

# Galilee Bulletin

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# Messages

#### **Live Love Learn**

### **Dear Families**,

Over the past three weeks, we have welcomed our 2021 Prep students to Galilee via Google Meets. Our current Prep teachers, Miss Smith and Miss McAuliffe, have engaged in story-time sessions and book responses. The sessions have been a great opportunity for the children to become familiar with each other and the teachers. Thank you to the families for being flexible and accommodating to the changing transition schedule due to Covid-19 restrictions.



A reminder that Monday 2 November is a School Closure Day for Report Writing and Tuesday 3 November is Melbourne Cup public holiday. TheirCare will run a whole day service on the Monday but you must book in www.theircare.com.au

## Wellbeing

#### List-making

By writing down goals and making posters for your bedroom wall of things you are aiming to achieve, you will feel you are in control of you. Just drifting along and letting things happen without any effort, makes life boring and uninteresting. Pushing through challenges and overcoming obstacles to achieve what you set out to do, fills you with positive emotions to grow your wellbeing. The more you put in, the better the feelings you will have.



## Learning and Teaching

In Year 4, the students have been learning the vertical algorithm to solve 2 digit by 2 digit multiplication problems. Harrison F and Ben P from 4M provide an example below.



Luca P demonstrates how to use the 'grid-method' to solve multiplication problems.



Isla M created her own column graph to represent data collected for the number of shark attacks in each state for the past 30 years.



### Semester 2 Reports

As was the case in Semester 1, 2020, student reporting in Semester 2, 2020 will look a little different to previous years as directed by Catholic Education Melbourne (CEM). The reports will reflect adjustments that schools have made to their local curriculum programs in response to the needs and aspirations of their school communities, and the disruption caused by COVID-19. In many cases, this will mean that less curriculum content was covered than was planned.

We have been advised by CEM, that:

'Student reporting in Semester 2, 2020 should focus on what progress has been made and what has been achieved by each child. Schools are encouraged to keep reports simple, but make them meaningful'.

### <u>What is required for Semester</u> <u>2 Reports?</u>

Schools are required to provide a written report in an accessible form and easy for parents/carers to understand for Semester 2, 2020

For English and Mathematics, schools must:

- provide a short description of what was taught
- report achievement by making a teacher judgement

against the Victorian Curriculum F–10 achievement standards

For all other curriculum areas delivered, including Religious Education, schools must provide a short description of what was taught. In addition, schools must provide:

 a short comment on progress and achievement in student learning across the semester.

Schools must also provide a comment on student participation and engagement in the learning program offered in Semester 2, 2020, with reference to the Personal and Social Capability in the curriculum.

### What will Semester 2 Reports look like at Galilee?

Semester 2 reports will look very similar to Semester 1, 2020. The reports will feature:

<u>General Comment</u> focused on student participation and engagement throughout remote learning and will refer to learning behaviours, working with others and a direction for future learning. English and Mathematics will provide a progression dot point against the Victorian Curriculum to show progression in the learning areas over the last 12 months (Yr 1-6 only). An overview of what was taught and achievement dot points to show what the student has achieved in Semester 2.

<u>Religious Education, STEM and</u> <u>Specialist Subjects will feature</u> an overview of what was taught and achievement dot points to show what the student has achieved in Semester 2.

## Footy Colours Day



It's ok little kitty

It was great to see the many colours of the various football teams celebrated on Monday. There was an abundance of yellow and black and very happy Richmond supporters. The children had an exciting day, engaging in a morning parade of colours, followed by the opportunity to practise



## Pre-Service Teachers

This term we welcome Kate Redmond (2E), Grace Dalla Zuanna (1C) and Monique Guerra (2C) from Australian Catholic University, completing their final teaching placement. Good luck to all!

## **Maths Week**



Week 7 is our whole-school Maths Week! We will be celebrating our love of Maths with incursions, maths challenges, maths competitions and more! Your teacher will let you know more information nearer the time.

## Year Six Graduation Events Update

Our Year Six students, the class of 2020, graduate in a mere few weeks. It is a momentous milestone in their schooling life.

At Galilee, each year we run a number of fun and exciting events to celebrate the occasion; including excursions, incursions, additional privileges at school, a Graduation Mass and of course, the much anticipated Graduation Dinner.

2020 has been a tricky year, but it will not stop us from celebrating our amazing Year Sixes. In coordination with the students, Year Six Parent Reps and Leadership, the Year Six teachers have crafted a plan that will give the class of 2020 a send-off to remember.

