PRINCIPAL’S LETTER TO FAMILIES

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of Term One. It has been incredibly busy with the inclusion of many new initiatives (a sample included later in the newsletter). All of these events cannot occur without a successful partnership between our students, parents and staff. **We all feel very fortunate to work with so many respectful, caring and intelligent students.** Our students are the reason that we come to Galilee each day and it is our privilege to be able to assist them in their learning journeys. The parents of Galilee are exceptional; they are hard-working, generous with their time, interested in their children’s learning, always supportive of the staff and willingly contribute to our wonderful community. On behalf of the teachers, I thank you for a very successful Term One. The staff work together cohesively, professionally and passionately all for the good of our students. **I am privileged to be a part of such a talented team and have absolute confidence in their ability and willingness to educate our wonderful students.**

**Open Day**

This week we held a successful Open Day with 50-75 parents present for the assembly and tours of the school. The assembly was facilitated by Sarah & Adam (School Captains) who also spoke confidently about the reasons for enrolling at Galilee. The Prep classes sang their famous rendition of ‘vowel bats’, followed by the a hear-felt singing of our School Song. Our Year Six students conducted school tours with new and current families. The feedback was very complimentary, regarding the performance of the students and of the learning that was taking place in the classrooms. Tours concluded with morning tea in the hall, kindly facilitated by the following parents: Chelsea, Janine, Michelle & Joanna. Thankyou to Mr Coaley and Miss Hart who worked with the Year Six students, following their Canberra Camp, also to Wendy, Tegan and all staff. The visitors saw a normal but extraordinary day of learning at Galilee.

**Prep Interviews**

Prep interviews will be held from the first week of May, for 2017 Preps and communication will be sent out in the the first week of Term Two. At enrolment interviews, many parents ask, “How is a Catholic School (Galilee) different from the local state school?” Here are some of the responses that anyone of us might provide:

- A Catholic education is about the development and education of the whole child. It is about nurturing and mentoring each individual and honing their skills and talents as they mature into young adults. We aim to prepare them with the skills to be confident and responsible citizens.
- Catholic schools are committed to an education in values and moral development based on the teachings of Jesus Christ, the Gospels, and the Catholic faith. Catholic schools offer wellbeing programs such as Bounce Back and Circle Time.
- Catholic education is about an extensive curriculum and extra curricula activities - all of which are vital for young people as they work their way toward achieving the fullness of their potential. The range of extra-curricular activities at Galilee includes: guitar, drums, voice & piano tuition, before & after school care, community & inter-school sport and a varied specialist program.
- Catholic education is also about celebrating our faith together through the Sacraments, at both class and whole school Masses. At Galilee we have a close connection with our local parishes.

In Christ We Live, Love & Learn

GOSH OPEN MONDAY APRIL 11 (7.30am - 6pm). PLEASE BOOK YOUR CHILD’S PLACE ASAP.

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**TERM 2 DATES**

12th April– 24th June

**2016 SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES**

- Mon 11 April, Mon 11 July
- Mon 3 October, Mon 31 October

**LAST SCHOOL DAY OF 2016**

- Fri 16 December at 1.30pm

**Graduation Mass**

- Monday 12 December
- Eucharist

**Confirmation**

- 28 May OLMC 6pm
- 29 May Ss. Peter and Paul 10am
- 5 November OLMC 6pm
- 18 November Ss. Peter & Paul 7pm
Principal’s Letter

- Catholic schools out-perform local government schools and many of the local private schools in academic results. At Galilee we work extremely hard to ensure that teachers are professionally developed so that they are implementing best practice in their teaching.

Community

The School Education Board met this week and provided terrific feedback on a range of school-related topics. They are developing a Parent, Visitor & Volunteer Policy that will be distributed to the school, including visitors next term. The policy includes expectations of conduct to ensure the safety of the students, staff and parents at Galilee. I have found the conduct of parents/guardians at Galilee to be exemplary and its development (and other policies) is driven by ‘best-practice’ VRQA requirements.

