



# Galilee Bulletin

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# Dates & Information

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

## Parent Calendar

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

## Term Dates

**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

## Early Pick Up Times

If you are picking up your child before the school day finishes, please collect at either 10.30am or 1.30pm. It is appreciated if you can email your child's teacher and the office of your collection time.

## Term 2

April 30 - Parent Morning

Cuppa 8.45am

- 5/6 Interschool Sport

May 3 to 6 - Year 6 Camp

May 7 - Mother's Day Morning

Tea 8.30am

- Mother's Day Mass

- Mother's Day Lunch

- 5/6 Interschool Sport

May 11 to 21 - NAPLAN Years 3 & 5

May 14 - Dendy Cross Country

May 27 - Parents Battle of the Bands

May 28 - 5/6 Interschool Sport

June 2 - Sacrament of Eucharist

- OLMC

- Soccer Lightning

Premiership

June 4 - 5/6 Interschool Sport

- Student school disco

(P-2 4.45pm), (3-6 6.15pm)

June 6 - Sacrament of Eucharist

- StsPP

June 9 - Netball Lightning Premiership

June 10 - Football Lightning Premiership

June 14 - Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

June 15 - School Closure Day

June 16 - Soiree 5pm - drums, vocals, keyboard and guitar

June 21 - Student Led Conferences 2-7pm

STUDENTS FINISH 1.30PM

June 23 - Student Led

Conferences 2-5pm

June 25 - End of term 1.30pm finish

## School Closure Days

**2021**

June 15

August 27

November 1

November 26

## Sacramental Dates 2021

### Eucharist

**StsPP** - Sunday, 6 June 2:00pm

**OLMC** - Wednesday, 2  
June 7:00pm

### Confirmation

**StsPP**- Thursday 19 August  
7.00pm

**OLMC** - Wednesday 18 August  
7.00pm

## Camp Dates 2021

Year 6 Canberra - May 3 to 6

Year 3 Zoo Snooze - November  
23 to 25

## 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:

 [GRCPS Uniform Policy 2021.pdf](#)

### Transition of New Uniform

*Please see below correspondence distributed to the school community in 2020 and earlier.*

To avoid a uniform change in the middle of a season, the timeline for students from Prep-Year 5 will be the beginning of Term Two, 2022 (change from Summer to Winter uniform). This mandatory change will not be for Year 6 in 2022.

### A reminder that:

- the woollen jumper, rugby top and school bag can be worn/used for the duration of its lifetime as it is similar to the new item,
- during the transition period, blending of the current and new uniform **IS** allowed as we are keeping the same colour scheme,
- modifications were made after consultation with the community over the last two-three years,
- we will continue to assist families financially with uniforms who are experiencing difficulty,
- used uniforms (current design) will be distributed to overseas schools in need by PSW.

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

The new Galilee uniform is available for purchase from PSW. Items of the current uniform are on sale at a discount of 40%. Items of the current uniform can be worn until the end of Term 1 2022. Exception will be made for Year

6 students. **All other students must be in the new uniform by Term 2, 2022.**

Prices can be found on the PSW website:

<https://www.psw.com.au/schools/galilee-regional-catholic-primary-school.html?p=1>

#### Galilee New Uniform:

 GALILEE REGIONAL CATHOLIC PS.pdf

#### Second Hand Uniform @ Galilee

Not open at the moment until further notice.

## Lunch Orders

Attached is the lunch order list and ordering information from Renatta Catering.

 Lunch Order List 2021.pdf

## 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/](http://theircare.com.au/)

## Danceworld

To book your child into Danceworld lessons during recess/lunch or for more information, visit [www.danceworldstudios.com/galilee](http://www.danceworldstudios.com/galilee) or feel free to visit the studio next door to Galilee.



# Messages

#### Live Love Learn

#### Dear Families,

Thank you to our wonderful Galilee community for understanding our COVID safety restrictions, protocols and procedures over the past twelve months. The level of

patience, flexibility and adaptability shown within our community has blown us away.

From the start of this term we have been able to embrace a

'new normal' with the further easing of restrictions within the school setting. It is for this reason that we have been allowed to sing again for the first time in over a year and we have had parents attend our



Cross Country Sporting Event for the first time since early 2020. From next week we will be welcoming parents back onsite for our Mother's Day Morning Tea and we will be welcoming all parents and guardians back into our classrooms with the re-introduction of Open Mornings. We are very excited that we are able to re-introduce community events back into our school calendar.

Thank you for your support over the past twelve months. We hope to see you on-site at one of our events in the very near future.

## ANZAC Day

On Wednesday afternoon we gathered as a school community to celebrate ANZAC Day. Our SRC leaders led us in a beautiful ceremony. Trent Bekis, a parent within the school with an Army and Police background spoke to us about the ANZAC's, a life of service and the sacrifice our service men and women make. We thank Sarah O'Bryan for making our beautiful school wreath. All classes presented a wreath that they had made during the

ceremony. We thank Charlotte Biggs, Simon Millar and Classroom teachers for organising the ceremony, preparing the students and marking this special occasion.



