


REMINDER TERM FEES

 Term 2 fees will be issued this week. 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

IMPORTANT REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS

It has come to our attention that some family details are not up to date. If you are unsure of what is in the system, please log onto the Parent Portal and check the information you supplied to the Office. If any changes are needed you can request these on the Portal. This information is important should we need to contact you in an emergency.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

TUCKSHOP HELPERS WANTED

WED 18 MAY - 1 SPOT TO FILL
FRI 20 MAY - 4 SPOTS TO FILL
MON 23 MAY - 1 SPOT TO FILL

TUCKSHOP

WED 18 MAY - TANIA & 1 SPOT TO FILL
FRI 20 MAY - TANIA & 4 SPOTS TO FILL
MON 23 MAY - TANIA & 1 SPOT TO FILL

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

YR 6 SENIOR SHIRTS

An email was sent to all Year 6 parents yesterday regarding payment of the Year 6 Senior Shirt. Please use the account details and the specific reference number provided in the email with your name.

Bank account 000018961 BSB084-352
Account name: GCPS Fees & Levies
Reference: 9730004688 (Surname & Initial)
\$33.00 A remittance must be emailed to accounts.innisfail@cns.catholic.edu.au

This reference must be used and only used for the Senior Shirt.



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

17th MAY 2022

TERM 2 Week 5

Dear Parents/ Carers

In Week 3's Newsletter, Mr Kenny referred to Traffic Safety around the school, and in particular the Rankin St Drop Off/ Pick up Zone. May I extend my congratulations to you for heeding the times on the signs for the yellow-lined bays and not leaving your vehicle to enter the school to collect your child/children. It has made such a difference to the traffic flow, with students being collected safely and in record time.

By the end of this week, all Owen and Rankin Street students will be supplied with a laminated yellow surname tag, which I kindly request be displayed either on the collecting vehicle's dashboard or on passenger side visor. From the perspective of the staff member on duty, this will assist in eliminating the guesswork involved in determining exactly who is being collected.

Many thanks to Mrs Andrea Devaney for the smooth coordination of the NAPLAN for Yr 3 & 5 students and the support provided to the delivering teachers. Thank you teachers for the professional manner with which your students are supported.

Mrs Hayley Russell will be at Castor Park in Mourilyan on Thursday 19 May with the Year 4 and 5 students who will be travelling by bus following Roll Call, to participate in the Peninsula Sports Road Show. Students are being asked to swap their Thursday-Friday uniforms in order to participate in the activities in their sports uniform.

The day will allow students to engage with Regional Sport Development Officers over a wide variety of sports. Students will rotate round to different sports over the course of the day and return to school before 3:00pm. Thank you Ms McLaughlin, Mrs Casale, Miss Forster, Mrs Ridolfi, Mrs Davis and Miss Worth for the supervision.

The Prep, Yr 1 and Yr 2 students have the opportunity to engage with the Ditto Show (principles of personal safety) — being brought to them on Friday 20 May by the Bravehearts experienced facilitators. Thank you Mrs Donna Vecchio for organising this each year, though the children missed out last year because of COVID restrictions.

Peninsula Cross Country Trials on Friday in Yungaburra will have the following children competing:

10 boys - Braxton D'Urso,
Jacob Bradford & Brady Devaney
10 girls - Naomi Boota
11 boys - Travis Sinton
11 girls - Sienna Torrisi
12 boys - Archer Ingram

Remember the pre-COVID Monday Assemblies in the Blue Area? In case you were not aware, each classroom has an appointed Student Councillor or Sports Captain presenter, who at first bell on Monday morning, leads prayer, hands out the birthday certificates, reads the week's notices and helps sing the school song.

The focus yesterday was a reminder of the school's expectations for students to be: Safe, Respectful and Responsible. These values are ably supported by the GCPS Charism values that we refer to regularly.

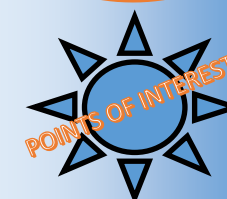
The NRL Magic Round may have been played out at Suncorp over the weekend, but the magic was at work at school yesterday when from 4 blue school handballs at 8:35am, 20 mysteriously materialised by 1:00pm. Amazing! Thank you children for locating the hidden stashes.

Get well soon wishes to all in recovery to good health.

Kind regards Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C.

