

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!

TUCKSHOP



WED 18 OCT - TANIA, ANNA + 1 HELPER NEEDED
FRI 20 OCT - TANIA, ANNA + 2 HELPERS NEEDED
MON 23 OCT - TANIA, ANNA & BELLA

PLEASE CHECK OUR FACEBOOK GROUP NAMED
'GCPS TUCKSHOP, UNIFORM SHOP AND P&F UPDATES'
OR FLEXISCHOOLS APP FOR CURRENT MENU ITEMS EVEN
WHEN ORDERING ON BROWN BAGS AS AT TIMES
SOME OPTIONS MAY BE UNAVAILABLE.

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.

ONLINE ORDERING CLOSING TIMES

WEDNESDAY - CLOSING AT 8:00AM FOR THE SAME DAY

THURSDAY - 11:00AM FOR FRIDAY INCLUDES
ALL BROWN BAGS FOR FRIDAY

FRIDAY - ORDERING CLOSED THUR 11:00AM—
LATE ORDERS WILL BE SUBSTITUTED AS PER MENU

MONDAY - 8:00AM FOR THE SAME DAY

TUCKSHOP TUBS ARE NO LONGER KEPT OUTSIDE
CLASSROOMS. ALL BROWN BAGS WITH CASH TO THE
TUCKSHOP BY FIRST BELL.

UNIFORM SHOP

2023 OPENING HOURS

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



Music Tuition—By Esther Sapelli
Learn for pleasure or exams

Piano-keyboard-theory
Currently taking enrolments for 2024

For all enquiries, please phone Esther Sapelli

direct on 0419 655 710

or 07 4065 2265

Lessons are held at Good Counsel Primary
School or at the Silkwood Studio.



REMINDER

SIGNED PERMISSION SLIPS FOR
THE FREE AFL COACHING CLINIC
MAY STILL BE DROPPED IN TO THE
OFFICE FOR YR3—YR6 STUDENTS.

TERM FEE UPDATE

Term 4 fees have now been issued.

Please check your emails and spam/junk folder.

Due date: Friday 27 October.



BPAY is now available for fee payments and is our
preferred payment method. You will find the BPAY
information relevant to your account on the Account
Statement in the lower right hand section.
BPAY assures your payments are allocated directly to
your account, avoiding any errors.

PREP 2024 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING



Wednesday 18 October
GCPS Theatre—6:00pm

Remaining 2023 Pre-Prep Sessions

Long Day Session 8:35am—1:00pm

Friday 20 October

What to bring: small backpack,
water bottle, morning tea and please
include lunch for the long day session.



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"

Facebook page for more information.



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

17TH OCTOBER 2023

TERM 4 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 and present.

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have our final Pre-Prep long day session for students and our Prep Information night for our 2024 intake. This year in particular, our Pre-Prep students have transitioned into school life seamlessly. What our Prep team of staff do to make the visits so productive really assists our new students to settle well into the new year. They engage in learning, work with the Prep staff and other school staff, hear the 'noise' of school and become very comfortable in their new school surrounds. Again next year, we have a full cohort of students and this comes off the back of our very successful weekly Friday Playgroup, run by Mrs Ashleigh Gordon-Cooke, in the Good Samaritan Hall.

Yr 4 students this week head to the Tablelands, on Thursday, visiting the Ravenshoe Windfarm, Information Centre, then on to the Herberton Historic Village. It is a day to step back in time and learn about the history of the area. The Historic Village has over 60 original buildings, antique vehicles and motors, blacksmith display and a visit to the school rooms (hopefully not getting the dreaded cane). It is a wonderful day to experience the olden days.

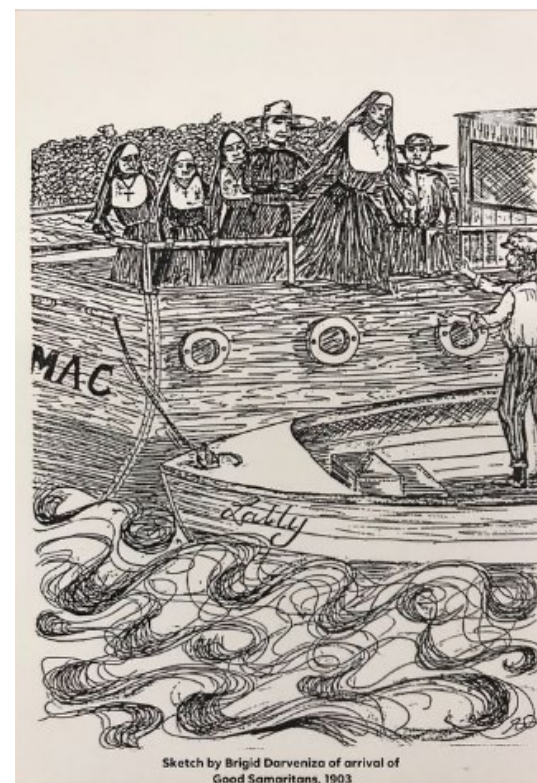
On Friday, we celebrate our annual Socktober Day, raising funds for those less fortunate than ourselves. Please wear your crazy socks and bring a gold coin donation. Mrs Russell and Mrs Green will be running the 'sockball' soccer challenge at 1:20pm in the covered area.

