Grandparents’ Day on Tuesday September 6 was again a very special occasion. This year there were over 350 confirmed grandmas and granddads but the number was probably more like 400. The day began with an official welcome in the church and a concert where many of the classes sang a selection of the songs they have been learning in Music, class and choir. Then there was some time for refreshments that were lovingly prepared by Miss Devitt and the Hospitality department. The grandparents then had an opportunity to join their grandkids in their classroom and share what a normal school day may look like for them. Many grandparents chose to spoil their grandchildren in a good way with books from the Book Fair. It was a pleasure to host and to meet so many grandparents. The day went very well and I would like to thank the whole Primary team for their outstanding efforts in making everything run so smoothly.

Thank you also for your general support with the Book Fair and particularly for those of you who volunteered your time to help run the stall. It was a very successful venture with approximately $2,000 being raised for resourcing the library.

The team and I would love to hear some feedback about the day. Please email us any comments you may have, particularly from grandparents.

We would like to congratulate Miss Courtney Ellis on her wedding last weekend to her husband, Cameron. The students will now have to get used to addressing Courtney as “Mrs Costello”. There will no doubt be plenty of wedding pictures upon her return from her honeymoon that will be poured over by the girls in her classes. We will try and publish some in the next newsletter as well.

Over these holidays, 16 senior school students, four staff members and three parents and helpers will be travelling to Fiji on a mission trip. Over there they will be visiting various schools and churches proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. They will also be helping the South Pacific Bible College. I know the team would value your prayers as they embark on this journey and immerse themselves in a very different and under-privileged culture. It is a wonderful thing that we have young men and women in the College who are prepared to give of their holidays and serve in this way. They have been working very hard towards this trip and we look forward to hearing all about it next term.
**LOST & FOUND**

**FOUND**
- silver cross found outside Year 5 classroom
- pink ring with flowers on it
- silver shell shaped earring
- silver stud with diamonte
- ring with pink stone
- fluoro green lunch box - Decor brand
- fluoro green square lunch box
- small red container
- small blue container
- small teddy
- green track pants size 8
- light grey jumper (black on the inside) size 8. It has “Established since 82”
- purple Smash lunch box
- small white cardigan size 6 Target brand with “Sista” on it
- blue lunch bag with “Zane Australia The Way to a warmer pool”
- “My little pony” pink lunch box
- watch “Impulse” with pink watch band

One of our Year 10 students, Mackinley Brisbane, is raising money for Montrose Access. You may have seen Mackinley zooming around the school grounds on his scooter.

Walk With Me 2011 is a national event raising funds for respite services for people with disabilities and their families. The event celebrates the abilities of people with disabilities and gives you the chance to walk side by side with friends, sponsors supporters and clients of the member organisations. Mackinley and his family participated in this charity walk, which occurred last weekend, a walk from Alexandra Headland to Piers Park.

Mackinley has raised over $3000 through sponsorship so far and has a target of $5,000.

We would love to assist Mackinley reach his target. To that end we will be joining in the fundraising by having a free dress day and sausage sizzle on Friday 7 October. Free dress day will be the usual gold coin donation and the sausage sizzle will be $2 for a sausage on bread.

That is it for another term. I hope you have a wonderful and safe vacation with your family. School starts again October 3.

Mike Curtis

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**TERM 4 UNIFORM SALES - NEW UNIFORMS FOR NEXT YEAR**

Why not avoid the ‘Back to School’ rush and take advantage of this great opportunity to get a 5% discount off all new uniforms purchased this term? You can take advantage of our layby system or pay when you collect them but they must be paid for and collected before the end of November. For fittings, please book a time through the College Admin. Uniforms can be taken when fitted or collected another time.

Price lists and order forms are available from the school website and orders can be emailed to Kylie.woodhead@gccc.qld.edu.au, dropped into the school office, or brought in with you to your fitting. Payments can also be made over the phone to the Uniform Shop between 9 and 9.30am on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Once you have your uniforms please put them away ‘as new’ (unwashed, tags on etc) so they can be tried on and exchanged for larger or smaller sizes in the new year if your child grows over the holidays.

**January**

The New and Second Hand Uniforms will again be available for sale the week before College starts back in January, however this time it looks like we will be in airconditioned comfort. Dates will be released late November. Please remember to get your unused uniforms in to the College office ASAP as we have families looking for second hand uniforms. There is information about second hand uniforms at the bottom of the Uniform Shop page on the website.

Kylie Woodhead

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**Second Hand Uniform Sales**

If you have second hand uniforms of saleable quality to donate or sell on commission, download a copy of the “Second Hand Uniform Form” located on the College site www.gccc.qld.edu.au under Services/Uniform Shop tab. The completed double-sided form and items to be sold may be left at GCCC Reception for processing. Thanking you in advance for following this procedure.

