



## TUCKSHOP



WED 11 FEB—JULIE, PAT & GLADYS

FRI 13 FEB—JULIE, ROSE & MELISSA

MON 16 FEB—JULIE, LURL, SHEILA & LINA

### 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

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

### UNIFORM SHOP

2026 OPENING HOURS

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY  
8:00–8:30am OR 11:00am–12:30pm



Stock still available!

Take home a piece of GCP history with one of our 50 Years Commemorative Tea Towels.

Available for purchase at the Admin Office.

Price: \$20 each or 3+ for \$18 each.



### REMINDER TERM FEES

Term 1 fees will be issued shortly.

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](mailto:accounts.innisfail@cns.catholic.edu.au)



advancedlife  
school photography & print specialists

### SCHOOL PHOTOS—THURSDAY 26 FEBRUARY

Photos are encouraged to be purchased on-line using Visa, Mastercard, or PayPal. When ordering online, there is no need to complete an envelope. Limited envelopes are available from the front office should you wish to pay cash. Please note, we do not hold cash for change in the office.

Sibling photos ordered online **must** be completed **before** midnight Wednesday 25 Feb (the night before photo day).

Only siblings from this school will be photographed together. Please note: Late sibling cash envelope orders will not be accepted after school begins on photo day.

To order please go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au)

Enter the school 9 digit code available on the MyCE App - go to 'My Schools' tab then 'Documents'—School Photo Information.



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

10 FEBRUARY 2026

TERM 1 Week 3

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,

A very busy and yet settled start to the year with our Brain Boosters being fully booked out, Homework Club kicking off and Year 5/6 Friday sport—a hit.

A couple of reminders regarding the collection of students after school - if you have GCC siblings, please consider your GCP student going to the Owen St GCPS Pick-up Zone with the teacher on duty as this means fewer cars at Rankin St Pick up. Also, when dropping off in the morning on Rankin St—**please do not park in the drop off zone and leave your car unattended.** This does not allow for other parents to drive through and drop off at the gate. If you need to enter the grounds with your child, please park to the northern end above the pick up zone.



It is with very mixed emotions that I inform the community that Mrs C— will conclude her term as APRE/APA—Assistant to the Principal—Religious Education and Assistant Principal Administration, at the conclusion of the 2026 school year. This will complete 20 years of true service in this role and 28 years on staff as a teacher here at GCP. In this, Maria's final year at APRE/APA she will complete a Senior Leadership Appraisal which is designed as a constructive and future focused opportunity to recognise and affirm the significant contribution Maria has

made over the past 4 years since her last appraisal, and giving us feedback into how this role will continue into the future.

The process will gather insight from colleagues, leadership, parents/carers, students and the wider Parish community to ensure we attempt to capture Maria's leadership impact and commitment to the role within the school.

The Appraisal process has five main components:

- Appraisal Survey—Staff, Parents, Students (Year 5/6).
- Panel Review—Staff, Parent and Student Voice.
- Appraisee Self-review.
- Panel feedback via a report back of the Appraisee.
- Planning for the future.

The process will take place this term and will give time for reflection and guidance as we transition into advertising for 2027. As to Mrs C's future plans, this is yet to be finalised—according to her husband, Fred, known as Mr C, "She will be sitting back at home to be pampered and do a little gardening." Of course, Mrs C may have other plans, which hopefully could include assisting here at GCP, as she will find it most difficult to go from 100km per hour to 60km per hour. We will put forward the official plan as YTBD—yet to be determined.

The appraisal feedback surveys will be sent to all Parents/Carers scheduled for Thursday 19 February. Please take the time to complete it online.

We have now received information from CEDC about the Back to School Boost of \$100 per student enrolled and attending school prior to Friday 27 February, 2026. This is a QLD Government initiative to assist Parents/Carers with costs associated with attending school. Please read the attached information for clarification.