First and foremost, the most important thing is to ensure that all events take place in a COVID-safe manner. We have taken into account all of the advice and guidelines from the Victorian Government, Catholic Education Melbourne and our current school protocols when putting together the below Graduation Agenda.

Some of the events include;

- Intra-School Sports -Children will participate in a basketball tournament in teams of 6 against their Year Six peers. The tournament has 6 rounds and a 'Grand Final'. This is in lieu of Inter-School sports that was missed in Term 2 due to COVID-19.
- Assembly From Week
   Six, a pre-recorded
   assembly video will be
   released to our school
   community hosted by our
   Year Six students.

   Students will be allocated
   a week in which they
   present or run an activity
   for all year levels to
   participate in.
- High School Experience

   We want to ensure that our Year Sixes feel ready for their first year of high school, so we will be incorporating 'High School Experiences' into their final weeks at Galilee. This will include

- lessons in different classrooms, timemanagement tasks, notetaking sessions and role plays of some of the key situations children may encounter once they leave Galilee.
- Maths Week Activities -Our Year Sixes will be running our Maths Week activities in Week Seven. The students will work in small groups to deliver a maths activity, game or problem to solve for students from Prep to Year 5.
- Book Lock In We will be getting cosy and finishing our class novel that we started during the Remote Learning period.
- Movie and Taco Bill Day

   Due to current
   restrictions, we are
   unable to enjoy our
   annual tradition of
   walking down to and
   dining at Taco Bill, so we
   thought we would bring it
   to us instead Sombrero's included,
   hopefully! To make up for
   not being at the venue,
   we thought it might be a
   nice idea to watch a
   Christmas movie while

we dig into our delicious feast. The date for this is still to be confirmed, but we will keep you updated.

#### Dates for the diary:

- Monday 7th December -Graduation Mass onsite, Candle Ceremony (Year 5 & 6 staff and students only, parents will be sent a link so they can watch the ceremony remotely)
- Friday 11th December -Graduation dinner and disco (A link will be sent to Year Six parents so they can watch the speeches and awards remotely)
- Monday 14th December
   Netball Game Year 6
   vs. Teachers 11:40am
   Guard of honour
   1.30pm
- Advice today from CEM from the Schools
   Operation Guide:
   Graduation ceremonies
   are permitted for
   students from the
   graduating year level and
   staff to attend. Schools
   may choose to broadcast
   the graduation ceremony
   for parents and carers.
   Those aged over 12

should wear face masks, practice physical distancing and good hand hygiene (p. 27).

## Staffing

Pauline Semmens has announced that she will be retiring at the end of 2020. Pauline has been at Galilee for the past 9 years as a Learning Support Officer and made an invaluable contribution to our school. She has worked in classrooms, performed interventions, helped in the office and been a key member of the Building Committee that secured the \$5 million funding and permit for the upcoming project. Pauline was previously a Town Planner and we are very fortunate that she made a change of career that sent her to Galilee.

Lauren Bland has made the decision to return back to NSW due to a job opportunity for her fiancé, Jordan and to be closer to family following COVID-19 restrictions. Lauren started as a Graduate at Galilee and will be remembered as a passionate teacher and a keen member of the school community. Wishing Lauren all the best at Nowra East PS.

Mal Orr will be retiring from teaching at the conclusion of 2020. Mal is such a valued member of the Galilee community. Mal has been at Galilee for 27 years teaching Art to generations of students and beforehand at OLMC. Mal is a foundation member of the Galilee staff, being here since the beginning.

She is passionate about Art and always puts the students first. Mal is also a caring staff member who puts the needs of others first.

Danielle Gerecke has obtained the role of Deputy Principal/Learning and Teaching at Sacred Heart Kew from 2021. I congratulate Danielle on her new appointment. I thank her for the incredible journey and work she has accomplished over the last 4 years as Deputy Principal and 12 years at Galilee. She has been a supportive, loyal, intelligent and caring member of our staff and I wish her well.

We are conducting interviews for new teachers this week and

LSOs next week and advertised for a new Deputy Principal to accompany Mr Martello.

## Building

The tender process will conclude on November 12 which will be followed by the appointment of a building company to construct our new facilitities. After the appointment, a detailed plan will be established on how to accommodate the needs of the school community throughout the construction phase which will occur throughout 2021. These plans will be communicated to the school community as well as information sessions by the Project Manager to students, staff and parents.