Pand F Second Hand Uniform Coordinator
Grandparents Day

Grandparents

Grandparents bestow upon their grandchildren
The strength and wisdom that time
And experience have given them.

Grandchildren bless their Grandparents
With a youthful vitality and innocence
That help them stay young at heart forever.

Together they create a chain of love
Linking the past with the future.

The chain may lengthen,
But it will never part ….

I read that little poem on Grandparents Day last Tuesday as 350 visitors enjoyed the concert which included items from a number of year levels, including the band and choir. What truth there is in the words of that poem. Mrs Dodwell who was MC, kept our grandparents entertained with a number of quotes which were not only true but kept them laughing in between the items. Mr Curtis, our Principal, welcomed all our guests to this year’s Grandparents Day to open the concert and encouraged them in their very important role.

Of course the highlight for the children is always having their grandparents visit their classrooms, meet their teachers and show what they have been doing throughout the year. As usual, our staff gave over and above to ensure that all our grandparents had a wonderful time with their families.

A very special thank you must go to Miss Devitt and the hospitality students who worked so tirelessly to replace all the biscuits and muffins which had been lost just before the actual event.

Finally it is an honour for me personally to be Head of Primary at a school where families and extended families are so much a part of the education of their children. WHAT A GREAT DAY!

Primary Concerts in Term 4

As you know from the College Calendar, there will be two concerts in Term 4 – Prep to Year 2 and Years 3-6. Teachers in each sub-school have been meeting for some time to discuss these concerts and some classes have already been practising for their item.

One of the things which always excites children about taking part in our College concerts is dressing up and wearing special costumes for their family and friends. In the past, some teachers have simply requested that certain clothing is worn and parents have purchased these, but in other cases teachers have asked for a dollar amount from each student and staff have either purchased material and asked for volunteers to sew costumes or have located the items...
Primary News continued

Our very special Prep fathers.

for the children in their classes and purchased them directly using the money collected. These costumes are then taken home by the students after the concert for them to keep.

Teachers are organising costumes for their class items at present, so notes may be coming home over the next few weeks in preparation for the concerts.

Just as a reminder, the dates of the concerts are:
Prep – Year 2 Monday 24 October 6.30pm
Years 3 – 6 Tuesday 1 November 6.30pm

Cheryl Bryers

PREP FATHERS’ NIGHT

What a fabulous night the children of Glasshouse Country Christian College Prep had on Tuesday, playing, dancing, singing, hammering and eating with their favourite fellas – their dads!

The evening started with games and activities and the making of a special name-tag tie for dad. Every dad wore a very unique and specially designed tie. Some even promised to wear them to work the next day! (Wonder if they did?)

The fathers were asked to bring along a hammer and help their children with the beginnings of a craft activity which will become their Fathers Day present.

So despite the evening being a noisy one with lots of hammering and excited children, it was a lot of fun.

Fathers’ Night was a really great opportunity for dad to see what the children get up to throughout their day at Prep. The dads enjoyed meeting or catching up with each other as well, especially when it was time to dance. Thank you to all families who could attend. We had such a great time!

All of us in Prep hope that all fathers in the College enjoyed a very happy day on Fathers’ Day.

Heather Dodwell

Calling all Business Owners

The College is hoping to distribute free 16-month fridge magnets with GCCC term dates to all families early next year. The cost is supported fully by advertising.

We want to give our College family business owners first opportunity to participate before opening it up to the wider community. If you are interested please email Sandy on sandy.johnson@gccc.qld.edu.au or ring her on 5439 0033 as soon as possible.
Special GOLD AWARDS to Students for Term 3.

As part of our Behaviour Management policy, we will be sending home letters/certificates of commendation in Term 1 and Term 4 to specific students (from Year 1 upwards) who have been characterized by consistently displaying certain attributes throughout that term.

These will be posted with the Semester Reports in June and December.

However, in Term 1 and Term 3, students who have been identified as having shown consistently good behaviour will be awarded a special GOLD TREAT (a Cadbury Crunchie) to say “Well done” on a great term’s work.

We felt that this would balance the letters/certificates in Term 2 and 4 with a more tangible “child friendly” treat in Terms 1 and 3 to encourage all students to aspire to receive this recognition.

As a staff, we decided to do this on a term by term basis so that every child has the opportunity to have a new start after the holidays and could aspire to reach new heights.

The criteria are the ones teachers are monitoring each term. The use of the word “consistently” allows a student to have an occasional slip or bad day but redeem themselves without being disqualified for one misdemeanour.

Students who have food allergies will be awarded a different type of GOLD AWARD. We felt that it should be something different from the food alternatives which parents supply for other occasions so these particular students felt that they too were receiving something special.

It is our earnest desire that students will make every effort to maintain the aspects necessary to aspire to receiving one of these Awards each term.

Special recognition will be given to all students who maintain these standards for all four terms throughout the year.