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 2026

WED 28 JAN -  
THU 2 APR

WED 11 FEB  
TEACHER/PARENT  
MEETING  
THEATRETTE  
PREP—3:30PM  
YEAR 4—4:30PM

THU 12 FEB  
YEAR 1  
TEACHER/PARENT  
MEETING  
THEATRETTE  
5:00PM

THU 12 FEB  
NETBALL GALA DAY

FRI 13 FEB  
RUGBY LEAGUE  
GALA DAY

TUE 17 FEB  
P&F AGM  
THEATRETTE  
7PM



**Beginning School Mass...**

Congratulations to the Student Leaders, who on this special occasion, received their badges as School Captains, Student Councillors, Flag Attendants and Sports House Captains, supported by staff, students, parents and extended family. Many thanks to Father Kerry Crowley for celebrating this Liturgy of the Eucharist with the whole school community.

**Project Compassion...**

Running early with Friday's Prayer Assembly to introduce Caritas' Project Compassion, with the Season of Lent almost upon us. Thank you to the group of 5S students assisting with the presentation. Next week, the Mini Vinnies Ceremony will announce the members of our social justice group. Please join us at Fridays at 8:40am as we share in the religious life of the school.

**Ash Wednesday 18 February...**

Please join with the students in Mother of Good Counsel Church next week: Yr 3—6 classes will participate in the 9:00am Ashes ceremony, followed by the Preps, Yr 1 & Yr 2 and the GCC Yr 11s at 10:00am.

*Yours in Catholic Education—  
Maria Caltabiano—Mrs C APRE*



**Sacramental Program 2026**

Please contact Angie at the Parish Office on 40465225 or call into Angie's office to fill in an enrolment form as soon as possible if you are considering enrolling your child/children. The Committal Mass is on this weekend—Sunday 15 February 9:00am. Children in Yr 5 and Yr 6 who may be considering receiving the Sacraments are welcome to speak with Mrs Donna Vecchio here at school.

2026	Term 1 (10 weeks)
Fri 13/2	GCP Project Compassion Assembly
Sun 15/2	Committal Mass Sun 9:00am Mother of GC Church
Tue 17/2	P&F Meeting 7pm
Wed 18/2	<b>Ash Wednesday Liturgies</b>
Fri 20/2	Mini Vinnies Ceremony
Thu 26/2	<b>SCHOOL PHOTOS</b>
Fri 27/2	Good Samaritan Charism Assembly
Fri 6/3	Sports Captains Assembly
Wk 7 & 8	NAPLAN
Fri 13/3	Acts of Kindness Assembly
Tue 17/3	St Patrick's Green Dress Day
Fri 20/3	Harmony Day
Fri 27/3	Palm Sunday 3DW Assembly
Tue 31/3	Last Supper 6B 8:30am
Wed 1/4	<b>CROSS COUNTRY</b>
Thu 2/4	Stations of the Cross 5DP 8:30am Term One ends
Fri 3/4	<b>Good Friday</b>
	<b>Easter - School Holidays</b>
Mon 20/4	<b>Term 2 commences</b>
Fri 24/4	ANZAC Assembly
Sat 25/4	ANZAC DAY & HOLIDAY
Mon 27/4	<b>Mary MoGC Feast Day Mass 9:30am</b>
Mon 4/5	<b>May Public Holiday</b>
Thu 7/5	<b>GCPS Mother's Day at GCP</b>
Fri 22/5	<b>Yr 1 Pentecost Prayer Assembly</b>
Wed 10/6	<b>School Officer Day</b>

**Diversity at GCPS - Supporting every learner—  
Amy McElhinney Leader of Diversity**

Homework Club is off to a great start, with students already building positive work habits early in the term. At Good Counsel Primary School, we are committed to setting students up for success and independence in their future learning. Due to the high number of students accessing Homework Club in 2025, the program now runs every morning from 8:10am in Room 2, offering a supportive space to complete homework and establish strong learning routines. There is no need to register for Homework Club, all students from Prep to Year 6 are welcome to attend.