## Farewell Fr. John

On Monday we hosted Fr John with the staff to recognise his contribution over the last 18 months. Fr John has been a consistent visitor to the classrooms and formed excellent relationships with everyone. On Wednesday, he received cards and a present. We gave him a book which is one of my favourites: *Pillars of the Earth* by Ken Follet.



## Brigid Fahy is going on Maternity Leave

We wish Brigid and her family every blessing in the coming weeks as they prepare for the arrival of their newest family member. We will miss Brigid at Galilee while she is on Maternity Leave. We hope to hear about the safe arrival of Brigid's baby soon and share a picture or two with you.

## Punctuality to School

At Galilee our expectation is that pupils are in their classrooms by 8.50am. Therefore, those students who enter the school grounds after 8.50am are deemed late and must sign in at the office before going to class.



Lack of punctuality affects learning and behaviour, not only of the pupil who is late, but it has an impact on all other learners. The teacher is often required to recap on missing

learning for those who arrive late and this reduces learning time for the rest of the class. We understand parking can be difficult but please try to ensure your child is at school before 8.50am each morning.



## Wellbeing

### Sleep Time

By understanding that sleep is as important as the air you breathe to build your best possible self, you will be able to develop routines to ensure you sleep deeply. These include turning off your phone and TV an hour before bed, reading, doing breathing exercises, and generally feeling calm. The light from screens affects your sleep hormone, melatonin, making falling asleep difficult, so avoid them before bed. You need 9 hours of sleep nightly to grow well.

## Open Mornings

We are very excited to announce that Open Morning will return starting next Friday 7th May, between 8.35am and 8.40am. Open Mornings will take place on each Friday morning between 8.35am and 8.45am. It is a fantastic opportunity to visit classrooms and see the amazing work that students have been doing. During Open Mornings your child/ren can show you around their classroom and show you the work that they have been doing. Classroom teachers will be in the room but will be busy preparing for the day ahead. Please know that you are able to say hello to the teachers but that you will need to make an appointment to speak to the Classroom Teacher to talk about a student's progress, how they are going in class or anything else that would require a more in depth conversation. Appointments can be made by contacting teachers on DOJO or through the front office.

We hope to see lots of you in the classrooms on Friday's in Term 2.

## Principal's Dinner

Last week I attended a dinner recognising principalship, hosted by Archbishop Peter Comensoli. It was a wonderful occasion to recognise the current and retiring principals. Principalship is a role of service to a school and local community. It is at times demanding with a large workload. However, at other times it is rewarding to watch the growth in students and teachers, and connectedness of parents. I was a Head of Primary in W.A. for two years and currently in my eleventh year as a principal in Victoria.

Any role that carries responsibility requires the individual to develop strategies and support mechanisms to cope and thrive. I personally focus on encouraging the leadership capabilities of others in the school (students, staff & parents) which leads to a more collaborative and shared approach.

In the photos below you will see: Archbishop Peter; Cathy Ferrari, Principal at St Mary's East St Kilda; Pat Berlingeri, Principal at St Finbar's East Brighton and Nigel Rodrigues, Acting Principal at Trinity in Richmond. All of us have

intertwined careers. Both Pat and Cathy are former Deputy Principals of mine and Nigel is a former Deputy of Pat's. I'm very proud of their progress and I will continue to empower our students, staff and parents at Galilee.



## Building Works

These are photos of the footings; concrete will be poured shortly.



## Cross Country

Today our Year 3-6 students attended the Galilee Cross Country. It was wonderful to see them push themselves around the very long course. We clearly have some very

talented long distance runners among us. We are extremely proud of the way our Year 3-6 students represented Galilee while they were at Murphy's reserve. It was wonderful to see parents cheering us on, this is the first sporting event we have been able to welcome parents to attend as spectators in over a year. We thank Mr. Hill, the sports team and staff for organising a wonderful event and we thank that parents who assisted on the day.

We have a number of students who recorded times that will allow them to go onto the next level. They will complete in the Dendy Cross Country against students from local schools. We wish them all the best as they prepare for their next long distance run.



## Parent's Morning Cuppa

Our Parent's Morning Cuppa is returning tomorrow, Friday 30th April from 8.35am - 9.30am. It would be great if you could join us for a cuppa in the hall.

All parents will need to sign in via QR code in the hall as per COVID safe procedures.

## Mother's Day



Our much loved Annual Mother's Day Morning Tea will be held on Friday 7th May. This is an opportunity for our school community to recognise the amazing role the mothers / significant women play in the lives of our children.



School gates will open at 8.20am in the morning to allow as many of our mothers the opportunity to share a morning tea or coffee.