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OFFICE HOURS
8:00 AM—3:00PM
Ph: 07 40630600



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DIARY DATES
TERM 2
Tue 19 April —
Fri 24 June

FRI 20 MAY
PENINSULA CROSS COUNTRY - YUNGABURRA

FRIDAY TUCKSHOP ORDERS IN ON THURSDAY

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DETAILS ON THE PARENT PORTAL

DATE CLAIMERS

SCHOOL PHOTOS
WED 1ST JUNE

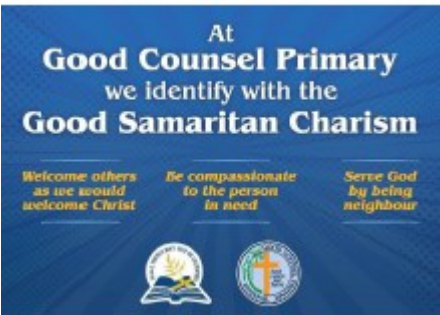


The View of the Mountains...
The magnificent view, on Friday from the GCPS Senior Block, of Mount Bartle Frere (Qld's highest mountain 1622m) and Mt Bellenden Ker (1593m), was something to behold after the weeks of cloud cover.

Thank you Sports House Captains...
Fantastic Prayer Assembly with war cries were at the ready as the Captains invited each of the team members to stand and be heard. Lots of practice still required before the Athletics Carnival scheduled for Friday 17 June. Apologies for no group photo on the day—back to the start of the year with this one.



Let us pray...
*For those who protect our environment...
For those who inspire our imaginations...
For those who explain patiently...
For those who share their kindness...
For those who act responsibly...
For those who are always respectful...
For those who have asked for our prayers...*
Lord, hear our prayer.
Yours in Catholic Education—Mrs C



2022 Calendar

- Term 2...**
- Thu 19/5 Peninsula Sports Road Show
 - Fri 20/5 2ML Prayer Assembly
 - Fri 20/5 Peninsula Cross Country
 - Fri 27/5 First Nations Reconciliation
 - Tue 31/5 6S Class Mass 11:15am
- Wed 1/6 SCHOOL PHOTOS**
- Thu 2/6 Mabo Day Presentation
 - Fri 3/6 Yr 1 Pentecost Assembly
 - Mon 6/6 3DK Class Liturgy
 - Tue 7/6 3M Class Liturgy
 - Wed 8/6 School Officers Day
 - Thu 9/6 Readers Cup St Andrew's
 - Fri 10/6 Prep 10 Day Kindness Challenge
 - Wed 15/6 Math Olympiad #3
 - Fri 17/6 Athletics Carnival
 - Mon 20/6 Field Events Yr 3—6
 - Tue 21/6 Track Events Callendar Pk
 - Fri 24/6 Friday Assembly notices
- 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



PARENT ENGAGEMENT DAY
CAIRNS | SAT 28 MAY | 9.00AM-4.00PM
Mackillop Catholic College, Mount Peter

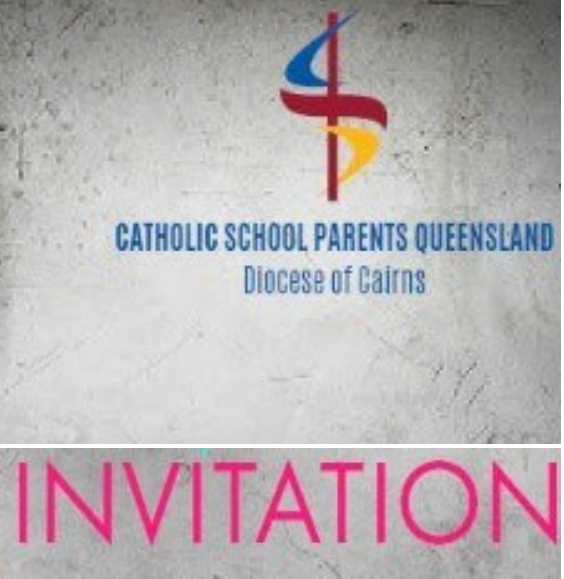
SPEAKERS

Andrew Fuller, Psychologist discussing 3 topics
Behaviour, Mental health and Motivation

Chris Borrell, The Fathering Project
Dr Andrea O'Brien CES Cairns, 'The Reading Conversation'
Carmel Nash CSPQ
talking with schools about their best practice in Parent Engagement

All Catholic school Parents, Principals & School Staff welcome.
A free event to support our children's learning and wellbeing.
Parents from outside Cairns can apply to have travel costs reimbursed.

Topics for all ages Prep to Yr 12



Scripture...
From the holy Gospel according to Mark 4:26-34
Jesus said: "What is God's kingdom like? What story can I use to explain it? It is like what happens when a mustard seed is planted in the ground. It is the smallest seed in all the world. But once planted, it grows larger than any garden plant. It even puts out branches that are big enough for birds to nest in its shade." Jesus used many other stories when he spoke so everyone could understand.
The Gospel of the Lord—
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Thank you Mr George Taifalos – Maintenance & Grounds for digging up the sand in preparation for long jump practice with Mrs Russell.