Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term Four! Spring has presented us with a wide variety of weather but the children have adapted well and seem to have settled back into school life without any hiccups.

It is hard to believe that there is only one term left in our 2016 school year! The past three terms have been incredibly busy and there is no doubt that Term Four will be just as busy and exciting.

CURRICULUM NEWS

The staff returned to Galilee last Monday the 3rd October and spent the day completing a variety of tasks. Tasks such as Pre- and Post-Tests in Mathematics and Religious Education were discussed and devised, assessment schedules, particularly for Term 4 2016, were refined and policies in the area of student well-being were revised. In addition to this, we were privileged to have Maree Holmes from CEM facilitate a very informative session on REVIEW, which the school will be embarking on and completing next year. The day proved very productive and essential to the professional development of the whole staff.

PARENT EVENINGS

Last Wednesday, 5th October, Galilee hosted a Cyber Safety Information Night in the Bob Maguire Hall at 7pm. This was facilitated by Centorrino Technologies, the school’s IT partners and focussed on cyber safety and online behaviour. The session proved very informative and provided the parents, students and staff who attended, with strategies to ensure online safety.

Last night, 12th October, Family Life Victoria conducted a Sexuality Education Family Program for Years 3 and 4 students and their parents. One of the aims of such a family night is for parents to ignite the conversation about human development with their children. By beginning these conversations with your child now, it will hopefully ensure that next year, when the school program is implemented, your child will approach these classes maturely and feel positive and comfortable when speaking to you about their own personal development. Much positive feedback was received from the Year 3 and 4 families (parents and students) and staff who attended, with strategies to ensure online safety.

Similarly, next Wednesday 19th October at 6pm, Family Life Victoria will be here again and will conduct a Sexuality Education Family Program for Years 5 and 6 students and their parents. Please be reminded that this program will not take place again until Term 4 2018. It is highly encouraged that Years 5 and 6 families attend in order to develop a positive, honest and comfortable dialogue about Sexuality and Human Development in the home environment. The cost of the Sexuality Education Program is $15 per family.

ASSEMBLY

Next Thursday at 2.45pm 2G

Presenting

Thursday 13th October, 2016

Live Calendar:
www.gsmelbournesth.catholic.edu.au/page/179/Calendar
Family Program is to be covered by families as it is an extra curriculum event. Please follow the link to secure your booking: www.trybooking.com/LZBW

Next Tuesday 18th October, Architects Clarke Hopkins Clarke will be visiting the school to discuss the Master Plan they are preparing to guide the future upgrade and use of the school’s facilities, including outdoor spaces.

Parents are invited to attend the meeting on Tuesday 18th October, 2016 at 5:45pm-6:30pm in the Bob Maguire Hall to discuss this Master Plan process.

Please R.S.V.P. on Care Monkey by 3pm on Friday 14th October.

**SUMMER UNIFORM**

Children can commence wearing their Summer uniform this term. However, up until Wednesday 2nd November, you can choose to send your child/children in their Winter or Summer uniform depending on the weather. As of November 2nd all children are expected to be in their Summer uniform. Our second hand uniform shop is open on Tuesday mornings 8.35am - 9am.

TERM 4 IS A SUNSMART TERM. Although Melbourne weather is inconsistent we do expect that your child/children wear hats during this term. We do enforce a 'no hat no play' rule. We also encourage the use of sunscreen.

Except for religious pieces, children should not wear jewelry to school. In addition to this, we ask that all nail polish worn on weekends and special outings be removed before attending school.

**TERM FOUR STAFFING**

I’d like to welcome back Mr Carlo Martello from his long service leave! From all accounts Mr Martello had a very relaxing and enjoyable time and relished every moment of his time away!

Next week we welcome back Ms Colleen Giles from her extended break; no doubt she too will have lots of adventures to share. We thank Mrs Anna Reilly for teaching Year 5G in her absence.

Also, Mr Simon Millar and Mrs Julianne Price are due back to Galilee after their exciting adventures and family times overseas. We anticipate that their time away has been very memorable.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Simon Maltese for all his hard work and dedication to the role of Acting Principal during Mr Millar’s absence. Through his thorough organisation and meticulous attention to detail, Galilee has been running like clock-work. Not only has he been able to fulfil the work duties and requirements of a Principal for the past two weeks, he has also simultaneously been able to maintain his great work in the area of Leader of Education in Faith. It has been a pleasure to be able to assist him and I am sure, along with all the staff at Galilee, you are very appreciative of all his time, dedication and work.

