



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 4



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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

TUE 4 AUG
P&F MEETING
7.30PM THEATRETTE

WED 05 AUG
CHOIR PRACTICE
8.40AM - 9.20AM

THUR 6 AUG
UNDER 8'S MORNING
PREP - YR 2

FRI 7 AUG
FOWLERS CUP

TUE 11 AUG
ICAS MATH

WED 12 AUG
YR 2 MILL EXCURSION

Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

Last week we had several important celebrations for Catholic Education Week. I wrote last Tuesday about our Eucharistic Celebrations with the 6 Deanery Schools. Other special events included the visit by the Diocesan Net Team who shared their spiritual story through skits and drama. Year 5&6 students attended the celebratory presentation Wednesday afternoon. On Friday, our Mini Vinnies group led their 'Acts of Kindness'. Prayer Assembly, where they encouraged our school population to recognise the special acts of kindness that occur each day.

Congratulations to all our Athletes who competed in the District Athletics Carnival last Wednesday and Friday. All students certainly participated with great enthusiasm. Special congratulations to all in team events - tug-o-war, relays and ballgames. Ballgames this year were excellent, only going down by 2 points. Many thanks to Mr Brunetto and Miss Bowie for all of their training. Individual event medal winners are listed:-

<u>800m</u>	- Stevi Blennerhassett	2nd
	- Jasmin Ham	3rd
	- Sophie Barnes	3rd
	- Ryan Pedrola	2nd
<u>200m</u>	- Stevi Blennerhassett	3rd
	- Sophie Barnes	3rd
	- Jasmin Ham	3rd
<u>100m</u>	- Jasmin Ham	3rd
	- Sophie Barnes	3rd
<u>LONG JUMP</u>	- Sophie Barnes	2nd
<u>SHOT PUT</u>	- Rochelle Hudson	1st
	- Teejay Parry	2nd
	- Ruby Kukulies	2nd
	- Coen Mercer-Wiber	2nd
	- Jasper Di Carlo	3rd

This Thursday, we will have our annual Under 8's Day here at Good Counsel Primary School. Special invitations have been sent to all local Kindergartens and Early Learning Centres to encourage future students and their families to visit our school. All parents of Pre-Prep students have been individually invited to attend. Our Prep—Yr 2 teachers have a fun

packed morning of activities planned including painting, craft, face painting, drawing, collage, block building and physical activities to entertain our current and future students.

Last Sunday, 7 of our Good Counsel Primary School boys joined players from Radiant Life and St John's Silkwood in the Quad Series final for the State Primary School Rugby League. We travelled to Townsville to play the winner of the Mt Isa region, Sunset State School, defeating them 20-12. Our second game was against the Northern Region finalists, Kirwan College Townsville. After a hard fought match, Kirwan ran out winners 30-16. Congratulations to all our boys on their efforts to end up in the final 8 schools in the State Competition;- Edward Kuhn, Harry Negri, Issac Stagg, Cooper Luce, Thomas De Roit, Elliott Ferguson and Thomas Herbert.

As many will have noticed, works have begun at the front of the school on clearing the site for our new carpark. This area will allow 10 staff cars to park off the street and free up parking spaces for parents. The first stage of the project will entail removal of the tree and playground equipment. Stage 2 will go to local tenders to submit prices to complete drainage works, site preparations and concrete the area for car parking. The major works will occur during the September holidays to cause minimal disruption for students. Appropriate barricades have been installed and access to both Rankin Street entries will be open at this stage. There will be a temporary closure to the northern entry off Rankin Street in the coming weeks to allow for works to be completed.



Regards Li am



NET afternoon for Yr 5 & 6 students...

Students from these classes participated in a variety of activities last Wednesday with the National Evangelisation Team as part of Catholic Education Week. The message being the gospel values of Respect, Trust, Love, Compassion and Honesty, within this year's CEW theme of **Engaging Minds, Igniting Hearts and Serving Others.**

Act of Kindness Prayer Assembly...

Many thanks to the Year 6s who took over the reigns in the Student Council's absence. Thank you to all the Act of Kindness Award recipients—Mrs Lesley Erbacher, Mrs Laurann Farina, Mr Gerry Brunetto and Mrs Grace Slater.

St Mary MacKillop...8 August

Please join us for 6H's Friday Prayer Assembly for Mary of the Cross, Australia's first saint, who pioneered education for isolated and poor children. Let us pray for those who work in Australian schools today. As we discover the world around us, O God, may we, like Mary MacKillop, also understand your will for our lives. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mary's sayings:

Remember we are but travellers here. 1866)
We must teach more by example than by word. (1867)
Do all you can with the means at your disposal and calmly leave the rest to God. (1891)

Courage, courage, trust in God who helps you in all things. We feel our crosses hard at times, but our courage should rise with them. (1882)
Let God's Spirit guide you in your choice. (1898)
Never see a need without doing something about it.

Sacrament of First Eucharist...

