

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

TUCKSHOP



WED 15 NOV - TANIA, ANNA & 1 HELPER NEEDED
FRI 17 NOV - TANIA, ANNA & HELPER NUMBERS REQUIRED
TO BE ADVISED VIA FACEBOOK GROUP PAGE
MON 20 NOV - TANIA, ANNA & BELLA
**PLEASE CHECK OUR FACEBOOK GROUP NAMED
'GCPS TUCKSHOP, UNIFORM SHOP AND P&F UPDATES'
OR FLEXISCHOOLS APP FOR CURRENT MENU ITEMS AS
AT TIMES SOME ITEMS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE.**

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
11AM - 12:30PM

Dear Parents,
The following school sports and co-curricular groups
were photographed on 09/10/2023.

GCPS ALL ABILITIES SPORTS TEAM	GCPS NETBALL LIGHTNING	GCPS SENIOR RUGBY LEAGUE UNION SQUAD
GCPS LONGREACH CAMP	GCPS NETBALL SQUAD	GCPS TY WILLIAMS CUP
GCPS MINI VINNIES	GCPS NETBALL STORM	GCPS NETBALL CYCLONES
GCPS NETBALL CYCLONES	GCPS NETBALL THUNDER	

You can now view and purchase the group images
listed above, and if you place your order before
23/11/2023 you will get a **20% early order discount**.
Just head to the site and click on the 'order now' link.
Please note the discount will be automatically applied
at checkout.

order now

Images can also be viewed by visiting:
www.advancedlife.com.au entering the School code
(available on the Parent Portal in 'Documents') and
clicking on "Group Photos". Photos will be returned
to your school for distribution approximately six weeks
after the discounted early order period has closed.
If you have any queries please contact us at:
www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

TERM FEE UPDATE

Term 4 fees are now overdue.
Please check your emails and spam/junk folder.



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.

YOU ARE INVITED TO

Good Counsel Playgroup's Christmas Party

FIND US IN THE GOOD SAMARITAN HALL
ON OWEN ST

Friday 17th November

\$8 ENTRY | SANTA VISIT

Food - Fun - Face Painting - Presents



PLAYGROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN!



This year we are selling tickets online to make it easier
for our families. On the day we will have a list of
your children's names to confirm that Santa
has catered for every child.

Book online here—
<https://www.trybooking.com/CNBPW>
or by using this QR code



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

14TH NOVEMBER 2023

TERM 4 Week 7

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,

On two occasions last week we had past
pupils and past staff members visit GCP. On
Wednesday, Kelly Shepherd (Horwood)
Principal of St Gerard Majella School Woree-
Cairns and Mrs Renee Grima (Melazzini)
Deputy Principal SGM, visited to observe our
intervention and teaching practices within
classrooms. Both had completed their
primary years here at GCP in the 1980s.
Many memories and stories were shared.

Sister Clare Condon visited last Friday, and
recalled her memories of Innisfail teaching in
the school and living in the Sacred Heart
Convent which is now our Admin, Library and
Theatre. Sister Clare taught Year 6 in the
now Yr 5SD room and was Deputy Principal
for one year (1976-1978) when the Office
was near the Prep tables. She was able to
help us out placing names to old photos.
Sr Clare now resides in Canberra but has
promised she will return when next in the
north.

Friday was a big day with our Yr 6 Camp
Assembly and Remembrance Day school
ceremony. Thank you students for being so
respectful at our ceremony and for our
Student Council for leading the service.
Special thanks to our School Captains
Leighton Genocchio and Lockie Locastro for
representing GCP at the official
Remembrance Day ceremony at the
Cenotaph on Saturday morning, and laying a
wreath on our behalf. These special days are
even more significant with the current
conflicts around the world. Let us all pray for
peace. *Lest We Forget.*

In conjunction with the Christmas Concert,
we have the Mini Vinnies multi-draw Raffle.
Each year parents who have a business in
town often approach me to say we never ask
for prizes and say they would be happy to
contribute to the raffle. So this is the invite—
if you wish to donate a voucher or goods

suitable for our Mini Vinnies Christmas Raffle,
please let Mrs C or me know so you can be
added to the list. The proceeds from the
Raffle are donated to the St Vincent de Paul
Society for their Christmas Appeal. Thank you
for your generosity.

