



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

03/11/15

Term 4 Week 5

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AND SERVE

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POINTS OF INTEREST

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THE SCHOOL
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DIARY DATES

TERM 4
TUE 6TH OCT-
FRI 4TH DEC
12 NOON FINISH

WED 4 NOV
SCHOOL BANKING
8.00AM

CHOIR PRACTICE
8.40AM—9.20AM

FRI 6 NOV
PRE-PREP SESSION #5

YR 6 OUTBACK
PRAYER ASSEMBLY

PLANET RHYTHM
YR 3 - 6
PERFORMANCE

P&F BBQ 6.30PM
SPOOKY DISCO 7.00PM

TUE 10 NOV
PREP - YR 1
LITURGY
MOTHER OF GOOD
COUNSEL CHURCH
10.00AM

THU 19 NOV
YR 5 LEADERSHIP DAY

Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

I hope you all were lucky and had a winning horse in your sweep today. Students were decked out to the max today with ties, hats, fascinators and hand bags. It was great to see classes getting into the spirit of the day running class sweeps.

This Friday we will have our P&F Meet & Greet BBQ and Spooky Disco. This is a chance for parents to meet socially at school and for students to enjoy some games, music and fun prizes. The Student Council has chosen the theme "Spooky" and will be working on decorations this week. They will have spooky jelly cups and frozies on sale on the night. The P&F will cater with steaks and sausages on bread. Feel free to bring your own refreshments on the evening, as well as a comfy deck chair. DJ "Haunted Hailey", will provide our music for the event so come along.

Last Thursday, we had our Cyber Safety talk from Susan McLean. The content was certainly challenging and extremely informative. The number of attendees was disappointing and I encourage ALL parents to attend her talk in Term 1 of next year. I have included some important information that Susan shared with us regarding the age restrictions for particular internet sites and some safety tips.

AGE RESTRICTIONS

Almost every site that requires you to sign up will have a minimum age restriction of 13 years. This can be found in the Terms and Conditions of Use. Some sites that are particularly dangerous for children, due to the risk of sexual offenders or adult content, will be listed as suitable for those over 17 or 18 years.

It was shocking that 50% of our Year 4 & 5 students were signed up for sites 13plus yet they are 10 and 11 years old.

Facebook	13yrs
Instagram	13
Skype	13
YouTube	13
Snapchat	13
iTunes	13 (unless a child is listed under the family sharing account)
Twitter	13
Tumblr	13
KiK	17
Omegle	18

SAFETY TIPS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

1. Don't send nude or semi-nude photos of yourself to others and don't forward any sent to you.
2. If you receive a sexually explicit text or photo, delete it immediately and don't forward to anyone else. Tell the person who sent it, "I don't want any more texts like this." If the texts keep coming **report the situation to your telco who must act to warn the sender. If this does not work go to the Police.**
3. Think before your act - remember that once you've sent something you can't get it back or control who sees it, and that the photo or message might become public and be available for people to see for many years to come.
4. Think about your future and how you want people to see you - a picture taken now can have the potential to damage relationships **and** your career down the track. **Your digital reputation is very important.**
5. Don't feel pressured into sending texts you don't feel comfortable with - as with any sexual behaviour, you have the right to say 'NO'. As a general rule, don't have anything on your phone you would be embarrassed about.

SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS

1. Give children clear rules about what they can and can't do with their mobile phone.
2. Become familiar with the technology your child is using i.e. Facebook, Tumblr, Twitter, Skype etc. and talk to them about privacy/security settings to help protect themselves from bullying/predators. Remember that most phones have instant access to the internet and social networking sites.
3. Encourage your children to talk to you or another adult they trust if they have any problems or concerns around texts they have sent, received or forwarded, and reassure them this won't necessarily mean they will be asked to stop using the technology.

Regards Liam



World Teachers' Day Prayer Assembly...

Congratulations 4/5H students for giving us the opportunity to see and hear from the GCPS staff look-alikes. Lots of fun and good humour on World Teachers' Day and the chance to give thanks to our fabulous teachers. Thank you Ms Brooke Hampson for preparing the children. Fantastic!

