

**TUCKSHOP** 



WED 25 JAN -TANIA

FRI 27 JAN - PUPIL FREE DAY **MON 30 JAN - TANIA** 

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

## WEDNESDAY LIMITED FOODS AVAILABLE BELOW

BACON PIZZA \$3.00 NUGGETS 50¢ **TOASTIES - REFER TO MENU ZOOPER DOOPER 50¢** POPPERS \$2.50 **WATER \$2.50** 







# What is the Parent Portal?

The Parent Portal is a secure one-stop-shop for parents to access information about school events, announcements, forms, policies, school contact details etc.

An email will be sent shortly with a helpful presentation on how to access our Parent Portal. Please follow the step by step instructions provided.

**Attendance -** Inform the school of student absence through the Parent Portal or by phoning the Office. SeeSaw is not to be used for absences.

Report cards are accessible via the Parent Portal. We encourage you to save the PDF to your electronic files for future reference.

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

# **2023 OPENING HOURS**

MON. WED. FRI 8.00 - 8.30AM OR 11.00AM - 12.30PM



The Good Counsel Tuckshop currently operates Monday, Wednesday and Friday and strives to offer fresh menu ideas for our students and staff. In order to do this, we require volunteers to assist the paid convenor.

Parent and Grandparent assistance in the tuckshop is not only greatly appreciated but vital to the existence of this service. The more help we have from our volunteers the more we can do to provide differing menu options to our school community.

You may like to take this chance to be part of our friendly team. No previous experience is necessary. all that is needed is a current working with children blue card, a willing heart and a good sense of humour, a love of coffee helps and lunch will be provided.

Please use the Tuckshop Volunteer Form (link below) to nominate your preferred day and week of the month.

https://forms.gle/T7NU7EYn99tQWYmo8



#### **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

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SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

**24 JANUARY 2023** 

## TERM 1 Week1

With a sense of the First Nations country upon which Good Counsel Primary is situated, where learning and ceremony have taken place over many thousands of years, we acknowledge the Mamu People and pay our respects to all Elders – past, present and emerging.

Dear Parents/Carers.

A very warm welcome back to all of our students Year 2-6 and over the next two days the boys and girls for Prep & Year 1. This week is a little unusual for the start of Term 1 with two Director mandated Pupil Free Days. On Monday all staff completed their Mandatory Training which included Student Protection, Fire Safety and Code of Conduct. Following the Australia Day public holiday on Thursday this year, the Catholic Education Executive Director has designated that teachers will be completing the professional development on the introduction of the new Australian Curriculum phased in throughout the Diocese this year. In 2023 we are teaching and assessing the new curriculum in the area of Mathematics. HPE and the Arts. Last week teachers were at school enhancing in their teaching skills, planning and attending various professional development training ready for the new year.

A special welcome to our 50 students in Prep and the 12 new faces across the school in Year 1-6. We hope your educational journey flourishes here at Good Counsel Primary School.

Many small projects have been completed over the Christmas break and the school rooms and outside areas are all clean and tidy ready for Day One. Spry Painting has completed the face lift to the Admin building and front fence on Rankin Street. New storage cupboards in the

Music Room and Rooms 3 & 4, the extension of our school flag pole and the cleaning of the Blue Area. Special thanks to Mercy for her work over the break cleaning our rooms and outside areas.

Several projects are due for completion before June - extension of Prep covered area and replacement of the roof to the Owen Street walkway.

Our only new teacher this year is Mrs Daniella Stephenson to 4RS, two new part time School Officer appointments for 2023. We welcome the return of Miss Sunni Day and Mrs Tori Franco who will both be working with students during the week. Mr George hopes to return ready to commence work in Week 4 following recuperation from his knee surgery. We wish him well in his

First to school today—Robyn 5SD.



Regards Liam

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> **OFFICE HOURS** 8:00 AM-3:00PM Ph: 07 40630600



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TUE 24 JAN -

FRI 31 MAR **WED 25 JAN** PREP & YR 1

**GIRLS START** 

**TUCKSHOP** WED 25 JAN **SEE PG 4 - LIMITED** MENU

THU 26 JAN **AUSTRALIA DAY** HOLIDAY

FRI 27 JAN **PUPIL FREE DAY** 

**UNIFORM SHOP TIMES - ONLY AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES** MON, WED, FRI 8.00 - 8.30AM OR

11.00AM - 12.30PM

## Term 1 2023...

## We Pray...

As we begin the new school year, let us pray that all students may learn to seek God in all people and all events.

God of new beginnings, may 2023, which we dedicate to you, bring us closer to you and to each other at GCPS.

Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## **Beginning School Mass...**

Friday 3 February 9:00am at Mother of Good Counsel Church is the Mass date to celebrate the commencement of the school year, as well as welcome our Preps and all the new to the school staff and students. The Student Leaders will be receiving their badges during this celebration.

### Sacramental Program...

Enrolment forms are now available for 2023. Forms were distributed last year, please return if you haven't already done so. If you have a child who has been baptised Catholic and will be in Year 4 this year, or an older grade, then please contact Angie at the Parish Office on 4063 0650 or drop in to fill in an enrolment form. An information meeting will be held in February outlining what the Sacraments are about and important dates.

#### Mini Vinnies Induction Ceremony...

The Yr 6 Mini Induction Assembly will be held in the Blue Area on Friday 10 February.

#### Welcome...

The Admin Office welcomed Prep visitors this morning as Prep H and Prep S students ticked their clipboard at having spotted the Mr Kenny and Mrs C. The Principal's Office was filled to capacity as the boys checked out the Cross on the wall, another item to tick off the list.

Yours in Catholic Education.

Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C APRE

# 2023 Term 1...

Fri 3.02 Beginning School Mass—9:00am

Fri 10.2 Yr 6 Mini Vinnies Induction

Wed 22.2 Ash Wednesday Liturgies

#### Thu 23.2 SCHOOL PHOTOS

Fri 24.2 5W Good Samaritan Charism

Fri 3.3 Harmony Day

Fri 10.3 Sports Captains

Fri 17.3 St Patrick's Green Day & 6S Assembly

Fri 24.3 3DK Palm Sunday Assembly

Tue 28.3 6D Last Supper

Thu 30.3 5SD Stations of the Cross

Fri 31.3 Term One ends...

#### School Holidays

Fri 7.4 Good Friday

Sun 9.4 Easter Sunday

## Term 2...

Mon 17.4 Term commences

Mon 24.4 ANZAC Prayer Assembly

Tue 25.4 ANZAC Day

Mon 1.5 Qld Labour Day Holiday

Fri 23.6 Term 2 ends

#### Term 3...

Mon 10.7 Term commences

Fri 1.9 Pupil Free Day

Fri 15.9 Term 3 ends

## Term 4...

Mon 2.10 King's Birthday Holiday

Tue 3.10 Term commences

Fri 10.10 Remembrance Day Assembly

Fri 1.12 Term 4 ends





