



TUCKSHOP



WED 2 AUG - TANIA, ANNA & JUDY
FRI 4 AUG - TANIA, ANNA & 3 HELPERS NEEDED
MON 7 AUG - TANIA, ANNA

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

ONLINE ORDERING CLOSING TIMES

WEDNESDAY - ORDERING CLOSING AT 8:00AM SAME DAY
THURSDAY - ORDERING FOR FRIDAY CLOSING AT 11:00AM ON THURSDAY
FRIDAY - ONLINE ORDERING CLOSING THUR 11:00AM
MONDAY - ONLINE ORDERING CLOSING 8:00AM SAME DAY

PLEASE NOTE - EFTPOS IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR UNIFORMS NOT TUCKSHOP

THERE IS NO NEED TO SIGN YOUR CHILD UP FOR A FLX DEBIT CARD AS PROMOTED BY FLEXISCHOOLS AS WE DO NOT HAVE EFTPOS FOR TUCKSHOP ORDERS.



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL
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"

TERM FEE UPDATE

Term 3 fees have now been issued.
Due date 14 August 2023

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.

UNIFORM SHOP

2023 OPENING HOURS

MON, WED, FRI
8:00 - 8:30AM OR
11:00AM - 12:30PM



BOOK WEEK

Character Costume Parade
Thursday 24 August - 8:30am

Come dressed as your favourite book character. Reuse and recycle materials from around your home.
If possible bring the book along.



SAVE THE DATE

MAGGIE DENT

PARENTING SEMINARS

Tue 15th Aug - Girlhood 0-8yrs

Wed 16th Aug - Boys to Men 12-25yrs

6pm - 8pm Good Counsel College Auditorium

Admittance is free. Online booking available at

<https://www.trybooking.com/CJXMF> Girlhood

<https://www.trybooking.com/CJXNE> Boys to Men

Or by using the QR Codes below.

Girlhood

From Boys to Men



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

1ST AUG 2023

TERM 3 Week 4

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,

The culmination of Catholic Education Week was the Annual Docemus Awards held at St Mary's College in Cairns on Friday night. It is a bit like the Logies for Catholic Education.

Our own Mrs Russell and Mrs Vecchio were among a huge list of nominees in their respective categories (Teacher and School Officer). The list also included past employee Mrs Leigh Hodder-Onaindia (GCC Assistant to the Principal/Enrolments). Unfortunately Leigh also did not win in the School Officer Category. So the nominations must have been strong in 2023.

We can claim some success as Innisfail born and bred local Mr Nathan Zahra who attended GCPS and GCC for his entire schooling won the Early Career Teacher Category. Nathan currently teaches at St Andrew's Catholic College in Redlynch. He proudly acknowledged his former teachers and staff members in his acceptance speech and how both schools had an impact of his decision to become a teacher. Well done Nathan.

This week we have several visitors to GCP with Under 8's Day this Thursday and Pre-Prep Session 1 on Friday. Under 8's Day involves all our Prep—Yr 2 students, local Kindies, Daycare centres and our Playgroup families spending a morning of fun and learning. This year they will have many and varied activities to get their hands into, including: sand play, a jumping castle, Roaming Wild Animals, Bunnings Sand Art Creations, block building, fairy bread, playdough, disco, cars and bikes, craft, sensory play, face painting by GCC students and much, much more.

This year, Dominic Franco and Ava Jones will also have a Tea, Coffee and Sweets Store available to parents and carers to keep them energised throughout the morning. All items

will be \$1 each, please bring along some small change to support their store. We hope everyone has a great morning.

On Friday we have our 40+ Pre-Prep students visiting our facility for their first of 4 sessions this term. You will identify them by their Pre-Prep shirt. We welcome them and their families here for the morning where they begin their educational journey with us.

FairPlay Vouchers

As was advertised on our school Facebook page recently, we have several FairPlay vouchers for students to access sport for Semester 2, 2023. The voucher system aims to get more students involved in outside school sporting programs. The vouchers may only be used once per year. The program is instigated by the Department of Tourism, Innovation & Sport. Should you be eligible and require a voucher, it can be collected from Mrs Donna Vecchio at school. It could save you up to \$150 off your sign in fees. Get into sport!

Maggie Dent

In Week 6, Tuesday 15th August and Wednesday 16th August we have renowned author, educator and parent helper Maggie Dent presenting both nights at the Good Counsel College Auditorium in Owen Street. Night 1 is for anyone who has female children and Night 2 is for anyone with boys. Maggie presents to large conventions and conferences and usually charges over \$200 per person. We have secured some funding and will not be charging. Yes, **free**. Bookings are essential and available through the link or QR code on the back page of this newsletter. Please take the two hours out of your busy lives to listen to Maggie. She is amazing and can help you to better parent your children

Regards
Liam

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OFFICE HOURS

8:00 AM—3:00PM
Ph: 07 40630600

POINTS OF INTEREST

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DIARY DATES 2023
MON 10 JULY
FRI 15 SEPT

1 AUG
P & F MEETING
THEATRETTE 7PM

3 AUG
UNDER 8'S DAY

4 AUG
PRE-PREP SESSION 1

8 AUG
CASSOWARY COAST
DISTRICT ATHLETICS

15 & 16 AUG
MAGGIE DENT
PARENTING
SEMINARS
GCC AUDITORIUM

17 AUG
GRANDPARENTS DAY

24 AUG
BOOK WEEK
CHARACTER
COSTUME PARADE

Docemus Award Nominees...