Thank you to the dedicated group of parents who have volunteered to be parent Reps. Many of them met with Mrs Price who explained the purpose of the role. They perform the critical function of forging closer connections with the school and parents. A number of social/fundraising events have been outlined for 2016 with some being designated to particular year levels to facilitate/assist.

Last year Mr Servello organised a meeting with parents to formulate a team of parents to organise school fundraising/social events and the details are included in a letter later in this newsletter. I have met with this group (Galilee Events Committee) and together, we have outlined some engaging events for the remainder of 2016 and look forward to you showing your support. Also we have two new Dads of Galilee Reps, Stephen Brooks and Paul Mapley, who have organised some dates for 2016, with more details to follow.

We have made contact with the City of Port Phillip regarding the installation of another crossing-supervisor on Montague St. They are supportive of this occurring and are currently working through the process as quickly as possible as the safety of our children is paramount. Thank you to the School Education Board for bringing this to my attention.

Communication

Over the holidays a new PA system will be installed that will assist with greater clarity and understanding when delivering messages to everyone, both inside and outside.

Term Two-Sport

Mr Tobin will be away on Leave for the first two weeks of Term Two and will be replaced by Mrs Rachel McLeary but he has already organised the sporting program which will consist of:

- Netball & Football;
- Community Sports: tennis, golf and dance.

Students today, will have received a note on Caremonkey outlining the dates and venues for each sport. Some events can also be accessed via the parent calendar. Our cross-country trials will take place on Thursday May 5th at Murphy Reserve, Port Melbourne. The Dendy Cross-Country event (Years 3-6) will take place two weeks later. Please note that we have made a deliberate choice to cater for the needs of our students by becoming part of the Dendy inter-school sport (Galilee did not participate in 2015) while maintaining our involvement in Community Sports, for students in Years 3-6.

Term Two-Staff on Leave

Last year, the following staff were granted Leave for Term Two:

- Miss Boyle will return in week 2 and will be replaced by Mrs Anna Reily
- Mr Tobin will be away for the first two weeks and be replaced by Mrs Rachel McLeary.
- Mrs Gerecke will return in week 4 and will be replaced by Ms Walker and Mrs Reily
- Miss Cox will be away from 30/5-17/6 and be replaced by Mrs Anna Reilly.

We wish each of them a rewarding time away and have confidence that the learning from students will continue in their absence.

Please note that the first day of Term Two for students will be on Tuesday April 12th, April 11th will be a day of learning for staff centred around first aid and evacuation training.

Below is a list of a sample of 2016 initiatives and successes:

Leadership & Management
Principal's Letter

- Engagement of Dynamiq to facilitate evacuations
- New Learning Support Officer, Sophia Alex, employed
- Development of a new Newsletter/Bulletin
- Development of a new Staff & Parent electronic calendar
- Introduction of Google for communication
- Investigating school crossing upgrade and secondary school boundaries

Education in Faith
- Beginning of year Mass & Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Visits by Parish Priests
- End of term Mass and Galilee lunch

Learning & Teaching
- Evaluation of staff methods of planning
- Outstanding learning by students from P-6
- HOLT swimming carnival effort and result (2nd place)
- Refinement of assessment collection
- Involvement of staff on professional development
- Introduction of Levelled Literacy Intervention
- New wiring to be installed in the Library for better internet access

Student wellbeing
- PSG meetings
- Sports equipment for playground use reviewed
- Year 3/4 camp program changed and booked
- Expanded Prep Orientation Program
- Prep students have connected with Buddies

School Community
- New website introduced
- PA system to be replaced
- Assembly procedure established
- Changes to Parent – Teacher Interviews
- Involvement in community & inter-school sports
- Early stages of developing a Bayside Cluster of schools: St Mary’s, St Columba’s, St Joseph’s & Galilee
- Open Day

I remind everyone of the importance of Easter, as part of our Catholic faith and to recognise Jesus, particularly throughout Holy Week. I wish you all a safe and happy holiday.