A heartfelt THANK YOU from the Galilee Community!

**Key Dates in Term Four**

Finally, as stated above, the term looks to be another busy and exciting one, filled with many events. Please take note of our up-coming events….

Oct 19: Year 5/6 Human Sexuality Information Night

Oct 24-Nov 4: Prep-2 Swimming Lessons

Oct 26: Yrs. 3 & 4 attend Parish Mass at OLMC
Oct 27: Yrs. 5 & 6 attend Parish Mass at St Joseph’s Church
Oct 31: School Closure Day
Nov 1: Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Nov 5: Sacrament of Confirmation at OLMC Church 6pm
Nov 8: Yr. Prep attend Parish Mass at Ss. Peter and Paul Church
Nov 9: Yr.1 attend Parish Mass at Ss. Peter and Paul Church
Nov 10: Yr. 2 attend Parish Mass at Ss. Peter and Paul Church
Nov 10: Galilee Art Show
Nov 18: Swimming Carnival
Sacrament of Confirmation at Ss. Peter and Paul Church
Nov 19-20: Father/Child Camp
Nov 22-24: Yr. 3 Zoo Snooze
Nov 25: Galilee Foundation Day
Nov 30-Dec 2: Year 4 Camp
Dec 9: Classroom Helpers/Reps Thank You Lunch
Dec 12: Yr. 6 Graduation Mass at OLMC Church
Dec 14: Christmas Carols Picnic
Dec 15: Yr. 6 Graduation Dinner
Dec 16: End of Year Mass at Ss. Peter and Paul Church
Term 4 ends 1.30pm

Enjoy the expected sunshine this weekend; take care,

Linda Florenca-Grillo.
Events Committee News

Please see the following list of event dates for the remainder of the year.

Term 4

10th November - Galilee Art Show
25th November - Galilee Foundation Day and Lunch provided for all children
12th December - Grade 6 Graduation Mass
14th December - Galilee Christmas Picnic and Carols
15th December - Grade 6 Graduation Dinner

Does your child need summer uniforms for Term 4?

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open the following times next week:

The Uniform shop will open next week -

Tuesday 18th October 8.35 - 09.00
Thursday 20th October 3.20 - 3.35pm

2 Volunteers are needed to open the uniform shop for Term 4 and next year

15 minutes each week on a day that suits you

1 volunteer in the morning 8.45 - 09.00
1 volunteer in the afternoon 3.25 - 3.40

If interested please contact Carla Skirrow 0425 749 223 (Liam 4C, Alex 3R & Rory 2G)

Galilee OSHC

Camp Australia will open the gate from 7.30am. There is not always someone to open the gate prior to 7.30am as the Camp Australia staff member can often be moving around the school preparing things, so please remember the gate will be open from 7.30am.
Welcome back!

Welcome back to term 4! We hope everyone has had great holidays, and are ready for a new term.

We are heading towards the end of the year, but that doesn’t mean you can slack off! This term is going to be full of exciting new activities, and we can’t wait to hear about the exciting learning that will be taking place this term.

1. **LIFE EDUCATION**
   Everyone had a fantastic time learning about the body. Harold also made an appearance!

2. **YEAR 3 EXCURSION**
   The Year 3’s had an amazing time watching the musical Matilda!

3. **CYBER SAFETY NIGHT**
   The session was informative and was helpful for students and parents who went.

**Up coming events**

**P-2 Swimming**
Swimming is coming up! Don’t forget your swimming gear. Parent helpers welcome!

**NEW YEAR AHEAD**

Year 6 transition
The Year 6’s are nearing High School. They are already walking around the school by themselves!

**Confirmation**
Some Year 6’s are preparing for their confirmation, at either St Peter and Pauls or Our Lady Mount Carmel.
EDUCATION IN FAITH Week 2, Term 4

Sexuality Education: Family Life Victoria
Session 2 – Preparing for Puberty Year 5-6
Wednesday 19th Oct. 6pm – 7:15pm (Galilee Hall) for the Year 5 & Year 6 students and their parents.
Admission Fee $20 per family (=50c booking fee)
Click on the link to register and pay: www.trybooking.com/LZBW
Please register using the above link for the Sexuality Education Family Life Program. We are hoping to for more families to attend this important evening.

