

# Weekly Newsletter

WEEK 10 - TERM 2

**ST RITA'S SCHOOL**

**SOUTH JOHNSTONE**



24 June, 2014

Dear Parents and Caregivers

It is hard to believe that the term only has a few days left. It has been very hectic with the Year 3 through to Prep enjoying 'Read Me Day' in Tully today.

Congratulations to Palmerston for winning the inter-house sports day on Friday. Congratulations to all on their participation and sportsmanship. If medals arrive they will be handed out on assembly this Friday.

This Friday we have a special assembly as we are adopting our new cop - Senior Constable Sam Baxter. Sam will be special to us, as next year he will be a parent in the school with Boyd attending Prep.

This Friday we are going to have "50c Friday". The children can bring along 50c and can purchase left over novelties from the school fete. We do not want to pack them away. Keep Friday afternoon free for the Parents -v- Year 6 and 7's soccer match. In the event of rain we will turn it into a Futsal match. All parents are invited to play. You do not have to be a parent of an upper class child to participate. Can you please let Mr Rossi know if you intend playing.

This Friday is also special for Kari and Eden Cini who will be baptized during a special liturgy for the Preps to Year 3/4 class. Everyone is invited to come along and celebrate the liturgy with them and partake in a shared morning tea afterwards. The girls are very excited.

Thursday morning, at 9.15, we have our Dance Fever showcase morning. The children are invited to come along in free dress. The girls are to wear dresses and the boys in their party attire. Last year's morning was a fun filled celebration of a term's hard work. The children have been learning new dances all term.

On Thursday at 11.30am, the Preps to Year 3's will attend a "Bravehearts" session, talking to them about keeping themselves safe in different situations. The cost of this show has already been included in this term's activity levy.

Tomorrow semester reports will be sent home in a sealed envelope with your child. Portfolios will be sent home before the end of the week. Please take the time to affirm your child on their strengths but also where they may need some extra assistance. I have read all the children's reports and might add that the teachers have done a great job of summing up each child. If you need, make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss issues you may have. The car park is never the place to solve problems.

On behalf of the whole school community we wish Miss Yarrow and her fiancée Dale all the best on their wedding day the middle Saturday of the holidays. Miss Yarrow will return to school as Mrs Hayley.

As you all may or may not be aware, for the last two years the Year 4 to 7 classes have participated in Friday town sport. This has been extremely rewarding for our children. This year, the town sporting association has asked that we join them as a 'C' school and leave the Silkwood/Mena Creek association, hence enabling us to partake in town sporting activities. There is much to think about before we make such a move. Will it be beneficial to all, will our children be advantaged or disadvantaged in any way? Will the competition be greater to allow our children more sporting opportunities to name a few? At the end of this newsletter there is a tear off section for you to agree or disagree to the move and the opportunity to comment on your decision. Could these be returned as soon as possible? For 2014 we would still compete in the Silkwood/Mena Creek inter-school sports.

If you have not sent back your fete survey form please do so by the end of the week while it is still fresh in your mind.

As I draw to a close, once again I wish to thank you for our support of myself and the school. This has been an extremely hectic term and everyone deserves a well earned break.

Don't forget the Strawberries and Cream stall at the show. If you can give of some time please do so. The roster will be sent home before the week is out so please check your child's port. Take time whilst at the show, to go past and have a look at the school show display. The children and teachers have been busy putting together work for the display and are proud of their efforts.

Safe travel if you are travelling. **School resumes Monday July 14<sup>th</sup>**. God bless, have a well earned break.

Vicki

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST:



*What significance does eating and drinking have in your life? Is it a pleasure or a chore? When do you gather with others to share food and drink? Who are the people you gather with on these occasions?*

These few basic questions highlight the importance of food in our lives for physical survival and communal bonding. Bread has long been considered a staple food and along with water is a simple yet nourishing and satisfying necessity of life.

Sunday was the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Here we celebrate the tradition and belief in the body and blood of Jesus and his real presence in the Eucharist. In short, it is the commemoration of the institution of this sacrament. It is the Church's official act of homage and gratitude to Christ who by instituting the Holy Eucharist gave to the Church its greatest gift.

