Dear Families,

Staff Leadership

Over the past two Wednesdays we have presented the two new Deputy Principals for 2017 being: Danielle Gerecke and Amy Burns. Danielle is a current Year Two teacher at Galilee and leader of our Graduate Program (previously Literacy Leader). Amy is currently at St Mary’s, East Malvern and her roles have included: Acting Deputy, RE and Maths Leader. I look forward to the impact that both Danielle and Amy will have upon student learning at Galilee. They have both begun an excellent transition into their roles. Julianne Price will continue at Galilee in 2017 and had chosen to step down from the role of Deputy. I thank her for the exceptional way that she has worked for the students, staff and parents of Galilee.

All staff leadership roles have been recently advertised with appointments to be made soon. Later in the term, more information will be provided over leadership and teaching roles for 2017.

Year Six staff are currently in collaboration with the students over the model of leadership to be used in 2017. Student leadership is important and much thought is being given to provide opportunities for our students to grow. More information will be presented soon on the 2017 model.

Building Program

A Parent Information Building session was recently held with a small number of parents in attendance. Our architect facilitated the session with further correspondence with students and staff planned in the coming weeks. Families can submit ideas for the Building Masterplan via Caremonkey.

Parent Connection

Last term we saw an extraordinary effort by the parents to attend the many social events. This term there have been many opportunities for the parents to be involved and provide input including: ICT, Building and Family Life (Years 3/4 and 5/6). While some families have participated in these nights, we would like to encourage many more families to attend in future.

Prep Transition

This week we completed our second instalment of our Prep Transition Program. The focus

ASSEMBLY
Next Thursday at 2.45pm

Live Calendar: www.gsmelbournesth.catholic.edu.au/page/179/Calendar
Principal’s Letter

was on English and provided the staff with a further opportunity to learn more about the students to assist them in their transition to school. In their next visit, the students will work on Mathematics. Formal testing will occur next year during designated appointments. We look forward, with great excitement, to our new Preps beginning in 2017.

2017 Classrooms

If parents have concerns, for social reasons, over classroom placements of their child with another peer they are asked to send the request to me in writing by no later than Friday November 11th (including the reason). These requests will be kept confidential but there is no guarantee that all can be accommodated. Classroom placements are based upon student friendships and the needs of each individual. Teachers are yet to be given placements for 2017 and requests for teachers by parents will not be considered.

Swimming P-2

This week we have been participating in swimming lessons at M-SAC to provide our Prep-Year Two students with opportunities to improve their swimming prior to Summer. Following discussions with MSAC, they were unable to provide a sufficient amount of staff for swimming lessons so they have been cancelled till next Wednesday. We apologise for the inconvenience but the safety of our students will always be a priority.

Year 5/6 Rugby

Congratulations to the boys rugby team who won the grand final at the Rugby Gala Day last Tuesday. I’m glad to hear all teams had a successful day. We wish the boys tackle team all the best with the State Final Competition in November.

Simon Millar - Principal of Galilee Catholic Primary School

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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:

Friday 4th November 8.35am - 8.55am

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)

CALENDAR ORDERS

Order forms for your child’s Galilee Calendar have been sent home. You can view your child’s art work that will be used for the calendar at the school office or on November 10 at the Art Show.

The piece of art work to be used for the calendar has been chosen by Mrs Orr.

If you have more than one child, their work can be on one calendar or can be made as separate calendars.

**ALL ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER**

Galilee OSHC

Camp Australia will now open GOSH from 7.15am.
Due to a very low number of interested families, GOSH will **not** open Monday 31st November for the school closure day.
Welcome back, I hope everyone is settling in nicely and enjoying being back with their friends and teachers, ready to continue to learn something new!