Cheryl Bryers

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**Students of the Week for Term 3**

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**PREP WHITE, Miss Khun**

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**2G Mrs Smith**

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Hayley Rowe
Rick Graham
Georgia Martin
Chloe Symes
Benjamin Blue
Gina Caiulo

**2M Mrs Richardson**

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Dylan Bruggeman
Chelsea-Ann Johnson
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Joshua Swanson
Georgia Lister
Ellie Keeble

**3G Mrs McDonald**

Mackenzie Stokes
Caitlin Willcock
Casey Rowe
Grace Faherty
Matthew Johnson
Rachael Whysall
Archer Grange

**3M Mr Parker**

Maddie Roulston
Noah Woolston
Aidan Myers
Damian Tomokino
Emma Giles
Kaylin Mare
Mackenzie Still

**4G Mr Bowman**

Ethan McRostie
Chelsea McLeary
Kayla Ellsworth
Joshua Bull
Adam Duncan
Tess Hagan
Breanna McClellan

**4M Mr Hampshire**

Lauren Brockhurst
Mitchell Long
Zoe Kunert
Lachlan Rosenberg
Eric McLeary
Penelope Clifford
Nicholas Dwam
Jonathon Montgomery
Cassi Hilbers

**5M Mrs Lowther**

Allie Denning
Ruby Pennycuick
Jarred Lear
Louis Vobr
Georgia Childs
Alana Hall
Hayden McKinie
Keeley Hughes

**6G Mrs Jen**

Flynn Harding
Cameron Shervey
Jed Simpson
Britney Dale
Jack Boroughs
Annabelle Freeman

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Cheryl Bryers
Primary News continued

Australian Animals by Kiana Reeves 2M

In class we made koalas that are grey, furry and their claws are zig-zaggy. We used big, black buttons for their noses and googley eyes for eyes. There were also snakes that have goldy brown shimmery scales and forked tongues.

Some people in my class have done platypuses. They are brown with black bills. Mrs Henderson sewed all the animals for us. She left a hole for us to stuff and sew.

Mrs Swanson helped with the sewing. My mum helped with the stuffing. When everybody was finished we put two velcro dots on the back or maybe three or four and stuck our animals onto our play background.

It seems strange to be thinking of Christmas when it is just past the middle of the year however, if you would like to be involved in “Operation Christmas Child”, now is the time!

Operation Christmas Child is a project of “Samaritan’s Purse”, an organisation dedicated to aiding people all around the world in extreme poverty or in war-torn countries. Each year they rally churches, schools and other organisations to assist with providing Christmas gifts to children in very needy circumstances, who wouldn’t otherwise be getting anything at all for Christmas.

Our College has participated in Operation Christmas Child for many years. Many families have contributed to the project and blessed a child with a shoe box full of gifts. There will be a leaflet being sent home soon which gives you more information. Would you consider being a part of this wonderful opportunity to make a difference in the life of one child this Christmas?

It’s a great school holiday project!

This year, the Year 3 classes have taken over the organisation and promotion of Operation Christmas Child and are combining this with a unit of work on other cultures, economic systems, advertising and communities. The children have made presentations to each of the College Chapel services, collating the leaflets for distribution and will be selling a limited number of pre-printed shoeboxes for 50c from their classrooms, before and after school. The Year 3s will also be making up boxes in class. There is the option to donate items/cash, rather than make up a whole box and the Year 3s will put extra boxes together.

Ideally, the packed boxes would be coming into school in the first or second week back after the holidays. It is requested that $9 be put into the box to cover postage. See the leaflet being sent home this week for details.

Completed shoeboxes must be delivered to the Year 3 classrooms before or after school or to Administration by the 21 October at the latest. For more information contact Andrea McDonald or Tony Parker in Year Three, Heather Dodwell in Prep, or visit the website at www.operationchristmaschild.org.au.

Thank you for considering this worthwhile cause.

Heather Dodwell

Rowan and Jarred’s Dad breaks Guinness Record

Rowan (6M) and Jarred Lear’s (5M) dad, Allan Lear, has just ridden an electric bike from Landsborough to Birdsville and smashed a Guinness World Record in the process.

This is from his website: “After a gruelling 7 day journey, covering an immense 1629 kilometres, Allan Lear of Hahn Environmental Services has achieved his Guinness World Record Attempt of travelling the longest distance on an electric bicycle in 1 week. “

The official distance set by Guinness was 1200 kilometres in 7 days, however Allan achieved 429 kilometres beyond this threshold to reach Birdsville in far western Queensland. Arriving sore and very tired just after 4pm on 31 August, having endured days of dust, aching muscles, and very harsh conditions.”

Well done to Allan and to all the Lear family.
Fiji Mission 2011

Only a few days to go....Please pray for us while we are working and ministering in Fiji. We have a wonderful team of 16 students and 7 adults heading off on Tuesday 20 September and we arrive back on Saturday 1 October. Thanks for all the support so far with our fundraising efforts and we will have some pictures and stories to share in the next newsletter.

