



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 7



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POINTS OF INTEREST

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DIARY DATES

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

WED 18 NOV
SCHOOL BANKING
8.00AM

THU 19 NOV
YR 5 LEADERSHIP DAY
THEATRETTE

TUE 24 NOV
YR 5 & 6
PERSONAL
DEVELOPMENT
(LETTER ATTACHED)

WED 25 NOV
GCPS TALENT SHOW

MON 30 NOV
YR 6 GRADUATION
MASS 6.00PM
DINNER 7.30PM



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Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

The miracle of prayer was evident last Friday at our 3Y Assembly. It was a very special morning for all students, staff and parents who attended the Prayer Assembly led by the Year 3 students. It was the first time many of them had seen Mark Thao since his serious accident at the Cairns Esplanade Pool some six months ago. Mark arrived at school early with his dad by his side, and closely protected by his brother Matthew and big sister Rebecca, talked to students before school. Many of Mark's classmates followed him around while in his wheelchair then when he wanted to get out of his chair and walk they were truly amazed at his progress. Mark was our special guest on Friday as the next day was his birthday. Delayne Balderson sang Happy Birthday on the microphone and Mark came forward to receive his birthday gift from the school community. Mr Thao thanked all in our school who had prayed for Mark and his family during his time of recovery and paid special tribute to Miss Yang and 3Y for their strength and daily prayers. At the conclusion of the Prayer Assembly, 3Y shared a birthday cake and spent time with Mark. Mr Thao discussed with me that Mark would continue 2 days each week at the Innisfail Inclusive Education Centre from the present into next year, regaining his skills and strength. He will visit Good Counsel Primary School for socialisation and he hoped in the future that Mark could return to Good Counsel to complete his Primary Education.

This Thursday our Year 5 students will spend time developing their leadership skills. Team Building activities, discussions and time for reflection will lead up to the students thinking about their leadership goals for 2016. Those students who then wish to stand for Leadership positions will nominate and write their speech to deliver to the class. At the end of the day all students in Year 5 will then vote for the nominated students. The elected School Captains, Sports Captains and the Student Council

members will be announced on the final Monday assembly (November 30). The process of electing Mini Vinnies representatives will take place early next year.

Classes and booklists for 2016 are being finalised over the next week and parents will be notified of their child's class by mid next week.

The new sports shirt orders have been placed and will be ready for the start of school. They will be available from our uniform shop. Opening hours for Linda will be advertised in the newsletter as well as in the Innisfail Advocate in mid January.

Our anticipated enrolment for 2016 will be above 310 students, showing strong growth. I have interviewed 22 new students across all year levels who are either moving from local schools or moving to town. This is a great sign for the future. All teaching positions are close to finalisation with class teachers being announced next week.

2016 will see three important student programs continued or increased. The Mini Lit / Mini Maths program targeting Year 1 students will be extended to three days a week 9.00am - 1.00pm with Mrs Rosanne Mifsud teaching targeted Year 1 students. Role M will be extended to 5 days targeting students across all year levels Prep - Year 6 in the area of Mathematics. Miss Cassie McLeish will continue working with these identified students. Rainbow Reading will continue to target students across Years 1 - 6 to improve reading and comprehension. All School Officers and Learning Support staff take small groups for high intensity coaching.

These supported programs are school funded and are on top of the many hours of classroom support that students receive each day at Good Counsel Primary School.

Regards *Liam*



Yr 3Y Prayer Assembly...

Thank you 3Y for the wonderful welcome to Mark Thao on his first visit back to school since May. Indeed prayers have a dual role in helping those for whom we pray, as well as those who pray—thank you Ms Yang for preparing the students and the good work throughout the year.



Happy 9th Birthday Mark..



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

2015 Calendar

TERM 4...

- Thu 19.11 Yr 5 Leadership Day Theatrette
- Tue 24.11 Personal Development—Yr 5 & Yr 6
- Fri 20.11 Mini Vinnies Hamper Assembly
- Sat 21.11 SVDP Mass 6:30pm—Mini Vinnies Choir
- 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

Tue 04.10 Term 4 commences



SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Term 4 Week 6 Recipients

Program Achieve:

6H	Xavier Cini	<i>Getting Along</i>
6B	David Schramm	<i>Persistence</i>
5GH	Brody McBride	<i>Persistence</i>
4/5H	Tara Shannon	<i>Getting Along</i>
4/5H	Lily Nutting	<i>Confidence</i>
4PC	Bobby Johnson	<i>Confidence</i>
4PC	Tess Wilson	<i>All Keys</i>
4PC	Brendan Zahmel	<i>Getting Along</i>
3Y	Kodi Worth	<i>Getting Along</i>
3Y	Leonardo Kenderick	<i>Emotional Resilience</i>
3/4K	Alexis Morales	<i>All Keys</i>
3/4K	Isabelle Loh	<i>All Keys</i>
2WH	Mathew Johnson	<i>Organisation</i>
2WH	Tyson Crosley	<i>Confidence</i>
2AL	Stevie-Rose Wallis	<i>Getting Along</i>
2AL	Matthew Thao	<i>Getting Along</i>
1S	Dexter Bartolo-Solares	<i>Organisation</i>
1S	Lachlan Thomason	<i>Persistence</i>
1S	Voilet Davies	<i>Getting Along</i>
PFD	Mikayla Morales	<i>Persistence</i>
PFD	My-Lee Cora	<i>Persistence</i>

POETRY RECITALS

MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER

2WH—Theatrette following Monday Assembly

WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER

2AL—Theatrette 9:00am

Invitations have been sent out to parents of the students in these classes. We look forward to seeing you.

Good Counsel Primary Year 6 Mini Vinnies...



Please join the Mini Vinnies for their final Friday Prayer Assembly on Friday as they promote the Class Christmas Hampers which support the St Vincent de Paul Society in their endeavours over the festive season. Your generosity will be called upon commencing next week to enable each class to bring forward their hampers during the Christmas Concert on Thursday 3 December. Please wait till Week 8 and 9 before sending in your donations.

Saturday's 6:30pm Mass at Mother of Good Counsel is the final opportunity the Mini Vinnies will have to support the St Vincent de Paul Choir in 2015. Parents are invited to come along to support the children in their role as this year's GCPS Mini Vinnies. It is always heart-warming to see children who pledged their support, fulfil their responsibilities.

GCPS TALENT SHOW WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER

Sing, dance, play a musical instrument

Nominations coming in already.

Lyrics in with Nomination Form

if it's a singing item.



tUckshop



LINDA IS LOOKING FOR HELPERS FROM 9AM-11.00AM

PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 18 NOV CONNIE BARNES
FRI 20 NOV ALEX PUCCINI
MON 23 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

JOIN BEFORE 12PM 20 NOVEMBER FOR PRE-CHRISTMAS DELIVERY!



EXCLUSIVE MEMBERSHIP FOR JRL PLAYERS & FAMILIES

2016 STAMPEDE BLUE+GREY



OPTION TO PURCHASE A CUSTOM FIT MOUTHGUARD FOR \$50! 1300 GO COWBOYS

JRL STAR \$35

EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS

- Child merchandise pack
Option to purchase a custom fit 1300SMILES mouthguard for \$50
Plus core benefits and digital pack

JRL STAR FAMILY \$120

EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS

- 2 x adult merchandise packs + 2 x child merchandise packs
Option to purchase a custom fit 1300SMILES mouthguard for \$50 for each child member
Family GA pass to a 2016 Cowboys game (excluding Cowboys v Broncos)
Plus core benefits and digital pack

MEMBER BENEFITS

CORE BENEFITS PACK

- Priority booking to NRL finals
Priority booking to State of Origin
Entry to Bluey's Members Bar at all home games
Cowboys Leagues Club membership
10% off home game tickets for family and friends
10% off merchandise at the Cowboys Team Shop
Access to exclusive members-only discount offers
Invitation to Cowboys members-only events
Voting rights for Members' Player 2016

DIGITAL PACK

- Team announcement email
Member update email
Club e-newsletter
Breaking club news emails
Member wallpaper for download to your selected device
Weekly 'inside news' content from Cowboys Media
Members-only live streaming for selected club events



JOIN NOW

*Available to JRL players' parents and included in JRL Star Family membership only. **Email address must be supplied to receive notification of on-sale dates and buying window password. May exclude Old Origin games. >>Children must be accompanied by an adult when entering Bluey's Members Bar. **10% home game ticket discount - maximum purchase of four tickets per member, per game. ***Live streaming as available - members will be notified in advance.

MEMBERSHIP.COWBOYS.COM.AU/JRLSTAR 1300 GO COWBOYS (1300 462 692)



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.



OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS



Parents, check your child's bag for any overdue/lost library book notices. Please help them locate any overdue books and return them to the library. If they cannot be located please make payment for the lost library book directly to the office by no later than Friday November 27th so that Mrs Farina can complete her stocktake.

Congratulations to Daniel Slafer 5GH who received a Highly Commended in the recent Make A Wish Art Competition receiving an iPad Air and Alana Puccini 6B who received an Art Voucher. Well Done! Thankyou Mrs Sugars for encouraging the students to participate.



School Banking Day Reminder



Don't forget that Wednesday 18 Nov 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. Bring in your banking and collect your points!!!

YR 6 GRADUATION DINNER MONIES & FORMS ARE DUE THIS FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20