Many thanks to our GCPS parents who have had their children at school early to access our Brain Boosters program. It is wonderful to see the learning happening in our classrooms, even before the school bell rings!



# GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Seek, Learn and Serve*

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10 February 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Back to School Boost - \$100 per student**

To help with the cost of school essentials, the Queensland Government is providing a \$100 Back to School Boost for every eligible primary student (Prep–Year 6) each year from 2026 to 2029. Our school will apply this contribution as a credit to your school fee account – you do not need to apply.

### **How it works**

- **Who is eligible:** All 2026 Prep – Year 6 primary students who have attended Good Counsel Primary School on or before Friday 27 February 2026.
- **When will you see it:** We will process the credit early in Term 1, 2026. It will appear as a reduction on your school fee statement with the description **Back to School Boost**. If applicable, and there is more than one customer account for a student, the payment will be split according to the fee responsibility arrangement.
- **If your child moves schools:** The boost is payable once per student per year. Students who transfer to another Queensland school won't receive an additional \$100. If a student leaves or graduates, families may request a refund of any remaining credit in line with our existing refund processes.
- **Who is NOT eligible?** If your child first attends Good Counsel Primary School after 27 February 2026, they are not eligible to receive the \$100 Back to School Boost for this year. Full Fee-Paying Overseas Students are also not eligible.
- **Direct debit/recurring payment arrangements:** If you pay by direct debit, scheduled amounts may need to be adjusted to reflect the \$100 annual credit per eligible primary student.

### **What you need to do**

Nothing right now. The school will administer the credit and communicate any specific details that relate to your family's account.

If you have questions, please contact the School Administration Team on 4063 0600.

Yours sincerely,

Liam KENNY  
PRINCIPAL



INTERNATIONAL

Family Fun Event

# LEGENDS OF LEAGUE

21st February 2026 • Billy Slater Oval - Callendar Park  
Gates Open 12PM • Legends Game From 6:00pm



## TICKET PRICES

	ADULTS	KIDS (5-12yo)	FAMILY (2A+2K)
PRESALE (VIA QR CODE)	\$15	\$5	\$35
GATE PRICE	\$20	\$5	\$40



# AUSTRALIAN TEAM OF NRL LEGENDS

# VS

# CASSOWARY COAST ALL STARS

Cliff Lyons  
Sam Thaiday  
Ben Hannant  
James Tamou  
John Hopoate  
Stu Kelly  
Gerald Beale  
Michael Bani  
Kerry Boustead  
Antonio Winterstein  
Neville Costigan  
Kevin Campion  
Noel Goldthorpe  
Darren Smith  
Craig Teevan  
Jaiman Lowe  
Luke Goodwin  
Ki-Shaun Fejo  
Mitchell Martin  
Quielle Murray  
Aaron Nixon  
Nick Williams  
Zac Dejong



Billy Slater  
Ty Williams  
Scott Bolton  
Joel Reithmuller  
Aaron Ketchell  
Jono Growcott  
Fabien Tauli  
Sam Coffey  
Ben Ketchell  
Noel Higgins  
Colin Wilkie  
Ryan Ghietti  
Rob Haren  
Dean Howard  
Steven Lacaze  
Chris Zanoletti  
Ryan Stepanoff  
Luke Horsford  
Ashley English  
Chris Rummery  
Steve Morice  
Nicholas Accatino  
Luke Romano  
Shaun McLeish  
Paul Ketchell  
Coach Graham Clarke

## GAME TIMES

12:25 PM	U17 Girls	Innisfail
1:35 PM	U17 Boys	Innisfail
2:45 PM	Womens	Innisfail vs Atherton Invitational
3:55 PM	Mens	Innisfail vs Tully Invitational
5:30 PM	U6, U7, U8, U9	Innisfail

**6:00pm Legends Game**  
**AUSTRALIAN VS CASSOWARY COAST**  
**LEGENDS VS ALL STARS**

### SILVER



### BRONZE



### rebel



### PARTNERS

