

**Volunteers needed**

**TUCKSHOP**

WED 19 JUNE—TANIA, ANNA & 1 HELPER NEEDED  
8:30-10:30AM

FRI 21 JUNE—TANIA, ANNA & TBC—PLEASE CHECK  
FACEBOOK GROUP

**FLEXISCHOOL ORDERING CLOSING TIMES**

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

THURSDAY—9:30AM FOR FRIDAY INCLUDES  
ALL BROWN BAGS FOR FRIDAY

\*LATE ORDERS WILL SUBSTITUTED AS PER MENU\*

MONDAY—8:00AM FOR THE SAME DAY

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

**UNIFORM SHOP**

2024 OPENING HOURS

MON, WED, FRI

8:00—8:30am OR 11:00am—12:30pm

**REMINDER**

**UPCOMING YEAR 6  
LONGREACH CAMP**

**TERM 3 WEEK 2**

**PLEASE REFER TO  
EMAIL SENT TO ALL  
YR 6 PARENTS TODAY  
REGARDING PAYMENT  
DETAILS.**



**Non State Schools  
TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE SCHEME**

**Semester 2 2024 Bus Fare Thresholds**  
Attn: Bus Fare Assistance Program Families

We wish to advise that the NSSTAS Reference Committee has ratified the Semester 2 2024 threshold values and they have been reduced from Semester 1 values.

The thresholds/bus fare charges will be:

**\$25/week for non-concession card holders and  
\$15/week for concession\* card holders**

*This cost will be charged each term  
to the family school account.*

(\* Health Care, Pensioner or Veterans as per criteria on website  
SchoolTransport.com.au)

If you have any queries regarding this program, please contact your Bus Provider and/or our BFAP Co-Ordinator, Mrs Julie Nicolau.  
(Phone: 4063 5300 (Option 2) or  
email [gcc.accounts@cns.catholic.edu.au](mailto:gcc.accounts@cns.catholic.edu.au))

**REMINDER STATEMENTS**

Term 2 fees are now overdue.

Please check your emails and spam/junk folder and if not received, contact Admin.



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. The remittance statement/payment screen shot should then be emailed to:  
**accounts.innisfail@cns.catholic.edu.au**

**Picture Products**

**Orders are now open!**

What will you create?



**PLEASE RETURN ALL COMPLETED  
PICTURE PLATE TEMPLATES TO THE ADMIN  
OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE**

**Playgroup**

**GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL  
PLAYGROUP**

CATERING FOR CHILDREN - BIRTH TO 5 YEARS

FRIDAY MORNINGS 9:00 AM—11:00 AM  
GOOD SAMARITAN HALL  
(ACCESS VIA OWEN STREET)

COST: \$2.00 PER FAMILY

BYO: HAT, MORNING TEA & WATER BOTTLE

CO-ORDINATOR: ASHLEIGH GORDON-COOKE 0459 676 121

JOIN OUR 'GOOD COUNSEL PLAYGROUP'  
PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION

**BREAK UP PARTY**  
FRIDAY 21 JUNE

JOIN US FOR A TEDDY BEAR  
PICNIC & JUMPING CASTLE




**GOOD COUNSEL  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**NEWSLETTER**

**SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE**

**18TH JUNE 2024**

**TERM 2 Week 10**

*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,

Welcome to our final week of term with fine weather for our sporting events. A great start to the week with some outstanding results from individuals including Ruby Torrisi who broke the 11 years girls shot put record.

Today we had great spirit on show for the ball games and class tug o' war.

On Thursday we are all keen to walk to Callendar Park for our sprints, 200m, 800m, relays and novelty events. Come dressed up in your team's theme, ready to walk to Callendar Park. There will be catering by Brothers Juniors in the canteen, situated in the grandstand. We will have designated eating times for students. We are happy that students join their parents if in attendance to eat, but when events are on, students need to be in the Colour House tents ready to compete.

Some novelty events for the juniors will be on the main field so Parents/Carers will have a great viewing position from the grandstand.

We will have ample shade for students with 8 Sports Colour House tents and two school tents for spirit finalists. Parents/Carers will have the hill section adjacent the track. When crossing the track please be mindful of events that may be in progress.

To access the toilets (at the front gate), or canteen, we will have one supervised access point. This will ensure the safety of competitors and visitors.

**If you are late and need to drop your children off after 8:40am, please take them directly to Callendar Park—please then contact the Office to advise of their attendance.**

A reminder that team themes are:

**Clancy: Country Cowboys**  
**MacKillop: MacKillop Masquerades**  
**Marcellin: Marcellin Marathoners**  
**Polding: Polding in Pyjamas**

With Mrs Russell being away on Long Service Leave this term, we need to say a huge thank you to Mrs Helm, Miss Jones, Mrs Darveniza and Mrs Connolly who have stepped in to replace Hayley in preparing our students for sports. They have all done an amazing job in what was certainly a combined effort.

**Reports**

Student assessment is all completed for Semester 1 and teachers have worked tirelessly to mark and write reports ready to be uploaded on Wednesday, with a paper copy going home on Friday. Please ensure you take the time to read your child's report with them to discuss success stories and plan goals for Semester 2. A reminder that a 'C' standard is where the majority of the class will be. Above this mark is achieving beyond expected and if students are below this they will be receiving support to achieve their best learning. Should you have questions about your child's results please organise to meet their teacher early in Term 3 to discuss.