Sue Fraser

On s’est vraiment régalé

Year 8 and 9 French students have been studying a unit called ‘Au Café’ meaning ‘At the Café’. Their assessment last week was based on them acting as waiters, asking questions of the customer in French in order to properly serve the food and drink.

All students had to create their own French menu but the Year 9 students had the added task of researching different French provinces and creating a menu from that specific region.

This week the tables were turned as the students became the customers. Nine French students went on an excursion to Chez Claude in Woombye where they enjoyed a lunch of fine French cuisine.

The lesson began on the bus as students practiced pronouncing their selection from the delicious menu. As part of the learning experience, students also had to record their excursion lesson on an iPad.

All the students were brave enough to try the snail entrée and some of the girls surprised themselves by how much they enjoyed them. The boys however, were not so impressed and had to practice a polite comme ça with the appropriate hand gestures to express themselves.

Main meals of la cuisse de canard a l’orange (duck in orange sauce), la ballottine de poisson locale (fish souffle) and lamb provençale were enjoyed by all the but the ‘oohs and ahhs’ were reserved for the desserts. A wickedly decadent crème brûlée and rich velvety chocolate mousse that would justify any gym membership and every calorie was worth it. Chef Claude Faullimmel explained (in French) how the chocolate mousse recipe had been handed down through his family for generations.

Some of the girls continued the French theme and danced the cancan outside the restaurant.

The restaurant experience was truly the highlight of the French term and Chef Claude’s expertise, warmth and hospitality made the day all the more special.

Students who attended were: Year 8M: Andrea Little, Savanah Dawson, Felicity Tasker, Katie Todd, Jaxon White, Keaton Maskimos. Year 9M: Kaylee Utting, Emily Hammill, Jasmine Edwards.

Nadine Hammill
Year 10 Art Portraits
Here are some more wonderful portraits from our Year 10 Art students.

Johanna Heilig
Jacqueline Newell
Jordyn Bennett
Tahlia Pratt
Patrice Cutlack
Katie Dern-Williams

Ticket Information Summary
Preview: Friday 30 September
6.30pm Tickets $10

Friday 7 October
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Saturday 1 and 8 October
2pm and 6.30pm Tickets $12

Singalong Fundraiser Sunday 2 October
2pm $15 Funds raised for the Beerwah Christmas Carols and Maroochy Baptist Christmas Lights Spectacular.

Book tickets at www.trybooking.com
email: artsheart@gmail.com or call Louise on 0405 525 624

Want to be part of the show? Ticket holders who come dressed for the ball, the wedding and the concert will be included as part of the crowd scenes.

If anyone would like a DVD copy of GCCC’s ‘Calamity Jane’ production would you please order them from Jo Winlaw by emailing her on jo.winlaw@gccc.qld.edu.au. Cost is $7 each.

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Marooychydore Sunshine Plaza
Sunshine Plaza Sunseeker Parade, Maroochydore, QLD. 4558

GCCC Cheerleaders are running a fundraising event at Birch Carroll and Coyle Marooychydore Cinemas.

Movie: Zookeeper (PG)
Date: Saturday 17 September
Time: TBA - early afternoon
Price: $18.50 (includes entry, popcorn and drink)

Tickets go on sale Monday 5 September at the office.
Library News

Library Assistants’ Networking Day

On Wednesday 31 August a Library Assistants’ Networking Day was held jointly at our library and the Beerwah State High School library. The day was organised as a free event for library aides and technicians by the School Library Association of Queensland, Sunshine Coast Network. It was designed to celebrate the amazing role that library staff play in school libraries. Up to 50 library staff attended and took part in a number of electives on topics including Clickview, V-TV, ebooks and audio books, Web 2.0, creating library displays and a Raeco book repair workshop. Staff in attendance came from a range of schools on the Sunshine Coast and the north side of Brisbane. We also had staff from as far as Hervey Bay. It was a wonderful opportunity for staff to network and share ideas and to open our library to other schools. The feedback was fantastic and everyone is hoping it will become an annual event.

“I just wanted to thank you so much for the training day yesterday in your beautiful library. It was also nice to meet up with other library staff from the different schools. Thank you so much for organising it.” by Mandy Barrett from Matthew Flinders Anglican College, Buderim.

“I’m writing to say thank you for a great day for your organization of the Library Assistants’ Day yesterday. I enjoyed my choice of activities and meeting with the other Aides from various schools. I felt I came away with some good ideas and information. Look forward to another PD day in the future.” by Kaylene Stuart from Coolum High.

“Thank you for such an informative and enjoyable Network day.” by Sheryl Deller, Dakabin State High School.

