



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 1



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DIARY DATES

**TERM 4
(9 WEEKS)
TUE 6TH OCT -
FRI 4TH DEC**

NAIDOC WEEK

TUE 6 OCT

**MAGGIE DENT
PARENT TALK
7.00PM - 9.00PM
THEATRETTE**

WED 7 OCT

**CHOIR PRACTICE
8.40AM - 9.20AM**

**9.00AM—11.30AM
ISLAND DREAMING
PERFORMANCE**

WED 8 OCT

**BILLY SLATER LEAGUE
TAG
CALLENDAR PARK**

FRI 9 OCT

PRE-PRE SESSION #1

TUE 13 OCT

**P&F MEETING
7.30PM THEATRETTE**

Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to all after our mid-semester break. Hopefully all students are well rested and ready to take on the challenges of Term 4.

We start this term with NAIDOC Week. Mrs Naqicatabua has organised a fantastic array of activities for students in all year levels. These include visits from local Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander community members who will share their traditions with our school community. Some classes will learn traditional Dampier making and Face Painting. The older students will meet and hear Ty Williams. All students will attend the Island Dreaming Performance Wednesday as well as our local Goondoi Performance Dance Group. Thursday. Our week will conclude with Friday's Prayer Assembly. Over 40 of our current students are of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent. NAIDOC Week celebrates their people's unique and timeless connection to the land. The theme for 2015 is "We stand on Sacred Ground - Learn, Respect and Celebrate". The theme highlights Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People's strong spirited and cultural connection to land and sea.

Many places in our local region have traditional names. We are all encouraged to learn the local history, traditional names and stories of these significant places. Let us embrace NAIDOC celebrations and enjoy the learning opportunities this week.

Tonight we have our guest speaker coming to visit. Maggie Dent will be at the Theatre from 7pm - 9pm. I encourage all families to get one parent to come and listen to her presentation free of charge.

Maggie is excellent!!!
"9 Things Parents Need To Raise Successful Children"

Mrs Guli has offered to child sit if you cannot arrange child sitting. She will look after children in the library adjoining the Theatre.

Please see the link to below for parents to complete Mrs C's appraisal survey:-
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MCaltabianoParent2015>
which will be open until Wednesday October 7. The survey forms part of the

data for the appraisal panel to review Mrs C's performance as the APRE at Good Counsel Primary School. Please take the time to log on and complete or complete a paper survey available from the school office.

Pre-Prep Sessions begin this Friday and continue for the next 5 weeks. Prep 2016 students will spend the morning in Prep from 9am - 11am familiarising themselves with their teachers, school routines and surroundings. We welcome them into our school community.

Over the holidays we were pleasantly surprised to have Mark Thao (Year 3 student) return to Innisfail after his intensive treatment in Brisbane. Mark is out of hospital and living at home. Mrs Guli saw him out walking with his mum with the assistance of a walking frame. She reports that he was in great spirits and has grown since he has been away. We hope to have Mark visit his class mates when he regains his strength over the coming weeks. A true miracle - the miracle of Prayer.



DISABLED PARKING

Please note that access to the carpark adjacent to the oval is for current Prep parents and parents accessing the designated disabled car park. This park has been repainted and a new sign ordered. I received several complaints last term from parents wishing to park in the disabled space and it was being occupied by a car without the Australian Disability Parking Permit. Please refrain from using the Disability Park as we have parents who require access to this space.

Today we welcome back Mrs Carmel Parisi (School Counsellor) to Good Counsel Primary School. Carmel has been away for the past two terms. She will be based at school each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this term.

Regards Liam

Religious Life of the School—Week 1

Wed 7th October—Our Lady of the Rosary...
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8lvhoSNf6Ls>

Prayer, as the raising of the mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God, contributes to the faith growth of individuals and the building of Christian community.

Catholic schools draw on the richness of the Catholic tradition, the wider Christian tradition and their own particular charism to nurture the prayer life of the school. (www.bne.catholic.edu.au)

October is the month of The Rosary. The Rosary includes—The Sign of the Cross, Apostle's Creed, Our Father, five decades of The Hail Mary, Glory Be and The Fatima Prayer, and whilst it is usual to say five decades at a time, it is better to say one decade well, rather than five decades badly.

NAIDOC Friday Prayer Assembly...

Parents please join with us on Friday at 8:40am for our Liturgy of the Word as we celebrate the contribution of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and individuals. Indigenous Australians help us to see God's creation with fresh eyes, and have much to teach us about living God's way.

*God of the Dreaming, we come together from many different places and experiences.
 Help us to learn to live together in peace so that we can appreciate the good in each other, and give thanks to You. Amen.*

Fr Nathan McKay...

Congratulations to Fr Nathan who was Ordained a Priest on Friday 18th September 2015 at St Monica's Cathedral in Cairns. Fr Nathan will be assisting Fr Kerry in our parish for sometime and we look forward to welcoming him to Good Counsel Primary in mid-October.