When speaking of the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, Pope Francis said, *" Jesus provides the food people need, or rather, he is the living bread that gives life to the world. His body is real food under the species of bread; his blood is real drink under the species of wine."*

Living the Catholic faith, the Pope added means, *" allowing yourself to be nourished by the Lord and building your life not on material goods, but on the reality that does not perish: the gifts of God, his word and his body."*

#### Did you know?

- Gathering together to break bread and share the cup is the most ancient practice of the Church.
- In about the year 56 Paul wrote a description of 'The Lord's Supper' in 1 Corinthians ( 11:23)
- This feast, which used to be known as 'Corpus Christi' originated in the Middle Ages as a celebration of the real presence of Christ in the Eucharistic bread

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

This Friday during the Prep to Yr 3 /4 class liturgy Kari and Eden Cini will receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Here both girls will become members of our Catholic Church. This will take place in the St. Rita's Church at 10.30am and all parents are welcome to join us.

While the Church has an extended rite of Baptism which is normally celebrated, and includes roles of both parents and godparents, the essentials of the rite are two-fold : the pouring of water over the head of the person to be baptised; and the words, " I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."



Baptism is the first of the three Sacraments of Initiation, the other two being the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Sacrament of Eucharist (Holy Communion).

We sincerely congratulate and offer our best wishes to both Kari and Eden for their special day.

**BLESSING FOR THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS :**

Sustaining God,  
Caretaker of life,  
You are always present.  
You live in us.



Watch over us during the break,  
And keep us safe in your watchful  
gaze.

We make this prayer through Jesus our guardian.  
**AMEN**

Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable holiday break.  
Peace be with you,  
Denise

**STRAWBERRIES & CREAM  
SHOW ROSTER**

**(More volunteers still needed!)**

If you can help out at any of the times listed below please call the school office asap on **40 64 21 53**.

**Thursday 10 July**

9.30am – 1.00pm (Cutting & preparation)

3.00pm – 4.00pm

7.00pm – 8.00pm

**Friday 11 July**

9.30am – 1.00pm (Cutting & preparation)

1.00pm – 2.00pm

4.00pm – 5.00pm

8.00pm – 10.00pm

**ASSEMBLY  
THIS WEEK**

*We will be adopting our new cop -  
Senior Constable Sam Baxter*

**PARENTS –V- KIDS  
SOCCER  
THIS FRIDAY – 2.00PM**

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Kyra Bertram, winner of the fete stall workers prize and Moira Sultana, winner of the \$50 raffle ticket seller's prize. Please come to the office to collect your prize.

**SCHOOL FEES  
ARE NOW OVERDUE**



Thank you to the families who have paid their school fees. Please kindly make every effort to pay any outstanding fees as a matter of urgency ***before the end of Term 3 otherwise new system procedures will have to be put into place.*** If you are having any difficulties paying please contact Jenni or Vicki. Thank you.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC  
FEES - TERM 2**



If your child has not given these to you, please look in their school bag. Thank you.

**NO TUCKSHOP  
THIS WEEK**

**GOOD COUNSEL COLLEGE – INNISFAIL  
ENROLMENT FOR YEAR 7 & 8 – 2015**

Limited vacancies are still available for 2015. Applications for enrolment may be obtained from the College office at 66 Owen Street, Innisfail or by phoning 40 635 300.

Orientation Days for incoming students are as follows:

- Year 8 - Orientation Day, Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October
- Year 7 - Orientation Day, Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> November.

***Enrolment packages are available from St Rita's school office.***

### DIRECT DEBITING SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Please indicate in your description whether the amount is for fees or other. Amounts without a description will automatically go against school fees.

Account Name: RCTC for the Diocese of Cairns  
- St Rita's School, South  
Johnstone

Account No: 00000 50 18 BSB: 084352

### ICAS Testing Dates Years 3-7

Competition	Sitting Date	Closing Date	Price
English	29 July	24 June	\$8.80
Maths	12 Aug	24 June	\$8.80

Unfortunately, we are unable to take any late nominations so please have your envelope into the school office by 9.00am of the closing date indicated. Thank you.