## **Book Club**



Book Club orders are due by tomorrow, Friday 30th October. Order via the Loop Ap.

# Scripture of the Week



This Sunday, November 1st is an important date in the Catholic Liturgical Calendar as it is All Saints Day. Catholics remember the Saints and the lives they've led. Learning about them can serve as role models for us today. Attached are links to a description of All Souls Day, also known as Old Hallows Day: https://www.calendarpedia.co m/when-is/all-saints-day.html https://www.catholic.org/saints /allsaints/

Below is a link to the Archdiocese of Melbourne for masses and prayers. <u>https://melbournecatholic.org.</u> <u>au/</u> As a reminder, please note that StsPP offer the following online masses and prayers: <u>https://www.stspeterandpauls.</u> <u>com/prayers-and-online-mass</u>



Sacrament of Reconciliation for the families at Sts PP Parish. We are very excited that the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place at Galilee on Tuesday November 10th during school hours for all StsPP families who attend Galilee. Parents will be soon notified by their child's teacher of all times and requirements. We are very happy that we have been able to collaborate with Fr. John and Fr. Hugh to celebrate this Sacrament with many of our students.

# Sacrament of Eucharist for the families at Galilee.

Year 4 families have been sent correspondence from Fr Hugh and their classroom teachers regarding options for First Eucharist.

Simon Millar Principal of Galilee



# COVID Drop Off & Dismissal Process and Protocols

## Drop Off/Dismissal

#### Morning Drop Off

- 8:35am Siblings (family groups) arrive
- Prep siblings are to enter via Learning St gate and go straight to their classroom

Years 1-6 siblings enter via the main gate and line up on the basketball court with their teacher

• 8:40am - 8:50am All non-siblings arrive. Preps enter via Learning St gate and go straight to their classroom Year 1-6 enter via the main gate and line up on the basketball court with their teacher

- No parents/visitors will be allowed on the school grounds.
- Parents are asked not to gather in groups outside the school gates and to observe social distancing.

#### **Afternoon Dismissal**

• 3:00pm all siblings from all year levels (including those in the same year level, ie: twins, triplets) are dismissed.

- 3:10pm Prep and Year 1 students are dismissed.
- 3:15pm Year 2 and Year 3 students are dismissed.
- 3:20pm Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 students are dismissed.
- Parents are asked not to gather in groups outside the school gates and to observe social distancing. No dogs to be in school grounds.

Parents/Guardians are asked to please follow the directions of staff for dismissal:

**1.** Parent/Guardian will enter the school grounds through the school gate when directed by a staff member.

**2.** Parent/Guardian will maintain social distancing along the brick pathway.

**3.** When Parent/Guardian get to the front of the line on the brick pathway, they will collect child/ren.

**4.** Parent/Guardian and child/ren will exit through the big gate.

#### Late comers

• If your child is not at school by 8:50am and therefore will be late, there will be no admittance to the school grounds until 11:45am. This is due to the unavailability of staff to supervise late arrivals.

• We ask that you only use the Bank Street Entrance and you ring the doorbell once when you arrive.

• A staff member will meet you at the school gate and students will be escorted to the office.

#### Early pickups

• We strongly advise against students leaving school early.

• We ask that if at all possible you schedule medical appointments outside school hours; however, if this is unavoidable you must pick up your children at the following times:

11:45am or 1:40pm.

• We ask that only use the Bank Street Entrance and you ring the doorbell once when you arrive.

• A staff member will meet you at the school gate with the student.

### **Student On-Site Protocols**

- COVID-19 symptoms upon arrival: Students presenting any COVID-19 symptoms including fever, cough, sneezing, temperature, runny nose will not be cleared for entry
- **Masks:** As per CEM directives, students will not be required to wear a mask, however, families may choose for their child to wear one.
- Arrival: Parents are to arrive at school with their child and remain with their child until they have been cleared to enter the premises.
- **Social distancing:** Parents, students and families <u>must not congregate</u> at the school gate before or after school. They must maintain 1.5 metres distance from other people when waiting for the school to open or close.
- **COVID-19 symptoms throughout the day:** Students who develop any COVID-19 symptoms including fever, cough, sneezing, temperature, runny nose throughout the

day will be immediately isolated with visual supervision. Parents will be contacted to collect their child immediately.

