

P & C Meeting Highlights

Thank you to the many parents who attended our first P & C Meeting for the year. It was great to hear many new ideas put forward by parents. We are now investigating the purchase of more I Pads and class sets of Atlases and Dictionaries. This will eliminate the need for parents to purchase these items in future years.

We are also investigating a new uniform shirt which will probably be available next Term. The uniform shop still has some stocks of white shirts for sale. These shirts can be worn indefinitely. Please ensure your child has a clean uniform shirt ready for school photos in the first week back after the Easter break—Thursday April 20.

School Captain Camp

This week our four School Captains (Lara, Alexis, Jeffrey and Christopher)will be attending a student leadership camp at Holloway's Beach Environmental Centre. We thank the P & C for their ongoing support in sponsoring the fees for this camp. Through meeting other student leaders from other schools and encouragement by guest speakers and staff of the centre our students will return full of enthusiasm to embark on their two action plans for the year.

Sowing the seeds for success!

Last week students helped plant seeds in egg cartons. It was a lot of fun!

A big thank you to Cairns Hardware in Edmonton for donating 10 packets of herb and vegetable seeds to help get us started. For local gardening advice pop in and speak to Barb, the horticulturalist.

The garden group meets every Thurs from 8am and Fri from 2pm. All parents are welcome - you may even have a green thumb grandparent that might like to join in. Please contact Marin on 0431 973 346.

Cross Country Training

Students are to have a hat (not cap) and good running shoes at school every day for Cross Country Training.

We will need a team of parents to help us monitor the school cross country being held in Robert Rossi Park and adjoining roads. If you can help, please return the slip below to Irene Rooke by Friday 3 March. We have only had four parents respond so far.

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Yes, I can help with the Aloomba Cross Country on Mar 30.

Name..... Phone.....

School Performance Tours

Our first performance " It's a Mad World" is on Friday 10 March. The annual School Performance Fee of \$25 per child needs to be paid by Wednesday March 1.

Thank you to the many parents who have taken advantage of using the B Point payment facility. Please be reminded that 4 fields of information need to be completed

- 1.CRN: 2. Invoice Number: (found on invoice)
- 3. Student Name: 4. Amount being Paid:

This system of payment is very efficient as cash is not handled by the office and receipts are generated automatically.

Here's some information about the next performance .

Per Westman presents two very different characters. Firstly the stagehand - a simple man, shy and out of place, who is forced onto stage where he confronts his nerves and nerdiness to triumph over all his fears. Secondly the star - cool, calm and confident, 'the consummate professional', he craves the adoration of the audience and knows exactly how to get it!

Tuckshop

We encourage all parents to use the **Flexischool** site for ordering as it saves our volunteers and P & C Treasurer a lot of extra work collating two lots of orders and counting money then banking. It would be a wonderful help for our volunteers if everyone ordered through Flexischool.

Obstathon

Our Year 5 / 6 class are now planning the obstacle course for their student fundraiser. With lots of water and many challenges every student in the class is responsible for part of the course.



Don't forget to seek sponsorship through donations and return your forms together with the money by Wednesday 8 March.

As this is a student initiative, the students will spend the money raised on special projects throughout this year.

Congratulations Prep / Year 1

100% Attendance last week. Well done!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gordonvale Catholic Parish

2017 Sacramental Program

Parent and children are invited to attend

Mass and First Lesson

DATE: **Sunday 5th March, 2017, 8am Mass.**

PLACE: **St Michael's Church, 4 Muir St, GORDONVALE**

If your child is Baptised, please bring Baptismal Certificate.

Parish Office: 07 4056 1187

Email: gordonvale.parish@cairns.catholic.org.au

Gordonvale Scouts



You can join Cub Scouts for excitement, independence, and some SERIOUS FUN!

The Gordonvale Group of Cub Scouts will be holding an information and introduction to Cubs night on Monday 6th of March, 5:30pm. At the Scout hall cnr George and Church Streets. Cub Scouts is open to both boys and girls aged 8 – 10 years.

For any additional information, please contact Gordonvale Cub Scout Leader, Toni Wilkinson (Raksha) Mob: 0448 101 828



We thank Snr. Sgt. Erin Shawcross for presenting our student leadership badges and for sharing words of advice to our leaders on Friday.

- ⇒ Be a little bit brave
- ⇒ Be caring and responsible
- ⇒ Always do the right thing and set a good example



Bread Orders

Our student leaders organise the delivery of bread from the Babinda Bakery every Wednesday and Friday. By providing this service they experience several life skills including ordering, communication with the bakery and money handling and accountability. They are rewarded with 10% of the proceeds going towards student projects.

Bread		
Café Loaf (White)	880g	\$4.20
Whole Meal	680g	\$3.80
Milk Slice Loaf	680g	\$3.70
Whole Meal	880g	\$4.30
Country Grain	680g	\$3.95
Coffee Roll / Cream Bun		\$1.80
Country Grain	880g	\$4.30

Orders need to be in the box outside the office by Monday afternoon of every week.

Preps settle in

It always gives us great pleasure to see a new cohort of Preps enthusiastic about school. Hugo visited admin recently and shared about his first weeks of Prep.



“ I get to make new friends. Ryan is my good friend. I like to do homework and loved it when Dad read me the clown book. “ Hugo loves to play on the slide at lunch time.

Tuckshop Roster Term One

	Tuckshop	Home Bake
24 TH FEB	NARELLE HENDERSON TAMMY ST GEORGE	SHARMAINE MOHAMMED MEGAN SHAWCROSS
3 RD MAR	MICHELLE KOENIG PAULA FULLER	JENNY BETTINI NICOLA KING
10 TH MAR	KARRAH KRAUSS CHANDELL VAN REES	KRISTEN THOMAS EMILY ROSSI
17 TH MAR	LYNDELLE BROWNLEE MICHELLE KOENIG	BARRY BENNETT MICHELLE GREENWOOD
24 TH MAR	VERNA AUSTIN CAROLYN NOLAN	MARIN HALDANE KRISTY MCAULIFFE
31 ST MAR	ELLY POWER CHARLENE PATTRICK	JOCELYN FINDEN RACHEL FAIRWEATHER

Term 1 Key Dates

Feb 23—24	Thu, Fri	School Captains Camp
Mar 10	Friday	School Performance Tour
Mar 16	Thu	Obstathon
Mar 30	Thu	School Cross Country