



TUCKSHOP



WED 19 NOV—JULIE, LEEANNE, GLADYS,
& 1 HELPER NEEDED

FRI 21 NOV—JULIE, ANNE MARIE, MELISSA &
2 HELPERS NEEDED

MON 24 NOV —JULIE, PAT & SHEILA

FLEXISCHOOL ORDERING CLOSING TIMES

WEDNESDAY - CLOSSES 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

ALL BROWN BAGS WITH CASH TO
THE TUCKSHOP BEFORE THE FIRST BELL.



UNIFORM SHOP

2025 OPENING HOURS

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY , FRIDAY

8:00–8:30am OR 11:00am–12:30pm



YOU ARE INVITED TO

Good Counsel

Playgroup's

Christmas Party

FIND US IN THE GOOD SAMARITAN HALL
ON OWEN ST

Friday 21st November

\$8.50 ENTRY

SANTA VISIT

Food - Fun - Face Painting - Presents






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



SOS

Calling all milk drinkers!

Could you please send in your 2L plastic milk bottles (rinsed & lid on).

We need them for a Christmas craft activity.

Your help is greatly appreciated!

GCPS Christmas Concert

Date—Thursday 4 December


Place—Blue Covered Area

Time—Please bring children at 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start

What to wear: All students are to wear their navy blue shorts/skorts and weekday socks with black shoes.

Year 1 to 6: Christmas shirt in traditional Christmas colours of red, green, white or black if possible.

Prep: Please refer to parent letter about Christmas Concert shirt for all information and payment details .



GOOD COUNSEL

PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

18 NOVEMBER 2025

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,

We have three very busy weeks remaining of the school year. As I reflect, it only seems like yesterday we were welcoming new faces at the beginning of 2025. Students over the next two weeks will be completing assessment items and revising work from the curriculum, as having a nine week term does compact the teaching time available.

In most years we would be announcing our teaching staff this week, however 2026 will be an extraordinary one for us, as we have five teachers who will be on maternity leave at some time in Semester 1. This is wonderful news and great for future enrolments. Finalising our teaching staff and considering the impact of staff changes for our students has been a major priority. We hope to announce teachers next week once our final positions are locked in.

Congratulations to the following staff who are due to take maternity leave for all or part of 2026: Kiara Ridolfi, Adrienne Worth, Julie Yang, Jody Connolly and Lisa Paterson. 2030 is going to be a big year for Prep enrolments.

As we organise classes for next year, students will be asked this week, to put in their request for friends to be in their class. These requests are always given careful consideration and we ensure at least one friend is with your child, however the class teachers must factor in an even academic spread of students, equal gender numbers and which children work best together. We will attempt to accommodate parent requests for social concerns where students may not be suited with a particular student, however, we will not be taking requests for a particular teacher. Please be assured that the best interests of all students is a priority and teachers and leadership spend many hours working out the best combinations of students in classes.

Class lists and booklists will be published in Week 9. As in Semester 1, Report Cards will not be printed, they will be available for download via the MyCE App and the Parent Portal in Week 9.

After 5 weeks of pool games and finals, our World Cup Champions for 2025 have been crowned. Congratulations to our Year 3/4 finalists Croatia V Portugal with Portugal winning 2-1. For our Yr 5/6 final it came down to an epic drop off with only 4 players per team left on the field. Italy defeated Argentina 1-0. Yesterday our champions from Yr 3/4, Portugal, took on Yr 5/6, Italy. A very tight affair with an early deflection in the first half giving Italy the win 1-0. Thanks to all teams on their amazing sportsmanship and to my wonderful touch judges, time keepers and scorers for offering up your lunch times.



The GCP Mini Vinnies Executive have organised their Class Hamper Appeal, which is included with this week's newsletter. Your continued generosity over the years has allowed us to support our local Vinnies as they in turn support many families in need during the festive season.

The Year 5 students will be in leadership mode on Thursday in the Theatre as they nominate and share their aspirations for the various roles available in 2026. We wish each student the very best.

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 2025

TUE 7 OCT -

FRI 5 DEC

THU 20 NOV

YR 5

LEADERSHIP DAY

FRI 21 NOV

YR 6 CAMP

ASSEMBLY

PLAYGROUP

CHRISTMAS

PARTY

FRI 28 NOV

YR 1 NATIVITY

ASSEMBLY



Life of the School...



World Diabetes Day... GCPS staff and students put on their blue shirts in support of Charlie Horsford GCC student last Friday. Thank you to everyone who contributed a gold coin donation.

Work Experience... Past pupil—Zoe Kukulies has joined us this week for work experience especially with PE, joining Mrs Daniella Stephenson in the Good Samaritan Multi-purpose Hall today.

Premier’s Reading Challenge... Congratulations to Rosalie Yr 3 for finally receiving her Reading Achievement certificate and sincere apologies for missing out when all the others were awarded.



Mini Vinnies Class Hampers...
The Mini Vinnies note requesting class contributions is enclosed in this newsletter. Thank you for the many years of support to this worthy cause. If you are new this year, the Mini Vinnies will be putting together the hampers with your contributions for the local Vincentians to distribute to needy families prior to Christmas.

School Officers sharing knowledge and skills ...
Armani is currently enjoying the additional school officer company with Miss Nikala Mills from Good Counsel College, working alongside Mrs Tori Franco and Mrs Alison McIlwain to facilitate her transition to secondary school next year. Thank you Mrs Amy McElhinney for the Diversity guidance and support throughout her education.

Celebrating the lead up to Christmas at school... Children have been requesting to wear Christmas earrings and scrunchies. Those items may be worn with school uniform in Weeks 8 and 9. The tinsel, reindeer ears etc. must wait till Week 9, still alongside regular school uniform.

No CANDY CANES allowed at school this year thanks. Lollipop gifts to others in cards are not encouraged, and whilst they may be given, they must not be eaten at school. Thank you for your support.

Yours in Catholic Education—Mrs C

2025	Term 4 (9 weeks)
Fri 21.11	Yr 6 Camp Prayer Assembly
Wk 9	Mini Vinnies Hamper Collection
Fri 21.11	Playgroup Christmas Party
Fri 28.11	Yr 1 Nativity Prayer Assembly with Mini Vinnies Hampers
Mon 1.12	2026 Leadership Assembly
Mon 1.12	Yr 6 Graduation Mass 6:00pm
Thu 4.12	6:30 for 7pm Christmas Concert
Fri 5.12	9:00am End of Year Mass
Fri 5.12	12:00pm Yr 6 Countdown



GCPS Portugal—Mia, Jack, Ekam, Lyric, Scarlett, Shahbaz, Jigardeep, Ollie, Guransh, Dallas—Yr 3/4 World Cup Soccer finalists and runners up in yesterday’s game. Great effort taking on the Yr 5/6. Yr 5/6 finalists and yesterday’s winners—Italy. Congratulations Nate, Nathan, Josie, Graesen, Addyson, Elise, Ricki, Dallas and Ryan. Thank Mr Kenny for the excellent referee calls during the past five weeks.

