Dear Parents/Guardians, Teachers & Students,

Next Tuesday’s P&F meeting promises to be interesting for all parents but in particular for parents with children transitioning to Good Counsel College in 2015. Mr Luke Reid, acting Principal of Good Counsel College, will present a 30 minute segment on the following:

1. Overview of GCC preparation
2. Transition structure for 2015
3. Enrolments
4. Time frame
5. Student welfare
6. Educational standards

All parents and friends are welcome to attend.

Assessment is an integral part of the learning and teaching process at St John’s. Teachers assess across a broad range of learning capabilities, and seek to make the process of assessment understandable to students and parents. Consequently, teachers are presently busy working towards finalising student assessment tasks for Term 2 in order to accurately complete Student Reports in Week 10. Please remember, judgments about student achievement are based on a collection of evidence, gathered over time, and consideration is given to how the qualities of the student’s work best match the A - E achievement standards. Parents should be very happy with a C level of achievement which represents the expected standard for age.

Recently, several students from St John’s have represented our school and SMCSA at Peninsula Carnivals. Matthew Andrijevic, Jacob Bradshaw and Chad Formosa competed at the Peninsula Cross Country carnival against some very fast competition. Last Sunday Matthew Andrijevic and Bryce Maley attended the Peninsula Soccer Carnival which doubled as trials for the Peninsula soccer team. From all reports, all of our students participated with merit. Congratulations boys on your achievements.

Don’t forget next Monday is a Public Holiday. This day is celebrated Australia wide to acknowledge Queen Elizabeth II’s birthday (88)!

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Maley
Principal, M Ed (ICT), B Ed, Dip T

“We can live a life full & complete, thinking with our heads but living with our hearts!” Helen Hunt MA

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Term 2 Week 7 – 5th June, 2014

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

6th June
- Uniform shop open 8am - 8.30am
- Year 2/3 assembly
- Music today

9th June
- Queen’s Birthday holiday

10th June
- P & F Mtg 1pm

14th June
- School/Parish Mass 6pm

16th June
- Playgroup at Kindy building 9am - 11am

17th June
- Interhouse Athletics carnival

24th June
- Read to Me Day in Tully

21st July - 1st August
- SIS Implementation

12th August
- School Photos

**TUCKSHOP ROSTER**

12/06/14  P Bromilow & K Anderson
The Kindy/Prep/1 children have been preparing for the Combined Assembly on the last day of this term, Friday 27th June. This term, the students are learning a poem and a song to be performed at assembly. The parents will also be organising a Hot Dog day for school and kindy children on this day of term. The children are now recognising numbers in books, on items and in the environment. We are also enjoying some educational maths games on the Interactive Whiteboard with the children as well as reading story books online.

The Kindy children will be participating in events at the St. John’s Athletics carnival in Week 9. Kindy events include running, jumping, throwing, sack races and relays. This is a fun day for the children and parents are encouraged to attend to assist with activities and support their children.

Regards Robyn & Denise
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Tegan - Listening carefully and working hard in lessons.

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Getting Along
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Hank - Thinking carefully about climate zones and rainfall in Geography.

Community Contributor
Jennifer - Always helping out with jobs around the school without needing to be asked.

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Fitness Fun with Kate
Mondays at 4.30pm & Thursdays at 4.00pm
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Cost: $8.00 Bring a towel or mat

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