#### TERM FEES

Term 3 fees are now overdue. Please make payment by the due date.

Please be mindful and check your emails to ensure delivery of your fee statement.

Please be aware for direct deposits into the school's bank account it is imperative to use your 973............ Reference located at the bottom of your invoice to ensure that monies are credited against the correct account and not delay payments.

Please email remittance to avoid payments being overlooked.

If you do not receive the email with your Term Fee Statements, or if you have a direct debit set up and the funds are not coming out, please let the Office know.

#### **SEESAW - REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS**

Please remember that Seesaw is to be used only for classroom matters. It is not to be used to record absences, these are to be done through the Parent Portal or by calling the Office.

We have had several teachers absent and these messages can be missed if they are not on Seesaw.



#### PLAYGROUP FRIDAY 20 AUGUST 2021

GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL
9.00AM—12.00PM
PLEASE BRING A HAT & LUNCH
GOOD COUNSEL PLAYGROUP
GOOD SAMARITAN HALL
FRIDAY MORNINGS 9.00 - 11.00AM
(Access via Owen Street)
Cost: \$2.00 per family

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BYO: HAT MORNING TEA & WATER BOTTLE

Co-ordinators: Amy McElhinney & Katie Cavallaro & Ashleigh Strachan

Catering for children birth to 5 years

#### **TUCKSHOP**



WED 18 AUG - TANIA FRI 20 AUG - TANIA MON 23 AUG - TANIA

PLEASE ENSURE ALL TUCKSHOP ORDERS ARE WRITTEN OUT ON A PAPER BAG WITH AMOUNT OF MONEY ENCLOSED & CLEARLY NAMED.

Tuckshop List and Uniform Price List are available on the Good Counsel Primary School website.

REGULAR TIMES FOR SALE OF UNIFORMS MON-WED-FRI TIMES: 8.00 - 8.30AM 11.00AM- 12.30PM





#### Next week is BOOK WEEK!

Please remember that all students are invited to dress up next **Thursday (26**<sup>th</sup> **August)** as their favourite book character or in conjunction with this year's theme – **OLD WORLDS, NEW WORLDS, OTHER WORLDS.** 

To help celebrate BOOK WEEK each class will participate in a book reading and activity session during their scheduled Library time next week.

As well as this, the Library will be open during Book Week from 8.00 am – 8.30 am each morning so that parents/carers and students will have the opportunity for some quality reading time together. This will be a great chance to read some of the shortlisted CBCA books that will be on display. (The usual Covid check-in protocols will apply.)

We are looking forward to seeing some wonderful costumes and creations next week. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mrs Denise Kenny & Mrs Laurann Farina
The Library



## GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

**NEWSLETTER** 

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

**17TH AUGUST 2021** 

TERM 3 Week 6

Dear Parents/Carers

Good Counsel Primary was certainly a buzz of excitement last Friday as we welcomed our new Prep Cohort for 2022. Over 50 Pre-Preps joined us for our first Pre-Prep session, and for them, their first introduction to Good Counsel Primary. Each prospective Prep received their new "I am a GCP Prep" shirt which they will wear each Friday morning when they attend their sessions. Each year, we are amazed how much our current Preps have grown up since they visited for the first time twelve months ago. Well done to our Prep teaching team and all involved in organising our Prep transition activities. It is an opportune time to remind parents/carers to complete an application form if you have a child who is of age for Prep 2023 as this year both of our classes filled prior to the end of Term 1.

There are many significant activities planned over the coming weeks. We wish all students, particularly those from Year 4, who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation which will be on Monday 23 August and then follow up with the Sacrament of First Eucharist on 28/29 August. It will be a holy month for you all.

Next week we celebrate Book Week, though we know that each <u>day</u> we should be celebrating books. If we read, we gain knowledge and enjoyment. Reading assists with spelling, writing and our general vocabulary, so I encourage all students to read every day. The theme for Book Week 2021 is "Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds". The theme illustrated by Shaun Tan opens up

endless possibilities for dress ups and activities from old worlds - ancient times; new worlds - outer space to other worlds - make believe. Staff and students will have a chance to dress up on Thursday 26 August and Mrs Farina and Mrs Kenny will have some wonderful book focused activities in the library on Tuesday to Thursday of next week.



Just a reminder that we have a Pupil Free Day set for Friday 3 September. This is set by Education Queensland's moderation day. Teachers will be moderating work samples between cohorts and also between schools to enhance consistency of teaching and assessment marking.

