



## TUCKSHOP



WED 20 MAY—JULIE, TANJA, PAT, GLADYS  
 FRI 22 MAY—JULIE, ROSE, MELISSA/SALLY  
 MON 25 MAY—JULIE, KRISTY, LURL, SHEILA

### 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

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



ORDERING IS NOW OPEN FOR THE FOLLOWING SPORTS AND/OR CO-CURRICULAR GROUP PHOTOS TAKEN RECENTLY:

- COLOUR CAPTAINS
- FLAG ATTENDANTS
- MINI VINNIES
- SCHOOL CAPTAINS
- STUDENT COUNCIL

SPECIAL OFFER: \$16 PER PRINT (SAVE A MINIMUM OF 20%). ORDER ONLINE BEFORE 31/10/2026 TO SECURE THIS DISCOUNTED PRICE. AFTER THIS DATE, THE PRICE REVERTS TO THE STANDARD \$20/\$25 PER PRINT.

- **Online Only:** These photos must be ordered online; please do not return payments to school.
- **Additional Images:** If your child's group or team is scheduled to be photographed at a later date, you will receive an additional email notification when the images are ready to be ordered.
- **Delivery:** Photos will be delivered to the school for distribution.

**Guarantee:** Advanced Life offer a 21-day refund policy and a 100% money-back guarantee.

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.

### REMINDER TERM FEES

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

### New version is available

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Access to My Catholic Education for Parents & Carers

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### PREP ENROLMENTS 2028

Prep enrolments for 2028 are now underway, with many applications already received.

**Any existing parents of students with younger siblings,** if you have not already done so, please ensure that you have enrolled your Prep student for 2028 as **spaces are very limited.**

If you have a child that was born between **1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023** please go to the GCPs website and complete the Application for Enrolment online. If you have any queries, please contact the Office on 40 630 600.



## GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

19 MAY 2026

TERM 2 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.

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is amazing to think that at the end of this week we are half way through the term, therefore it is an opportune time to reflect and reset (if required), goals for learning and check in on school expectations. Please have the conversation with your child/ren about how they are going at school.

Some question starters...

- \* Are you working hard in class and doing your best?
- \* Are you respectful to your teachers and other school staff?
- \* Is your homework completed?
- \* Have you done your reading each night?
- \* How do you cope with getting out in a handball game?
- \* What would your classmates say about you as a student?
- \* Are you kind to others?

These are all small but important parts of school life and ones that make for a happy classroom, playground and school.

Happy kids = Happy teacher = Happy classroom = Happy Principal.

A reminder for a Maroon or Blue shirt next Wednesday as we show our support for the State of Origin Game 1. No raffle this year—two lucky door prize instead. One ticket per student on the day. Remember school uniform applies for all but the shirt/jersey.

Next Friday night (29 May) we have our first ever Parent Trivia Night. Everything we do at GCP is for our students so after much planning, the P&F have organised something for the adults. The Blue Area will be transformed into a Trivia Palace. The organising committee have a great night planned and have secured some amazing prizes, fantastic silent auction items and trivia questions.

Please ensure you book your table as they are filling up fast. A maximum of 8 to a table and only \$40 per table to enter. Come up with a creative name and costumes if you wish. BYO nibbles and drinks. Come along to enjoy lots of fun.

GCPS PARENTS AND CARERS ARE INVITED TO...  
**Dress-up Trivia Night**  
\*adults only, child-free event\*  
FRIDAY 29 MAY  
DOORS OPEN 6:00PM - TRIVIA STARTS 6:30 PM  
PRIZES FOR WINNERS AND BEST DRESSED TEAM  
QUIZ . GAMES . SILENT AUCTION  
BYO FOOD | BYO DRINKS  
\$40 per table (max 8)  
for more details and to register, head to: <https://www.trybooking.com/1581611> or

Peninsula Cross Country had several of our students participating today—more details next week.

We look forward to sharing tonight's special occasion—the conferring of the Sacrament of Confirmation on our children, by Bishop Joe Caddy, supported by Fr Kerry Crowley. Thank you Mrs Donna Vecchio for preparing the children on behalf of the Parish.

**Photos**—School photos have been distributed to students today. For those who opted to have their orders delivered to the Office, please call in to collect your photo packages at your earliest convenience.