The children preparing to receive this Sacrament participated in Sunday's Liturgy and activities at Mother of Good Counsel Church and the Parish Centre, and will continue to do so for the month of August. We support the following children with our prayers, words and actions, as we remember to love others as we love ourselves:

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

Yours in Catholic Education

Maria Caltabiano Mrs C.

APRE—Assistant Principal Religious Education & Administration



2015 TERM DATES...

TERM 3

- Tue 04.08 P & F Meeting 7:30pm Theatrette
- Thu 06.08 PC, PFD, 1G, 1S, 2AL, 2WH Under 8's Day
- Fri 07.08 6H St Mary MacKillop Prayer Assembly
- Tue 11.08 ICAS MATH Competition
- Wed 12.08 Yr 2 Mill Excursion
- Fri 14.08 Feast of the Assumption Mass 10:00am
- Mon 17.08 Fr Kerry Class visits 9:10am 4/5H, 6B, 6H
11:10am Reconciliation 4K
- Tue 18.08 2AL, 2WH Liturgy Mother of Good Counsel
- Wed 19.08 Math Olympiad #4
- Mon 24—Wed 26 Book Week Library Sessions Preps & younger siblings 8:15am—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 Theatrette
- 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 7:30pm 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

LOST - Student reading glasses - purple with green stripes.



SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Term 3 Week 3 Recipients

Program Achieve:

6H	Xavier Cini	<i>Persistence</i>
6B	Kaisie Corrigan	<i>Organisation</i>
4/5H	Lily Nutting	<i>All Keys</i>
4/5H	Sam Hooper	<i>All Keys</i>
4PC	Gurshaan Singh	<i>Confidence</i>
4PC	Breanna Bignall	<i>Persistence</i>
3/4K	Coen Mercer	<i>Confidence</i>
3Y	Liam Purcell	<i>Confidence</i>
3Y	Lane Maitland	<i>Confidence</i>
2WH	Cooper Ingram	<i>Confidence</i>
2WH	Jamie Pedley	<i>Organisation</i>
2WH	Ryan Millard	<i>Organisation</i>
2AL	Daniel McAvoy	<i>Getting Along</i>
2AL	Isabella Booth	<i>Getting Along</i>
2AL	Charlie Ferguson	<i>Confidence</i>
2AL	Dallas Kassiotis	<i>Confidence</i>
2AL	Matthew Thao	<i>Confidence</i>
1S	Jasdeep Rehal	<i>Persistence</i>
1S	Callista Masina	<i>Organisation</i>
1G	Ceira O'Brien	<i>Organisation</i>
1G	Thomas Van Bael	<i>Organisation</i>
1G	Colleen Purcell	<i>Organisation</i>
PFD	Chelsey Hathaway	<i>Persistence</i>
PFD	Claire McDonald	<i>Confidence</i>
PC	Alex Pensini	<i>Getting Along</i>

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE CHAIN

St Thomas's Catholic Church, Mareeba

Sunday 13th September 2015

Mass at 2.30pm



In Sympathy.....

We keep Jazlyn (45H) and Tyson Crosley (2WH) and family in our prayers after the passing of their grandfather.

ARTS NEWS:

FREE SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

As part of their Spring Break Workshops, the National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA) is holding an Acting Boot Camp for grades 3-6 in the Sept/Oct school holidays at the Tanks Arts Centre, Cairns. A free scholarship is available to help one primary school student to attend this highly respected and much sought-after NIDA course thanks to the Tanks Arts Centre and REACH (Regional Excellence in Arts & Culture Hub). Selection will be made by a panel of local drama teachers and performers. Scholarship applications close August 19. Class times and details are outlined in the Application pack (available from the school office).

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE SORE FEET AND LEGS?

STEVE LYNCH ~ LOCAL PODIATRIST VISITS INNISFAIL EVERY WED & SAT

For more info or appointments, please call 1300467837, 0413003930 or visit www.instepodiatry.com.au

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LINDA IS LOOKING FOR HELPERS FROM 9AM-11.00AM

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 05 AUGHELP NEEDED
FRI 07 AUG MICHELLE BORG
MON 10 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 5 Aug is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. Please take your Bank Book to Mrs Rhodes and Miss Braun the Banking co-ordinators who will be sitting in the breezeway from 8.00 - 8.30am.

UNDER 8's DAY



This Thursday we will be holding our annual Under 8's morning. All of the children from Prep - Year2, as well as our Pre-Prep and Kindergarten visitors will participate in a morning of fun filled activities. All parents, carers and any younger siblings are also warmly invited to attend.

In order to participate freely in messy activities, the children in lower school may wear free dress as long as the clothes conform to the sun smart guidelines eg shirt with sleeves. School hats and school shoes or joggers must be worn.

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.

BOOK FAIR

Mon 17 - Thurs 20 August

Times: 8.15am-8.30am,

lunchtimes &

3.00pm to 3.20pm

Venue: Theatrette



All commission earned goes toward new books for our Library

GOOD COUNSEL COLLEGE ENROLMENT FOR YEAR 7 IS NOW OPEN

ENROLMENT INTERVIEW EVENING - TUES 4 AUG

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.