

REMINDER TERM FEES

Thank you to all who have paid their Term 1 Fees.

For families who are not on a Direct Debit and have outstanding fees due, please make payment over the internet with the details on the bottom of the invoice noting your Reference 973..... (also noted on the bottom of your invoice) to ensure that monies are credited against the correct account and not delay payments.

The remittance statement should then be emailed to

accounts.innisfail@cns.catholic.edu.au

Please be mindful and check your emails & junk/spam to ensure delivery of your fee statement.

School Transport Assistance

The Non-State Schools Transport Assistance Scheme (NSSTAS) provides financial assistance for families transporting students to non-state schools in Queensland. The Scheme includes a Bus Fare Assistance program which assists families with the cost of transporting their student on an approved bus service to non-state schools. For students with disabilities, this assistance includes the cost of transportation by means that takes account of their disability.

Applications for the scheme are open from May 1 – 31 (for travel January to June) and October 1 – 31 (for travel July to December). To find out more about eligibility requirements and to apply, visit www.SchoolTransport.com.au

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

A wide variety of affordable books—starting at \$3.

Book Club is only available online -
Scholastic.com.au/LOOP

1. LOG-IN or Register if a new member.
2. Click on ORDER, select our school and your child's class.
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for).
4. Enter the item number from the catalogue.
5. Orders are sent to the school.

ONLINE Orders close Friday 6 May

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!

TUCKSHOP HELPERS WANTED

FRI 29 - 3 SPOTS TO FILL

TUCKSHOP

WED 27 APR - TANIA & SANDRA HEALEY
FRI 29 APR - TANIA
MON 02 MAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY—LABOUR DAY
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



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

Election Statement

FEDERAL ELECTION: Read the Australian Catholic Bishops' 2022 election statement, *Towards a Better Kind of Politics*, to help you reflect on the good you can do for the community by using your vote for the common good of all. The statement includes a Prayer for the Election and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching.

Download a copy from www.catholic.org.au



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

26TH APRIL, 2022

TERM 2 Week 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thankyou firstly to the students and parents/carers who braved the weather and attended the ANZAC Services yesterday. We dodged the rain and missed the Poppy drop which happened after the march was over. This year it was the 107 year Anniversary of the day Australian and New Zealand soldiers landed on Gallipoli in 1915 as part of the Allied invasion. At 4am the Innisfail RSL building was overflowing with past veterans, service groups, members of the Innisfail community and school students who came to pay their respects on this truly National Day. Pictured below are our School Captains Abbey and Brodie (with Travis and Addison) who laid a wreath on behalf of all our Good Counsel Primary School community. At 7am we remembered again the fallen at Mother of Good Counsel Church for the traditional ANZAC Mass and then some 180 Good Counsel Primary School students marched in the ANZAC Parade at the Cenotaph at 8.30am. It is so important that we continue to remember the more than 1.5 million service men and women who have served our country in all conflicts, wars and peace keeping operations. It is also a time to remember the more than 102 000



Australians who sacrificed their lives in our country's name.

During this term, we have many students representing the Cassowary Coast District for representative sporting teams. Congratulations to Elle Gracie for participating in the Peninsula Netball trials last Thursday. Good Luck to Addler Ingram, Quinn Devaney, Brodie Masina, Travis Sinton, Elle Gracie and Ethan English who will play in the U/11 Peninsula Rugby League Championships this Thursday and William Kris who will play at the U/12 Championships on Friday.

We begin this week our 2023 Prep Interviews. At this stage we have over 70 applications for 50 Prep positions, so if you are an existing family and you have not completed your online application, please do so ASAP.

Next Thursday (5 May), we have our Mother's Day mini concert and scones for morning tea. Please keep the morning free if you can to watch our classes perform a song or poem for their mothers. Mother's Day is celebrated on Sunday 8 May.

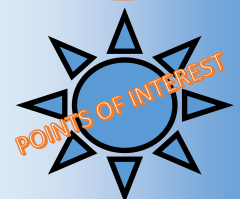
In week 4 we have the National NAPLAN testing for Year 3 & 5 students. The students in these classes have been preparing for their NAPLAN online test which takes a snapshot of where students are in the areas of Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy.

