

TERM FEES

Term fees have been issued and are now due. 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.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2023

Prep enrolments for 2023 are well underway with many applications already received.

If you have a child who was born between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018 please go onto the Good Counsel Primary School website and complete the Application for Enrolment online.

If you have any queries please contact the



Bringing Up Great Kids

Innisfail Term 1

The Bringing Up Great Kids program supports parents and carers to:

- Learn more about their own parenting style
- Identify important messages they want to tell their children
- Learn about brain development in children and its influence on their thoughts, feelings and behaviour
- Understand the meaning behind children's behaviours, and how to respond to children's underlying feelings and needs

3 Week Program
Commencing
11th March - 25th March

Fridays
10am - 12pm
Venue: Innisfail VPG
(158a Edith St)

Babes in arms welcome,
light refreshments provided

Bookings essential

Contact Alana

0488 321 605

alana@vpginc.com.au



TUCKSHOP HELPERS WANTED

WED 9 MAR - Chloe

FRI 11 MAR - 4 SPOTS TO FILL

MON 14 MAR - 1 SPOT TO FILL

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!

TUCKSHOP



WED 9 MAR - TANIA & CHLOE

FRI 11 MAR - TANIA

MON 14 MAR - 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.

2022 SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

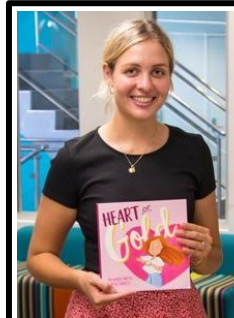
OPENING TIMES

MON, WED, FRI
8.00am - 8.30am
2.00pm - 3.00pm



Presenting 'Heart of Gold'

The picture book Heart of Gold relates to the author, Alexandra Worth on a persona level, as it recounts the events that occurred during her journey of open heart surgery. The main character in the book, Anna, is portrayed as Alexandra herself; a little girl who shares her story of life before, during and after the surgery. It is truly a fantastic book that everyone will love!



GCPS PLAYGROUP

GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

GOOD COUNSEL PLAYGROUP

GOOD SAMARITAN HALL

FRIDAY MORNINGS 9.00 - 11.00AM

(Access via Owen Street)

Cost: \$2.00 per family

BYO: HAT MORNING TEA & WATER BOTTLE

Co-ordinators: Ashleigh Gordon-Cooke

(0459 676 121) & Lili Sales

Catering for children birth to 5 years

Join our "Good Counsel Playgroup" facebook page for more information.



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

8th MARCH, 2022

TERM 1 Week 7

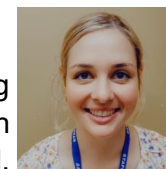
Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to all! It was a great feeling yesterday for students to be able to see their teachers and school officers mask free for the first time in 2022. Staff were also very happy to be able to communicate freely and stop repeating instructions as they could once again be clearly heard. A huge thank you to all parents/carers who over our past 4 weeks have shown patience and understanding with regards to the Covid restrictions that schools had to follow. Many thanks to our amazing staff who have had to wear their masks and follow the Covid protocols for the first 4 weeks of school during hot and trying conditions.

This week our Covid numbers have dropped with 8 students and staff absent due to a positive case / being considered a close contact. A reminder to please contact the school office if your child is away for any reason— not just if it is Covid related.

New Staff Profile:

Miss Alex Worth is teaching Year 1 in 2022. Alex— born and bred in Innisfail, attended GCPS for primary school and GCC for secondary before studying at JCU to complete her Bachelor of Education. While studying Alex worked at Goodstart Early Learning South Innisfail as the Kindergarten teacher.



Likes/Interests:

Favourite colour is blue.

Fun Facts:

1. Mrs Guli taught Alex in Year 1 in the current classroom that Alex is teaching in and she replaced Mrs Guli this year.

2. Alex was a previous shotput/discus champion in QLD

3. Her big sister is Miss Adrienne Worth who teaches Year 5W.

4. Alex is the author of 'Heart of Gold'

Yesterday we welcomed Dakota Chase into Year 6S. Dakota moved from Mena Creek State School and as we have pieced together, is related to several students and staff (Mrs Naqicatubua). We hope Dakota settles into the GCPS and enjoys her final year of primary school with us.

Thursday 16th March is St Patrick's Day—Come dressed with a little green and assist the Mini Vinnies with their St Vincent de Paul Flood Appeal—Gold Coin Donation.

Next Friday we have planned our first social event for 2022 with a P&F welcome BBQ and Student Council 'Green Disco' The event will also be a fundraiser for the South East Queensland flood victims. We will have the usual items for sale (refer to flyer) with plenty of green frozies (proceeds to the QLD St Vincent de Paul Flood Appeal). We will also have some Leprechauns take around the hat/ bucket to collect any adult donations on the night.

Friday this week will be our first full assembly with our Mini Vinnies— Year 6 students, receiving their Mini Vinnies Badges. Our newly elected executive will also receive their special badges presented by Mr Jim Arnell from the local St Vincent de Paul Chapter. Parents are very welcome to attend.