“Thank you for a very well run informative day yesterday. I learnt a lot. It was good to put faces to names that one hears about - all good too. I look forward to being able to attend another of these days in the future. Congratulations on your new library too, it is wonderful.” by Maree Devery, St Patrick’s College, Gympie.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Thank you to those students who have returned their Premier’s Reading Challenge Reading Record Forms. All completed forms are to be signed by class teachers and then returned to the library by Friday 16 September. This will ensure that students receive their signed certificate of participation next term.

Book Fair

Thank you to all who attended and purchased items at our recent Book Fair. We had a fantastic week of book sales and special visits from Geronimo Stilton. We sold an incredible number of books and in turn received a great commission to purchase books for our library collection. Special thanks to our parent helpers who so faithfully assisted and the many wonderful Grandparents who spoiled their grandchildren with a book on Grandparents’ Day.

Vanessa McKellar
All Year 8 and 9 students will be visiting QUT Caboolture on Friday 14 October (Week 2 after the holidays). There is a big push by the government to increase numbers of students receiving tertiary level training and so universities are reaching out to secondary students to encourage students from all walks of life to consider university study following Year 12. Details for parents and students are as follows:

**Destination:** QUT Caboolture campus  
**Date:** Friday, 14 October 2011  
**Cost:** FREE (buses and lunch provided by QUT)  
**Time:** Students need to be at College by 8.15am for roll call and boarding of buses. Buses will leave before 8.30am and return by 2.45pm.

**What to Bring:** Lunch is provided by QUT. Students need to bring morning tea and a water bottle. Sunscreen is recommended.

**What to Wear:** Sports Uniform including green hat.

**Looking for a Career in Health?**
AMA Queensland invites you to attend its new and interactive information sessions created to help YOU discover some great career options in the health industry. Offering an ideal opportunity to hear real professionals discussing their amazing stories and experiences, YOU get the chance to ask YOUR questions and find out about unique careers you may not have even considered.

**Date:** Wednesday 12 October 2011  
**Time:** 7:00pm-8:30pm  
**Venue:** Lecture Theatre, Nambour Christian College, 2 McKenzie Rd, Woombey

Parents & students from years 10 to 12 are welcome Please RSVP to Nikki Knowles at AMA Qld n.knowles@amaq.com.au or 07 3872 2222

**Brisbane North Institute of TAFE Introduction to Nursing course.**
The Introduction to Nursing program will run over Semester 1 for Year 12 students who are interested in pursuing a career in Nursing or related health care areas. Four units are delivered which can be credited towards a Diploma of Nursing. For further information see Mrs Ferris.

**East Coast Apprentices Career Night.**
East Coast Apprentices currently have full time positions for apprentices. Find out more at an apprenticeship evening on October 31. Registration for the evening is open now and closes on the 7 October. Contact East Coast Apprentices on 5479 4711 or see Mrs Ferris after the holidays for a flyer. Anyone considering a full time apprenticeship next year should try to get along to this evening.

**Interested in a job in the Mining or Gas Industries?**
Mining and Gas Jobs Expo - Caloundra Events Centre – 21 October 2011.

Want to learn to fly?
The Airline Academy of Australia is the only Qantas approved flight training organization in Queensland. It is based in Brisbane. Completion of Year 12 level at school is an essential requirement for entry to these courses. No particular subjects or achievement levels are prescribed, however knowledge of Maths and Physics is considered an advantage. For more information call 3276 7044.

**Le Cordon Bleu Scholarships.**

**UniAustralia**
Going to uni soon? Don’t know what it’s going to be like or which uni to attend? Go to www.uniaustralia.com.au for lots of information about uni life from a student perspective.

**Australia Post School Based Traineeships**
At the present time Australia Post at Caboolture, Burpengary and North Lakes are all looking for school based trainees. See Mrs Ferris if you are interested.

**Did you know?**
That the top Queensland apprentice this year was Jessica Meek who began her career as an electrician after winning a Girls with Spark scholarship, and is thriving in the traditionally male-dominated trade. In her studies she scored the highest result in her field in the past five years at Tropical North Queensland Institute of TAFE. Girls can do it too!

**Year 10 Career Expo**
As part of their Work Education, Year 10 students held a Career Expo for younger students on Tuesday. Information about many possible careers and occupations was provided to the “customers”. A big favourite on the day was David Williams giving advice about how to be a good groundsman. Here we see David explaining to Mr Hall the finer points of using a dustpan and broom! (It’s all in the knees!!)

Cheryl Costin and Joan Ferris
**Glasshouse Junior Touch 2011 Sign-on**

Where: Glass House Mountains Sports Club on Steve Irwin Way  
When: Mon 19th and 26th September  
Time: 4.00 to 5.30pm  
Age Groups: All groups are mixed girls and boys  
  • Junior Touch 5 to 8 years (Skills and Small game)  
  • Juniors 5 to 14 years (Skills and Game)  

All juniors could be selected to represent our Glass House Touch Club at Junior Regional and Junior State Cup Competitions.  
Game Afternoons: Mondays 4.30pm to 6.00pm  
Fees: Juniors 5 to 14 years $55  
All new players will require proof of age i.e. birth certificate, passport and parent identification.  
Enquiries Phone Neil  0419 148 590  
Email: pigpen1@westnet.com.au

**MFAC & Maroochy Pony Club Schools’ Challenge Open Show Jumping Competition**

On Saturday, 3rd September 2011, the Schools’ Challenge Open Showjumping Competition was held at Nambour Showgrounds. This competition proudly supports the Sunshine Coast Children’s Therapy Centre with all proceeds going to that cause.