Kind Regards,

Simon Millar
Principal of Galilee Regional Catholic Primary School
On Wednesday 18th November we responded to a call out from Frank Servello to come together to support a clear plan for fundraising and community networking into 2016 and beyond.

The School Board & Principal have made a decision to disband the Parents & Friends Committee and to rebrand to a Fundraising & Event Planning Team. The 2015 P&F have worked extremely hard and we would like to thank all committee members & those who volunteered throughout the year, for their hard work and commitment.

There were three main areas that were identified at the meeting:
● The need to set a clear fundraising and community networking ethos at Galilee
● The need to have a clear schedule of fundraising and community networking events that form some tradition in our school and long term fundraising objectives
● The need to have clear and achievable fundraising targets as well as transparency on where the funds we raise will go.

Each of us has a skill, some time, a service that is relevant, and together we can achieve a great fundraising and community networking plan.

Our new school Principal will be starting in 2016. There will be an opportunity to attend an evening meeting to discuss ideas on how we can achieve the goals above. Date TBA.

Many thanks in advance and should you have any queries please feel free to contact:
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**School Events**

**TERM 2**

May 6 – Mother’s Day Morning Tea & Lunch

June 9 – Parent Night

June 17 (T.B.C) – Movie Night – P – Yr. 2/ Disco Night – Yrs. 3 – 6

**TERM 3**

T.B.C - Walkathon

August 27 – Trivia Night

September 1 – Father’s Day B.B.Q.

T.B.C - School Concert

**TERM 4**

November 10 – Art Show

T.B.C – Galilee Day Lunch

T.B.C – Christmas Carols

December 12 – Graduation Mass
March 10th Award Winners

Prep E– Mila          Prep F– Martina          1B– Scarlett           1S– Poppy
2C– Sebastian        2G– Lam                 3F– Summer             3R– Will
4C– Mitchell          4 0– Geremy            5F– Tadhg              5G– Rosie
6C– Hope              6HR– Knight           

March 17th Award Winners

Prep E - Aggie       Prep F - Mozart       1B - Luca B        1S– Ryker
2C– Bonnie           2G - Ruby              3F– Kiera              3R - Siena M
4C - Charlize        4O - Agnes                  

Enter the ‘Dads of Galilee’
This will see our dynamic dads stepping up and organising unique opportunities to both spend time with your children’s school community, and other dads, through monthly organised events. These events will be the 1st Thursday of the month, and will provide a network to further galvanise and make our school even greater!

What we need from you?
We need to form a contact list of dads and require your email addresses, so as we can keep in touch. Don’t worry, we won’t inundate you, but just make sure you’re in the loop and well aware of the FUN STUFF we have on the agenda.
Our first night will be on May 5th, so save the date as we need to advise of the location and time (Not SECRET). Please send Paul Mapley (Siena 3R) paul@beachtennis.com.au and Steve Brooks (Sophia 4C) stephen.brooks55@gmail.com your details so as we can get the ball rolling.

Everyone has a place on the TEAM! BTW GO TIGERS!

Kind regards,
Paul Mapley

A big thank you to our wonderful volunteer parents who prepared us a delicious lunch yesterday. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all!
EDUCATION IN FAITH

Sacrament of First Eucharist
Parent Only Information Sessions for First Eucharist will be held at:
St Peter and Paul’s, South Melbourne – Tuesday 26th April, 7:00pm
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Middle Park – Thursday 28th May, 7:30pm

The Sacrament of First Eucharist will be held at:
St Peter and Paul’s, South Melbourne – Sunday 29th May, 10:00am
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Middle Park – Saturday 28th May, 6:00pm
All are welcome to come and support the children and their families who will be celebrating their First Eucharist.

End of Term 1 School Mass
Thank-you to the Year 2 students and their teachers for preparing and organising our end of term Mass. Special thank-you to the Year 5 and Year 6 students who have been practising the songs and led us in the singing at the school mass.

Mother’s Day Whole School Mass
Our next whole school mass will be on Friday 6th May, to celebrate Mother’s Day. The school mass will be prepared by the Year 6 students and teachers.

