

Volunteers Needed

TUCKSHOP

WED 30 OCT—TANIA, ANNA & 1 OR 2 HELPERS
NEEDED 8:30am—10:30am

FRI 01 NOV—TANIA, LURL, JUDE & 1 OR 2 HELPERS
NEEDED 8:30AM—1:00PM

MON 04 NOV—TANIA, ANNA & 1 HELPER NEEDED
8:30am—10:30am

FLEXISCHOOL ORDERING CLOSING TIMES

WEDNESDAY - CLOSES 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 BEFORE THE FIRST BELL.

GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

29TH OCTOBER 2024

TERM 4 Week 5

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.

REMINDER

If your child is sick or away and they have tuckshop ordered please remember to contact Tania and let her know so she can cancel the order and avoid food waste. We cannot refund for food that has been made so please ensure you make contact as early as possible.

Department of Transport and Main Roads Queensland

Interested in becoming a school crossing supervisor?

Make a difference to the lives of school children at Good Counsel Primary School (Innisfail)

- Generous casual pay-rate starting at \$37.00 per hour
- Long-service leave entitlements
- Queensland Government superannuation

To apply, contact your local Road Safety Officer on 0477 385 209 or visit tmr.qld.gov.au/SafeSchoolTravel.

UNIFORM SHOP

2024 OPENING HOURS

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

8:00—8:30am OR 11:00am—12:30pm

Steven Herrick – author visit

The award-winning author and poet, Steven Herrick is visiting our school soon to entertain the Primary classes. Students and teachers are welcome to purchase signed copies of his books on the day for \$15.

REMINDER TERM FEES

Term 4 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

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last Friday our Year 6 students, and their teachers Mrs Amber Di Carlo and Miss Casey Sheil worked their magic to present a very memorable prayer assembly celebrating all teachers here at GCP. Dressing up as one of the teachers, presenting certificates organised by Mrs C which shared the teacher's career history and many of their personal traits, the Yr 6s had the rest of the students in stitches.



They were able to mimic their actions and words so well. The students are obviously most observant, and I believe we need to realise, just how much. Well done to all!



When we recall at times who was the teacher who had the most effect on our lives, many people say the teacher 'who believed in me'; 'was strict'; 'cared for me'; 'passionate about what they taught'; or 'took an interest in us'. All of these qualities help shape the lives of students inside and outside the classroom. For me, my most influential teacher was Mr Peter Kenny, who happened to be my dad. He taught me throughout my life and actually taught me in

secondary school as he was a teacher too—teaching Mathematics, Religion and Agriculture among other subjects. What he taught in the classroom was fairly insignificant compared to the lessons he taught me growing up. Let us be thankful for all the wonderful teachers we had through our childhood and those who teach our students today.



and Miss Mackensie-Rose Douglas in 2024.

This week on Wednesday, students in Year 3—6 have an author visit. Steven Herrick has written over 20 books for children and young adults. He has been shortlisted 10 times for the Children's Book Council of Australia—Book of the Year, winning numerous awards. Some of his most popular works include *Untangling Spaghetti*, *Zoe, Max and the Bicycle Bus*, and *The Simple Gift*. He spends half of his year visiting schools around Australia and the remainder writing books.

As we approach that solemn time of year when we remember the souls of all our dearly departed, let us pray: *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

This week, Year 2 and Prep students will be visiting the pool for Water Safety Lessons. Please ensure you bring your swimmers and all necessary items for the Friday lessons.

Regards—Liam

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

POINTS OF INTEREST

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The Life of the School

DIARY DATES 2024
MON 30 SEPTEMBER
FRI 6 DECEMBER

WED 30 OCT
STEVEN HERRICK
VISITING AUTHOR

FRI 1 NOV
YEAR 2 & PREP
WATER SAFETY
LESSONS

MON 4 NOV
YR 4 LITURGY
9:30AM

TUE 5 NOV
MELBOURNE CUP
HAT/TIE DAY

P&F MEETING
THEATRETTE
7PM

WED 6 NOV
YR 1 LITURGY
10:00AM

FRI 8 NOV
YR 6 CAMP
PRAYER ASSEMBLY



World Teachers' Day Prayer Assembly...

Congratulations to the Yr 6 readers for the prayers and for introducing the teachers with details from their certificates. Congratulations to the Yr 6 look-alikes for their part in making the whole assembly so memorable. This presentation has gone from strength to strength over the years to become a GCPS rite of passage. To the many faces of Mr Kenny—brilliant. To the other Mrs C—Viv, thank you.



All Saints—1 November...

Friday, we celebrate the feast of All Saints. The meaning of the word 'saint' has changed over time. In the early times of the Church, it meant any person who was baptised. Any follower of Jesus was called a saint. Much later, the title started to be associated with men and women who rose up and devoted their lives to making a difference in the lives of others. Their lives were so filled with the love of God that people began to experience God's love more deeply through them. Our challenge today is to work out how we can live out Jesus' message in word (what we say), and deed (what we do), and rise up and make a difference in the lives of others. Liturgy, Ritual, Prayer

Yours in Catholic Education—Mrs C (Maria Caltabiano)



**GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY
CALENDAR 2024**

Term 4 (10 weeks)

- Wed 30.10 Stephen Herrick—Author visit
- Fri 1.11 All Saints Prayer Assembly Staff
Water Safety Yr 2, Prep
- Mon 4.11 Yr 4 Mass 9:30am
- Tue 5.11 Melbourne Cup Hat/Tie Day
- Wed 6.11 Yr 1 Liturgy 10:00am
- Fri 8.11 Yr 6 Camp Pr. Assembly
Water Safety Yr 2, Prep
- Mon 11.11 Remembrance Day Ceremony
- Fri 15.11 Billy Slater League Tag Day
- Fri 22.11 Advent Prayer Assembly
- Fri 29.11 Prep & Yr 1 Nativity Presentation
- Mon 2.12 Leadership Assembly
Yr 6 Graduation Mass
- Thu 5.12 Christmas Concert
- Fri 6.12 End of School Mass 9:00am
Mother of Good Counsel Church
School breaks at midday

Chatting with Fr Kerry...

Year 1 students took the time to visit Mary's Sanctuary in the church last week, to listen to Father Kerry explain about Mary, Mother of Good Counsel. Thank you Mrs Grace Slater and Mrs Alex Gangemi for organising.

ELITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE 2025 TRIALS
Cairns Region
Cassowary Coast Region
SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2024
CAIRNS 9AM - 10.30AM
LEIGHARDT SENIORS (31-37)
JOHNSON RD, WHITE ROCK
INNISFAIL 4PM - 5:30PM
@GOONDI BEND RECREATION CENTRE, INNISFAIL

ALL FNQ junior players (aged 5-15) welcome to trial.
MORE INFO: Call: 0450 181 626 Email: info@jgfa.com.au
North Queensland junior soccer competition for elite players aged 5-15



Deepest Sympathy...

*Liam & Denise Kenny
and family,
for the loss of their Uncle—
Virgil Kenny
(Rockhampton)*

PREP ENROLMENTS 2026

Prep enrolments for 2026 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 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.