



TUCKSHOP



WED 15 JULY—JULIE, PAT & GLADYS

FRI 17 JULY—JULIE, ROSE, & 1 HELPER NEEDED

MON 20 JULY—JULIE, SHIELA & 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

REMINDER TERM FEES

Term 3 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

REMINDER

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



GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEEK, LEARN AND SERVE

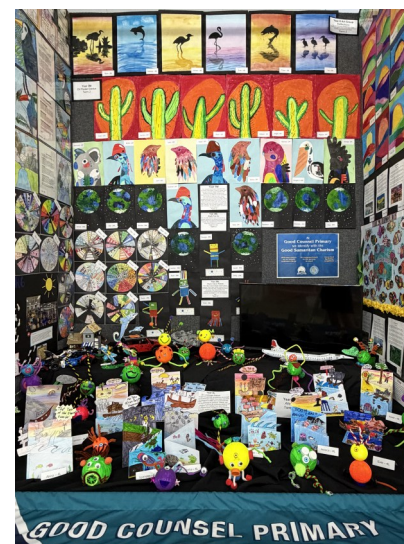
14 JULY 2026

TERM 3 Week 1

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,

Welcome back to Term 3. We have a busy 10 weeks ahead full of educational experiences inside and outside the classroom. The fine weather is abundant now that the Show is over for another year. Hopefully if you went to the Show, you visited our Playgroup and school displays. Many thanks to class teachers, support staff, Mrs McElhinney and Mrs Haley for organising the students' work that looked amazing. Well done to Mrs Gordon-Cooke and Mrs Mizzi for organising the very creative Playgroup area. Congratulations to our students on entering in the cooking sections, Lego, sewing, arts and craft, cattle, cane, poultry, flowers and vegetables. I saw many place getters and some blue ribbons. It is great that you support our local show.



Yesterday various classes were able to visit an exhibition of a relic of St Carlo Acutis, the first Millennial Saint at Mother of Good Counsel Church. St Carlo—an English born Italian Catholic teenager, was known for his devotion to the Eucharist and his use of digital media. Carlos was born in 1991 and died 12 October 2006 at the age of 15 after suffering a battle with leukemia. He is popularly known as the Patron Saint of the internet and of young people. He worked as an amateur programmer who built a global online catalogue of Eucharist miracles.

Our students found the visit very special because Carlo's story bridged with gap between modern technology and a deep faith serving as someone who is a relatable role model in our digital age.

This Thursday we have our annual Grandparents' Day visit to school. Usually celebrated in October (during our school holidays), we move the day to fit in with our busy calendar. Grandparents and those who fulfil the role of grandparents are very special in our lives. They are amazing role models, always sharing wise reflections or guidance. At GCPS we have grandparents doing amazing work to support our students. A shout out to our grandparents who assist weekly in our tuckshop; pick up and drop off students to school each day; who do homework or listen to our students read; or cook and care for children each week or during school holidays. Please invite your grandparents, great grandparents and those who act as grandparents for you to school this Thursday for a special assembly presented by Yr 6, Lucky Door prizes and raffles. After the assembly, grandparents will visit your child's classroom to learn about education today. At 10am they can then share a cuppa in the covered area. Mr Durm O'Riordan—Executive Director of Catholic Education Services Cairns will be visiting on Grandparents' Day to share in our celebrations.

This Friday our new cohort of Preps for 2027 have their first of 6 transition days visiting GCPS and familiarising themselves with our facilities, meeting staff and making new friends. Please make them and their parents feel welcome.

Lastly—an exciting week for our Year 6 students as they prepare to depart for their camp to the outback, visiting Charters Towers, Hughenden, Winton and Longreach. An epic 6 days departing Sunday and returning Friday.

What an experience!

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
MON 13 JUL—FRI 18 SEP

THU 16 JULY
GRANDPARENTS DAY

FRI 17 JULY
PRE-PREP DAY #1

SUN 19 JULY
YR6 CAMPERS
DEPART

THU 6 AUG
UNDER 8'S DAY

SAT 8 AUG
ST RITA'S FETE
4PM—9PM

MON 17 AUG
BOOK CHARACTER
PARADE
PLEASE NOTE
CHANGE OF DATE



GCPS



TICKETS
\$1 each



GRANDPARENTS DAY RAFFLE

GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY MINI VINNIES GRANDPARENTS' DAY RAFFLE

TICKETS \$1.00 EACH
DRAWN THURSDAY
16 JULY 2026 10:15AM

If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please return the attached envelope with money for the number of tickets required by tomorrow, Wednesday 15th July.

Apologies that the envelope and flyer did not come home yesterday as the school had no access to internet or printers.

Tickets also available for purchase on Thursday morning 16 July at school.

Life of the School...

Yesterday's visit to Mother of Good Counsel Church to see the Saint Carlo Acutis exhibition which is travelling around the Diocese.



Ollie holding the relic of his chosen saint's name for the Sacrament of Confirmation - Saint Carlo Acutis. Such a powerful moment to treasure.

We look forward to seeing our special grandparents guests and those who are like grandparents to our children on Thursday. Please ensure you have responded to the attendance email sent out on Monday.

Yours in Catholic Education—Mrs C

2026	Term 3 (10 weeks)
Thu 16/7	Grandparents Day
Fri 17/7	Pre-Prep Day #1
Sun 19/7	Departure—Yr 6 Outback Camp
Wed 22/7	Gen Bryant MoGC Church Yr 4
Fri 24/7	CEW Introduction Prayer Assembly
Tue 28/7	Catholic Education Week Mass GCC Taster Day Yr 5 & 6 12pm Gen Bryant Concert Blue Area
Fri 31/7	Brief Assembly, SEL Awards, Notices
Wed 5/8	District Track & Field Relays
Thu 6/8	Under 8's Day
Fri 7/8	Pre-Prep Day #2 District Track & Field Goondi 3M St Mary of the Cross Pr. Assembly
Tue 11/8	Yr 2 Liturgy of the Word MoGC Church 2:00pm
Fri 14/8	Pre-Prep Day #3
Week 6	Book Week—Symphony of Stories Science Week—Seeds of Science
Mon 17/8	Book Character Parade (Book Week) Note the change of date!
Fri 28/8	Pre-Prep Day #4 Yr 2 Father's Day Prayer Assembly P&F Fathers Night
Mon 31/8	Yr 5 Liturgy of the Eucharist MoGC Church 1:50pm
Fri 4/9	PUPIL FREE DAY—MODERATION DAY



This week, pictures speak a thousand words. Congratulations to our Athletics Carnival winners Clancy House and Age Champions. How precious was that sun and the sunshine! Lots of students back to school early at the gate yesterday, Preps in class, and the Social and Emotional Award winners in Week 10. Check out this term's attendance prize and congratulations Lakyn and Royce for their Peninsula Rugby League representations in Mt Isa.