- **Playground/shared equipment:** As per CEM directives, students may use the playground and shared classroom equipment.
- **Washing hands:** Students are to wash hands thoroughly with soap, for 20 seconds, after sneezing, coughing, going to the bathroom and before and after eating.
- **Drinking Taps:** Students may not use the drinking taps and must have a drink bottle at school
- Physical Distancing: Students should practice physical distancing where possible. Maintaining a physical distance of 1.5 meters will not always be practical in the school environment and this may be particularly challenging in the younger years of primary school.



# Community Links

## **Seeds and Sprouts**

Seeds and Sprouts will be returning in 2021 with an extended 20-week program for Sprouts and 12-week program for Seeds.

Seeds will be open to ALL children beginning prep in 2023 from City of Port Phillip. Sprouts will be open to children beginning prep at GALILEE in 2022. To register your interest please email Ms Carnovale at <u>seedsandsprouts@gsm.vic.edu</u> <u>.au</u>

Further information, including days, dates and times, will be sent in early 2021. Keep an eye out in the school newsletter next year!

Many thanks,

Ms Carnovale and Miss Evans

# Port Phillip Library My Bookmark Competition

Congratulations to Nikolas in 2E for being one of ten winners for the Port Phillip Library My Bookmark Competition. There were 91 entries submitted! Each winner will receive a \$50 Eckersley's voucher and their design will be turned into limited edition library bookmarks for all the community to enjoy! To see the winning 10 designs, including Nikolas' click: <u>https://www.facebook.com/20</u> <u>380347616/posts/1015748312</u> <u>9557617/</u>

# Halloween during COVID restrictions.

Are you thinking about going trick or treating this year? Here is some information from the DHHS website regarding Halloween during COVID.

This Halloween there are some actions you can take to keep your friends, family and community safe, while still enjoying yourself.

- If you have any symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) get tested and stay at home. By staying at home this Halloween, you help to keep your friends, family and community safe.
- Wear a face mask with your costume, but remember that a costume mask that is part of your Halloween

- costume is not a substitute for a face mask. Consider making your own mask and decorating it.
- Keep at least 1.5 metres between yourself and people you don't live with. This means no hugging or kissing when greeting people. Don't share food or drinks.

#### **Trick or Treating**

While we can't celebrate in the normal ways we would, there are alternative options

- Have a Halloween party outside in a public place. You can catch up with a group of up to ten people (including yourself).
   Babies under 12 months age aren't included in the ten-person limit. An outdoor public place means an area accessible to everyone, including local parks and beaches.
- Do a Halloween scavenger hunt by giving children a list of Halloween-themed things to look for as they walk outdoors from house to house admiring

Halloween decorations at a distance. Just like eyespy! The limit of ten people (including yourself) applies to scavenger hunts.

- Carve or decorate pumpkins with members of your household.
- Decorate your house.
- Have a virtual costume party or party with friends and family on video chat.
- Have a Halloween movie night with your household.
- Create an around the house trick or treat or scavenger hunt for your household

#### Handing out Iollies or candy

Coronavirus is still with us and celebrating at home is the safest way to mark Halloween this year. If you do trick or treat, you need to stay safe. It is safer not to hand out lollies or candy to trick-or-treaters this Halloween. This is because the virus can spread on surfaces, including food or packaging. Under current restrictions traditional trick or treating where you knock on someone's door is not permitted. If you can't resist handing out lollies this year you can do so by

having candy available outside of your home.

- Don't use communal bowls for lollies or candy. Putting lollies in a shared bowl will mean everyone is touching the same food and surfaces which isn't safe.
- Instead, put individually wrapped lollies or candy in bags for non-contact collection.
- Place bags on your fence, at your front gate or outside your home for collection.
- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds before preparing the bags or individually wrapped lollies or candy.

## TheirCare

At Galilee in After School Care, the children wore their spectacular book week dress ups and wow, they were very impressive! Enjoying the afternoon sunshine, the children were loving ball games such as fruit salad, playground adventures, footy, dodgeball, soccer and most of

all Salsa dancing outside with Sofia! The children designed, drew pictures, and worked hard on their brand new YouTube channel poster displays for the theme of the week which was Gosh Tubers (YouTube), as well as drawing their favourite Youtuber. Oliver, Lily, Maya and many other children engaged in the planned arts and craft activity where they personalised a DIY mini notebook filled with information, news and events from school and writing some comments about themselves and decorating the front covers. As the children were sharing ideas about the designs on their notebook, they always found time to help each other finish the activity. The highlight of the week was the children taking part in our group discussion, reminding each other about the expectations and behaviour of the service. Here are some of the input, comments and rules that the children put in place:

- Harriet: Being respectful of the person who is talking.
- Oliver: Be kind and not laughing when someone

is talking

Charles: Listen carefully to others.

