



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 1



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POINTS OF INTEREST

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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 15 JUL
CHOIR PRACTICE

TUE 21-23 JUL
YR 5 CAMP
PAYMENT NOW DUE

WED 29 JUL
ICAS ENGLISH
MATHS OLYMPIAD #3

FRI 17 JUL
RECONCILIATION
PRAYER ASSEMBLY



Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

Welcome back everyone for the second half of the school year. I hope all students had an enjoyable mid-year break. Talking to many of them yesterday, they were ready to return to school but certainly enjoyed their time camping, going to movies, catching up with relatives or visiting the Innisfail Show. This week we welcome the Loh family who have moved from Rockhampton, Cecilia in Prep FD, Antonio in 2AL and Isabelle in 3/4K started yesterday. Please make them feel welcome as they join our Good Counsel Primary School community.

This week we celebrate Reconciliation Week. Reconciliation Australia recognises the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures and to the Elders both past and present. During this week and into the future let us focus on closer relations between Indigenous and non Indigenous peoples - towards reconciliation. All are welcome to our Reconciliation Prayer Assembly this Friday.

Some thankyou's are in order from the end of term. Firstly to Miss Bowie for the huge effort she put in organising our Sports Day events - many hours of work teaching students the events and games; preparing paperwork and running our Athletics Carnival. Her optimistic weather outlook shone through with excellent conditions for the last day. Thanks to all parents who attended and those who organised costumes for their students to make the March Past a colourful spectacle.

Thanks also to the children who put so much effort into their individual and team events, as well as those who organised the War Cries. 2015 will go down in history as the first year that MacKillop House won the Track and Field Events. Checking school records and the local knowledge of Mrs Guli, Mrs Tabua and Mrs Dunne this was the first time since the 4 teams were introduced in 1998 that MacKillop had won. What was great to see was the congratulations from other team members to the MacKillop students after the results were read out. Well done to all on the 'spirit' shown during the week of events.

Results

Ball games - Clancy
Relays - MacKillop
Tug-O-War - Polding
Team Spirit - Marcellin

Overall - MacKillop 367
- Polding 283
- Clancy 262
- Marcellin 196

For those who braved the weather and visited the show I hope you took the time to visit the 'school displays' in the side pavilion. Many thanks to Mrs Sugars and Mrs Erbacher for their efforts over the holidays to set up a colourful "Garden Display" of students' art work from Term 2 Visual Art lessons. The photo certainly does not do the display justice. As I walked past the creation many



times, I saw several students pointing out to their parents their particular piece of art work which contributed to 'The Garden'. Parts of the garden will be on display in the coming weeks in the library for

those who missed the show display. Congratulations to our many students who entered the various sections of the show - art work; sewing; construction; cooking; horse riding; chooks; bananas and sugar cane. Involvement in our local show is a great way to showcase the individual talents of the area.

As we begin Term 3 please ensure your children have their essential working materials for school each day:-

- enough sleep at night
- a nutritious breakfast
- a healthy morning tea and lunch
- homework completed each night
- pencil case with equipment
- correct school uniform (including black shoes)

If these simple yet important essentials are catered for, your child will have a fruitful day at school.

This term, Year 3-6 students will be involved in Interschool Sport. Students will be playing Soccer or League Tag (boys), Netball or Touch (girls). Interschool sporting will be over

Religious Life of the School—Week 1

five Friday afternoons from 12.30pm-3pm.

Commencing on Friday 14 August, students will be walking to Callendar Park or bused to Castor Park and Goondi School. **Year 3-6 students will require an Interschool Sports Shirt to be worn this term on Fridays.** As we are in the process of changing our Interschool Shirt we will be selling the old shirts for the reduced price of \$10 each. The new shirts will not be ready until the end of this year.

Many students and parents have asked as to how Mark Thao is faring. Mark has been moved to Brisbane for further treatment as he has shown signs of improvement. He has opened his eyes, mouthed some words and is being prepared to take solid foods. This is great news! Mark's mum and dad are taking it in turns to be present with him in Brisbane during his treatment and will continue to keep us updated on his progress. We need to continue our prayers for Mark and his family.

Regards Liam



Join us for Friday's
Reconciliation Prayer
Assembly at 8:40am
organised by
Mrs Lorraine Naqicatabua



CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2015
26 JULY - 1 AUGUST
CATHOLICEDUCATIONWEEK.COM.AU

Welcome to an exciting term in the life of Good Counsel Primary. Check the calendar, check the advertisements! Please support the children by joining with us as we celebrate the many scheduled prayer assemblies and special events.

*Thank you God for our minds.
May our minds understand and know.*

May they help us learn and grow.

