


REMINDER TERM FEES

 Term 2 fees were issued recently. 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 PHOTOS

Wednesday 1 June

Photos are encouraged to be purchased on-line using Visa, Mastercard, PayPal or Latitude pay. Go to www.advancedlife.com.au Enter the school 9 digit code (available on the Parent Portal) and click

ORDER NOW

When ordering online, there is no need to complete an envelope. Sibling photos online **must** be completed **before** midnight Tuesday 31 May (the night before photo day).

If not ordering online, please collect an envelope for **each child** in your family from the Office.

Please note we do not hold cash for change in the Office.

Sibling envelopes (1 per family) are also available from the Office.

No late sibling envelopes or on-line orders will be not be accepted after photo day.

Only siblings from this school will be photographed.

SEE ORDER INSTRUCTIONS ATTACHED TO EMAIL

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!

TUCKSHOP HELPERS WANTED

WED 1 JUNE - 1 SPOT TO FILL
FRI 3 JUNE - 2 SPOTS TO FILL
MON 6 JUNE - 2 SPOTS TO FILL

TUCKSHOP

WED 1 JUNE - TANIA & 1 SPOT TO FILL
FRI 3 JUNE - Nonna Spag, Bronwyn Dwyer & 2 SPOTS TO FILL
MON 6 JUNE - 2 SPOTS TO FILL

MENU

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

FRIED RICE Large \$4.50 Small \$3.50

Honey Soy Chicken \$3.00

FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Sushi \$5.00

*Crispy Chicken & Avo

*Carrot, Cucumber & Avo

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

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

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



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

31st MAY 2022

TERM 2 Week 7

Dear Parents/ Carers

This year we have seen unprecedented absences due to students and staff contracting COVID, being considered close contacts and now feeling the effects of the flu season.

Last week at our Diocesan Principals Meeting, it was decided that teachers would not be able to expect all students to complete all summative assessment pieces from Semester One and should focus on formative assessment which is the class work completed over the two terms. A focus on moderating and collaborating in teacher teams to look at what learning, students have been present for and what assessment can be practically assessed.

Semester One Student Reports, for parents to access in Week 10, will contain student results based on the above assessment for each subject area as well as general comments.

Please continue to contact the school office via the portal or phone, if your child is sick, as this lowers our 'unexplained' absence numbers each day and the need to follow up with SMS or phone calls.

Congratulations to the following students who participated in the Peninsula Rugby Union Championships last Wednesday and were selected in the Peninsula team to attend the State Titles in Rockhampton in July: William Kris, Archer Ingram, Travis Sinton and Tyson Catelan. The Cassowary Coast District once again had a very strong showing, winning all their games and having 9 players selected in the team.

After reading an article on 'Children's Anxiety' by Michael Grose in Parenting Ideas, I thought some of his points were very pertinent at this time:

Anxiety is normal and part of everyday life. There's no better time than childhood for learning how to cope with anxiety.

For those with no personal experience of anxiety it can be hard to understand how debilitating it can be. "Come on, get on with it," seems so obvious. Of course, this response is nowhere near adequate.

Most children experience some anxious moments or have fearful thoughts and feelings from time to time about certain events. These thoughts and feelings prompt them to proceed with caution. But anxiety and fear can be paralyzing. Some kids simply can't stop their 'bad thoughts and feelings'. They can't silence the voice of fear that whispers to them continually.

Staying calm - Anxiety is a normal part of life and can be managed, but it takes time. It's also contagious so its the job of the parents to stay calm, think clearly and role model confidence when kids get anxious.

Calm is created through your words, voice and facial expression. When children become anxious, help them recognise what's happening. Some kids get angry, some become upset and others withdraw. Work out the pattern for your child and help them recognise when they are anxious.

Accept your child's anxious feelings. Your child needs to trust that you are with them, and then they will be come more willing to let you help them cope. It's hard sometimes to differentiate between what may be a bad case of negative thinking and true anxiety.

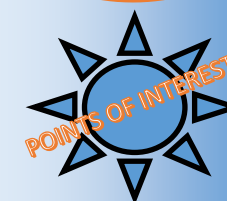
Challenge the validity of your child's fears and anxiety, using logic and rational thinking. Don't allow kids to wallow in

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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

**FRIDAY
TUCKSHOP
ORDERS IN ON
THURSDAY**

**WED 1 JUN
SCHOOL PHOTOS
SEE PG. 4 FOR
ORDER/PAYMENT
INSTRUCTIONS**

**TUES 7 JUN
P&F MEETING
7PM**

**TERM 2 FEES
ISSUED
PLEASE CHECK
YOUR
JUNK/SPAM
EMAILS**

self-pity. Move their thoughts towards the future rather than allow them to mope around.

Make a plan and encourage your child to overcome their anxiety through action. Come up with a creative solution to help your child overcome their reluctance to do something by role playing, posing scenarios and talking through difficult situations.

Anxiety is normal and part of everyday life.

Congratulations to our First Nations students who led the school in prayer and song for National Reconciliation Week on Friday. Thank you to Mrs Donna Vecchio for coordinating the children in Mrs C's absence.

Wednesday 8th June next week is shaping up to an eventful day. We look forward to celebrating with our School Officers on their special day, and the first State of Origin match gets underway in Sydney.

As per GCPS tradition, the one opportunity to show our true colours as a Blues or Maroons supporters at school, staff and students are invited to dress for the occasion. No footy boots thanks! State of Origin Raffle will be on sale on Monday—50c a ticket.

Our Mabo Day presentation has been postponed to next week due to Miss Karen's absence. We wish her a speedy recovery.

A reminder that regular school uniform applies for school photos tomorrow. Again, an unprecedented year for absences, if your child is unable to attend school tomorrow, we are currently negotiating with Advance Photography for a possible return in Term 4 for individual photos to be taken.

Regards
Liam



Thank you Fr Kerry... for celebrating the 6S class mass with the students in Mother of Good Counsel Church today. Thank you Miss Sheil for preparing the children. Thank you parents and grandparents.



2022 Calendar

Term 2...

Wed 1/6	SCHOOL PHOTOS
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
	State of Origin (Maroon/Blue)
Thu 9/6	Mabo Day Presentation postponed from Thu 2/6
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 GCPS
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
Fri 15/7	Grandparents Prayer Assembly & Morning Tea
Sun 17—Fri 22	Yr 6 Outback Camp
Wk 3—	Catholic Education Week
	Communities of Faith Hope Love
Fri 2/9	PUPIL FREE DAY
Week 9	NAIDOC Week TBC
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



Year 1 welcomed the Innisfail Fire & Rescue team to the classroom last Friday. This week the children will have the opportunity to explore the fire truck in detail



Pentecost Prayer Assembly...

The Year One students are looking forward to Friday's presentation on Friday to celebrate their understanding about the Church's birthday. Thank you Mrs Grace Slater and Miss Alex Worth for preparing the children for their first presentation for the year.