Let us pray...

*God of openness and hospitality,
You call us to be people of welcome
and people of flavour;
Embracing each encounter with one
another as an encounter with you.
Teach us to be attentive and to savour;
To welcome your Word,
No matter how it comes to us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
who welcomes and savours
engagement with all. Amen.*

Thank you Fr Kerry...

Thank you for celebrating 4PC's class mass on All Souls Day. Thank you to the parents and grandparents present who were invited to join with Fr Kerry and the children around the altar. So very special! Thank you too Mrs Rosemarie Pensini for preparing the students.

God of mercy, open the ears of your love to welcome our friends who have died and let them live with you forever. Amen.

Friday's Yr 6 Outback Prayer Assembly...

Students of 6B and 6H invite you to their prayer assembly on Friday.

Prep & Yr 1 Liturgy next week...

Parents and extended family are invited to join with these classes as they celebrate their liturgy on Tuesday 10 November at 10am.

Sincere Sympathy....

Our thoughts and prayers to Mr Charles Di Bella and family on the recent loss of his grandmother.

Thought for the day...

Don't wait for someone to bring you flowers.

Plant your own garden and decorate your own soul.

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Yours in Catholic Education

Maria Caltabiano Mrs C.

Assistant Principal Religious Education & Administration

2015 Calendar

TERM 4...

Tue 03.11 P & F Meeting Theatre 7:30pm

Fri 06.11 Yr 6 Outback Prayer Assembly

Pre-Preps Day #5

Inter-School Sport

Student Council Freaky Friday Disco & BBQ

Tue 10.11 Prep & Yr 1 Liturgy MoGC Church 10am

Wed 11.11 Remembrance Day Ceremony Blue Area

Thu 12.11 Yr 4 Herberton Historic Village Excursion

Fri 16.11 3Y Prayer Assembly

Fri 20.11 Mini Vinnies Hamper Assembly

Wed 25.11 GCPS Talent Show

Fri 27.11 Preps & Yr 1 Prayer Assembly

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

2016 Calendar

TERM 1...

Mon 25.01. PUPIL FREE DAY

Tue 26.01 Australia Day Public Holiday

Wed 27.01 Term 1 School commences

—Prep & Yr 1 check class letters.

Wed 10.02 Ash Wednesday

Thu 24.03 Term 1 ends

Fri 25.03 Good Friday

Sun 27.03 Easter Sunday

Mon 28.03 Easter Monday

TERM 2...

Mon 11.04 Term 2 commences

Mon 02.05 Qld Labour Day Holiday

Mon 25.04 ANZAC DAY

Fri 24.06 Term 2 ends

TERM 3...

Mon 11.07 Term 3 commences

Fri 15.07 INNISFAIL Show Holiday

Fri 16.09 Term 3 ends

TERM 4...

Mon 03.10 Queen's Birthday Holiday

Tue 04.10 Term 4 commences

Fri 02.12 Term 4 ends



SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Term 4 Week 4 Recipients

Program Achieve:

6H	Joshua Rupp	<i>Confidence</i>
6B	Akeesha Surha	<i>Organisation</i>
5GH	Rawiri Kelly	<i>Getting Along</i>
5GH	Kohen Briggs	<i>Getting Along</i>
4/5H	Matthew Schramm	<i>All Keys</i>
4/5H	Thomas Herbert	<i>Confidence</i>
4PC	Leah Peake	<i>Getting Along</i>
4PC	Emaleigh Willey	<i>All Keys</i>
4PC	Stevi Blennerhasset	<i>Organisation</i>
3Y	Ryley Lacaze	<i>Persistence</i>
3Y	Lane Maitland	<i>Persistence</i>
3Y	Jhamahl Peterson	<i>All Keys</i>
2WH	Zac Gracie	<i>Organisation</i>
2WH	Ayden Edgerton	<i>Confidence</i>
2WH	Trent Finta	<i>All Keys</i>
2AL	Jake Tabone	<i>Confidence</i>
2AL	Jared Spinella	<i>Confidence</i>
2AL	Aiden O'Brien	<i>Confidence</i>
1S	Cameron Barnes	<i>Persistence</i>
1S	Reagan Vang	<i>Persistence</i>
1G	Colleen Purcell	<i>Getting Along</i>
1G	Hannah Dryden	<i>Getting Along</i>
1G	Ceira O'Brien	<i>Getting Along</i>
PFD	Claire McDonald	<i>Persistence</i>
PFD	Chelsey Hathaway	<i>Persistence</i>
PC	Ziggy Barker	<i>Confidence</i>
PC	Seth Gullo	<i>Confidence</i>