Sexuality Education: Family Life Victoria
Thanks to the Year 3/4 Families who attended the ‘Where Did I Come From?’ session on Wednesday 12th October. The night was very informative and provided a great opportunity for the parents to talk with their children about Human Development in an honest and safe environment.

THANK-YOU: Beginning of Term 4 Mass
Thank you to all the Year 4 students and teachers for preparing such a great Mass. A special thank you to all the parents and family members who were able to attend this special Mass.

Next Whole School Mass: GALILEE DAY MASS: Friday 25th November
Our next whole school mass will be in the school yard on Friday 25th November 9:30am to celebrate GALILEE DAY! The school mass will centre around the theme of PEACE. The students will be participating in activities in class centred around peace and lunch will be provided for the children free of charge. More information in the coming weeks!

WHOLE SCHOOL MEDITATION - Every Friday Morning
At Galilee, we incorporate Prayerful Meditation as a regular practice at our school. The whole school participates in prayerful meditation every Friday morning between 8:55a.m. – 9:10a.m. We extend this opportunity to our whole school community. The hall will be set up for parents and those who drop off the students at school, to take a moment from their busy lives to stop and reflect.

Sacrament of Confirmation

| Sacrament of Confirmation – St Joseph’s Port Melbourne & Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Middle Park |
| Sacrament of Confirmation – Saturday 5th Nov. | 6.00pm Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Middle Park |
| Sacrament of Confirmation St Peter and Paul’s Church, South Melbourne |
| Sacrament of Confirmation – Friday 18th November | 7.00pm Saints Peter and Paul’s Church, 5th Melb. |

PARISH MASSES TERM 4:
At Galilee we believe that it is important to build connections with our Parish Communities. Students attend Parish Masses throughout the year.
This term the Year 3 and 4 students will be attending:
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Middle Park on Wednesday 26th October for a 9:00am Parish Mass.
This term the Year 5 and 6 students will be attending:
St. Joseph’s, Port Melbourne on Thursday 27th October 2016 for a 9:00am Parish Mass

Middle and Senior Students are expected to arrive at the Church between 8.35am-8.50am, where their teachers will meet them, then attend the 9am service. After the Mass the students walk back to school, accompanied by their teachers, to continue with their normal school day. Parents and families are always invited to join us at all our Parish Masses
Sexuality Education Program at Galilee

At Galilee Primary Regional, we implement a Sexuality Education program over a two-year cycle and have employed Family Life Victoria to facilitate this program. Last year Family Life Victoria ran a Sexuality Education Program in School to support the curriculum. This program was run for all the students from Prep-Year 6. As part of this program, Family Life Victoria also conducted a Parent Information session, providing information about the content that would be covered within these classes. The cost of the Sexuality Education Program in School is covered in your school fees because the program is for all year levels. This School Program will next run in Term 4 2017.

This year Family Life Victoria will be running a Sexuality Education Family Program for Year 3-6 students and their parents. This program is different to last year, as it provides a platform for parents to start the conversation about human development in a safe, supportive and non-threatening setting with their children. By beginning these conversations with your child, it will ensure that next year when the school program is implemented, your child will approach these classes maturely and feel positive and comfortable when speaking to you about their own personal development. The cost of the Sexuality Education Family Program is to be covered by families as it is only offered to the Year 3-6 families and is an extra curriculum event. Payment is organised directly to Family Life Victoria. This Family Program will not take place again until Term 4 2018.

Family Life Victoria have run successful Sexuality Programs for many years, in both State and Catholic Schools, thus implement a program that is sensitive to the teachings of the Catholic Church.

It is highly encouraged that Years 3-6 families attend in order to develop a positive, honest and comfortable dialogue about Sexuality and Human Development in your home environment.

Please find information about Sexuality Education Family Program in the newsletter as well as information about how to book.