Food Drive
Ss. Peter and Paul Food Drive
On behalf of the Parish of Ss. Peter and Paul and the Capuchins, I would like to extend a big THANK-YOU to those who were able to donate to our food drive. The food that was donated provided food hampers for those less fortunate than ourselves and provided hot meals for those people in our community who are struggling, homeless or in need. We hope that you will be able to continue to support our food drives for our local parish community.

End of Term Lunch
A huge thank-you to Lisa Hill and the other parents who organised the End of Term Easter Lunch. As always it was a delicious lunch and your constant support and enthusiasm is inspirational!
Messages from Leadership

Teaching and Learning News

What a week we had in Canberra!
The Year 5 & 6 Students embarked on an adventure like no other, and headed to our Nation’s Capital for 4 days. We all had an amazing (yet exhausting) time, and wish we could do it all over again.

The War Memorial
Seeing the War Memorial was an amazing experience. The exhibitions and information given to the students was informative and inspirational. The students loved taking on the role of pilots in the war, and dressing up as both Army and Submarine officers.

Parliament House
The Main EVENT!! We absolutely loved our visit to Parliament House and were lucky enough to listen to Malcolm Turnbull speak! WOW! Our re-enactment of a Parliament sitting was also lots of fun. We learnt lots and enjoyed listening to our MPs speak and argue about different bills that they were trying to amend.

Parliamentary Education Office (PEO)
A reminder to all parents – enrolment for children is at 16 years of age. That is one thing we discovered while in our PEO Program. Learning how to vote was a fun and enjoyable experience. We also loved checking that all our parents were enrolled to vote properly too!

Questacon
On our last day we visited Questacon and had a scream of a time. There are lots of fun, hands-on activities to participate in and the Spider Exhibition was one of our favourites – ask Mr Martello or Pauline!! Students engaged in many exciting activities including, the Earthquake Room, the Giant Drop, the Lightning Strike, just to name a few. We all had fun and enjoyed our 15 minute visit to the shop. We bought up big!! Next stop – HOME!

Miss Kayla Hart
Teaching & Learning Leader
(Thursday, Friday)
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Messages from Leadership

Ride 2 School Day

The 2016 National Ride2School Day took place on Friday, 5\textsuperscript{th} March and what an amazing day it was!

Our students and parents arrived in large numbers either by bike, scooter, skateboard or legs and our entrance was graced with lots of colour and happiness.

Miss Otte and the students in Yr. 4O volunteered again this year to organize the event.

They did a survey on Friday, 26\textsuperscript{th} February to determine how many of our students either rode their bikes, scooters, skateboards, walked or used public transport to school.

They then began their campaign to promote the Ride2School Day, in an attempt to improve and increase a more physical way for our students to come to school!

Our congratulations to both Miss Otte and the students in Yr. 4O for their efforts, as they not only managed to include the process into their Maths lessons, but also increased the physical activity of our students when coming to school.

Last year in 2015, 151 students rode their bikes, 71 students walked, 13 students caught public transport and 91 students came by car. This year 221 students rode their bikes, 45 students walked, 9 students caught public transport and 51 came by car.

Well done to all.

We also welcomed Counselor Anita Horvath from the Port Phillip Council and Tony and Darren from the Bicycle Network, who were all very impressed and complimentary about the number of students and parents who made such an effort.

We would like to thank Shane J. from Fruit Addicts (father of Lily & Sadie) for his generous donation of the delicious fruit for everyone on the day.

As you can see by the photos, our bike and scooter area was jam packed, leaving little room for more!

Congratulations to Patrick G. and Luca M. for winning the best decorated bikes and to the other students who did a wonderful job in decorating their bikes as well.

Congratulations to all and we look forward to an even better result next year.

Julianne Price
Funky Hair Day

Congratulations to all the students and teachers who enthusiastically participated in the FUNKY HAIR DAY & also to the parents, who created such wonderful hairstyles!

The students donated $450 & our school is matching it = $900 donation to the Leukemia Foundation.

FRIENDSHIP GROUPS 2016

In Week 6, our students and teachers commenced their FRIENDSHIP GROUPS for 2016!

