

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!

TUCKSHOP



WED 8 FEB - TANIA
FRI 10 FEB - TANIA
MON 13 FEB - TANIA

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

REMINDER FRIDAY TUCKSHOP ORDERS TO BE PLACED ON A THURSDAY

To assist with the running of the tuckshop on a
Friday being the busiest of days, we ask that
any tuckshop orders for a Friday be put in on a
Thursday morning.

Please complete a brown paper bag for each
order, enclose the money and put in the
tuckshop crate in the classroom on
Thursday morning.



5:15 -
6:15pm
**SIGN ON
TRAINING
COME AND TRY**

DATE
**WEDNESDAY
1ST
MARCH**



Facebook: Innisfail Tigers
Soccer Club

Training Venue:

Goondi Combined Sports
Complex, bottom field

AGM: 5:30pm

Monday Feb 13th, All Welcome, Volunteers Appreciated

**JUNIOR STEAMERS - SEE FLYER >
CASSOWARY COAST LIBRARIES
STARTS WED 9 FEB**

UNIFORM SHOP

2023 OPENING HOURS

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



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 & Vaylen Mizzi

Catering for children birth to 5 years

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

PREP ENROLMENTS 2024

Prep enrolments for 2024 are well underway
with many applications already received. If
you have a child who was born between 1 July
2018 and 30 June 2019 please go onto the Good
Counsel Primary School website and
complete the Application for Enrolment online.
If you have any queries please contact the
Office.



Junior STEAMers

Guided, interactive after school activities



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

7 FEBRUARY 2023

TERM 1 Week 3

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,

After a very 'full' Week 2, with almost all
students settled in class and have worked
out drop off/pick up routines and are
adapting to the humid weather that
always gets us in February. We did have
some tired kids by Friday.

Last Friday saw Mother Of Good Counsel
Church full with the whole school
community and many parents and
grandparents attending our opening
School Mass. Certainly a different
experience to that of twelve months ago
when school had only just opened and no
visitors were permitted due to Covid.
This year we were able to welcome all 12
new students from Year 1-6 as well as
our 50 Prep students. What a wonderful
photo of all in the Church Sanctuary –see
p.2.



At our Mass we also congratulated our
School Captains, Student Councillors,
Flag Attendants and Sports House
Captains with each receiving their badge.
This Friday we will induct our Mini
Vinnies Executive and Chapter members
at our special Friday Assembly.
Parents and Carers are most welcome to

attend. We will also this week have our
first presentation of Friday awards - this
will be a little different to the past with
fewer awards being presented. Over the
years our Friday Assembly has dragged
out, so we have decided to present fewer
awards in 2023.

Many thanks to the parents/carers who
attended class parent/teacher meetings
last week. Teachers will if they have not
yet, send home the slides explaining
class routines and homework
expectations if you missed the event.
The Prep meeting is this Wednesday in
the Theatre.

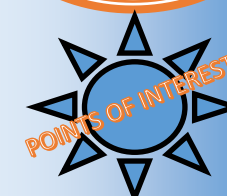
A reminder to all that we have had to
change our attendance procedures and
all 'unexplained' absences must be
contacted to check the whereabouts of
a child who is not at school. Once class
rolls are marked, a report is generated
and the school will send an SMS
followed by a phone call or email.
Please ensure that if your child is away,
you either log the absence on the School
Parent Portal or phone the Office.

This year GCPS will be introducing a
special Draw to reach our goal of
'No Unexplained Absences'.
It means that all students with either
100% attendance, or students who are
away sick, or for whatever reason, and
the absence is explained without having
to be followed up by the school, will be
entered in the Draw, which will take
place on the final day of term.

Regards
Liam

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



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School
DIARY DATES
2023
TUE 24 JAN -
FRI 31 MAR

**WED 8 FEB
PREP
TEACHER/PARENT
MEETING 3.30PM
THEATRE**

**THU 9 FEB
FRIDAY
TUCKSHOP
DUE IN
TODAY**

**FRI 10 FEB
FRIDAY ASSEMBLY
MINI VINNIES
BADGING CEREMONY**

SCHOOL PHOTOS
THU 23 FEB
MORE INFO TO
FOLLOW





Welcome to the family...

We're glad that you have come to share your life with us—a special welcome to all who have joined us in 2023.

Thank you to Fr Kerry Crowley, parents/carers, extended family, staff and students for the heart-warming celebration of our opening school mass last Friday. May the year bring reward for effort in learning and teaching and lasting friendships.

Sacramental Program 2023...

Enrolments are still being taken for the Sacramental Program for 2023. 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 40630650 or call in to fill in an enrolment form as soon as possible.

The Sacramental Program includes the Sacraments of Reconciliation, the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Sacrament of Eucharist. There will be an Information Night on **Monday 20th February at 7pm in Mother of Good Counsel Church** to meet you and your child and to provide an overview of the year.

Angela Cristaudo—Sacramental Coordinator

Mini Vinnies Induction Ceremony...

Our special Yr 6 Mini Vinnies Ceremony will commence at 8:40am on Friday 10 February, in the Blue Area—parents/carers welcome.

Thought for the day...

Having someone who understands us is a great blessing to ourselves. Being someone who understands is a great blessing to others. Janette OKe

Yours in Catholic Education—Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C APRE

Term 1...

- Fri 10.2 Yr 6 Mini Vinnies Ceremony
- 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



Above photo - Sports House Captains, Mr Kenny & Father Crowley

Top left photo - School Captains

Middle left photo - Flag Attendants

Bottom left - Student Councillors

At **Good Counsel Primary** we identify with the **Good Samaritan Charism**

Welcome others as we would welcome Christ Be compassionate to the person in need Serve God by being neighbour





Congratulations.....

To Brayden Horsford (5W) and family on the birth of a baby brother Charlie.