Thank you God for our minds.

*Thank you God for our hearts.
May they be filled with love for all.
May they listen for your call.*

Thank you God for our hearts.

*Thank you God for our hands.
May our hands show love and care.*

May they welcome, serve and share.

Thank you God for our hands.

*We make this prayer in the name
of Jesus our friend. Amen.*

*Let us pray that we will recognise God's presence in our world.
God of love, open our eyes to see your hand at work in the
splendours of creation and in the beauty of human life.
Amen.*

*Yours in Catholic Education
Maria Caltabiano Mrs C. APRE
Assistant Principal Religious Education & Administration*



Your prayers are requested for Michael Lo, older brother of Aidan Lo in 2WH, who is in Townsville Hospital undergoing treatment.

2015 TERM DATES...

TERM 3

- Mon 13 July - Fri 18 Sept (10 weeks)
- Fri 17.07 Reconciliation Week Prayer Assembly
- Tue 21-Thu 23—Year 5 Chillagoe Camp
- Fri 24.07 GCPS Grandparents Day
- Sun 26.07—Sat 01.08 Catholic Ed. Week
- Tue 28.07 Southern Deanery Schools Mass 10:00am
- Wed 29.07 ICAS ENGLISH Comp. Theatre District 200m/800m Goondi
- Thu 30.07 CEW Cathedral Mass
- Fri 31.07 District Athletics Goondi
- Mon 03.08 Arts Council—Heave Ho, Off We Go!
- Tue 04.08 P & F Meeting 7:30pm Theatre
- Fri 14.08 Feast of the Assumption Mass 10:00am
- Mon 24—Wed 26 Book Week Library Sessions Preps & younger siblings 8:20am—Mrs Farina
- Wed 26.08 Book Character Dress Up Day
- Sat 29.08 Sacrament of First Eucharist MoGC 6:30pm
- Sun 30.08 —Fri 4.09 Yr 6 Outback Camp
- Fri 28.08 Daffodil Day Prayer Assembly Prep & Yr 1
- Fri 04.09 Father's Day Prayer Assembly 2AL

TERM 4

- Mon 5 Oct Labour Day
- Tue 6 Oct - Fri 4 Dec (9 weeks)
- Tue 06.10 NAIDOC Celebrations
Maggie Dent 7:30pm Theatre
- 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 7:30pm 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



GCPS GRANDPARENTS DAY

FRIDAY 24 JULY

6B PRAYER ASSEMBLY 8:40am

Class Visits 9:15am

Grandparents Morning Tea 10:00– 10:30am

Mini Vinnies Raffle Drawn 10:20am



GCPS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL AGE CHAMPIONS



TUG-O-WAR POLDING



TEAM SPIRIT MARCELLIN



GGC YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE STUDENTS



BALL GAMES CLANCY



WINNING HOUSE MACKILLOP

tuckshop



LINDA IS LOOKING FOR HELPERS FROM
9AM-11.00AM

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 15 JUL CONNIE BARNES
FRI 17 JUL ALEX PUCCINI
MON 20 JUL 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

\$10 Interschool Sports Shirt now available

School Banking Day Reminder



Don't forget that Wednesday 24 June is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. Please take your Bank Book to Mrs Rhodes and Mrs Braun the Banking co-ordinators who will be sitting in the breezeway from 8.00 - 8.30am.



Starting on Wednesday 15th July, when anyone who shops at Woolworths, you can collect stickers to place on your sticker cards.

You will get one sticker for every \$10 you spend. Once you complete your sticker cards you can place them in the collection box, either at school or your local Woolworths shop.



GORDON TALLIS Footy Carnival—

Coen Mercer with his Gordon Tallis Medal and football for Rugby League played in Mackay over the holidays. Thanks for sharing your news Coen.



Congratulations....

On the birth of a baby girl Amy, a sister for Finnian (3/4K) & Hannah Dryden (1G)

TERM FEES

Term 2 fees were emailed last week. Please check your email for fee statements.

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.

GOOD COUNSEL COLLEGE ENROLMENT FOR YEAR 7 IS NOW OPEN

INFORMATION EVENING -
TUES 21 JULY

ENROLMENT INTERVIEW EVENING -
TUES 4 AUG (TERM 3)

ORIENTATION DAY -
WED 28 OCT (TERM 4)

Please phone Catherine Mifsud at the College on 4063 5300 for more information. Enrolment application forms available from the College and from GCPS Office.

REMINDER

Please do not send any going home messages via our email as these may not be retrieved in time to get the message to relevant students.

ADVANCEDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY

Should you wish to order more school photos they are available through the Advancedlife website using our school code TGB9TD7P1.