FAMILY LIFE VICTORIA
Family Program

Family Life Victoria (FLV) believe parents and carers are and always will be the primary sexuality educators of their children. The Family Programs emphasise this and assist families to be part of a positive experience of talking about reproduction, pregnancy and birth, including the physical, social and emotional aspects of puberty.

The program is attended by parents/carers and their children and is conducted by trained, experienced educators. It provides a platform to start the conversation in a safe, supportive and non-threatening setting. 40,000 young people and their families participate in Family Life Victoria sexuality education programs every year.

Session 2 – Preparing for Puberty Year 5-6
Wednesday 19th October 6pm – 7:15pm (Galilee School Hall)
Year 5 & Year 6 Families – Admission Fee $20 per family (+$30c booking fee)
This session helps prepare young people and their families for the changes they may expect during puberty. The physical changes of puberty are discussed, emphasising that puberty can be different for everyone. Periods and sperm production is also explained. Some common social and emotional experiences during puberty are discussed as well.

Click on the link to register and pay: www.trybooking.com/LZBW
Welcome back to Term 4. Can you believe how fast this year is going?! I cannot even get my head around that Christmas is just around the corner!! Better start shopping.

We have had yet another busy start to the term, but lots of learning has taken place. Each class was lucky enough to visit our Life Education Van where Phoebe (from Life Education) facilitated different sessions to empower our students to assist them in making safer and healthier choices for their bodies.

Each year Galilee are visited by Life Education. “Life Education believe that all children and young people deserve to lead safe and healthy lives - now and into the future.

Preventable chronic diseases, including cardiovascular disease, strokes, cancers and respiratory conditions now account for 85% of the total burden of disease in Australia - and 90% of all deaths. And the 5 common behavioural risk factors – smoking, physical inactivity, poor nutrition, the harmful use of alcohol and the use of illicit drugs – need to be addressed.

Hospitalisations and deaths related to the use of alcohol and other drugs are also high amongst young people, not just from immediate poisoning from drugs but also from resulting dangerous behaviours - road traffic accidents, suicide and assault.

This is why Life Education exists. If our children and young people are to live active and productive lives - if they are to flourish - it is so important that they learn to make safer and healthier choices.

At Life Education we believe that education is the building block to help prevent dangers associated with unsafe and unhealthy behaviours. Our program aims to instill in children the means to make considered decisions about their own health and safety now and in the future.

But Life Education cannot do this alone. This is why they partner with schools to deliver their vital health and safety messages to hundreds of thousands of children and provide useful and informative resources for teachers. They also continue support in the home, offering parents, carers and guardian’s tools, tips and activities to ensure all Australian children are empowered to make safer and healthier choices.” (https://www.lifeeducation.org.au/)

More resources, articles and further information is available on their webpage: https://www.lifeeducation.org.au/
Classroom Helpers

On the last Friday of Term Three the Classroom Helpers Rosters for Weeks Two to Nine of Term Four were distributed. Hopefully all Classroom Helpers received their roster/s and have begun or are about to begin helping in the classrooms.

As mentioned in the accompanying letter (with the Rosters), there are dates this term where whole school events are taking place (e.g. Swimming Carnival, Galilee Foundation Day, etc.) Those Helpers who are affected by these dates are encouraged to speak to their child’s/children’s classroom teacher/s before the planned event, in order to establish if you are in fact required; if not, you may be able to negotiate another mutually convenient time.

If you did not receive your roster or incorrect days/times were issued, please do not hesitate to contact me, Linda Florenca-Grillo at school on 699 2928 or via email l florenca-grillo@gsmelbournesth.catholic.edu.au .

Also, please be reminded that Friday 9th December is the Classroom Helpers Thank You Lunch. Please write this date in your diaries so that you can attend. More details to follow as the date draws closer.

Lastly, here are some friendly reminders to keep in mind when assisting in the classrooms:

- please ensure your mobiles are turned off/or on silent
- the supervision of your allocated group needs to be at 100% level (i.e. please refrain from chatting to other Classroom Helpers and/or attending to the needs of your own child, in particular)
- the classroom teacher is responsible for the education, control and behaviour management of students; please refrain from questioning the teacher about the activity or group your child is in and/or his/her progress during your ‘helping’ time. Please make an appointment with the classroom teacher to discuss such issues
- be mindful of the need to keep confidentiality at the forefront of your mind
- please adhere to your days/times as much as possible as teachers prepare/plan in advance many activities that are reliant on your assistance/supervision
- provide the classroom teacher with enough notice or let the office know early in the morning if you are unable to attend a session. Try to organise a swap with another ‘Classroom Helper’ if possible
- use appropriate language with the children
- please refrain from bringing in hot beverages into the school/classroom.

