



# Galilee Bulletin

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## Live Love Learn

### Dear Families,

Our staff have been working hard to finalise 2021 class lists, classroom placements, assessment and reporting. All students have completed a number of English and Mathematics assessment tasks in the last few weeks. Semester Two Reports will be available on Friday 11 December.

2021 classes will be finalised. This year, we have extended our transition program to run over two sessions, Friday 4 December and Friday 11 December. The students will spend two hours on each of the days with their 2021 class group and teacher. A reminder that teacher requests from parents will not be accepted.

### Staffing

In 2021, we welcome Ms Annmaree Pinner as classroom teacher. Annmaree has currently been employed as a Learning Support Officer working mainly in the junior grades. She completed her Master of Teaching degree this year at LaTrobe University.



It is with excitement that we announce that Brigid Fahy is expecting a baby next May. Congratulations to Brigid, Kyle and Patrick (6B).

A full list of 2021 Staffing will be published in next week's

Bulletin.

### Swimming Carnival

Last Friday, the students participated in swimming events at the Swimming Carnival. We missed our usual larger number of parent volunteers and spectators but we thank those parents who were able to attend and support the staff.

Congratulations to all the students for a fantastic effort and to the Saints House Team for winning the overall points. Thank you to Mr Hill and the Sports Team for their planning and preparation.



## **Swimming Recount by**

### **Bonnie, Year 6**

On Friday 20th of November, all Galilee students competed in the annual swimming carnival. This year all students were driven by bus. The Year 6's left at 9:30 to MSAC and all the other students followed along a bit later. When we arrived through the gate, we were directed up to the stands by our teachers. We then all put down our bags and sat in our seats. It wasn't long before the sport captains were called down to help.

We went downstairs, and blew up some beach balls for the junior year level's activities. At this point, the Year 6 girls and boys had already done their freestyle race. Once the Year 2's arrived the sport captains got to help them in the pool. All of the Year 2's were extremely cooperative and loved cheering on their classmates in the water.

Next, we had our three Year 1 classes arrive. As there were a lot of them we had to have two Year 6's in every lane so we could support them. We kept reassuring the students that it doesn't matter if you win or lose, as long as you try.

Once all the Year 1's had done their first race of freestyle, they went again for their noodle race. This was when the students wrapped a noodle around them and they had to kick as fast as they could to reach the other end. The next race was the ball race, which is where there was a ball in the water and you had to hold it out in front with your head down, while kicking. When the last students went, we were done for the Year 1's.

All the other year levels such as the 3, 4, 5 and 6 students were doing an amazing job and swimming their hardest. The sport captains were cheering their classmates on from the other pool and were wishing everyone good luck. We had score updates during the day by Mr Martello, which everyone went silent to hear who was in 1st place.

Then we saw the Preps come in for their first ever swimming carnival. I could see all the excitement and nerves kick in as they walked around the pool. They went to get ready and next thing we know, they were all lining up with their bathers, swimming cap and goggles. We started off straight away with our freestyle race. All the Preps were trying their best and I could see that they were having a lot of fun. Then we had the noodle race which all the kids struggled with a bit but we got through it in the end. The ball race was a bit different for the Preps, we got 3 Preps in one lane with 2 Year 6's and we were practically playing volleyball with each other. This for me, was the most fun activity from the day. We said goodbye to the preps and they went off to get their bags so they could get on the bus.

All the races were practically over by this point except for butterfly so we watched as the last race commenced. Once we had finished, Mr Martello announced the winners. In 4th place was Carmels, 3rd place was Joeys, 2nd place was

Hearts and 1st place, by just 5 points, was Saints.

Overall we'd like to thank Mr Hill, for organising the races and the whole swimming carnival. To the parent volunteers, we couldn't have done it without your help. To the teachers and Miss Mason, who organised all of the junior levels with their races, the sport captains for being in the pool practically all day helping with the younger kids. Finally, to everyone at Galilee, you all did such an amazing job on Friday, no matter if you got a ribbon or not. Thank you!

## Year 6 High School Week

Our Year 6's are off to high school in a matter of weeks and assist in the preparation for this transition, we held a 'High School Experience' for them to practice some of the core skills that will be needed next year.

This included:

- bringing themselves up to their classroom, independently, after recess and lunch

- getting themselves to and from Specialists, independently
- following a timetable to attend 'classes' in different locations around the school.

We are hoping that this week will allow our Year Sixes to develop both organisational and time-management skills, all while gaining a new appreciation for accountability and personal responsibility.