The new MyCE App will give Parents/Carers access to student reports. Have the App downloaded by tomorrow, Wednesday 19 June and go in the draw for a \$100 Uniform Shop Voucher. The draw will take place on Friday with our attendance draws.

Remember, we will have our *Lego* attendance raffle and prizes for students who have 100% attendance for Term 2 on Friday.

With our Innisfail & District Show on the first Thursday/Friday of Week 1, there are plenty of holiday preparations you can make if you wish to enter any of the kids' sections in the show. Colouring-in competitions, *Lego* construction, cake, biscuit and sweet making. Students have this week been talking up their exhibits in the cane, cattle and banana sections. A reminder that Friday of Week 1 is the Innisfail & District Show Holiday.

Over the mid-year break, spend some time re-energising your children ready for Semester 2. Have a happy and safe holiday.

Regards—*Liam*

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**OFFICE HOURS**  
8:00 AM—3:00PM  
Ph: 07 4063 0600

**POINTS OF INTEREST**

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**DIARY DATES 2024**  
MON 15 APRIL  
FRI 21 JUNE

**WED 19 JUNE**  
MyCE APP FINAL DAY  
DOWNLOAD TO BE IN  
THE \$100 UNIFORM  
VOUCHER DRAW

**PICTURE PLATE  
DRAWING TEMPLATE  
FINAL RETURN DAY**

**THU 20 JUNE**  
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL  
CALLENDAR PARK

**THU 20 JUN  
FRIDAY'S TUCKSHOP**

- CASH ORDERS IN TODAY
- ONLINE ORDERS FOR FRIDAY CLOSE THU 9:30AM

**FRI 21 JUN**  
SCHOOL CONCLUDES  
3:00PM

**MON 8 JUL**  
FIRST DAY OF  
TERM 3



Congratulations to our GCPS School Officers, Relief, Groundsman, Tuckshop Convenor & Admin Staff on their special day last week.



**Sports House Captains Prayer Assembly...**

Congratulations Dominic, Vivianne, Christian, Isadora, Henco, Jaida, Rick and Mia for setting the scene for this week's athletics and war-cries. May your teams work with you for a memorable carnival at Callendar Park on Thursday.

This week's Friday Assembly will award the final Social and Emotional Learning Certificates for Term 2, and see Mr Kenny draw the winner of the *Lego* attendance and MyCE \$100 Uniform voucher winner from the parents/carers who will have downloaded the app by Wednesday 19 June.

**Next term's first assembly...**

Since the first Friday of term will be the Show Holiday, the first Prayer Assembly will be on Friday 19 July, and will introduce Catholic Education Week.

**Scripture...** Matthew 11:28-30

Then Jesus said: "If you are tired from carrying heavy burdens, come to me and I will give you rest. Take the yoke I give you. Put it on your shoulders and learn from me. I am gentle and humble, and you will find rest. This yoke is easy to bear, and this burden is light." The Gospel of the Lord.

Have a lovely break from school and see you on Monday 8 July.

*Yours in Catholic Education—Mrs C (Maria Caltabiano)*

**GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY CALENDAR 2024**

**Term 2 (10 weeks)**

Thu 20.6 ATHLETICS CALENDAR PK  
Fri 21.6 Term 2 ends...

**Term 3 (10 weeks)**

Mon 8.7 Term commences  
Fri 12.7 INNISFAIL SHOW HOLIDAY  
Sun 14.7 Yr 6 Outback Campers depart returning Friday 19.6  
Fri 19.6 Catholic Education Wk Introduction  
Tue 23.7 CEW Southern Schools Mass  
Andrew Chinn in Concert

**Thu 25.7 GCPS Grandparents Day**

Thu 1.8 Under 8's Day  
Fri 9.8 Mary MacKillop Prayer Assembly  
Thu 22.8 Book Character Parade  
Fri 23.8 Father's Day Prayer Assembly  
Fri 30.8 CTJ—Pupil Free Day

**Wk 9—NAIDOC WEEK**

Fri 13.9 Prep Fairy Tales  
Term 3 ends

**Term 4 (10 weeks)**

Mon 30.9 Term commences  
Mon 7.10 King's Birthday Holiday  
Fri 25.10 Qld Teachers Day  
Mon 11.11 Remembrance Day Ceremony  
Fri 6.12 Term 4 ends

*Congratulations to our very own Miss Alex Worth & Mr Brenton Gangemi, whose special date for their marriage will be in the holidays. Very best wishes from everyone at GCPS.*



**SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

**Innisfail Library**  
Clay Creations  
Tuesday 25th June 10.30am - 11.30am (6+)  
Paper Planes & Rockets  
Tuesday 2nd July 10.30am - 11.30am (6+)

**Mission Beach Library**  
Paper Squishies  
Thursday 27th June 10.30am - 11.30am (5+)  
Songwriting Workshop with Autumn Echoes  
Tuesday 2nd July 10.00am - 12.00pm (8+)

**Cardwell Library**  
Music Creator  
Wednesday 26th June 2.30pm - 3.30pm (6+)

**Tully Library**  
Driftwood Art  
Tuesday 25th June 10.00am - 11.00am (6+)

**Crack the Code**  
Thursday 4th July 11.00am - 12.00pm (6+)

**Origami Creations**  
Thursday 4th July 2.30pm - 3.30pm (6+)

**Cardwell Heritage Precinct**  
Communication Stations at the Bush Telegraph  
Wednesday 3rd July 11.00 am - 12.00 pm (6+)

**MAKERSPACE**  
available all holidays!

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Bookings Essential  
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