Thank you once again for all your help and support

Regards,

Linda Florenca-Grillo
Reading Recovery Teacher/Literacy Leader
BREAKING NEWS

“YEAR 6HR HAVE BEEN VERY BUSY … LEARNING!! THIS TERM IS THEIR LAST AT GALILEE AND THEY ARE DETERMINED TO MAKE THIS TERM THE BEST TERM EVER!!”

WRITING

We designed and made our very own cartoon characters that told us about our holidays. We always look for different ways to present our writing. Take a look and find out how creative we are!

On the Holidays...

We created cartoon characters to tell each other about our holidays. Take a look...

On the holidays...
RELIGION
This term we are investigating what Confirmation is and the purpose of Confirmation in the Catholic church as we prepare to make our Sacrament of Confirmation. It has been interesting learning about how the sacrament works and how it relates to our lives. So far we have explored the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and created images symbolizing the gift we think it the most important to us.

Maths
We have continued with our unit on Fractions, Decimals and Percentages. We had to create and colour a 100s chart that we would later use to convert our fraction to a decimal and a percentage. It was challenging but interesting to see the patterns and how it all works. We can’t wait to find out more!
To begin our term, we were visited by our old friend, Harold, and the Life Education Van. We then completed a unit, “Think Twice”, about making the right choices and also looking at the effects that alcohol can have, both short term and long term. Our classroom now has a ‘Life Ed Corner’ showing all of our learning over the last few weeks. Feel free to visit us, and take a look at our wonderful work.

We discussed what different members of the community think about alcohol.

We explored different organs in the body; what their purpose is; as well as how alcohol affects them.
We brainstormed the different ways that alcohol changes the body.

We explored what Victorian Rules and Regulations relating to alcohol.

What stuck with us was that drinking can be very harmful if taken too far.

What stuck with me was that drinking can be harmful to your body, as well as your general health.

We have a very exciting final term ahead, as we prepare for Secondary School. We are finishing our learning units, but we also have some exciting days, including our Fun Day Cut to Geelong Adventure Park and our Year Six Taco Bill Graduation Lunch to look forward to. We hope you will share the excitement and celebrations with us.

Your Friends in 6C!
ISSUE 7 IS OUT NOW.
ORDERS DUE BY 18th OCTOBER.
DOWNLOAD THE SCHOLASTIC LOOP APP TO MAKE YOUR ORDER.

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A big thank you to the parents, students and teachers, who took the time to attend our Cyber Safety Session on Wednesday 5th October.

It was a very informative event discussing our safety when online. We spoke about a series of topics including security, searching Google safety, and using Google to assist us in making sure our children stay safe online. Thank you to Matt Brown of Centorino Technologies, our IT partner, in presenting his findings at the event.

A special mention to Mr. Maltese, Mrs. Grillo, Miss Romios, Miss Fahy, Mr Martello and Mr Coaley, for attending the session on behalf of the school; illustrating the school’s commitment to Cyber Safety. Below are a few slides from the presentation that may be useful to all parents.

Carlo Martello, Joss Coaley and Jessica Casey - Galilee IT Team
Year 5F Diamante Poems

Tigers
Scary, Stripy
Eating, Sleeping, Drinking
Cats, Leopards, Lions, Cheetahs
Running, Catching, Hunting
Cute, Agile
Animal
by Jack 5F

Disney
Inspiration, magical
Amazing, creating, drawing
Mickey, Minnie, Donald, Daisey
Meeting, walking, riding
Funny, parades
Character

Pets
Cute, cuddly
Loving, caring, annoying
Dogs, cats, turtles, axolotls
Running, eating, sleeping
Cheeky, naughty
Family
by Jackia 5F

Motors
Awesome, spectacular
Howling, racing, roaring
Motorbikes, cars, tractors, boats
Amazing, curving, driving
Exhilarating, fascinating
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