Hopefully, your children have come home excitedly and spoken to you about their group, their Leader and the new name for their group!

Our YR. 6 students continue to Buddy with the Prep students and the students in the other year levels have been divided into 19 FRIENDSHIP GROUPS.

Each group consists of 1 – 2 students from each class, as well as the Yr. 6 students and their buddies, plus a teacher as their leader.

We plan to meet twice per term for social interaction and friendship activities.

The FRIENDSHIP GROUPS will compliment the Personal, Social and Emotional Development areas of the curriculum that are being taught throughout the school. They will also promote new friendships throughout all levels of our school, as well as providing an opportunity to form a relationship with another teacher.

The teachers have had great fun making their group posters that are being displayed in the school foyer. Please take time to view them.

Julianne Price,
Deputy Principal,
Student Wellbeing/Student Services Leader
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Classroom Helpers

What a great start we have had to the Classroom Helpers Program! Great to see so many smiling faces eager to help our students with their learning.

 Helpers were issued their rosters on Friday the 4th of March and began helping in classrooms from Monday the 7th of March (Week 7). The program concludes today, for Term 1, and will recommence for Term 2 on Tuesday April 12th.

If any Classroom Helpers have not yet received their rosters, or the days and times allocated are incorrect, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Thank you once again for all your help!
(Linda Florenca-Grillo)

Writers – Great Opportunity

SHARED STORIES ANTHOLOGY

(Mr. Peter Farrar – Editor/Curator of Shared Stories Anthology and Star of the Sea Humanities & English Teacher)

For the past two years, Galilee has been fortunate enough to contribute to the Shared Stories Anthology which began in 2006. Last year, the anthology consisted of a 572-page volume with work from 21 Catholic schools across Victoria. Thirteen written pieces and thirty-five pieces of art work produced by our students across all year levels were published.

*Given that this book forms part of the permanent collection of the National Library in Canberra and the State Library of Victoria, it is quite an achievement to have a piece of work published.*

Once again, all students this year from Prep to Year 6 are given the opportunity to submit and showcase their excellent work.

Unlike previous years, **two themes** have been chosen for 2016:

- **Connection & Renewal**.

**Connection,** which has links to family, friendships, community and country, as well as, the opportunity to write on technology and social media.

**Renewal,** which can include related themes such as: seasons, hope, spirituality and strength (these can apply to both mental and physical things, humans, flora and fauna).

Students are able to write in any form on the above themes or related themes. They may choose to use personal experience to write creatively or in any other form and style they wish, e.g. journal, poem, letter, first person narrative, fiction, blog.

They are also encouraged to use their teachers and/or parents to help shape and draft their pieces and should submit their work in final form to minimise editing and proof reading.

**Please ensure:**

- Each piece includes a title, with the student name, year level and name of the school under the title of the piece, at the top of the page.
- Written pieces are typed in Times New Roman 12 point Word doc. No Pages (Mac) please.
- Each page does not exceed 850 words.

The **first batch** of written pieces will be submitted by **Monday 1st August, 2016.** Students interested in having a piece of writing submitted for selection in this year’s anthology, must email me their work (aromios@gs melbournest.catholic.edu.au).

There’s no time like the present to get started. Feel free to start planning or drafting over these holidays. Easter celebrations could possibly inspire some students to write a piece based on the theme of Renewal.

I look forward to reading and submitting more wonderful poems and stories this year.

Miss Anastasia Romios
Mathematics Leader P-6/Year 6HR Teacher
The School Education Board convened our 2nd meeting for the year on Tuesday 22nd March and are continuing to discuss initiatives that we addressed and the opportunities identified in last year’s parent forum. To that end, we encourage all families to review the newsletters and bulletins that are issued each week.

After the initial distribution, all newsletters and bulletins will be available on the school website. We hope that you’ll find them to be as comprehensive and informative as we do. It is our firm view that these important documents go a long way to bridge the communication gap identified last year.