1. LONG WEEKEND!
   Don’t forget Galilee has Saturday, Sunday, Monday (Halloween) and Tuesday (Melb Cup).

2. PREP ORIENTATION
   On Tuesday 25th of October the prep students of 2017 came for their orientation!

3. TRANSITION
   The Year 6’s are nearing high school. They are all excited for their orientation days!
EDUCATION IN FAITH  Week 4, Term 4

Sexuality Education: Family Life Victoria
Thanks to the Year 5/6 Families who attended the ‘Preparing for Puberty’ session on Wednesday 19th 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. We look forward to welcoming the educators from Family Life.

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 9:30 am 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 8:55 a.m. – 9:10 a.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

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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. Special thanks to Father Hugh, all the teachers and students who attended the parish masses as OLMC and St Joseph’s this week. Thanks also to the parents and families that attended the masses and helped with walking the students back to school.

This term the junior classes will be attending a parish Mass at Sts. Peter and Paul’s:

- Prep: Sts. Peter and Paul’s South Melbourne Tuesday 8th Nov. for the 12 pm Parish Mass.
- Year 1: Sts. Peter and Paul’s South Melbourne Wednesday 9th Nov. for the 12 pm Parish Mass.
- Year 2: Sts. Peter and Paul’s South Melbourne Thursday 10th Nov. for the 12 pm Parish Mass.

We would like to extend this invitation to all families at Galilee to join the junior students at these parish masses.

Greatest Commandment
Matthew 22:34-40

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together.
One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question:
“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”

Jesus replied:
“Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. The second is like it: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’

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Messages from Leadership by Miss Hart

TEACHING AND LEARNING NEWS

“Good Learning starts with questions, not answers.”

Put your hands up if you like to know things? I know that I do! I like to know why things happen, how things work and what things are made of. I am constantly asking my students questions about the latest craze or some new word that I missed out on. I love to question and find out new information. Questioning enables teachers to check learners’ understanding. It also benefits learners, as it encourages engagement and focuses their thinking on key concepts and ideas. Questioning is such an important tool for our students to use and it should be encouraged not only at school, but at home too. My challenge to you is to encourage your children to ask you questions.

Last week I was lucky enough to work with the students in Year 40 on questioning. I had such a great time with them that I thought I would share some of the learning that they participated in.

What are Glow sticks?
We looked at glow sticks and wrote down all the questions we had about them. Then we cracked them and wrote down any answers or further questions we may have had.

‘Do you know what glow sticks are? Do you have any questions?'

Gypsy: “The 3 things a question should be able to allow us to do are: Research, use our thinking and use our prior knowledge.”

Julia: “I learnt about good and not so good questions and what they are made up of.”

Lewis: “There aren’t any bad questions except in inquiry because we don’t want questions that don’t challenge our thinking.”

Nicholas: “If you ask questions you get to learn more about something.”
In 3F we have been learning about bullying, cyber-bullying and being a bystander. A bully is someone who teases another person many times. There are lots of different ways to bully someone, they are: physical, verbal, indirect, imitation and social alienation. Cyber bullying is bullying on the internet. If someone bullies you online you can turn off the screen and do something else. You should tell a trusted adult about it and if it is on a social media site you can report them. A bystander is someone who stands by and watches someone being bullied. Instead of being a bystander you can stick up for the person being bullied or ask that victim to come join you in a game or you can a trusted adult.

Written by: Abby and Keira

Wellbeing in 5F!

By Claudia and Jeslyn

In 5F, we have been measuring our reactions to events with emotional thermometers. We use them to remind us that we can change the way we feel about things that happen to us.

First, in Circle Time, we talked about times when we have been angry, upset, nervous or anxious. We then completed an emotional thermometer about how we were feeling. To finish the Circle Time, we shared strategies for coping with our feelings, such as taking deep breaths, using positive self-talk, talking to a teacher, friend or known adult, or walking away from the situation.

Julianne Price, Deputy Principal / Wellbeing Leader
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Reading Recovery Data

Reading Recovery is a short-term intervention for children who have the lowest attainment in literacy learning in their first years at school. Children are taught individually by a specially trained teacher for 30 minutes each day for 12-20 weeks. The goal is for children to become effective independent readers and writers, able to work within an average range of classroom performance.