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



2015 Calendar TERM 4

Tue 6 Oct - Fri 4 Dec (9 weeks)

Tue 06.10 Maggie Dent Theatrette 7:30pm

Wed 07.10 NAIDOC Island Dreaming—Phil Geia

Thu 08.10 Guest Speaker—Ty Williams 11:00am

Fri 09.10 NAIDOC Prayer Assembly

Pre-Preps Day 1

Inter-School Sport

Fri 16.10 GCPS Missions Prayer Assembly

Pre-Preps Day 2

Inter-School Sport

Mon 19.10 CTJ Day—PUPIL FREE DAY

Wed 21.10 School Officers Day

Wed 21.10 Socktober Children's Mission Day

Fri 23.10 Our Lady of the Rosary 4PC Pr. Assembly

Pre-Preps Day 3

Inter-School Sport

Mon 26.10 Life Education Van at School this week

Wed 28.10 GCC Year 7 Orientation Day

Thu 29.10 Day for Daniel—Wear a Red Shirt

Cyber Safety Sue McLean 7:30pm Theatrette

Fri 30.10 World Teachers Day

Pre-Preps Day 4

Inter-School Sport

Tue 03.11 P & F Meeting Theatrette 7:30pm

Fri 06.11 All Saints Prayer Assembly

Pre-Preps Day 5

Inter-School Sport

Wed 11.11 Remembrance Day Ceremony Blue Area

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





SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING
Term 3 Week 10 Recipients
Program Achieve:

6H	Summer-Rose Davis	<i>Confidence</i>
6B	Rochelle Hudson	<i>Getting Along</i>
5GH	Daniel Brant	<i>Getting Along</i>
4/5H	Mankiranveer Kaur	<i>Confidence</i>
4/5H	Tara Shannon	<i>Organisation</i>
4PC	Tess Wilson	<i>Persistence</i>
4PC	Luka Webb	<i>Persistence</i>
4PC	Daniel Keough	<i>Persistence</i>
4PC	Indy-Anna Nunan	<i>Organisation</i>
3Y	Belle Gallagher	<i>All Keys</i>
3Y	Nicholas Giandomenico	<i>Organisation</i>
2WH	Jamie Pedley	<i>Confidence</i>
2WH	Sean How Kee	<i>Organisation</i>
2WH	Ryan Millard	<i>Getting Along</i>
2AL	Natasha Lee Bow	<i>All Keys</i>
2AL	Isabella Booth	<i>All Keys</i>
2AL	Wade Rhodes	<i>All Keys</i>
1S	Violet Davis	<i>Organisation</i>
1S	Skylar Webb	<i>Organisation</i>
1G	Marcia Kuhn	<i>Organisation</i>
1G	Lizzie Wolbers	<i>Organisation</i>
1G	Darnel Stagg	<i>Organisation</i>
1G	Joe Anau	<i>Organisation</i>
PFD	Justin King	<i>Confidence</i>
PFD	Isaiah Portelli	<i>Persistence</i>
PFD	Jonah Sugars	<i>Getting Along</i>
PC	Gabrielle Costa	<i>Organisation</i>
PC	Lexi Evans	<i>Organisation</i>
PC	Tristan Johnson	<i>Organisation</i>

Thought for the day...

I found the sun for me this morning. I thank You, Lord. I found the warm water in the shower. I praise You. I found the bread in my kitchen this morning, Lord. I thank You. I found the fresh air as I stood at the door. I praise You. For all that I see that You do for me, I thank You. For all that I do not see that You do for me, I praise You. Christopher De Vinck



Above: Thanks to Mrs Ah Shay for the Bike Safety organisation.

Below: 1G students line up at the Post Office to purchase stamps during their visit last term.





LINDA IS LOOKING FOR HELPERS FROM 9AM-11.00AM

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 07 OCT HELP NEEDED
FRI 09 OCT LIZ KIPPIN
MON 12 OCT 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 07 Oct is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. Banking co-ordinators who will be sitting in the breezeway from 8.00 - 8.30am.

PAUL BOWMAN CHALLENGE

Two weeks ago Coen Mercer, Chayse Briggs and Jack Mills competed at Proserpine in the Paul Bowman Challenge. After winning all 6 games they came second in the final. Well done to you all.

Found.....

- 3 x watches
1 x silver cross (for chain)
1 x student reading glasses

Please see Administration if you think you may be the owner of one of these items.

We welcome back to Good Counsel Primary My-Lee and Aken Cora who return to PrepFD after a brief time away.



Our sympathies..... To Mace Jones (Prep FD) and his family on the passing of his Great Grandfather, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

TERM FEES

We ask that all outstanding fees now be finalised prior to Term 4 fees being issued next week.. 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.



INFORMATION UPDATES



Please remember to update your information should your circumstances or information change. Please email your remittance advice if paying your fees over the internet. If you are not receiving your invoice statements by email please advise the office immediately.



WELL DONE TO THE COWBOYS

Year 5GH recently held a morning tea to raise money as part of their 'charity' from their RE unit studies. Their efforts raised \$160.00 to be donated to the St Vincent de Paul Society Innisfail. Well done students of 5GH.