/15  
Term 3 Week 9

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AND SERVE

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OFFICE HOURS  
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## POINTS OF INTEREST

- APRE - LIFE OF  
THE SCHOOL

## DIARY DATES

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

**NO BANKING  
TOMORROW  
WED 9 SEPT**

WED 9 SEPT  
CHOIR PRACTICE  
8.40AM - 9.20AM

MATH OLYMPIAD #5

THU 10 SEPT  
PREP FAIRYTALE DAY

TUE 15 SEPT  
P&F MEETING  
7.30PM THEATRETTE

WED 16 SEPT  
PREP - YR 2  
BIKE SAFETY  
AWARENESS

## Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

Last week all of our Year 6 students joined 10 St Rita's Year 6 students to travel to Charters Towers, Winton and on to Longreach. The reason we head west is to give our "Coastal" children a taste of Western Queensland; a taste of dust and experience the harshness of the current drought that is affecting the region. This was certainly evident this time as the area is now entering its third year of drought. We also visit many attractions that tell the story of the region. QANTAS, Hall of Fame, Longreach Agricultural College, Cobb & Co, Captain Starlight Show, Age of Dinosaurs just to name of few.



Each of the attractions or shows has something for everyone. Whether it be the Dinosaurs at Winton, seeing a sheep shearing for the first time or riding on a Cobb & Co Coach.



The students were exceptional this year and deserve praise. Joining with St Rita's worked well and many of our students have made new friends prior to going to Secondary School next year. Many thanks to the staff and parents who attended and



helped out with food preparation, travel and supervision. Thanks also to the staff back at school and particularly Mrs C who has held the fort while we have been away.

From all reports the Prep & Year 1 excursion was a huge success travelling to Cairns to see 'Animalastic' which was an original Belgium Spiegel Zelt - Song Dance Circus. The students who I met getting off the bus said it was great. Teachers commented that it was an excellent production.

Once again a reminder regarding school satisfaction surveys. Please take 10 minutes to complete the survey online.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GCPPrimaryInnisfailParent2015>

These surveys collect data to assist in providing feedback to the school.

Regards *Liam*





### Father's Day Prayer Assembly...

Thank you 2AL students for sharing your thoughts and the photos of your dads with us. Thanks also to your teachers Mrs Sue Ah Shay and Mrs Sue Lynch for the preparation. We trust that all our Good Counsel dads and grandads had a very special Father's Day.

### A bit of History—Mary's Birthday...

**Born:** circa 20 BC

**Birthplace:** Galilee, Nazareth

**Died:** circa 45 AD Mount Zion, Israel

**Religion:** Jewish

**Race or Ethnicity:** Middle Eastern

**Occupation:** Mother of Jesus Christ

**Date of birth** traditionally given as 8 September.

**Father:** St. Joachim (tribe of David)

**Mother:** St. Anne (tribe of Aaron)

**Husband:** Joseph



Apologies for the postponement of 3/4K's Liturgy to celebrate Mary's birthday of the Word due to unforeseen circumstances.

### 5GH Liturgy...

Parents are invited to join with 5GH in Mother of Good Counsel for the Our Lady of Sorrows Eucharistic Liturgy on Tuesday 15 September. We remember Mary standing by the cross at Jesus' death. Let us pray for all sorrowful mothers. *Comfort, O Lord, mothers who weep for their children. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### Social & Emotional Learning Assembly...

Please join with 2WH for Friday's Prayer Assembly at 8:40am for their SEL presentation.

What if...you woke today with only the things you thanked God for yesterday? Let us continue to count our blessings and keep in our prayers Mark Thao and his family.

*Yours in Catholic Education*  
Maria Caltabiano Mrs C.

## 2015 Calendar

### TERM 3

- 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 Theatrette
- Wed 16.09 Bike Safety Blue Area
- Fri 18.09 Mini Vinnies Prayer Assembly 8:40am
- Jim Graham RL Cup
- Mary Mills Netball
- Term 3 ends

### 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 Theatrette
- Tue 06.10 NAIDOC Celebrations
- Maggie Dent 7:30– 9:00pm Theatrette
- 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

### Thought for the Week...

*Life is mostly froth and bubble.  
Two things stand like stone. Kindness in another's  
troubles. Courage in your own.* Adam Lindsay Gordon





## SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING Term 3 Week 8 Recipients *Program Achieve:*

5GH	Tyrone Morales	<i>Organisation</i>
5GH	Leo Garner	<i>Organisation</i>
4/5H	Lachlan Mellick	<i>Persistence</i>
4/5H	Elizabeth Hudson	<i>All Keys</i>
4PC	Aidan Herbert	<i>Getting Along</i>
4PC	Bianca Brant	<i>Confidence</i>
3/4K	Shyron Antony	<i>Persistence</i>
3/4K	Chayse Briggs	<i>Confidence</i>
3Y	Zaviah Di Carlo	<i>Organisation</i>
3Y	Flynn O'Brien	<i>Organisation</i>
2WH	Sheri Evans	<i>Emotional Resilience</i>
2WH	Shyanne Moidin	<i>All Keys</i>
2AL	Aidan Van Bael	<i>Organisation</i>
2AL	Stevie-Rose Wallis	<i>Persistence</i>

*No points this week for—6B & 6H at Yr 6 Outback Camp  
1S, 1G, 1G, PFD & PC at Animalastic Excursion*



Trees... Have you noticed that the big tree on the Oval is adding to its leaf canopy day by day? Enjoy Spring! And below — from one of the many Yr 6 Outback Camp photos taken by Mr Gary Pedrola—this tree grows in a totally different environment adding birds at rest to its canopy. Aren't trees magnificent?



Prep—Yr One Animalastic Excursion... Thank you Staff for the fantastic time had in Cairns on Friday—lots of interesting recounts being written this week.



## TUCKSHOP



LINDA IS LOOKING FOR HELPERS FROM  
9AM–11.00AM

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 09 SEP .....KELLY JONES  
FRI 10 SEP LIZ KIPPIN  
MON 14 SEP ..... 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 Notice

Please note there will be **no** banking on  
Wednesday 9 Sept.

**Next banking day - Wednesday 16 Sept.**

## FOUND



2 X black watches

1 x silver cross

Please see the Office.



Please remember to  
update your information  
should your circumstances  
or information change.  
Please email your remittance advice  
if paying your fees over the  
internet.

Are you due for a DENTAL CHECK?

Use your Medicare \$ and see Giulia for an  
out of school appointment OR a Saturday  
for your convenience. Medicare \$ expires on  
31/12/15. Use it before you lose it. All  
eligible Child Dental Benefit Scheme claims  
are bulk billed.

Phone Riverside Family Dental  
on 4061 1588 or call in.



## TERM FEES

Term 3 fees are now overdue. Please check  
your email for fee statements

**Should you not have received your  
Invoice by email 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.

**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.

## HEALTHY EATING/ LUNCHBOX REVOLUTION SEMINAR

The educational seminar is being  
presented by author Mona Hecke, the  
author of the well known and publicised  
book titled 'The Lunchbox Revolution'.

Date: Wed 23 September

Time: 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Venue: Cairns State High School

Auditorium

Cost: \$20

For more info contact Go Vita Cairns City  
ph4031 0013.

Seminar has the endorsement of the  
Diocesan P&F.

## ST. RITA'S - HARVEST FESTIVAL TRIVIA NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER 2015

Doors open 6:30pm / First question  
7:00pm

Tables - maximum of 8

Adults \$10 / Students (Primary) \$5

Lucky door, best dressed & spot

Prizes

Ph St Rita's 4067 1467 to book table