Reading Recovery is an early intervention. Proficiency needs to develop early if children are to engage in reading and writing fluently and with enjoyment. Once children have begun to fail, it becomes more difficult and more costly to enable them to regain normal progress. There is considerable evidence that a poor start in literacy can lead to serious long term problems, and there are compelling educational, financial and moral reasons to prioritise resources to the prevention of reading failure. Reading Recovery has a strong track record and substantial independent research evidence as an efficient and effective means of overcoming literacy difficulties for those children most at risk of failure, such as children in poverty and those who have made the least progress in their pre-school and early school experience. (International Literacy Centre, 2013-2014)

As we currently live in a world in which the current focus on evidence-based educational practice is highly significant, I thought it appropriate that I share with you some data from the Catholic Education Office Melbourne, in relation to Reading Recovery 2015.

After looking at such positive data, I am sure you will agree with me, along with educational researchers John Hattie and Michael Fullan, that Reading Recovery ……. would be available for every child who could benefit from it!

76% of students who completed RR caught up to their classmates within 20 weeks of daily teaching.

“Teachers find that there is an increase in the achievement of all students because the students are learning from a higher common point of departure. Reading Recovery is a powerful catalyst for change in both student learning and teacher efficacy.”


Linda Florenca-Grillo
Reading Recovery Teacher/Literacy Leader P-6
(lflorenca-grillo@gsmelbourne.catholic.edu.au)
Maths Extension Program

Educational Intent:
The Maths Extension Program targets high achieving students in all areas of Mathematics. It aims to support student learning and provides an opportunity for students to discover and consolidate skills in mathematics; to further challenge and extend the skills of problem solving, logical and critical thinking in a small group setting. It is designed for students that are above the standard expected in the Maths Curriculum at their current Year Level.

Selection Criteria:
The Maths Extension Program is currently offered to students in Years 3 to 6. The Year 3-6 teachers were asked to nominate students for the program. In turn, student nominations were cross-referenced with maths results from the mid-year reports and the PATMaths on-line testing. Students above standard and top scoring were selected and offered a place in the Extension Program.

Further Information:
Thank you to Miss Hart for informing the students on Monday of their selection and distributing their first task, in my absence.

Students will be divided into 4 groups and will be meeting with me for an hour each week, either on a Tuesday or a Wednesday.

I look forward to working with these students and providing them with the opportunity to: tackle challenging mathematical problems; extend their range of problem-solving skills and strategies; and develop their skills in presenting solutions.

Anastasia Romios
Mathematics Leader & Year 6HR Teacher
aromios@gsmelbournest.catholic.edu.au
3F Project

3F have been working on a Social Justice Project because we have been learning about making choices. It would be great if you could bring in some old blankets, towels, sheets, etc. All the items we collect will go to Lost Dogs Homes around Melbourne. All the dogs and cats are relying on us to help them. Providing these items will help the dogs and cats in need of warmth and bedding. Thank you for your support!

5G FUNDRAISER

The students of Grade 5G are organizing a fundraiser for an organisation called WaterAid. WaterAid helps provide safe water, sanitation and hygiene to the world’s poorest communities.

For this we have organized a raffle, lucky dip and guess the lollies in the jar. You can get 2 raffle tickets for 50c and just 20c to have a guess with the number of lollies. There will be a stall outside the hall during the lunch break. Our goal is to raise $500 for which we need everyone’s support. Let’s do our bit in making a difference in someone’s life.

Thank you!

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Year 5 NEWS

Year Five have created some wonderful Diamante Poems this term as part of our English Curriculum. We have been learning to write different forms of poetry and have really enjoyed this unit of work.

The Rainforest

Tweet, Squawk,
the birds are singing,
Buzz, Buzz,
the bees are stinging,
Stomp, Crush,
the elephants are walking,
Chatter, Chatter,
the monkeys are talking.
Flutter, Flutter,
the butterflies are dancing,
Crinkle, Crush,
the deers are prancing.