At this time of any school year we announce
staffing changes. We have several changes
for 2024 and farewell Mrs Melissa Murphy
who has been teaching Yr2 since July. Mel
has taken up an appointment at
St Clare's Tully for next year. We thank her
for her dedication and enthusiasm for
teaching at GCP this year and wish her every
success into the future.

Mrs Julie Yang will be returning to Year 2
(3 days) with Mrs Lynch (2 days); Mrs Jody
Connolly will return from Maternity Leave to
teach (2 days) with Mrs Devaney in Year 3.
Mrs Denise Kenny will move from Year 3 to
take up The Arts position (2 days).
Miss Adrienne Worth will move from Year 5 to
Year 4; and Mrs Daniella Stephenson will
move from Year 4 to Year 5 (5 days).

We are not farewelling but have a change
with Mrs Anna Pamvouxoglou not continuing
with her Arts position in 2024. She has found
the travel from Cairns 3 days each week with
a young family difficult. She will continue with
her LOTE (Italian) teaching of Year 5/6 in
2024.

Mrs Kiara Ridolfi will take Maternity Leave
during 2024 with her baby due in
February. We wish Kiara and Todd all the
best during this special time. Mrs Amanda
Speziali will continue with her Maternity Leave
in 2024 but will return through the year for
release.

With change comes opportunity and we look
forward to an amazing 2024.

Regards
Liam

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OFFICE HOURS

8:00 AM—3:00PM
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POINTS OF INTEREST

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School**

DIARY DATES 2023
TUE 3 OCT
FRI 1 DEC

TUE 14 NOV
CLASSROOM
HAMPER
CONTRIBUTIONS
BEGIN

FRI 17 NOV
BILLY SLATER
LEAGUE TAG

GCPS
PLAYGROUP
CHRISTMAS
PARTY
9AM—11AM

SAT 18 NOV
6:30PM
MoGC
SVPD MASS

FRI 24 NOV
PREP & YR1
NATIVITY
PRESENTATION



Term 4...

- 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 Christmas Nativity & Hamper Presentation
- Mon 27.11 8:40am Leadership Assembly
- 6pm Yr 6 Graduation Mass
- Thu 30.11 Christmas Concert
- Fri 1.12 9:00am End of School Mass
- Term 4 ends

Remembrance Ceremony at school...

The Student Councillors presented solemnly on Friday at 11:00am, while the School Captains Leighton and Lockie represented GCPS at the Remembrance Day Ceremony on Saturday.

Mini Vinnies Hamper Contribution Letter ...

The Yr 6 Mini Vinnies letter goes out today with this newsletter. Thank you if you are able to contribute. Hampers will be brought forward in the Blue Area, during the Prep—Yr 1 Nativity presentation on Friday 24 November. Thank you for your support.

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 13:4-7

Love is kind and patient, never jealous, boastful, proud, or rude. Love isn't selfish or quick tempered. It doesn't keep a record of wrongs that others do. Love rejoices in the truth, but not in evil. Love is always supportive, loyal, hopeful, and trusting. Love never fails!

Yours in Catholic Education—Mrs C—Maria Caltabiano



Good Samaritan Sisters visited GCP last Friday. Sr Clare Condon, Sr Ann-Maree Nicholls. Mrs Sue Lynch and Mrs Denise Kenny joined with Sr Clare to reminisce about their time together at Good Counsel Primary in the 1970s.



Well Women's Clinic - Innisfail Hospital
(This clinic is available to Medicare eligible clients)

Service includes Cervical Screening Tests (Pap Smears), Sexual Health Screening, Breast Awareness, also info on Contraception, Continence, Menopause, Lifestyle Issues, etc. All services are provided by a specially trained Women's Health Nurse. For appointments please phone 4016 1312 / 4016 1435