The children showed off their dance moves while listening to pop music with an awesome inclusive dance party, Gemma and the team can't wait for many more adventures and themes to come in Term 4



# South Melbourne Districts Little Athletics





# Dates & Information

\*\*Dates and Times may change.

## Parent Calendar

http://www.gsmelbournesth. catholic.edu.au/page/179/Ca lendar

### **Term Dates**

Term 4 - Mon Oct 5 - Tuesday Dec 15, 1.30pm

## Term 4

November 2 - School Closure Day (GOSH Open www.theircare.com.au) November 3 - Melbourne Cup public holiday November 4 - Prep Transition Session 4, 2-2.45pm TBC November 9 - Prep Transition Session 5, 9-11am TBC November 11 - Prep 2021 Information Evening - 7pm School Hall TBC November 18 - School Photos

- Prep 2021 Transition Session 6 (A-K), 2-3pm TBC November 25 - Prep 2021 Transition Session 6: (L-Z), 2-3pm TBC November 27 - School Closure Day December 2 - Prep 2021 Transition Session 7: (A-K), 2-3pm TBC December 7 - Yr. 6 Graduation Mass onsite, Candle Ceremony (Year 5 & 6 staff and students only, parents will be sent a link so they can watch the ceremony remotely) December 9 - Prep 2021 Transition Session 7: (L-Z), 2-3pm TBC December 11 - Yr. 6 Graduation dinner and disco (A link will be sent to Year Six parents so they can watch the speeches and awards remotely) December 14

Whole school Transition 2.303.25pm
Netball Game - Year 6 vs.
Teachers 11:40am
Guard of honour 1:30pm for
Yr. 6 students
December 15 - End of school
year, 1.30pm

## **School Closure Days**

**2020** November 2 November 27

## **Public Holidays**

Tuesday 3 November -Melbourne Cup 23/03/2022, 14:30

# Cancelled Term 4 Dates

The following events have been cancelled due to the ongoing COVID restrictions and based on the Victorian Government's roadmap to reopening and CEM guidelines. We look forward to being able to meet and strengthen our community relationships at the beginning of 2021.

Wednesday 21st October: Art Show

Monday 26th Oct - Friday 30th Oct: P-2 Swimming Lessons

**Thursday 29th Oct - Friday** 30th Oct: 3L Zoo Snooze **Tuesday 27th Oct - Friday** 30th Oct: Yr 5 Merrick's camp **Thursday 5th November:** Mother's Luncheon (formerly Friday 8th May) Thursday 5th Nov - Friday 6th Nov: 3M Zoo Snooze Monday 9th Nov - Friday 13th Nov: 3-6 Swimming Lessons Friday 20th November: Swimming Carnival (TBC based on restrictions at the times) Wednesday 2nd December: Carols Saturday 12th December:

Celebration (formerly Saturday 22nd August)

# Camp Calendar

Unfortunately, all remaining camps for 2020 have been cancelled.

## Medical Consent Form

Please use this form if your child needs to take any temporary medication at school (antibiotics, eye drops, Ventolin, creams or lotions etc.). All medication MUST be bought to the office.

Medical Request 2020.pdf

## **School Uniform**

Please read the policy below if you are unsure of the correct wearing of the Uniform. Students who are in incorrect shoes, with a note, must be for a maximum of one week. Correct shoes are to be worn till the end of the school year (it is not acceptable to be in incorrect shoes to save purchasing of new shoes towards the end of the school year). Microfibre jacket can only be worn with the Sport Uniform <u>or</u> over the jumper for extra warmth.

**Galilee Uniform Policy:** 

http://www.gsmelbournesth.ca tholic.edu.au/uploaded\_files/m edia/1517278888uniform\_poli cy.pdf

**PSW Uniform:** 1/128 Bertie Street, Port Melbourne 9768 0385





<u>Second Hand Uniform @</u> <u>Galilee</u> Not open at the moment until

further notice.

# Galilee Out of School Hours (GOSH)

To register and book for your child to attend before or after school care, please do so via this link:

http://theircare.com.au/

Parent End of Year / Christmas