The competition attracted 109 competitors from 32 different schools.

Courtney Sinclair, riding her trusty steed Pegasus, proudly represented GCCC and thanks to the P&F donating saddle clothes with the College’s logo - she was able to do so in style!

The competition consists of three rounds AM5, AM7 and Power and Speed. There are four different height levels and each level is broken up into two groups; primary and secondary. You can compete individually or as a team of three or four.

Courtney’s group had 27 competitors and she did GCCC proud by placing 1st in the AM5 event!

It really is a fun day for a great cause and I’d urge all the riders at GCCC to put it in their diary for next year – it would be great if we could get a team or two together!

**Sports Finals’ Action**

Congratulations to several students who were involved in finals action last weekend.

Ryan Sauer and Jedd Simpson narrowly lost their Rugby League final by 2 points against Kawana Dolphins. Ryan scored three impressive tries from almost half way and almost clinched the victory.

Jonah Bryant, Nathan Whysall, Mitchell Fraser and Royce Hodgson narrowly lost their AFL Grand Final against the Kawana Park Eagles. The game was very evenly matched with the winner decided in the last seconds of the game.

Natasha Hoeksema, Hannah Johnson, Tegan Gisler and Emily Grigor are part of the Tibros Rubies Netball team who fought valiantly against a very strong Currimundi team also finishing as Runners Up.

Abby Bates was part of the only Begees Soccer Club team to reach a final in 2011. Her Under 14 girls team were also defeated by Coolum in a closely fought match.

Reaching finals is a reflection of a tremendous season of sport so we congratulate these students on their efforts.

**Coles Sports for Schools**

The Coles Sports for Schools promotion has begun. For every 10 dollars purchased at Coles, the shopper will receive 1 voucher.

These vouchers can go towards sports equipment purchases for the school. A box has been placed outside Admin and we would love it if you could place your vouchers in the box to help GCCC with its sports programme.

*Mike Curtis*
Congratulations Kiara!

Kiara Hodgson took another step toward reaching her goal of playing AFL at the highest level when she was selected in the Quest Community Newspapers Youth Girls Football Academy this week. Kiara was selected in the Sunshine Coast Sunfire Superstars teams which competed in a carnival against teams from Gold Coast, Brisbane South-East, Brisbane North and Brisbane West. The team played really well and won all but one game.

The girls had been training together for only five weeks demonstrating enormous talent, showing fantastic tackling, sensational goal kicking, accurate ball skills and vision for the game.

Kiara played impressive football bagging five goals in one game, to give her a total of seven goals in the carnival.

Kiara’s talent and impressive play have gained her selection into the Sunshine Coast Academy which she is very excited about. She will train with this team for the remainder of this year and then will add this to her club team training next season.

Proud Rugby Union Reps

Zac Cathcart and Tom Dwan recently represented the Glasshouse District at the Regional Rugby Union Carnival. Both boys were crucial members of the team, with Zac narrowly missing selection into the Sunshine Coast Team. The team played two games due to time limit restrictions on players and unfortunately lost both games. The boys tackled well and made some great evasive runs through the strong opposition to almost score. Great work boys.

GCCC students achieve outstanding results at Sunshine Coast Regional Athletics Carnival

Five Glasshouse Country Christian College students qualified for the 2011 Sunshine Coast Regional Athletics Trial. This meet was held at the Sunshine Coast University Athletics Centre on Friday, 2 September and Tuesday, 6 September. The students who qualified include; Rebekah White, Jared Moore, Jayme-Lee Groer, Jesse Snelling and Andrea Little.

Jesse Snelling finished a commendable 4th in the 13 year boys’ javelin and is showing significant potential in becoming a very good javelin and discus thrower. Andrea Little competed in the triple jump, 80m hurdles and the discus. She achieved a personal best with a throw of 23.63m in the 13 year girls’ discus and also finished second in the 80m hurdles with a time of 13.00 seconds, which was also personal best. Finally, Jared Moore also had a very successful meet. He managed a third place in the 16 year boys’ triple jump and has qualified for the Queensland Secondary Schools Carnival in the long jump, with an impressive leap of 6.27m, which gave him in second place at the regional trial.