Today we welcome Mrs Sugars back from her Long Service Leave since last Term and Mrs Guli from her week away on Long Service Leave

Regards Liam

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OFFICE HOURS 8:00 AM—3:00PM



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DIARY DATES

**TERM 3**Mon 12 Jul —

Fri 17 Sep

WED 18 AUG SCHOOL BANKING IN BREEZEWAY 8.00 - 8.40AM

**ICAS ENGLISH** 

FRI 20 AUG PRE-PREP #2 8.35-11.00AM

THU 26 AUG BOOK WEEK DRESS UP

REMINDER FRIDAY'S TUCKSHOP ORDERS TO BE IN ON THURSDAY MORNING

#### Term 3 Matters..



#### **5GS St Mary of the Cross Prayer Assembly...**

Congratulations students for the Mary MacKillop presentation on Friday. Job well done—Thank you Mrs Jan Gallagher and Mrs Michelle Darveniza.



#### **Ferm 3...**

Wed 18/8 ICAS English

Fri 20/8 4D Confirmation Assembly Pre-Prep Session #2

Mon 23/8 Sacrament of Confirmation Mother of Good Counsel Church 7pm

Wed 25/8 ICAS Science & Spelling

Ned 25/8 Book Week—Old Worlds. New Worlds. Other Worlds

Thu 26/8 Book Week Characters Yr Level Parades—Theatrette

Fri 27/8 4F First Eucharist Assembly Pre-Prep Session #3

Sat 28/8 First Fucharist MoGC

Wed 1/9 ICAS Mathematics

Thu 2/9 Prep Fathers Afternoon

Fri 3/9 CTJ Pupil Free Day

Sunday 5/9 FATHER'S DAY Tue 7/9 Math Olympiad #5

Wed 8—10/9 Yr 5 Camp

Fri 10/9 2AL Fathers' Day Assembly Pre-Prep Session #4

Wed 15/9 Bike Safety Day

Thu 16/9 Yr 2 Excursion Jim Graham Cup Callendar Pk

Fri 17/9 Prep Fairy Tales Day Mary Mills Netball Term 3 ends

#### School Holidays

Mon 4/10 Queen's Birthday Holiday

#### **Term 4...**

Tue 5/10 Term commences

Fri 29/10 World Teachers Day

Wed11/11 Remembrance Day

Mon 29/11 Leadership Assembly

Fri 3/12 Term 4 ends

#### Thank you Father Kerry...

Thank you Father Kerry for taking the time with 5GS' class mass and Year 4's Reconciliation in Mother of Good Counsel Church. Thank you Mrs Jan Gallagher, Mrs Amber Di Carlo and Miss Teagan Forster for preparing the children.

#### **Confirmation Prayer Assembly...**

The students of 4D invite you to join them for their prayer assembly on Friday, as they acknowledge the children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

God of all things, you surround us with many signs of your presence. Teach us to cherish and reverently use the Sacraments of our faith: in our prayer, in our actions, in our service as our love for you grows and spreads to others. Amen.

#### Sacrament of Confirmation...

We pray for the children who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next week:

Xander, Ella, Savannah, Dakota, Linkin, Claire, Scarlett, Ben, Ben S, Leighton, Brock, Eliska, Mackenzie, Charlotte, Ariana, Cadence, and Alannah.

God of signs and symbols, the Sacraments reveal your love and call us to be disciples of Jesus. Surprise us with new understandings. Deepen in us new appreciations. Challenge us to new ways of living as your sacramental people.

Yours in Catholic Education—Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C





Feast of the Assumption-Mary, the mother of Jesus, is celebrated with such adoration and dedication in the Catholic Church, that the Feast of the Assumption, held on 15th August, is one of only two Holy Days of Obligation in Australia observed, outside of the weekly Sunday Mass. The feast days of the Church are not just the commemoration of historical events; they do not look only to the past. They look to the present and to the future and give us an insight into our own relationship with God. The Assumption looks to eternity and gives us hope that we, too, will follow Our Lady when our life is ended.

https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2021-08-15&



### Congratulations

To Anantbir (Prep S) and family on the birth of a baby sister Rubani.

#### Solution-seeking kids...

Every parent wants their child to grow up happy, healthy, strong, kind and resilient. Building Children's Resilience-one building block at a time-aims to guide parents in their everyday decision-making to raise kids who are just that. In our ever-changing, uncertain world it is important to understand what resilience is and how to build that in our

The capacity for building coping and enabling abilities, as well as help-seeking strategies and tangible life skills will help your children navigate the world ahead. The book condenses and updates material from Maggie Dent's bestselling 2008 book. Real Kids in an Unreal World. It outlines 10 key building block for children birth—12. we can build our children's strengths-one building block at a time-and we can even start before birth. www.maggiedent.com

Borrow Maggie Dent's Building Children's Resilience from our GCPS Admin Resources

# vouchers

#### **NOW OPEN**

GCPS have received a limited number of 'FairPlay Vouchers'.

If you are interested and have not used one this year please contact Mr Liam Kenny Principal.