Regards  
Liam

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OFFICE HOURS  
8:00 AM—3:00PM  
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### POINTS OF INTEREST

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The Life of the School

DIARY DATES 2026  
WED 28 JAN -  
THU 2 APR

WED 27 MAY  
STATE OF ORIGIN  
BLUE/MAROON  
SHIRTS

WED 27 MAY  
SIMULTANEOUS  
STORYTIME—  
THEATRETTE

FRI 29 MAY  
FIRST NATIONS  
NATIONAL  
RECONCILIATION  
PRAYER ASSEMBLY

FRI 29 MAY  
P&F DRESS UP  
TRIVIA NIGHT  
BLUE AREA



**Confirmation Prayer Assembly...**

Thank you to the students of 4D, Mrs Amber Di Carlo and Mrs Teagan Lizzio for acknowledging the candidates preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation tonight in Mother of Good Counsel Church. We keep in our prayers:

**Pentecost Prayer Assembly...**

Please join with the Year 1 students on Friday as they share the meaning of Pentecost with us.

The word Pentecost comes from the Greek word meaning "fiftieth." The feast is celebrated fifty days after Easter Sunday. In 2026, Easter was celebrated on 5 April, making Pentecost Sunday, 24 May. Pentecost is important because it reveals the Holy Spirit's mission in the life of the Church. Jesus did not leave his disciples to carry out the gospel by their own strength. He sent the Holy Spirit to guide, sanctify, strengthen, and unite them.

That is why Pentecost is often called the "birthday of the Church." How appropriate that our children are being conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation at this special time.

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

**Simultaneous Storytime..**



Wednesday next week, the Good Counsel Primary Theatre will be alive with National Simultaneous Storytime and *Luna Roo—the Kangaroo Baller*—the official book selected for 2026) written by Adam Jackson and Adrian Lloyd, and illustrated by Jake Minton.

Thank you Mrs Laurann Farina and Mrs Cassie Green for the class preparations.

2026	Term 2 (10 weeks)
Tue 19/5	Sacrament of Confirmation 7pm
Fri 22/5	Yr 1 Pentecost Prayer Assembly
Wed 27/5	State of Origin Maroon/Blue Shirts SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME
Wed 27/5	Student Empowerment Forum Tully
Thu 28/5	PENINSULA NETBALL
Fri 29/5	First Nations National Reconciliation P&F Trivia Night
Fri 5/6	4L First Eucharist Prayer Assembly
Sun 7/6	Sacrament of First Eucharist MoGC Church 9:00am
Mon 8/6	Yr 6 Liturgy of the Eucharist MoGC Church 9:00am
Wed 10/6	School Officer Day
Thu 11/6	READERS CUP KAMERGUNGA
Fri 12/6	Student Council Prayer Assembly
Mon 15/6	Yr 3 Liturgy of the Word MoGC Church 2:00pm
Fri 19/6	Sports Captain Prayer Assembly
Mon 22/6	GCP Athletics Week



**Innisfail Fire Service Officers...**Year 1 students were keen listeners when the Innisfail Fire & Rescue Officers came in for an informative visit last week.

**Diversity at GCPS - Supporting Every Learner**

Last week, Mr Kenny, Mrs Haley and I had the privilege of travelling to Brisbane to attend the Diversity Symposium at the National Education Summit. Over the two days, we heard from 12 keynote speakers, including clinical psychologists, speech therapists, highly accomplished teachers and parents of neurodiverse students. One particularly inspiring speaker shared his lived experience of acquiring a brain injury in his twenties, helping educators better understand what neurodiversity can feel like from a personal perspective.



The conference affirmed many of the strong inclusive practices already in place at Good Counsel Primary School, while also inspiring new ways to further strengthen our commitment to creating a truly inclusive and nurturing environment for all students.

Among our favourite presenters was psychologist and author Andrew Fuller (pictured), who spoke about transforming neurodiversity into a "neuro-advantage" and embracing each child's differences as remarkable strengths.

A recurring message throughout the conference was that "connection creates capacity" and that all behaviour is a form of communication. As educators, we are encouraged to remain "curious before furious", seeking to understand and support our learners in the most meaningful way possible.