DOLPHINS!!
Cute, playful
Swimming, diving, eating
Fast, trained, beautiful, graceful
Jumping, exploring, playful
Smart, safe
Cute!

By Rachel Sg

GOAT
Playful, Energetic
Playing, Running, Eating
Boots You With Horns
Running, Boating, CHEESEING
Fun, Hungry
Sheep

Black
Black looks like Space
Black sounds like a fast car
Black smells like licorice
Black tastes like dark chocolate
Black feels like creepy crumbly spiders
Black is the universe

Formula 1
Fast, Slick
Driving, Winning, Crashing
Pitting, racing, passing
Expensive, Loud
Classroom Report

Swimming, Ocean, Lessons
Learning, Surfing, Practicing
Fun, Bathers, Goggles, Waves
Floating, Saving, Paddling
Team, Squad, Water

Sport
Netball, Tennis
Biking, Swimming, Scoring
Basketball, Active, Strength, Interesting
Dancing, Shooting, Sailing
Football, Olympics
Athletes

By Lila

Footsteps from above
Lightning flashing from the sky
Wind gusting through me

Yellow looks like a field of daisies.
It sounds like children playing in the backyard.
Yellow smells like the fresh scent of Spring.
It tastes like a banana ice cream.
It feels like sand running through your hands.

Yellow is the brightness of spring.

原谅，我不明白你所需要的信息。
Congratulations Jacqui!

Gold in Synchronised Diving and silver in Individual. The event was the Pullar Family Championship - a state qualifying event for nationals next year.

Dendy Rugby Gala Day

On Tuesday the 18th of October, Galilee's year 5 and 6 students participated in the Rugby League Gala Day put on by the NRL. We had 4 tag teams and 2 tackle teams. The day started cold and wet and the parent helpers, coaches and teachers were all shivering in their coats. The players though, warmed up very quickly once the tournament started.

Our 4 tag teams made Galilee proud with the girl's tag team advancing to the Grand Final. The year 5 boys tackle team showed enormous courage by reaching the semi finals, only loosing by a small margin but showing great sportsmanship.

The year 6 boys tackle team performed well above expectation, advancing to the Grand Final undefeated. Unfortunately, or fortunately, both year 6 girls tag and boys tackle teams played their Grand Finals at the same time. The girls performed really well and came away with a Runners Up Pennant.

The boys took to the field not knowing what to expect. It was obvious the team improved over the last few weeks thanks to Mr Tobin's great coaching. It all came together in the Grand Final as the team kept the opposition from scoring and Galilee running over the try line with a historic win and being crowned the first ever winning school of the NRL the Gala Day. Next stop STATES!!!!!

We came away with pennants and the skies cleared giving us a beautiful spring day!

We would like to thank all of the parents who came and assisted with the teams and a big thank you to the teachers and Mr Tobin for making the day possible.

Lachlan M 6HR
Last Tuesday the Year 5’s and 6’s went to a Rugby Gala day, and what a day it was!

We arrived at school at 8:30 to get ready, put on our rugby guernseys and we were on the bus at 8:45. The atmosphere on the bus with the Year 6’s was ecstatic! Everyone was really excited! I’m sure the Year 5’s were looking forward to it as much as we were. The bus ride seemed to pass by very quickly and soon we were at Darling Park ready to go for the day.

At first we sorted out into our teams and we were all sent off in different directions to get a bit of coaching for the day. During the coaching that Melbourne Storm provided, we learnt how to hold a rugby ball, tag someone properly and some tips for the day. Once the coaching was finished, we were ready to play with a few tricks up our sleeves!

The 5 and 6 girls tag teams played very well. Both Year 6 girl tag teams played a total of 4 games, both teams drew one game and won three games. The girls A-Team placed 2nd with the B-Team followed right behind in 3rd place.

Overall it was a very successful day and everyone had a blast! We know the Year 4 and 5 students will be looking forward to it next year!

