



## TUCKSHOP

WED 4 SEPT—JAMIE, ANNA, LURL  
FRI 6 SEPT—JAMIE, ANNA, LURL  
MON 9 SEPT—JAMIE, ANNA, LURL



### FLEXISCHOOL ORDERING CLOSING TIMES

WEDNESDAY - CLOSÉS 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

### Remaining 2024 Pre-Prep Sessions

**Short Day Session 8:35am—11:00am**  
Friday 6 September

**Long Day Sessions 8:35am—1:00pm**  
Friday 11 October  
Friday 18 October

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

## 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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Tuckshop

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### REMINDER TERM FEES

Term 3 fees are now overdue.

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



Bill Code:

Ref:

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

## PREP ENROLMENTS 2026

Prep enrolments for 2026 are now underway, with many applications already received. Any existing parents of students with younger siblings, please ensure that you have enrolled your Prep student for 2026, if applicable.

If you have a child that was born between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021 please go to the GCPS website and complete the Application for Enrolment online. If you have any queries, please contact the Office on 4063 0600.



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

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## GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

### SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

3RD SEPTEMBER 2024

TERM 3 Week 9

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 celebrate NAIDOC Day on Thursday with a special prayer assembly, cultural activities at school and an exciting excursion to the Mamu Canopy Walk at Wooroonooran National Park, East Palmerston. Our prayer assembly is being brought to us by our First Nations students.

Prep—Year 2 students will depart by bus at 9:15am to the Canopy Walk while our Year 3—6 students participate in cultural activities at school. Then at 12pm the two groups will swap over.

With a chance of showers on Thursday, we ask that students bring a rain jacket and a change of clothes for after the walk (no umbrellas though, as it could be windy).

The NAIDOC theme for 2024 is 'Keep the Fire Burning' which honours the enduring strength and vitality of First Nations cultures. Fire is the symbol of connection to country, to each other and to the rich tapestry of traditions that define our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

This week we have students representing GCP at FNQ Netta Yr 4 girls (Friday). We wish them every success as they compete against schools in the north.



Congratulations to our Ty Williams Rugby League boys who were not only undefeated at the Ty Williams Rugby League Competition on Thursday last week, but they also won the Sportsmanship Cup for the second year in a row. Great work boys!

Well done to our Peninsula Softball representatives - Jaida, Charlize and Isadora, who travelled to Hervey Bay last month. The team didn't win a game at the Carnival but gained lots of experience from the Tournament.



Our medal tally for the Paris Paralympics is mounting and Mrs Vecchio is doing daily updates on the Medal Tally Board over the next two weeks. Watching a couple of highlights over the weekend showcased how amazing these athletes truly are. Inspirational!

Regards—Liam

### GCPS NAIDOC Celebrations

Thursday 5 September 2024

Prayer Assembly 8:35am

Prep – Year 2	Year 3-6
Depart 9:15am for Canopy Walk	9:30am start School activities
1:00pm start School activities	Depart 12pm for Canopy Walk

Please bring: water bottle, hat, jacket, change of clothes

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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 08 JUNE

FRI 13 SEP

THU 5 SEPT

NAIDOC PRAYER ASSEMBLY & ACTIVITIES

FRI 6 SEPT

PRE-PREP SESSION #4

8:35AM—11AM

WED 11 SEPT

PREP-YR 2 BIKE SAFETY DAY

THU 12 SEPT

YR 2 EXCURSION

JIM GRAHAM RUGBY LEAGUE

FRI 13 SEPT

PREP FAIRY TALE DAY





**Year 2 Liturgy of the Word...**

Thank you to all parents/carers and extended family members who joined with the children in Mother of Good Counsel Church on Tuesday last week. Thank you Fr Kerry for the time shared with our staff and students, as well as Mrs Lynch, Mrs Yang and Mrs Mifsud for preparing the children.



**Year 5 Liturgy of the Eucharist...**

Thank you to all parents/carers and extended family members who joined with the children in Mother of Good Counsel Church yesterday. Again, thank you Fr Kerry for celebrating with us. A big thank you to Mrs Sinton and Mrs Stephenson for their preparation.

**NAIDOC at GCPS...**

This week our First Nations students will lead us in prayer and activities as we celebrate NAIDOC week. Thursday is an opportunity for all students to learn about and celebrate First Nations cultures and their histories. During the NAIDOC Prayer Assembly, the whole school will be singing Andrew Chinn’s version of the *Aboriginal Lord’s Prayer*.

Yours in Catholic Education— **Amanda Speziali** (Acting APRE)

**GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY  
CALENDAR 2024**

**Term 3 (10 weeks)**

Thu 5.9 NAIDOC Prayer Assembly  
& Activities

Fri 6.9 Friday Assembly SEL Awards

Fri 6.9 Pre-Prep Day #4

Wed 11.9 Bike Safety Day Prep—Yr 2

Thu 12.9 Yr 2 Excursion

Jim Graham RL Cup

Fri 13.9 Prep Fairy Tales

Mary Mills Netball Cup

Term 3 ends

**Term 4 (10 weeks)**

Mon 30.9 Term commences

Wed 2—Fri 4 Yr 5 Tinaroo Camp

Mon 7.10 King’s Birthday Holiday

Fri 18.10 Gold Coin Socktober Mission Day

Fri 25.10 Qld Teachers Day

Mon 11.11 Remembrance Day Ceremony

Mon 2.12 Yr 6 Graduation Mass

Thu 5.12 Christmas Concert

Fri 6.12 End of School Mass

Term 4 ends



FATHER’S DAY RAFFLE—WINNERS ARE GRINNERS—CONGRATULATIONS!



**2024 NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK**

Supported by  
Australian Government  
Department of Social Services

**EVERY CONVERSATION MATTERS**

In 2024, the National Child Protection Week message that ‘Every child in every community needs a fair go’ will be complemented with the theme ‘Every conversation matters’. Conversations are powerful tools to keep children and young people safe and well. Conversations can help us understand issues, craft solutions, value community knowledge, and build the brains and social connections of children and young people.

Conversations between

- children and their caregivers matter (from the very earliest days)
- children and their peers matter
- families with teachers, doctors, and other professionals matter
- friends or neighbours matter

decision-makers and the communities they serve matter.

And, of course, conversations in the public realm and media matter...

So, this National Child Protection Week we invite you to speak up – and speak together – about what needs to change for every child in every community to have a fair go.

**Deepest Sympathy...**

*To the Loudon family and  
Zara (Prep 3H) for the loss of  
her great grandmother  
Lorraine Buckley*

**Deepest Sympathy...**

*To the Koenig family and  
Lilly (4W) for the loss of  
her grandmother  
Jeanette Glatthor (Netty)*

**Aboriginal Lord's Prayer**

You are our Father, you live in Heaven  
We talk to you, Father you are good.

We believe your word, Father  
We are children, give us bread today.

We have done wrong, we are sorry  
Teach us, Father, all about your Word.

Others have done wrong to us  
And we are sorry for them, Father today.

Stop us from doing wrong, Father  
Save us all from the evil one.

You are our Father, you live in Heaven  
We talk to you, Father you are good.

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