Unfortunately two of the GCCC athletes, Rebekah White (16 Yr. Girls) and Jayme-Lee Groer (15 Yr. Girls) were not able to participate due to illness and injury respectively. Rebekah has however, managed to qualify for the next level of competition based on her outstanding performances at other meets. The Queensland Secondary Schools Track and Field Carnival will take place at the Queensland Sports and Athletics Centre from 20 October to 23 October. We wish Rebekah and Jared all the best with their efforts at this event.
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Creative Snack Ideas

Food became exciting as the Year 3 students let their creative flare show in designing tempting snacks that were nutritious for them. Many of them tasted ingredients they had not tried before and gained ideas of healthy snacks they could make at home.

The class has been evaluating their own lunch box contents and learning how to design a well balanced and nutritious lunch. The emphasis was on adding fresh fruit and vegetables and minimising processed snacks. Be inspired by these young chefs.

Wendy Stott

Under 16 Rugby League Match Vs. Caloundra.

On Wednesday the 24 August the Glasshouse Country Christian College Under 16 Rugby League team played Caloundra Christian College at the Beerwah Sports Ground. The GCCC team was comprised of students from Year 9, 10 and 11, all of who had experience in a number of different football codes.

As the match progressed the big Caloundra forwards (100kg+) began to make headway, however the GCCC team found space out wide and the backs, led by Nathan Whysall, started to expose the Caloundra outside backs. The two GCCC props, Brodie Oosen and Adrian White were very good in defense and attack, Nathan Siggs also proved to be very safe at fullback. At half time the Caloundra side was slightly ahead 14 - 8. Both Nathan Whysall and captain Lachlan Thompson scored tries for GCCC in the first half.

The second half began with a renewed commitment to complete back-to-back sets of six by the GCCC boys and to keep running wide. After tries to Glen Morris, Mitchell Fraser and Nathan Whysall as well as a conversion to Jonah Bryant, the scores were locked up at 22 all. With three minutes to go Jared Moore made a decisive break, which would have secured the result for GCCC; however, the pass he received was called forward. From the next play one of Caloundra’s big props scored; the final result was Caloundra 28, GCCC 22.

The GCCC team is being commended for playing the game in an excellent manner and for their efforts against a much bigger and more experienced side. The boys were looking forward to the return match over in Caloundra on Wednesday the 7th of September, however the Caloundra team had to withdraw due to club-finals commitments. Thanks Nick Roberts who did a great job refereeing the match and to Kris Freeman who was the First Aid specialist for the day.

The GCCC Rugby League Squad are now looking forward to learning and developing Rugby Union skills during Wednesday Sport in Term 4.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Programme EXTENDED

This programme has been extended to 18 October so please keep those dockets coming in. Points will automatically appear on your shopping dockets, which you simply bring to the College and place in the box on the Admin desk.
Grandparents' Day
Our Kitchen Garden was proud to host a morning tea in the sunshine during Grandparents' Day this fortnight with many excited students showing off the results of their hard work and acquired gardening skills to their special visitors. It was lovely to have our College grandparents strolling around the gardens while enjoying a cuppa and following their own personal tour guides!

Car Boot Sale
The Kitchen Garden is supporting the College P and F by holding a stall at the Car Boot Sale on Saturday, 29 October from 6.00 am. We will be selling lamingtons and herbs and are looking for volunteers to help us out with either making lamingtons to be sold on the day or going on a roster to help man the stall. If you are available to help in any way, please come see me or call me on 0427 650 262. Many hands make light work and we appreciate any and every contribution.

Kitchen Garden Recipe Book
Another project we have in the pipeline is our Kitchen Garden recipe book. We want to know what your family's favourite recipe or dish is to include in our cookbook which will also feature popular dishes made during Kitchen Garden class. This book is sure to become a well used favourite among your recipe book collection and we welcome your input to ensure its success. Please email me your recipes to mandy.ward@gccc.qld.edu.au

Activities in the Kitchen Garden over the past fortnight
The cooking groups in classes this fortnight enjoyed making tuna and avocado sushi and everyone enjoyed eating it, with some students coming back for 4th's! Classes also tried roast beetroot and fennel and then got a lot of amusement out of comparing purple tongues!

Our busy gardeners were hard at work as usual with their never-ending jobs in the garden. This fortnight the jobs included mulching the vegetable beds, planting beans, squash, zucchini, and cucumber seedlings. Corn was also planted from seeds. Among the produce harvested were snow peas, butter beans, more red cabbage, never ending eggplants, and spinach. As always, lots of weeding was also carried out.

We are still collecting barcodes from McCains frozen vegetables and Purely Potato packets. The collection box is located in the College Administration office and the more barcodes we collect, the more garden equipment we can claim.

Mandy Ward
General News

New Addition to GCCC Newsletter

As a parent and Principal, I understand how difficult parenting is. The problems seem to become more challenging and complex every year.

For this reason, GCCC has subscribed to a parenting insights membership and will be sharing one article in each fortnightly newsletter.

These articles may not always apply to where you are as a parent but we hope that you will find some of them helpful at least some of the time.