A Mother's Day Liturgy will follow at 9:30am in SSPP Church.

Due to density limits, please RSVP for the morning tea via Operoo.

## Eucharist Family Faith Night



The Eucharist Family Faith Night was very well attended last Tuesday evening on the 27th of April. The families engaged in the activities, enjoying their learning about this very important sacrament of initiation in the Catholic faith. Many thanks to Fr. Gary, Sue Kidd, Dorothy Hall, Carlo Martello and Colleen Giles for their contributions and

preparations to make this night such a great success!

We look forward to a successful collaboration with the families, school and the parishes when preparing the students for the sacrament of First Eucharist.

Helen Rochecouste  
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## Transition to Winter Uniform

As the weather is starting to cool down we have noticed that many of our students have started to make the transition to the winter school uniform.

We originally published that we would require all students to make the transition to the winter uniform by Monday 3rd May, however we have been made aware that some of our students have not been able to purchase the new winter tunic. If you are waiting to purchase the new winter tunic we will allow you to continue wearing the summer uniform or the sports uniform on cold days for the next two weeks. All other students will be required to wear full winter uniform starting on Monday 3rd May.

We have been informed that the new winter tunic will be available on Tuesday 4th May. We ask that you arrange to purchase the uniform between Tuesday 4th May and Saturday 15th May. On Monday 17th May we will require all students to be in full winter uniform.

## Dads of Galilee Catch-up



## Book Club

Issue 3 of Scholastic book Club is out now.

Orders can be made via the Loop app until Thursday 6th May





## Winter Sports Student Recounts



Netball and Football  
Recounts.pdf

## Craft Club

We had 46 children from Prep to Year 5 in craft club today. We made fish by tracing our hands.



## Parent's Battle of The Bands

Parent's Battle of The Bands #3  
- Thursday, 27th May - The  
Prince Bandroom, St Kilda.



Tickets are now on sale at the following link:

[https://princebandroom.oztix.com.au/outlet/event/211e3233-a675-4064-b779-49baf40474c2?utm\\_source=PrinceBandroom&utm\\_medium=Website](https://princebandroom.oztix.com.au/outlet/event/211e3233-a675-4064-b779-49baf40474c2?utm_source=PrinceBandroom&utm_medium=Website)

If booking, make sure you obtain the tickets through the **The P.O.G.S (Galilee PS)** band, as all proceeds will be redistributed back to the school pro-rata of parents' attendance / number of tickets sold by each school. Funds raised are used to expand the musical education programs and improve facilities for participating schools & help further our children's musical education.

Our Parents Band **The P.O.G.S.** is participating with 6 other local primary schools including

St. Kilda Primary, Elwood Primary, Port Melbourne Primary, Gardenvale Primary, St Kilda Park Primary & Ripponlea Primary.

It is a great social night with the wider local school communities.

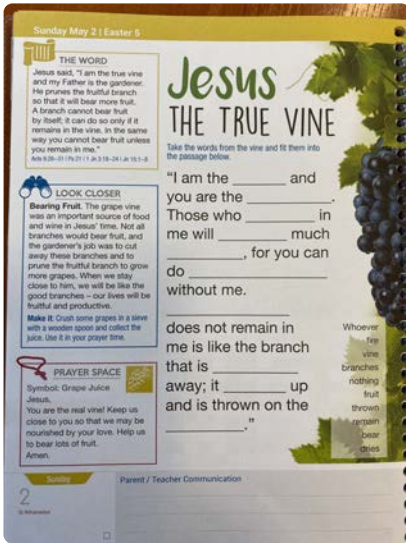
See you there!

## RE Incursion

The Catholic singer/songwriter Andrew Chinn visited Galilee last Friday for an incursion. All the students enjoyed singing songs about Jesus and stories from the Bible. The Galilee staff had a wonderful time too! This was a wonderful time to celebrate the risen Jesus during this time of Easter, being back at school in Term Two and being able to sing again!



# Scripture of the Week



# Sacramental Dates 2021

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## Confirmation

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7.00pm

OLMC - Wednesday 18 August

7.00pm

I will be away for the next two days due to a sickness in my family. Next week I will be on Year 6 Camp to Canberra. I will return to school on Friday 7th May for our Mother's day.

I will remain in regular contact with the Deputy Principals and other school staff throughout this time.



# Drop Off & Dismissal Process and Protocols

## Drop Off/Dismissal

### Drop off and Pick -Ups Times

#### Mornings:

The Bank Street Gate (Park Street will not be available) will open at 8.35am and all students will go directly to their classrooms.

*We respectfully request that parents remain outside the school grounds in the mornings. This is due to current COVID -19 protocols, where any adult onsite for more than 15 mins must sign in for contact tracing purposes.*

If you need to speak to someone, we encourage you to call the office so we can arrange an appointment time or email/Dojo you child's teacher.

