



## TUCKSHOP



WED 10 JUNE—JULIE, TANJA, PAT, GLADYS  
 FRI 12 JUNE—JULIE, ROSE, ANNE-MARIE &  
 1 HELPER NEEDED  
 MON 15 JUNE—JULIE, KRISTY, LURL & SHEILA

### 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

### REMINDER

UPCOMING YEAR 3  
AQUARIUM EXCURSION  
THURSDAY 11 JUNE  
PLEASE REFER TO PARENT SLIP  
PAPERWORK FOR INFORMATION  
AND PAYMENT DETAILS



### REMINDER

UPCOMING YEAR 6  
LONGREACH CAMP  
TERM 3 19 JULY–24 JULY  
PLEASE REFER TO CAMP  
PAPERWORK FOR ALL  
CAMP AND PAYMENT DETAILS



Last week our Year 1 cohort were visited by the Fire and Rescue Service Officers.



### 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)



## 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  
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# GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

9 JUNE 2026

TERM 2 Week 8

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,  
Are our children becoming more anxious? I read an article last week about easing children's anxiety and it coincided with several students at school who were anxious for different reasons. Not having homework completed; performing at Young Performers and not being good at high jump. All very different causes of the anxiety but similar responses and support required. Michael Grose - parenting expert, suggests that for those with no personal experience of anxiety, it is sometimes hard to understand how debilitating it can be. We can't just say "Come on, get on with it".

Most students at some time in their schooling will experience some anxious moments or have fearful thoughts and feelings about certain events. As a parent—staying calm, thinking clearly and role modelling confidence when children become anxious is the key to navigating any anxious moments.

Some helpful tips:

CALM is created through your words, voice and facial expression. When children become anxious, help them recognise what's happening. Some get angry, some become upset and others withdraw. Work out the pattern for your child and help them recognise when they are anxious.

ACCEPT your child's anxious feelings. Your child needs to trust that you are with them, and then they will be more willing to let you help them cope. It's hard sometimes to differentiate between what may be a bad case of negative thinking and true anxiety. Is a child being negative when she doesn't want to join a new club because she thinks no one will like her, or is there something more going on? Try to confirm whether there is any validity in their fears. If not, point out diplomatically, that they may be catastrophising. If you feel there is reason for concern, help them to overcome their anxiety.

CHALLENGE the validity of your child's fears and anxiety, using logic and rational thinking. Don't allow kids to wallow in self pity. Move their thoughts towards the future rather than allow them to mope around.

Anxiety is normal and part of everyday life. However, it can be debilitating unless it is managed. Anxiety management takes time for kids to learn, but it's one of those valuable life skills that parents can teach their children.

This Wednesday we celebrate with our School Officers Day. It is always observed in Queensland on the second Wednesday in June and is an opportunity to honour the vital role support staff play in the education of our children at GCP. Our school would not function as smoothly as it does without our School Learning Officers, Library, Admin, Tuckshop, Grounds, Cleaning, and IT staff. Please greet each of them on Wednesday with a smile and a thank you.

Good luck to our Readers Cup Team who will compete against 42 other school teams in FNQ this Thursday. Our students have been reading all the set novels over the term, volunteering to meet at lunch times and quiz each other about the content of each text. The tournament will take place at Peace Lutheran College, Cairns.

Thanks to Mrs Laurann Farina and Mrs Cassie Green for assisting the students in preparing for the event. Happy Reading!

This week the Preps had a visit from the GCC Year 12 Catholic Faith in Action students who paired up to read and spend time together.



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 2026  
MON 20 APR -  
FRI 26 JUN

WED 10 JUNE  
SCHOOL OFFICER DAY



THU 11 JUNE  
READERS CUP

YR 3 AQUARIUM  
EXCURSION

FRI 12 JUNE  
SCHOOL OFFICER  
PRAYER ASSEMBLY

MON 22 JUNE  
FIELD EVENTS

TUE 23 JUNE  
BALL GAMES  
TUG-O-WAR  
1:40PM

WED 24 JUNE  
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL  
CALLENDAR PARK



**First Eucharist Prayer Assembly...**

Congratulations 4L students and Mrs Teagan Lizzio for the well-prepared and beautifully presented acknowledgement of the children who then received the Sacrament of First Eucharist in Mother of Good Counsel Church with Father Kerry Crowley during the weekend masses.

**Year 6 Mass...**

Thank you Ms Hayley Bowie and Miss Casey Sheil for preparing the children for their year level Liturgy of the Eucharist yesterday. Thank you Fr Kerry once again for being such an integral part of the religious life of the school.

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

<b>2026</b>	<b>Term 2 (10 weeks)</b>
Wed 10/6	School Officer Day
Thu 11/6	READERS CUP KAMERGUNGA
Thu 11/6	Yr 3 Excursion CAIRNS AQUARIUM
Fri 12/6	Student Council Prayer Assembly
Mon 15/6	Yr 3 Liturgy of the Word MoGC Church 2:00pm
Fri 19/6	Sports Captains Prayer Assembly
Mon 22/6	GCP Athletics Carnival Week
Fri 26/6	Term 2 ends
<b>2026</b>	<b>Term 3 (10 weeks)</b>
Mon 13/7	School commences
Thu 16/7	Grandparents Day
Sun 19/7	Departure—Yr 6 Outback Camp
Tue 28/7	Catholic Education Week Mass
Fri 4/9	PUPIL FREE DAY—MODERATION



**Young Performers GCP Choir**

Congratulations to the GCP Choir who were confident and polished in their stage craft, after only a few weeks of forming. Thank you for presenting—"All is Found". Thank you to Miss Isabella Bulstrode who has recently set the foundations for the GCP choir of the future. 🎵 🎵 🎵



Congratulations to all of our Good Counsel Primary School students who competed in the Music Sections of the Innisfail Young Performers competition last week. The students did an amazing job, with their hard work and preparation paying off in polished and entertaining performances.

**Results included:**

**Piano Solo Year 3 & 4**

- 1st Frankee Genocchio
- 3rd Anna Dillon

**Instrumental Solo (Australian Composer) Year 6 and Under**

- 3rd Ava McElhinney

**Piano Solo Year 5 & 6**

- 3rd Laityn Binder
- HC Ava McElhinney

**Piano Solo Jazz and Popular Year 5 & 6**

- 2nd Ava McElhinney

**Vocal Solo Year 4, 5 & 6**

- 2nd Charlee McIlwain

Congratulations also to Sara Dillon and Mason Borsato who shone on stage during their piano solos.

A special mention goes to Frankee Genocchio, who was also awarded the Primary Speech and Drama Award—an exceptional achievement. Well done to all students involved.