In the next few weeks, our Year 6's will enjoy:

- a fun day out on Thursday 3 December
- Graduation dinner and disco on Monday 7 December
- student vs teacher netball game on Monday 14 December
- early finish on Monday 14 December at 1:30pm

## Sacred Heart Mission Charity



The Year 6 Social Justice Leaders organised a Sacred Heart Mission Charity Day today to raise money for those less fortunate than ourselves. This year has been tough for all in our school and wider community. We have been so lucky to have a school community that has supported one another during these challenging months. Not everyone is so lucky. The Sacred Heart Mission, based in St. Kilda, strives to support those who do not have a community to rely on. Every day of the year, they welcome adults of all ages and backgrounds who are experiencing homelessness, disadvantage and social exclusion to a free meal, care and support.

To support this incredible mission, all children were invited to wear red in support of the Sacred Heart and



encouraged to give a gold coin donation.

## School Fees 2021

We have attached the schedule of fees which was also sent in a letter via email.



SCHEDULE OF FEES  
FINAL 19Nov2020.pdf

## CHC Building Works Presentation

Presentations by CHC outlining the exciting new project to be built in 2021 was presented to staff and students this afternoon. A parent session was facilitated at 4:30pm via Zoom with excellent attendance. A copy of the presentation will be sent through DOJO. Once permits and contracts are completed, more detailed communication will be sent to the community about the design and management of the site throughout construction. We have sufficient classroom space to adequately cater for our students in 2021 without compromising the education of our students. Please read the communication sent out last

week regarding 2021 School fees which outlines the minimal impact the build will have on fees.

## Local Member Visit

Yesterday we had a visit by newly elected City of Port Phillip local member, Peter Martin. Peter was a former principal at Port Melbourne Primary School, a colleague of mine and a great supporter of Galilee. We are looking forward to working with Peter in the future.



## School Closure Day

Tomorrow, Friday 27th November is a school closure day. TheirCare will open for the day so please book in if you need to use the service <http://theircare.com.au/>. On this day we will be preparing our 2021 Annual Action Plan which will continue our direction and Vision.

## Wellbeing

### Enjoy Now

By showing a resilient attitude to not be glued to a screen, you will give yourself many opportunities to live life to the fullest. The short-term-feel-good hit you get from looking at a screen is caused by the brain chemical dopamine. Whereas, achieving a purpose or when with others in person, the longer-term feel-good hit is caused by serotonin and oxytocin. Make the effort to enjoy more now.



## Wine Drive Fundraiser

Offer ends 30th November!  
See full details on Community Links Page.

**GALILEE REGIONAL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**FUNDRAISER WINE DRIVE**

Purchase some great wine from Pizzini and support Galilee Primary School.

Pizzini have kindly opened their entire wine list to the Galilee School Community at a 20% discount.

Simply visit [pizzini.com.au](http://pizzini.com.au) and use promo code GALILEE at checkout

Please share this offer with family and friends as percentage of sales will go to Galilee Regional Catholic Primary School.



## Bike Education

The Year 3/4 students will be participating in a Bike Education Program onsite with Mr Hill (a qualified bike instructor) on **Monday 30th November** and **Monday 7th December**.

We are hoping for better weather with the session cancelled last Monday due to torrential rain.

This program will be beneficial for the children as it will prepare them for future school camps which include bike riding activities.

They will learn about areas such as checking bicycles and helmets, correct riding techniques, basic bike skills, traffic signals and road rules.

A reminder that students will need to bring their own bike and helmet on these days.

## Prep- 2 PMP

The Prep-2 students began the Perceptual Motor Program (PMP) on Monday and will continue for the next two weeks. PMP is a movement-based program which helps younger students improve their eye/hand and eye/foot coordination, fitness, balance, locomotion and eye-tracking skills.



## Scripture of the Week



## First Eucharist

On Tuesday November 24th, many of the Year 4 students received the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time at StsPP.

This was a lovely and reverent celebration concelebrated by Father John Spiteri and Father Hugh Brown. Special thanks to their teachers and families who helped prepare them. We wish every student special blessings and best wishes!

It took a lot of work but last minute easing of restrictions meant that families were able to attend this important Sacrament.

**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 go straight to their class.

- 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 must not congregate 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

## TheirCare

What an exciting week we have had at Gosh. The children had numerous opportunities to get engaged in The World's Greatest Maths activities, games, arts and craft.

Maya, Sarah and Isabella were using a variety of materials and resources to make and create their maths collage. Maya thought of a really good idea of using pasta to stick on a piece of paper to make her math equation.

Outside, the children have had a lot of open-ended play and most of all, interacting and taking part in group games such as running races. Oliver suggested tag tea, relay races, playground adventures, four square, footy and the fun goes on.

The children were over the moon when Gemma put out

the new resources, games, and sports equipment. The children will be taking on the responsibility of looking after the equipment and treating it with respect.

Henry and Oliver helped with building the new Lego table by following the instructions step by step and we're very proud of the outcome.

Jai, Roger, Eduardo, Lian, Duke, Sofia, Lara, Zoe, Ishaan, and many other children absolutely loved playing with the marbles and using the Lego table for lots of creativity, construction, building, working together and sharing.