We have recently celebrated Fathers’ Day so this issue’s article is on the role dads play in their children’s lives. I hope you enjoy it.

Mike Curtis

P and F News

The Car Boot Sale is going ahead in leaps and bounds. Please do not forget to get a registration form from Administration to reserve your place. Please note you can’t choose your actual park. It will be first in first served on the day. Cost is $20 and there will be a jumping castle to entertain the kids, coffee vans for the mums and dads and mmmmmm, bacon and egg rolls for all to enjoy.

We are yet to have sign up sheets available for the Photography fundraiser. Hopefully they will be available for the end of this week.

We hope you have a great time during the September holidays. See you in October.

Our next P and F Meeting will be Monday the 3 of October at 7pm in the GCCC library. We hope to see some new faces there!

Bonnie Harding

Pause and Ponder

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to work as a Zoo Keeper? Well, wonder no more because the school holidays are back, and so is Australia Zoo’s holiday program, Zoo Keeper For a Day! If you are aged between seven and twelve you can join the zoo crew to help feed the animals and clean enclosures, with exclusive behind the scenes access and plenty of hands on action with some of our gorgeous animals. It’s a day you won’t forget! Places are limited so call 07 5436 2025 to make a booking.

Ages: 7 - 12 years Price: $85 Includes: Zoo entry, Australia Zoo cap, lunch, photo with one of our animals Duration: 5 hours Location: Australia Zoo Dates: 17 September 2011 – 2 October 2011

Further details are available on our website http://www.australiazoo.com.au/education/zoo-keeper-for-a-day

During a talk show interview, a celebrity confessed that she spent thousands of dollars and hundreds of hours each year on her hair and its styling. She recognised that it had become an addiction and admitted that her problem was ‘submission to the hair.’

The word submission means ‘an act of yielding to the authority or control of another.’ Because of her desire to look and feel beautiful, this celebrity was allowing her hair to be in control of her life.

This woman’s story could lead us to wonder about our own hearts’ desires and what we’re submitting to. Do we at times want something so badly that we submit to doing anything to get it? Are we submitting to admiration? Possessions? Self? Food? Money? Pleasure?

In the Bible in the book of Romans it says, ‘to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one’s slaves’ (chapter 6, verse 16).

Humbling ourselves before the Lord and asking Him to show us our heart will help us to recognize our own submission problems.

by Anne Cetas, Our Daily Bread

True freedom is not in choosing our own way, but in submitting to God’s way
A good friend enthusiastically told me how he just spent a few days away on his own with his two kids, aged 10 and 13. He was feeling quite chuffed.

He had some ‘dad time’ with his kids.

Good on him!

He was doing some memory-building & relationship-building, as well as having some fun.

He told me that he was aware that his kids were getting older and he knew such opportunities were diminishing.

I’ve been hearing this type of story a lot lately.

Gone are the days when the only relationship many men had with their kids was through their wife. She would explain to the kids, ‘Your dad’s very busy. He would love to see you play sport but he can’t make it.’ She’d keep him up-to-date with the children’s lives, as well.

Blokes, it seems, are valuing the time they spend with their kids on their own. Or at least the dads I mix with are. Spending time alone with kids is a great way to build confidence in dads.

And the kids usually just love it.

Mothers can play a role here by not getting in the way if their husband or partner wants a little time alone with kids. (Most mums I meet welcome this!)

Children usually associate their fathers with activity. When I ask children to tell me about their dads they usually talk about the things that they like to do together with their dads. Playing, walking, fishing, wrestling....the list goes on.

It’s through shared activity and involvement in kids’ lives that dads build up frequent father points. It’s hard to build good connections with kids when you are not there!

Don’t wait until adolescence

These relationships are best built in childhood, when kids just love their dad to bits and want to be around him. It gets trickier in adolescence, but having shared interests developed in childhood gives you a connection point during these sometimes turbulent times.

Dads also benefit from spending time with their kids. Most health scales state a healthy relationship with their children is a predictor of good health and longevity for men. I’m not sure where the health benefits come from, but I suspect there is something relaxing and de-stressing about getting into a child’s space. There is a big kid inside most men just busting to get out.

These days we take parenting pretty seriously and it’s easy to forget that one of the fundamentals of raising kids well is to spend some time in your child’s space, doing stuff, or not doing stuff, whatever the case may be.

So how are your (or your partner’s) frequent father points going? If they need some topping up then you can start by doing something together that they enjoy. Having a bit of fun together is the best place to start.

And then start to block in time to spend with kids on a regular basis. One busy dad I know goes for a bike ride with his teenage daughter each Saturday morning, and then goes to watch the local footy with his son in the afternoon. This type of ritualised approach to relationship-building works well with many blokes.

Whatever method a dad uses, the key is to start spending time with your kids right now. As I well know, they grow up in a flash, and before you know it they have either moved out, or are busy getting on with their own lives.