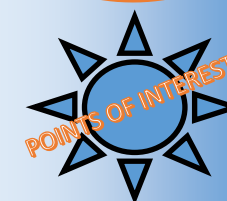
Regards Liam

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OFFICE HOURS

8:00 AM—3:00PM

Ph: 07 40630600



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DIARY DATES

TERM 1

Mon 7 Feb —

Fri 1 Apr



FRIDAY TUCKSHOP
ORDERS IN ON
THURSDAY
PLEASE

2022 SCHOOL FEES
NOW DUE

ALL ABSENCES TO
PARENT PORTAL OR
PHONE OFFICE
NOT VIA SEESAW

DATE CLAIMERS

WED 23 MAR

SCHOOL

PHOTOS

Ash Wednesday Liturgies...



Prep and Yr 6 Buddies—Mother of Good Counsel Church



Yr 2, 3 and 4 Liturgy



Year 1 and 5 Liturgy

2022 Calendar—Term 1...

- Fri 11/3 Mini Vinnies Commissioning
- Thu 17/3 St Patrick's Gold Coin Green Dress Day -
- Fri 18/3 P&F Meet & Greet BBQ 6:30pm
- Student Council Green Disco 7:00— 8:30pm
- Wed 23/3 SCHOOL PHOTOS
- Fri 25/3 3DK Palm Sunday Assembly
- Tue 29/3 6S Last Supper
- Thu 31/3 5SD Stations of the Cross
- Fri 1/4 Term One ends...

School Holidays

- Fri 15/4 Good Friday
- Sun 17/4 Easter Sunday
- Mon 18/4 Easter Monday

Term 2...

- Tue 19/4 Term commences
- Fri 22/4 ANZAC Prayer Assembly
- Mon 25/4 ANZAC Day
- Mon 2/5 Qld Labour Day Holiday
- Wed 8/6 School Officers Day
- Fri 25/6 Term 2 ends...

Term 3...

- Mon 11/7 Term commences
- Wk 3—Catholic Education Week
- Fri 16/9 Term 3 ends...

Term 4...

- Tue 4/10 Term commences
- Fri 28/10 World Teachers Day
- Fri 11/11 Remembrance Day
- Fri 2/12 End of School Mass

Check out the inserted Flyer for next week's Green Disco.

**GOOD COUNSEL
PRIMARY SCHOOL
GREEN DRESS DISCO**

P&F BBQ
6:30pm

STUDENT COUNCIL DISCO
7:00—8:30pm

STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

EVERYONE WELCOME!
GREAT PRIZES!

SEQ FLOOD FUNDRAISER
GREEN FROZIES 50c

Student Council will take the 'green hat/ bucket' around if you can donate thanks.

HAMBURGERS \$6.00

FISH BURGER \$6.00

SAUSAGE ON BREAD \$2.50

VEGETARIAN SAUSAGE ON BREAD \$2.50

TEA & COFFEE \$3.00

WATER \$2.50

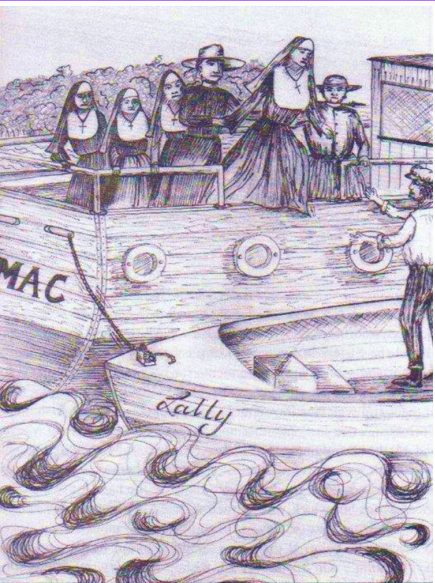
LUCKY DOOR PRIZE FOR KIDS - GET YOUR FREE TICKET

Come dressed in your best green costume/outfit

ENTERTAINMENT BY
DJ LEPRECHAUN & CREW

Sisters of the Good Samaritan Charism...

Congratulations to 5W students and Miss Adrienne Worth for organising the Good Samaritan Charism Prayer Assembly presentation as a PowerPoint for each classroom. Charism is a gift of the Spirit given to persons and taken up by a group to carry out the mission of Jesus, serving with a special spirit which tells us something special about God. We honour and remember how in 1903, four Sisters of the Good Samaritan of the Benedictine Order came to Geraldton (Innisfail) to begin educating on the hill in Rankin Street, the same place that we come to educate and be educated in 2022.



This is a sketch by Brigid Darveniza of the arrival of the Good Samaritans by boat in 1903.

Good Counsel Primary honours the legacy of the Good Samaritans, with the three Charism values that we, as its staff and students, make our own: **Welcome others as we would welcome Christ.**

Be compassionate to the person in need.

Serve God by being neighbour.

NRL GALA DAY



NETBALL GALA DAY



Year 6 Mini Vinnies Commissioning...

Parents & Carers, staff and students are invited to join with us on Friday 18 March as we commission our Mini Vinnies with the first Prayer Assembly gathering in the Blue Area for 2022. We welcome you and thank you for your patience and know you will support the Year 6 children in their endeavours this year.

Mini Vinnies Prayer...

Dear God,

Open our eyes that we may see the needs of people.

Move our hands so that we can feed the hungry.

Touch our hearts that they may bring warmth to those who are sad.

Let us share our time and possessions with those in need.

May we all be a source of support and encouragement for each other as we strive to build a more loving world.

Amen.