

UNIFORM SHOP

2024 OPENING HOURS

MON, WED, FRI 8:00-8:30am OR 11:00am—12:30pm



REMINDER TERM FEES	5
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Term 1 fees will be processed shortly. You will be notified via SMS once issued. Please then check your emails and spam/junk folder and if not received, contact Admin.

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No Playgroup this week due to the Australia Day Public Holiday. Playgroup will resume Friday 2 February 9am-11am at Good Samaritan Hall.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2025

Prep enrolments for 2025 are well underway with many applications already received. Any existing parents of students with younger siblings please ensure that you have enrolled your Prep student for 2025 if applicable. If you have a child who was born between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020, please go the Good Counsel Primary School website and complete the Application for

Enrolment online. If you have any queries please contact the Office on 4063 0600.





GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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.

An excited welcome to 2024 and I am sure you have all been awaiting this week so school can finally start. Teachers have been back for some weeks preparing classrooms for students to return and School Officers have been back for the past week joining teachers in Professional Development. Last week professional learning on English-Grammar, Student Data, Testing, Differentiation, History, Religion and Team Building were spread across the week. Yesterday, staff completed all their Mandatory Training units for school compliance.

Today we saw our Prep and Yr 1 boys begin their first day, with girls due in tomorrow. We have new student faces across some classes. Aria Arnott 1W. Thomas Ridolfi 2YL. Gurfateh Sidhu 3DC. Lara Butler 4W. Jessie Franks 6D. Lia Liu 6D, and Jaxsyn Howell returns after being away for the past 12 months. We hope you all enjoy your time at GCP and that the journey is educationally rewarding.

On the staff front, we have no new teachers but some returning and some changing roles and classes. Our only new staff member is Miss Rylee Jones who actually returns after being educated at GCP then GCC. Rylee is having a gap year and then hopes to take up Educational Studies at university. She will be assisting in classrooms, coaching sport after school and helping out with PE classes. Please make all our new students and staff welcome as they begin Week 1.

A huge thank you to:

Tuckshop Tania for her organisation of uniforms and supplies prior to school starting; Mercy and George for ensuring our facilities are clean and grounds are tidy ready for the commencement of school; Mrs Vecchio for her assistance setting up rooms and clearing pre-loved items from our school.

Not a lot of changes to our site this break but we have started our Sacred Space. This will eventually have two history boards in the walkway to the Music Room with information about our huge raintree, cross and the history of

the Good Samaritan Sisters who worked in our school from 1903-1992. A small Grotto area with a statue of Mary and the original Good Sam fountain will be installed with two seats for students, staff or parents to utilise as a reflective space. This area will be completed during first term. Some construction last week began on the Prep playground roof extension covering the western side and will be finished in the coming weeks

We did reach out via email to all families earlier this month to check in with relation to anyone from our school community who suffered damage or loss of household items as a result of the flooding following Cyclone Jasper. If you have been affected, please let Admin or myself know as we wish to support if possible. Please keep in your prayers the school communities of St Augustine's Mossman who sustained major damage and Holy Cross and St Joseph's in Cairns and St John's Silkwood which suffered damage.

Admin Updates

If you have changed student address details, phone or email contacts or additional contact details, please let the Office know. This is particularly important during our wet season, in case there are flooding or emergency events that require notification of changes to the school routine.

Our Beginning School Mass will be on Thursday 1 February 9:30am. A special time to share as we look to the year ahead, welcome our Preps and new students and present badges to the Student Leaders.

Mrs McElhinney if you are unsure.

Please remember that the Drop Off Zone in Rankin Street is just that, a drop off zoneplease do not leave your vehicle in those bays to enter the school premises, during those times.

Regards Liam



Please take the time to check the Dress Codeblack shoes, school hat, minimal jewellery with sleepers or small studs. Check with Mrs C or

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 2024 TUE 23 JAN THU 28 MAR WED 24 JAN **PREP & YR 1 GIRLS START** TUCKSHOP WED 24 JAN <u>FRI 26 JAN</u> **AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY** PARENT MEETINGS **AS PER CLASS LETTERS IN WEEK 2 BEGINNING SCHOOL** MASS THU 1 FEB 9:30am

Term 1 2024...

We Pray...

As we begin the new school year, let us pray that God will fill our hearts with peace. God of peace, may this year bring us closer to you and to each other. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture—Luke 11:5-10

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I tell you to ask, and you will receive, search and you will find, knock and the door will be opened for you. Everyone who asks will receive, everyone who searches will find, and the door will be opened for everyone who Fri 1.3 Sports Captains knocks." The gospel of the Lord.

Beginning School Mass...

The date for this year's Beginning School Mass has moved to a Thursday Week 2 Thursday 1 February 9:30am at Mother of Good Counsel Church we will 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— School Captains, Student Councillors, Flag Attendants and Sports House Captains, will be receiving their badges during this celebration.

Sacramental Program...

Enrolment forms are now available for 2024. Forms were distributed last year, please return if you have not 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 IFri 21.6 Term 2 ends and important dates.

Mini Vinnies Induction Ceremony...

The Yr 6 Mini Induction Assembly will be held in the Blue Area on Friday 9 February.

Welcome...

The Admin Office welcomed the Prep students this morning as both classes presented with their clipboards at the ready, to tick the box beside each person they identified. Such a fantastic way to orientate the children to people and places in the school. Thank you to the Prep Team.

Yours in Catholic Education.

Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C APRE



2024 Term 1 (10 weeks)

- Thu 1.2 Beginning School Mass—9:30am
- Fri 2.2 Student Council Assembly
- Fri 9.2 Yr 6 Mini Vinnies Induction
- Wed 14.2 Ash Wednesday Liturgies
- Fri 16.2 Project Compassion 5S Assembly

Thu 22.2 SCHOOL PHOTOS

- Fri 23.2 Good Samaritan Charism Assembly
- Fri 8.3 Harmony Day
- Fri 15.3 St Patrick's 6S Assembly
- Fri 22.3 Palm Sunday 3DC Assembly
- Tue 26.3 Last Supper 6D 8:30am

Wed 27.3 Cross Country

Thu 28.3 Stations of the Cross 5SD 8:30am Term One ends...

School Holidays

Fri 29.3 Good Friday

Sun 31.3 Easter Sunday

Term 2 (10 weeks)

Mon 15.4 Term commences Thu 25.4 ANZAC Day Mon 6.5 Qld Labour Day Holiday

Term 3 (10 weeks)

Mon 8.7 Term commences Fri 30.8 Pupil Free Day Fri 13.9 Term 3 ends

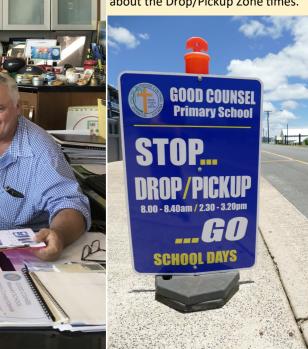
Term 4 (10 weeks)

Mon 30.9 King's Birthday Holiday Tue 1.10 Term commences Mon 11.11 Remembrance Day Ceremony Fri 6.12 Term 4 ends

Get off to a good start with attendance.

When your child attends each day, or if they are away medical reasons. for appointments familv or reasons, please notify the Office of their absence, via phone or the Parent Portal so that your child will have a chance to win this great scooter on the final day of Term 1.







SALADS

Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot, Beetroot, Cheese

Large Tub	\$5.00
Small Tub	\$3.00
Sandwich	\$5.00
Large Wrap	\$5.00

Add Protein Chicken or Ham or 2x Chicken Strips \$3.00 Add Avocado \$1.00

Mayo, French, Balsamic, Balsamic Glaze, Sweet Chilli, BBQ, Tomato

SMALL STRIP WRAPS

Simple Strip Wrap w lettuce, cheese, mayo/sauce	\$4.00
Salad Strip Wrap w lettuce, tomato, cucumber, carrot, beetroot, cheese	\$5.00
Add Avocado	\$1.00

Mayo, French, Balsamic, Balsamic Glaze, Sweet Chilli, BBO, Tomato

COOL TREATS & DRINKS

Frozen Yoghurt	\$3.00
Mango, Strawberry, Watermelon,	/Mango, Chocolate/Vanilla, Strawberry/Vanilla
Frozie or Zooper Dooper voucher	\$0.70
	Preps to Year 2 - 1ST Break ONLY Year 3 - Year 6 - 2ND Break ONLY
350ml Water	\$2.00
350ml Juice	\$3.50
	Apple, Apple Blackcurrant, Orange
250ml Popper	\$2.50
	Apple, Apple Blackcurrant, Orange, Tropical
200ml Milk	\$2.50
	Plain, Strawberry, Chocolate



SIMPLE SANDWICH

Vegemite or Jam or Honey	\$3.00
Cheese	\$3.50
Ham or Chicken	\$4.00

TOASTED SANDWICH

Cheese	\$4.00
Ham	\$4.50
Cheese + Tomato	\$4.50
Ham/Chicken/Salami + Cheese	\$5.00
Ham/Chicken/Salami + Cheese + Tomato	\$5.50
Pizza: Salami + Cheese + Pizza Sauce	\$5.50

Pizza: Salami + Cheese + Pizza Sauce Tyson: Chicken + Cheese + BBQ Sauce Nettie: Salami + Cheese + Black Olives Quinn: Chicken + Cheese + BBQ Sauce + Avo

SNACKS

Apple Slinky: green o	or red \$2.00
Popcorn (GF)	\$2.00
Salami Stick (GF)	\$1.50
Cheese Stick	\$1.50
Grazing Tub (GF)	full \$6.00 half \$4.00
rice crackers, salami, che	ese, carrot, cucumber dip

LUNCHBOXES

Includes the below for \$8.50 Indicate choices from menu

1 simple sandwich 1 popper or milk Apple or orange segments 2 choc chip cookies

HOT FOOD

Chicken Nugget	\$0.50
Chicken Strip – plain, sweet chilli, salt vinegar	\$2.00
Party Pie	\$2.00
Pizza – cheese, bacon, ham pineapple	\$3.00
Mac & Cheese	\$4.00
Lasagne	\$4.00
Sauce – tomato, bbq, sweet chilli	\$0.50

DAILY SPECIALS

MONDAY ONLY

WEDNESDAY ONLY

FRIDAY ONLY - PERRY'S

Sausage Roll or Mini Pastie

Cream Bun or Finger Bun

Beef Ravioli Garlic Bread

Meat Pie

Taco Bowl (GF) mince, cheese, corn chips, salsa, sour cream Add Avocado

full \$6.50 half \$4.50

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GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY 2024 TUCKSHOP MENU



TUCKSHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are a valuable resource for our school tuckshop. The help of parents and grandparents aids in increasing both the efficiency and volume of orders completed. The students love seeing you behind the counter and it is always lovely to have a cuppa. some lunch and a laugh together once the job is done. If you can spare two or so hours from 8.30am on a Monday. Wednesday or Friday then please fill in and return the expression of interest and keep an eye out in the newsletter. Many hands make light work and yummy lunches!

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