Another issue raised was the safety of our students and their families on the Montague Street crossing. Vehicular traffic is at a speed that often presents a risk and the signage to alert drivers doesn’t seem to be adequate. Together with the Principal, Mr Millar, we have explored a range of solutions. Mr Millar has already commenced discussions with Port Phillip Council to resolve this.

We will continue to keep you appraised on our work with the school’s leadership and extend our best wishes and blessings to all staff, students and families for Easter and the school holidays.

Regards,

Donna McMaster/ Chair
In Term One the year threes have been busy in Numeracy working on place value, addition and subtraction. The students have partitioned numbers, renamed and created various numbers using MAB materials. The students have practised using many different strategies to both add and subtract two and three-digit numbers.

In English the students have been writing and reading recounts and expositions. In writing the students have been attempting to persuade their audience about a particular topic. Both classes have been embarking on a new learning approach to independent writing. The students are gathering ideas (seeds), expanding and brainstorming from their ideas, planning, drafting, revising and finally creating published work. The students have shown great creativity in their choices of topics.

Year 3R and 3F have explored the notion of democracy; with a focus on classroom rules and expectations. They have created classroom definitions for rules and laws and discussed the differences and similarities between the two. The students have also examined how to vote fairly and put their learning into practice by voting for their own class captain and deputy captain.

Here are a few of the students’ personal reflections on their learning this term.

**In Term One I have learnt…**

“Maths (subtracting, adding and renaming)” - Christine Y 3R

“How to write a seed do joined writing” – Isabel G 3R


“Vertical addition and subtraction”- Alex C 3F

“To use number lines properly in Maths” - Nicholas C 3F

“Where to use commas in my writing”- Charlotte B 3F
CANBERRA 2016

On Tuesday the 15th of March, the Year 5 and 6 students embarked on their journey to Canberra, the Nations Capital. It involved a long 8-hour bus drive through the outback of Victoria and Southern New South Wales. We stopped three times, once at Wangaratta, once at Holbrook and once at Dog on the Tuckerbox, before arriving in Canberra. We stayed our first night at the Capital Country Holiday Park in Sutton, just 10 minutes from Northern Canberra.

On the second day we went to the National Capital Exhibition. There we learnt and discovered the plans of what other countries thought Canberra should look like. We then went on to the Australian War Memorial. There we learnt what it was like to be in the First World War, Second World War and the Cold Wars. We saw the poppies on the wall and discovered the Unknown Soldier. Then we walked the Anzac Walk. We experienced the different war memorials, which were remembering those soldiers, and friendships throughout the war. After the Anzac Walk we went to the National Museum of Australia and while there we found Pharlap's heart and other special relics from Australia's history. We then went home to Sutton and got ready for Galilee's Got Talent. There were lots of amazingly talented acts, but the winner overall was Amelia from 6HR, who danced to “Don't Be So Hard On Yourself”.

The next day we woke up early to make our way to the A.I.S. We were toured by Thomas, a long distance runner and Chris, a cricketer. We participated in lots of hands on activities before looking at the sporting facilities, where we were lucky enough to see an Australian Olympian Gymnast that qualified for the Rio Olympic Games. We then went to Parliament House. At Parliament House we were so lucky to hear Malcolm Turnbull complete a speech about Export and Import. He was saying goodbye to another member of parliament who was retiring. We saw the Senate and the House of Representatives, and also got to do a role play on how government works. After Parliament house we went to the National Gallery of Australia. We saw Sydney Nolan’s Ned Kelly series and saw lots of other pieces that had stories behind each piece, it was very interesting. After we had lunch, we were taught about the different stages of voting. We completed activities and watched a film. We then got to vote for our favourite fruit, and actually went through the process of how to vote, just like you would when you are 18. Later that night we went to Telstra Tower. We watched a video on how it was built and then we went to the top. Not the very top point, but the area where you can over look the whole of Canberra. Of course we also visited the gift shop – we love gift shops! It was a quiet bus ride home because the next morning we were up at 6:00am to pack, for our journey back home.