### MUNRO THEATRE BABINDA

27, 28, 29 June

Commencing 7.30pm

Admission \$8

“BAD NEIGHBOURS” - Rated: M

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM 2

WEEK 10	
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Peninsula Touch & Softball
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Reading Day – Tully (P-Yr 3)
26 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Brave Hearts</li><li>Dance Fever Showcase – 9.00am</li></ul>
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Parents –v- Kids Soccer – 2.00pm End of Term

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM 3

WEEK 1	
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Start of Term
WEEK 3	
27 <sup>th</sup> July – 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Catholic Education Week
28 <sup>th</sup> July	Catholic Education Week Mass at Good Counsel College
WEEK 4	
5 Aug	Yr 7 Enrolment Night - GCC
6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Maggie Dent
7 Aug	Yr 8 Enrolment Night - GCC

WEEK 6	
18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Prep/Year 1 Camp
WEEK 7	
27,28 & 29 Aug	Year 4/5 Camp
WEEK 9	
12 Sept	NADOC Activities Day
WEEK 10	
14 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 6/7 Camp
19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	End of Term

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM 4

TERM 4	
6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Labour Day Holiday
7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Start of Term
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parent Session – Puberty Talk Years 2-3
9 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 2/3 Camp
22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Yr 8 Orientation Day - GCC
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Wonder of Living (Yrs 1-7)
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	World Teachers Day
4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Melbourne Cup Luncheon
5 Nov	Yr 7 Orientation Day - GCC
10 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Prep to Year 2 Swimming
17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Year 3 to 7 Swimming</li><li>Christmas Book Fair</li></ul>
11 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day
5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of Term

### CHANGE OF SPORTING ASSOCIATION

*(Please return to the school office asap.)*

I \_\_\_\_\_  
agree/disagree with joining the Innisfail  
Sporting Association and these are my reasons:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT SPORTS SHIRT ORDER SLIP

I wish to order a Size \_\_\_\_\_ sports shirt for  
myself.

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2014 AGE CHAMPIONS

Age	Gender	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
2009	Girls	Sasha Darveniza	Tahlia Butler	Leigha Garozzo
2009	Boys	Ronan Sultana	Edward Leoni	Harry Leoni
2008	Girls	Eden Cini	Brydee Spry	Kayden Plum
2008	Boys	Charvez Andrews	Happy Venables	Jack Calleja
2007	Girls	Hannah Foschi	Kayla Lodge	Reef Galea
2007	Boys	Zac Blanchensee	Declan Adams	-----
2006	Girls	Megan Calleja	Nevah Galea	Kari Cini
2006	Boys	Kohan Spry	Kayden Crowley	Harrison Corsi
2005	Girls	Poppi Parmenter	Kiara Foschi	Tylah Plumb
2005	Boys	Luke Magnanini/ Daniel Keough	-----	Jack Lodge
2004	Girls	Karla Calleja	Anna-Louise Celledoni	Lily Darveniza
2004	Boys	Braden Venables	Blake Taylor	Issac Darveniza
2003	Girls	Jessica Magnanini	Mikalya Camuglia	Michala Spry
2003	Boys	Travis Calleja	Coen Stephensen	Zane Leonardi
2002	Girls	Gemma Doolan	Jorjah Karamaena	Lily Hunter
2002	Boys	Eamon Ross	Jordan Lindsay	George Burns
2001	Boys	Blaze Thompson	-----	-----

CHAMPION HOUSE: Palmerston - (799)

RUNNER-UP: Fitzgerald - (735)

# Good Counsel College

Presents

## *A Knight to Remember*

17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> July 2014

At the College Champagnat Centre

*"It is a show full of plot twists and comedy, romance and tragedy."*

**Ticket Prices are as follows:-**

Adults - \$30

High School Students - \$20

Primary School/Concession - \$15

\*Family booking will receive a 10% discount

Tickets will be available from the College Accounts Office - 4063 5300



**DOORS WILL OPEN AT 6:00PM WITH  
AUDIENCE TO BE SEATED BY 6:30PM.**

### **Entrée**

- Antipasto
  - Hot nibbles
- (Platters on tables)

### **Mains - Buffet**

- Roast Chicken
- Beef & Red wine jus
- Creamy pesto tortellini
- Moussaka
- Steamed vegetables
- Roast potatoes
- Honey sesame ginger carrots
- Selection of bread

### **Dessert**

- Trifle
- Sticky Date Pudding
- Chocolate Mud Cake



\*\*\*If you have special dietary requirements, please indicate this when making a booking so that alternative catering can be arranged.\*\*\*