By Felicity & Imogen
Majestic Maroon & Galilee Green House Captains

It started off as a dismal cloudy day that ended in success for Galilee. We were greeted by NRL representatives who ran coaching sessions on safe tackling techniques.

The NRL staff managed, refereed and scored all of the games which were played across 6 fields.

Galilee made it into 2 Grand Finals, our Year 6 girls tag team came runners-up, and our Year 6 boys tackle team won, with Lachlan voted by the referees as ‘Best On Ground’.

The game was very exciting and everyone gathered around to watch. Mr. Tobin could hardly contain himself with the win.

By Deb (Callum’s mum 5G)
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CLASSROOM REPORT

NIPPERS
STARTING FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER
6PM TILL 8PM

FUN ACTIVITIES TO BUILD FITNESS
LEARN ABOUT BEING SAFE AT THE BEACH
RELAXED ENVIRONMENT
SAFE EVENING SESSIONS WITH SMALL GROUPS
COMPETE IN LOCAL CARNIVALS

FOR MORE INFORMATION
GO TO WWW.SANDRIDGE.N.S.W.AU OR CALL
JEREMY ON 0411 228 922
INFORMATION / REGISTRATION EVENING ON
31ST NOVEMBER 6PM – 8PM AT SANDRIDGE LSC
240 THE BOULEVARD, PORT MELBOURNE

PLAYBALL BASKETBALL
TRAINING @ MSAC TERM 1 2017
FRIDAY YEARS 1-4

BASKETBALL TRAINING  Playball is now taking registrations from current PREP to Year 3 Boys & Girls to commence training in Term 1 at MSAC, Albert Park, 40 minute weekly training by Playball Coaches prepares children for Friday competition from Term 2.

REGISTER FOR TERM 1 2017  Register a training team at www.playballbasketball.com under ‘Registration’ Tab. Teams guaranteed commencement. Individual children can register online.

TERM 1 TIMES & DATES  YEARS 1-4  FRIDAY 4:00-7:00PM
3 Feb - 31 March (8 weeks) Year 5&6 Teams compete Tuesday @ MSAC

TERM COST  Approx $88 per child Based on team of 8. (Team invoice $700)

COACHES WORKSHOP  By Melbourne Junior Tigers Sunday in Term 2.

CONTACT  PH: 9585 6123  info@playballbasketball.com
Playball: An affiliated association of Basketball Victoria

PLAYBALL BASKETBALL 9585-6123
Holiday Soccer Clinic

Our camps provides the chance to make friends while having fun playing Soccer. An innovative program covers all facets of soccer, and is designed to improve your skills and maximise enjoyment. Specialist sessions in all the skills of field soccer, as well as devoted sessions for goalies. Structured and enjoyable program for each age level. 3-16 years.

Join an experienced coaching panel from France, Romania, Canada, England and Australia.

Dates: Clinic 1 Mon 5th - Thurs 8th Dec 2016
      Clinic 2 Mon 12th - Thurs 15th Dec 2016
      Clinic 3 Mon 19th - Thurs 22nd Dec 2016

Times: Half day morning 9.00am – 12.00pm
      Full day 9.00am – 3.00pm

Prices: Half Day $29   Full Day $39
      Half four days $250   Full four days $350 Thurs finish 1pm

Location: Corine Williams and Alexandra Avenue, South Yarra

Varied games & activities

A clinic soccer championship will be held on the last day with a trophy presentation to follow, with a raffle and other prizes awarded.

Tactical and technical improvement sessions.

Variety of soccer events, prizes in. Soccer balls and soccer equipment.

Morning tea provided each day. (Full Day participants to bring packed lunch each day, except Thursday when lunch will be provided).

For bookings: www.allstarsocceracademy.com.au

Please call Deb 64382008 or email allstarsocceracademy@hotmail.com for more information.

Sibling discount: 2nd child discount 10% off, 3rd child 20% off.

Paying by direct debit Please contact Deb for details and booking confirmation.