Jai and Roger have been using the Lego table to spin marbles to have a battle. The children learnt a new way to make art by using onions to explore circles big and small with paint.

Annabelle, Luke, Jacob, and some other children

challenged each other in a game of 40-40 home base. At the monkey bars, Lara and Vivienne showed Gemma how far they can go across the bars. Lastly, the children found the planned activity quite interesting and mysterious. They used white crayons to draw their own mystery math resist art, painting watercolours on top to reveal what the mystery math equations and numbers were. TheirCare has invested in some brand-new amazing new resources, games, activities, science equipment, sensory products, music and so much more. It gets shared between other Theircare services, so we all get to experience the fun.



TheirCare holiday program  
now open for bookings  
<https://theircare.com.au/>



## WINE DRIVE!

A message from our Galilee  
Parent Committee:

As you know we didn't get  
much of a chance to raise  
funds for our school this year  
with our Gala Event being  
cancelled along with the  
various other activities.

So we thought we needed  
something REALLY enticing to  
finish off the year and raise  
some funds for our beloved  
Galilee.

What better than a Wine Drive  
Fundraiser with Pizzini Wines!!

Yes, you heard right - you can  
buy WINE, support a Galilee  
family business AND our  
school at the same time :)

Please see the poster attached  
and don't hold back (but be  
responsible)!

It's a great time to stock up on  
a variety of wines for  
Christmas.

Make sure you share with your  
family and friends too!!


This offer ends 30th November  
so please take a moment to  
take a look at the huge variety  
of quality wines that PIZZINI  
has to offer. Cheers!



## Seeds and Sprouts 2021

If you have already emailed  
through your Expression of  
Interest, you do not need to  
resend it. Application forms will  
be available from 2021 and will  
be emailed out to those who  
are on the Expression of  
Interest List. Application forms  
will also be given out in the  
2021 Open Morning Packs.

 SEEDS Program 2021.pdf

 SPROUTS PROGRAM  
2021.pdf

## Sacre Coeur





# Dates & Information

**\*\*Dates and Times may change.**

## Parent Calendar

<http://www.gsmelbournesth.catholic.edu.au/page/179/Calendar>

## Term Dates

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

**Term 1 2021** Feb 1 - April 1, 1.30pm

**Term 2 2021** April 19 - June 25, 1.30pm

**Term 3 2021** July 12 - Sept. 17, 1.30pm

**Term 4 2021** October 4 - December 14, 1.30pm

## Term 4

November 26 - CHC Architects Presentations to Parents  
4.30pm

November 27 - School Closure Day

November 30 - Year 3/4 Bike education

December 2 - Prep 2021

Transition Session 7:  
(surnames A-K), 2-2.50pm

December 4 - Year 1-5

Transition

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)

- Bike education

December 9 - Prep 2021

Transition Session 7:  
(surnames L-Z), 2-2.50pm

December 11

- End of Year Mass 9.15am

- Year 1-5 Transition day 2

- 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 - Guard of honour 1:30pm for Yr. 6 students

December 15 - End of school year, 1.30pm

## Term 1 2020

Jan 28 & 29 - Student testing days Years 1-6

Jan 29 - Prep Orientation 9-11am

Feb 1 - All students begin Term 1

- Meet the Teacher 2-7pm (students finish 1.30pm)

Feb 3 - Meet the teacher 2-5pm

- Preps not at school

- Welcome Evening 5-7pm

Feb 5 - Beginning Of School Year Mass 9.15am

- Canberra Camp Parent

Information Session 3.00pm

Feb 10 - Preps not at school

Feb 16 to 19 - Year 6 Camp



Feb 17 - Preps not at school

Feb 19 - Angahook Camp

Parent Information Session

3.00pm

Feb 24 - Preps not at school

March 1 - Preps at school full time

March 3 to 5 - Year 4 Camp

March 5 - Merricks Camp

Parent Information Session

3.00pm

March 8 - Public holiday

March 11 & 12 - School closure days

March 16 to 19 - Year 5 Camp

April 1 - End of Term, 1.30pm

## School Closure Days

### 2020

November 27

### 2021

March 11 & 12

June 11

November 1

November 26

## 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 2nd December:

Carols

### Saturday 12th December:

Parent End of Year / Christmas Celebration (formerly Saturday 22nd August)

## Camp Dates 2021

Year 6 Canberra - Feb 16 to 19

Year 4 Angahook - March 3 to 5

Year 5 Merricks Lodge - March 16 to 19

Year 3 Zoo Snooze - November 23 to 25 (class day to attend TBC)

## 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 or over the jumper for extra warmth.

### Galilee Uniform Policy:

[http://www.gsmelbournesth.catholic.edu.au/uploaded\\_files/media/1517278888uniform\\_policy.pdf](http://www.gsmelbournesth.catholic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/1517278888uniform_policy.pdf)

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



PSW.pdf



## Second Hand Uniform @

### Galilee

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/>