Congratulations to our Rugby 7s team who, on Friday, won the Newman College 7s, bringing home some more silverware. We played three pool games against Sacred Heart—Thursday Island 40-0; Port Douglas 45-10 and Holy Cross No.1 55-10. We then had to play the Good Counsel College Yr 7 boys in the Final. A very tough encounter where we saw our players really step up in defence to eventually win 20-10. A few bragging rights go with this win. Luckily, we

are very humble in victory! This Friday we have our last footy for the year with the FNQ Rugby League 9s in Cairns.

You may have noticed on our Facebook page the request for photos, of our Sacred Heart School/Good Counsel Primary School, as we commence preliminary work to celebrate 125 years in 2028. Currently, we are looking at the contribution that the Sisters of the Samaritan of the Order of St Benedict made when they were here from its foundation in 1903 to 1992. Between fires and cyclones, our pictorial records are limited. If you have photos of the Sisters, staff, classes, school and sports captains—anything and everything of interest, and are able to share, it will be most appreciated.

Please call in at the front office to have your treasured memories scanned, or email Mrs C (mcaltabian@cns.catholic.edu.au).



Acknowledging the sketch by Brigid Darveniza of the Sisters' arrival in 1903.

Regards Liam

secretary@gcps.qld.edu.au
www.gcps.qld.edu.au

OFFICE HOURS

8:00 AM—3:00PM

Ph: 07 40630600

POINTS OF INTEREST

Page 2—The Life of the
School

DIARY DATES 2023

TUE 3 OCT

FRI 1 DEC

WED 18 OCT
PREP INFORMATION
MEETING 6PM
GCPS THEATRE

THU 19 OCT
YR 4 EXCURSION
HERBERTON
HISTORICAL VILLAGE

FRI 20 OCT
PRE-PREP
SESSION #6
8:35—1:00pm

SOCKTOBER DAY



MON 23 OCT
YR 4 MASS
9:30AM
THEATRE



All Saints...

Thank you to the Student Council for leading our early All Saints Prayer Assembly. Lots of interesting class choices featured in our 'Community of Saints', from St Mary of the Cross, St Sebastian, St Bernadette to St Christopher. Thank you staff for their participation and support.

Scripture... Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees got together and planned how they could trick Jesus into saying something wrong. They sent some of their followers and some of Herod's followers to say to him, "Teacher, we know that you are honest. You teach the truth about what God want people to do. And you treat everyone with the same respect, no matter who they are. Tell us what you think! Should we pay taxes to the Emperor or not?" Jesus knew their evil thoughts and said, "Why are you trying to test me? You show-offs! Let me see one of the coins used for paying taxes." They brought him a silver coin, and he asked, "Whose picture and name are on it?"

"The Emperor's", they answered.

Then Jesus told them, "Give the Emperor what belongs to him and give God what belongs to God."

The gospel of the Lord.

Yr 1 Liturgy...

Thank you Father Kerry for celebrating the Creation Liturgy with the Yr 1 children, parents/carers and extended family members in the Theatrette today. With Mother of Good Counsel Church a worksite during the week, the Theatrette is the perfect venue for such a gathering. Thank you Mrs Grace Slater and Miss Alex Worth for preparing the children.

Yr 4 family members are invited to join us in the Theatrette for the Yr 4 Mass on Monday 23 October at 9:30pm, as Fr Kerry once again fits our school needs into his busy schedule.

Yours in Catholic Education—

Mrs C Maria Caltabiano

SOCKTOBER
for Mission Month

LET'S KICK GOALS FOR GOOD!

SOCKTOBER EVENT DAY 2023

Supporting better health and education outcomes for children like Jose in Timor-Leste.

Please wear your school sports uniform and your favourite coloured socks.

Term 4...

Wed 18.10 Prep Information Meeting 6pm

Thu 19.10 Yr 4 Herberton Excursion

Fri 20.10 **SOCKTOBER** Gold Coin

& Crazy Socks Mission Day

Pre-Prep #6 8:35am—1:00pm

Sat 21.10 St Vincent de Paul Mass 6:30pm

Mon 23.10 9:30am Yr 4 Mass Theatrette

Thu 26.10 Bravehearts Theatrette

Fri 27.10 World Teachers' Day Assembly

Mon 30.10 Monday Assembly Blue Area

Tue 31.10 10am Prep Liturgy Theatrette

Fri 3.11 Mini Vinnies Prayer Assembly

Fri 10.11 Yr 6 Camp Prayer Assembly

10:50am Remembrance Day Ceremony

Fri 17.11 Billy Slater League Tag

Playgroup Christmas Party

Sat 18.11 St Vincent de Paul Mass 6:30pm

Fri 24.11 Prep & Yr 1 Prayer Assembly

& Hamper presentation

Mon 27.11 8:40am Leadership Assembly

6pm Yr 6 Graduation Mass

Thu 30.11 Christmas Concert

Fri 1.12 9am End of School Mass

Term 4 ends

Socktober...

MISSION MONTH- FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER

Bringing hope to Timor-Leste

Socktober 2023 will contribute vital funds to projects around the world, including Timor-Leste, where a medical clinic and a children's home are providing hope for generations of young people.

Students are invited to wear their colourful or crazy socks on Friday and bring along a gold coin donation in support of Catholic Missions.

Challenge on Friday during second break.



The GCPS Teachers Prayer Assembly will be in Week 4, Friday 27 October.

Please join with us in acknowledging our teaching staff, as presented

by the Year 6 students.

Thank you

Mrs Amber Di Carlo and Miss Casey Sheil

for the organisation.