When we got up, we had breakfast and our bags were on the bus ready to go. Then we set off to Questacon. When we got there, there was so much to do we had no idea where to start. We split into groups and chose an area to go to first. There were different places we could choose from like, areas about technology and science, spiders, earth and space. But the area everyone was looking forward to the most was Excite! There were machines to play with, caged lightning and a big drop.

Our final stop - the airport! Back to Melbourne we go. Everyone was sitting next to someone from our school. We all decided to use British accents. It was so much fun. I was surrounded by teachers. I thought it would be annoying, but it was the best plane trip I have been on. We were all singing and dancing to music. Before we knew it we had landed!

We got our luggage, got on another bus and back to school we went. When we arrived, our parents were so excited to see us. Everyone went home and told their parents about camp.

Canberra may have been educational, but we learnt a lot in fun and exciting ways. We wouldn't have been able to go to Canberra if we didn't have such fantastic teachers. We would like to say thank-you to Miss Hart, Mr. Coaley and all the other teachers that gave up their time to come and help out!

By Imogen E and Alisdair N

We would like to thank the Australian Government for providing some funding for the Year 5 & 6 students to assist with the cost of our Canberra Camp. It was such a great experience and we really appreciate this opportunity.

Thank-you!
Sport News
On Friday 11th of March, 17 children from Galilee represented Dendy District at Bayside Swim Carnival. We were selected to compete against other children from many different schools.

The first event of the day was the freestyle relay, followed by the individual freestyle races, backstroke and breaststroke events. We then had a 5 minute break to have a rest and a snack before diving straight into our last individual event, the butterfly.

Finally, the last event of the day was the medley relay, which was the event that the crowd was looking forward to. Naturally everyone was screaming their hearts out for our team and this helped us to come 4th!

Overall the day was very exciting and everyone tried their hardest. We would like to thank all our parents for coming along and helping to make this day possible for all of our swimmers.

By Hannah, Charlotte and Gyspy
Community Information

Raising Resilient Children

A 2 session workshop run by our child & family psychologists on emotion coaching

Emotion coaching is an evidence-based approach to helping your child manage their emotions.

Through learning the skills of emotion coaching you can:

- Feel more connected with your child
- Help your child build their resilience and problem solving skills
- Increase their ability to regulate their emotion

TERM 2 DATES

May
Wednesdays - 4th & 11th May
Time: 5:30pm - 7pm

June
Fridays - 10th & 17th June
Time: 9:30am - 11am

PRESENTERS
Amelia Murdock is a Clinical Psychologist with extensive experience working with children and families to enhance wellbeing and development.

Dr. Sharae Coughlan is a counselling psychologist who has worked with children, adolescents and families for the Department of Education and Training and in private practice.

If you would like more information or would like to attend, please contact us via phone - 9629 1001 or via email - clientservices@psychologymelbourne.com.au

Port Melbourne Netball Club is currently looking for netball players to join teams across all ages and skill levels - Prep right up to mum teams!

Please visit http://www.portmelbournenetball.com/teams/fixtures.html for details on team training times, match times and locations.

Please register your interest via the website enquiry page http://www.portmelbournenetball.com/enquiries/payments.html

email: portnetball@yahoo.com.au or call Trish 0438623858

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Community Information

Free Trial Class
If you are interested in coming into Kids in Motion and seeing what everyone is talking about, we are offering free trial classes.

To book your free class email us at reception@kidsinmotion.com.au and let us know the name and age of your kids and what day and time suits you. Please offer us a few options so we can find a class that best suits your child.

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email: portnetball@yahoo.com.au or call Trish 0438623858

It is time to get signed up if you haven’t already and bring along your friends to our award winning centre.

We have something for everyone including our dedicated Girls’ Squad. We are really focussing on the Girls’ Squad this year as we build participation and ultimately have a South Melbourne team in the girls’ competition.

GET ON BOARD!

Registrations are now open at [www.aflauskick.com.au](http://www.aflauskick.com.au)

We start on April 16th and the fixture with dates is on our website [www.smdsc/aflauskick](http://www.smdsc/aflauskick)

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