AUSTRALASIAN PROBLEM SOLVING MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIADS—

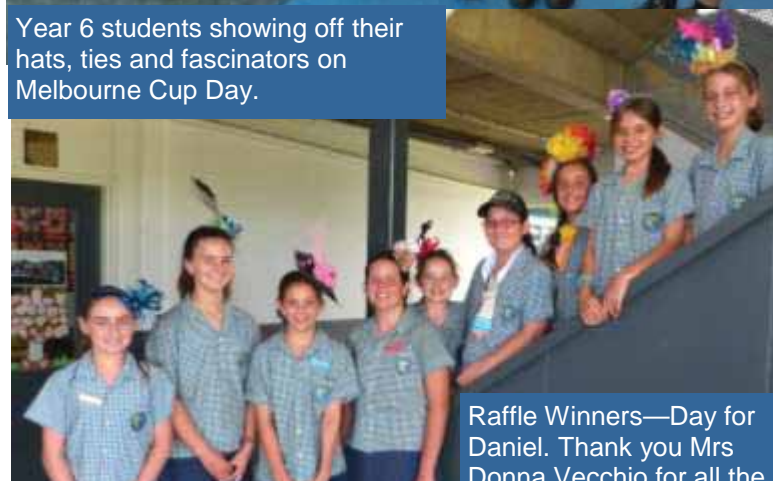
Congratulations to all students who participated in the 2015 Olympiads.

Trophy to GCPS highest achiever
Kate Brunetto—Top 30%

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Vivienne Peterson—Top 40%
David Schramm—Top 50%
Ashlee Travers—Top 50%



Year 6 students showing off their hats, ties and fascinators on Melbourne Cup Day.



Raffle Winners—Day for Daniel. Thank you Mrs Donna Vecchio for all the organisation.



tuckshop



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

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 04 NOVHELP NEEDED

FRI 06 NOV MICHELLE BORG

MON 09 NOV 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

CHANGE OF DATE FOR 2016

TERM 1

**MONDAY 25 JANUARY IS NOW A
PUPIL FREE DAY**

Wed 27 January - Thu 24 March

TERM 2

Mon 11 April - Fri 24 June

TERM 3

Mon 11 June - Fri 16 September

TERM 4

Tues 4 October - Fri 2 December

SPECIALITY PHOTOS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Netball Squad
Rugby League Team
Choir

Yr 6 Longreach Outback Muck Up



Speciality photos are displayed on the wall in the Prep eating area. Parents may either go on line at www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the following code: **TGB 9TD 7P1** to view and order the photos OR complete an order envelope available from the office. Should you wish to order by envelope please complete and return by 13 Nov 2014 with payment.

REMINDER!!!!

TERM FEES

Term 4 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.



FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER

**P&F BBQ &
DISCO
FREAKY
FRIDAY**



SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

Are you looking for something to do with the kids over Christmas?

Snapping Tours is offering a holiday special!
Come on board our pirate themed cruise - along the Johnstone River and join a real life treasure hunt!

Start 10.30am - 11.30am

Kids \$10 / Adults \$20

Family pass - 2 kids & 2 Adults \$50

Bookings essential Ph: 0448 814 6554 or

Online: www.snappingtours.com.au



Congratulations to..... Hailey Fisher (Prep C) and Dantae Atu (Prep FD) and their families on the arrival of a little sister for each .