Tomorrow, we will honour our school's Patron Saint Mary, Mother of Good Counsel with Mass on 9.00am. We look forward to having the Good Counsel College Year 7 students join us.

Regards
Liam

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OFFICE HOURS
8:00 AM—3:00PM
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DIARY DATES

TERM 2

Tue 19 April —
Fri 24 June

TUE 26 APR
P&F MEETING
7.00PM
THEATRETTE

MON 2 MAY
LABOUR DAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

THU 5 MAY
MOTHERS' DAY
MINI CONCERT

FRIDAY TUCKSHOP
ORDERS IN ON
THURSDAY

DATE CLAIMERS
SCHOOL PHOTOS
WED 1ST JUNE

Term 2 Matters...



2022 Calendar—Term 2...

Tue 26/4 P&F Meeting 7pm Theatre
 Wed 27/4 Mother of Good Counsel
 Feast Day Mass 9:00am
 GCC Yr 7 students attending
 Mon 2/5 Qld Labour Day Holiday
 Thu 5/5 Mother's Day Concert 9:00am
 Tue 10—12/5 NAPLAN
 Wed 1/6 School Photos
 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

Wednesday 27 April...

Good Counsel Primary students and staff will honour Mary, Mother of Good Counsel with a special Mass commencing at 9:00am. Thank you Fr Kerry for being available to celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist for us.

Mary, Mother of Good Counsel...

In the Alban Hills, not far from the city of Rome, lies the little town of Genazzano, where the miraculous image of Our Lady of Good Counsel is venerated. The story of the picture dates back to 1467.

Pilgrims assembled on the feast of St. Mark were startled by a mysterious rustling sound and strains of sweet music. Looking toward the sky, they beheld what seemed a soft cloud. Slowly it descended and rested in front of the unfinished wall of the church dedicated to the Mother of God under the title of Good Counsel. The picture rests suspended in the air without any visible means of support to maintain its stable condition, and this for five centuries! Although painted on a piece of plaster no thicker than an ordinary visiting card, the image has withstood the ravages of time.

For almost 600 years the Augustinian Order has honoured Mary under the title of Mother of Good Counsel, based on an ancient fresco of that name. An annual feast day is on 26th April. In the Augustinian world, the hill town of Genazzano, about an hour from Rome by car, is well known. The Order of Saint Augustine came there not long before the year 1274. In a church at Genazzano, where the Order of Saint Augustine has served since 1356, is most famous for a small fresco of the infant Jesus and his mother. The fresco gives Mary the title of the 'Mater di Bon Consiglio' Mother of Good Counsel. It is the most famous fresco in the Augustinian's possession.

The Augustinian Order contributed to the spread of this devotion internationally. In Australia, through the years, various institutions have been named in honour of Mary under the title of Our Lady of Good Counsel.

The Augustinian Order of Priests were those who brought this devotion to the area which we now call the Cairns Diocese. Mother of Good Counsel is the Patron Saint of the Cairns Diocese and within it two churches: one in Cairns, one here in Innisfail, and three schools honour her as their Patron Saint.

Yours in Catholic Education— Mrs C (Maria Caltabiano)



Congratulations....
 To the Gil family on
 the recent arrival
 of Rose, a sister for
 Nate (2ML) and
 Lily (Prep S).



Sincere Sympathy to....
 Renee Sinton and Jamie
 Genocchio and families, Travis
 (6S), Leighton (5W), Hannah
 (4F) Sophie (4R), Brooklyn
 (3DK) and Frankee (Prep H) on
 the passing of their father and
 grandfather Alan Granich.



Various GCPS Jackets unclaimed... NO NAMES —

With Winter approaching now is the time to check that your school jacket is safely at home. See Mrs C with a note from Mum (with size) if yours is missing.

DATE CLAIMER: THURSDAY 5 MAY 2022

GCPS MOTHERS /CARERS,
 GRANDMOTHERS & AUNTS
 MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT,
 CUPPA & SCONES

GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY
 COMMENCING 9:00am



If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please return the envelope with money for the number of tickets required, or you may wish to purchase tickets at the concert.

Mother's Day Raffle Tickets on sale next week.