The **Docemus Awards** are Cairns Catholic Education's awards, founded in 2002 in recognition of the outstanding contribution to Catholic Education by Tom Doolan, a former Deputy Director. Meaning 'to teach', the awards acknowledge those whose efforts exceed the already high standards of education and care delivered by individuals to Catholic Education. Mrs Russell and Mrs Vecchio—congratulations and thank you for your contributions.

St Mary (MacKillop) of the Cross...

Friday's Mary MacKillop of the Cross Prayer Assembly is being brought to us by the students of 3M. Please join us as we celebrate her special day early for 8th August.

We pray...

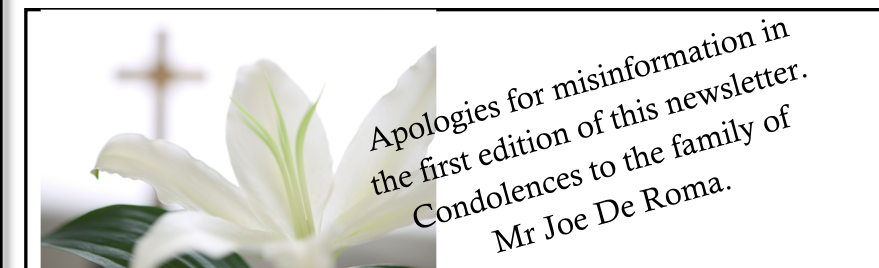
For those who care for us and keep us safe.
For the wisdom to make good choices.
For the generosity to help others succeed.
For eyes to see God's presence in other people.
For the prayers in our hearts today—
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Calendar Update -

Due to the District Athletics Carnival being postponed to Tuesday 8 August, the Yr 5 Class Liturgies have combined and been rescheduled to Tuesday 22 August—thank you for your support.

Yours in Catholic Education—

Mrs C—Maria Caltabiano



GCPS CALENDAR

Term 3...

- Tue 1.8 P&F Meeting Theatre 7pm
- Thu 3.8 U8's Activities 9:00—11:00am
- Fri 4.8 3M Mary MacKillop Pr. Assembly
U10 NETTA Carnival
Pre-Prep Day #1
- Tue 8.8 District Athletics
- Thu 10.8 Inclusive Education Games
- Fri 11.8 U12 Fowler's Cup Netball
- Mon 14.8 Combined Yr 2 Liturgy 10:00am
- Tue 15.8 Mass of the Assumption 9:00am
Maggie Dent GCC Auditorium 7pm
- Wed 16.8 Maggie Dent GCC Auditorium 7pm
- Thu 17.8 Grandparents Day till 10:30am
- Fri 18.8 4RS Confirmation Pr. Assembly
Pre-Prep Day #2
- Tue 22.8 Combined Yr 5 Mass
1:45pm Theatre
- Thu 24.8 Book Week—Character Parade
READ GROW INSPIRE
- Fri 25.8 4F First Eucharist Pr. Assembly
Pre-Prep Day #3
6:30pm P&F BBQ &
Fathers' Games Night
- Thu 31.8 Inclusive Sports District
- Fri 1.9 CTJ PUPIL FREE DAY
- Mon 4.9 Science Show
Sacrament of Confirmation 7pm
Mother of Good Counsel Church
- Tue 5.9 St Rita's Church South Johnstone
- Fri 8.9 **NAIDOC—FOR OUR ELDERS**
Pre-Prep Day #4
- Sat 8 & Sun 9—Sacrament of First Eucharist
- Thu 14.9 JIM GRAHAM CUP
- Fri 15.9 Prep Fairy Tales
MARY MILLS CUP
Term 3 ends

Term 4...

- Mon 2.10 King's Birthday Holiday
- Tue 3.10 Term commences
- Fri 20.10 Gold Coin Mission
SOCKTOBER DAY
- Fri 10.11 Remembrance Day Assembly
- Fri 1.12 Term 4 ends

Thought of the day...

Never see a need without doing something about it

Mary MacKillop



RANKIN STREET DROP OFF AND PICK UP

A reminder about the 7 Stop & Go bays in front of the school. Please do not park in the yellow-lined bays if entering the school grounds.

The yellow-lined bays allow the safe flow of traffic for students being dropped off or collected daily.

If collecting a GCC sibling, please park in the white-lined bays to avoid traffic banking up behind vehicles.



Elle & Oscar—
Both winners of 2023 State Championships Rugby Union Player of the Match awards at the recent U/12 State Rugby Championships.

Our Admin Officers welcome you to GCPS—Elisha, Denise and Annette.