### ***Afternoons:***

Please be reminded of our current times that students are to be **picked up at the end of the school day.**

- **All students 3.15pm - 3.20pm**
- **All other students riding or walking independently - 3.25pm**

It is impossible for school staff to monitor this, so we are totally reliant on our parent's cooperation.

Our reasons for the staggered times are

- to assist with parking turnover
- to be compliant with COVID-19 restrictions that aim to reduce the congregation of adults around the school and reduce congestion
- to ensure all our parents and students can leave the school safely

### **Galilee Wet Weather Student Collection**

In the event of wet weather at the end of a school day, the following procedures will be used to ensure a safe collection of students:

- Parents/Carers to collect students from their classrooms from 3:15-3:25pm
- All Parents/Carers to enter via the school office door
- All Parents/Carers to exit via the nearest side/external stairwell after collecting child/ren
- Parents/Carers with prams or limited mobility can request the office to ring for their child/ren
- Children attending GOSH, walking or riding home by themselves will be dismissed from their classroom at 3:25pm

Year Two information:

- Parents/Carers from 2R to exit via classroom external door
- Parents/Carers from 2E to enter and exit via the same door to the Library
- Parents/Carers from 2J to exit via the new external door

#### Additional information:

- Staff members will be supervising those entering the building and exiting via the front gate and in the corridors
- Parents/Carers are expected to move safely and efficiently, walking throughout the school
- Parents/Carers are only allowed on site for up to 15 minutes (COVID-19 restrictions) so collection is not an opportunity to converse with teachers, staff or other parents
- In the event of a wet weather collection, parents/carers will be notified when possible via DOJO by 3pm (unless it rains after 3pm)
- Specialist teachers will return children to their classrooms at 3:10pm prior to collection
- Please see below a map of the school for collection of children

We thank everyone for their flexibility and cooperation in ensuring that pick-up is safe and efficient for all in dealing with COVID-19 restrictions.

## 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.
- **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.





# Community Links

## TheirCare

The first week of Term 2 in GOSH was "Under Impressions" Theme. We've started the week with origami and mosaic art, as the days were cold and rainy for having proper outdoor fun and run.

Week followed up with abstract impressionist's art created by children, using their fingers. Isabella was making Van Gogh's night; Maya was creating abstract rainbow art and Michelle decided to draw animals but in a bit Salvador's Dali style.



Children were making their 3D dream houses Charlotte made a ghost house, boys- Pokémon's houses. At the same time outside Jacob with Oliver organised a soccer game and Roger oversaw Octopus and Tiggy. Week ended with a huge bootcamp and disco to celebrate the end of the first school's week.

Don't forget that we are open from 7.am, book children at [www.theircare.com.au](http://www.theircare.com.au)

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## TheirCare new prices



**About the program**

TheirCare provides a stimulating and safe environment for all children and an environment where children learn and enjoy their time in their program. During sessions children develop life skills, friendships, confidence and creativity through play.

Galilee Regional Catholic Primary School has partnered with TheirCare to provide quality care, flexibility and commitment to deliver on our promise to your school community.

Operation Times	Fees	Out of Pocket	Average*
Before School Care 7:00am – 8:00am	\$22.32	\$8.72 - \$22.32	\$10.32
After School Care 3:20pm – 6:00pm	\$29.32	\$5.13 - \$29.32	\$7.98
Holiday Program** 9:00am – 6:00pm	\$62.32	\$6.50 - \$63.82	\$13.83
Pool Free Day 7:00am – 6:00pm	\$63.32	\$9.50 - \$63.82	\$13.83
Late Booking	Within 24 hours	\$4.00	
Cancellation Fee	Same Day	Full Fee	See AOC

Service Phone Number: **0487 009 626** Your service coordinator will be available during session times. TheirCare support is available during office hours if required on 1300 672 410

**How to Enrol**  
 Visit [TheirCare website: www.theircare.com.au](http://www.theircare.com.au) and click on 'Book Now' in the top right hand corner to register your child's details.

\*Based on fees including transport & insurance only  
 \*\*Based on 100 enrolled average daily number for the school day which is based

## Albert Park College Dates



# Star of the Sea Tours



Educating young women spiritually, academically, physically and creatively in a compassionate Catholic context.

## College Tours Term 2, 2021

Star of the Sea College warmly invites prospective parents and Grade 5 students for Year 7 2023 to tour our College:

- Thursday 6 May, 4.00pm-5.00pm
- Tuesday 25 May, 4.00pm-5.00pm
- Monday 31 May, 4.00pm-5.00pm
- Thursday 3 June, 4.00pm-5.00pm

Tour Guides will meet you at Reception, Martin Street, Brighton. Please allow time for parking.

To book your Star of the Sea College tour visit

<https://www.trybooking.com/BQEDP>