

Galilee Bulletin

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Dates & Information

**Dates and Times may change.

Parent Calendar

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

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 <u>collect at either 10.30am or 1.30pm.</u> It is appreciated if you can email your child's teacher and the office of your collection time.

Term 2

June 25 - End of term 1.30pm finish

June 25 - P-2 Disco 5-6pm 3-6 Disco 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Term 3

July 12 - School closure day

July 13 - Students begin Term 3

July 19 - Student/Parent

Conferences 2-7pm (students finish 1.30pm)

July 21 - Student/Parent

Conferences 2-5pm (students

finish 3.15-3.25pm)

July 28 - Music Soiree 5-

7.30pm Drums, Voice, Guitar,

Keyboard

July 29 - Prep Transition

Session, 2.15-3.15pm

August 6 - Yr. 3/4 Hooptime

August 13 - Yr. 5/6 Hooptime

August 18 - Prep Transition

Session 2, 2.15-3.15pm

August 20 - Grandparents Day

August 26 - Family English Night

August 27 - School Closure

Day

August 31 - Dendy Athletics

September 3 - Footy Colours

Day

- Father's Day Breakfast &

Mass

September 9 - Prep Transition

Session 3

September 17 - End of Term

1.30pm

School Closure Days

2021

July 12

August 27

November 1

November 26

Sacramental Dates 2021

Eucharist

StsPP - TBC

OLMC - TBC

Confirmation

StsPP- Thursday 19 August 7.00pm

OLMC - Wednesday 18 August 7.00pm

Camp Dates

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

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/scho ols/galilee-regional-catholicprimary-school.html?p=1

a maximum of one week.

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/

Danceworld

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



Messages

Live Love Learn

Dear Families,

How wonderful it has been this week to have all of the students back at school. I have been very impressed by the calm, no fuss attitude the students have had with getting back to onsite school life. My sincere thanks

to all of the incredible Galilee Staff as well for their hard work and dedication to the school.

Wellbeing

Each week, we will provide some tips for parenting anxious children, as well as a meditation to practise together at home.

Tip 1: Reassure your child that worry is normal.

- Let your child know that it is normal to get worried from time to time and that you also have worries.
- Remind your child that anxiety is not dangerous, it is just a feeling that people have.
- Explain how you can calm yourself down when feeling worried by talking to someone or finding a distraction that works for you.
- Role Model to your children how you calm yourself down when feeling worried.

Here is the meditation we practised in class this week:

Balloon: Peace Out

(https://www.youtube.com/wat
ch?v=ZBnPlqQFPKs).

It would be very relaxing, as well as very, beneficial to practise it together with your child/ren!

Disco

We are hoping there will be a further easing of restrictions to allow the School Disco that has been rescheduled for **Friday 25th June** to proceed.

P-2 Disco 5-6pm 3-6 Disco 6.30pm - 7.45pm. If you had already purchased a ticket for the previous date and are now unable to attend there are two options; you may like to donate the \$5 entry fee to the school OR if you require a refund, please email Carmen Carnovale on ccarnovale@gsm.vic.edu.au with your name and your child's name and a refund will be organised for you.

Climate Change



In Year 6 we have been
learning about Global warming
and how humans have an
impact on this. We watched a
David Attenborough
documentary called "A Life On
Our Planet" on how the world is
changing and what will happen
if we don't try to stop climate
change. We have been linking
this topic to other subjects
such as writing, reading and
religion. We are also working
on a STEM project in which we
are trying to reduce our carbon

footprint. The students are creating slides, i-movies or some other representation of how they are changing for the good of the environment. Some things we can do to reduce our carbon footprint are turn off lights and water, reduce shower time, turn off appliances at source and eat meat less frequently. We also learnt about what will happen if global warming continues. So if we all do our little bit, the planet will be a much healthier, happier place.

By Isaac 6M

Footy Cards

We have lots of students who are bringing their footy cards to school. Students are enjoying showing their friends and comparing collections during recess and lunchtime.

Unfortunately we have had a few issues with footy cards being swapped, traded or borrowed and due to this have decided that while at school, students will not be able swap, trade or borrow cards.

Parent Helpers

It is with great excitement that we will be able to welcome Parent Helpers back into the classroom in early Term 3 to assist with student learning from Prep to Year 6.

We are holding two Parent Helpers' Workshops in Week 3 of next term for parents who are new to helping in the classroom at Galilee. You will only need to attend one of workshops. these Both workshops will be online. The link to the online workshops are on the Parent Calendar. One workshop will be held on Thursday 29th July at 9.30am and the other workshop will be held on Friday 30th July at 9.30am. You will be required to attend one of these workshops. if you have not attended a Parent Helper course in the past and if you are interested in assisting in the classroom this year.

You will need а current Working With Children's Check and an availability to assist at a set time once a week. For example. everv Tuesday morning. This will help teachers with forming a roster and knowing who will be helping on particular days. A committed time once a week is usually preferable as it allows both the teacher and the Parent Helper to develop a professional relationship to support all the students in the class. It also allows the Parent Helper to develop skills by working at regular times and thus knowing the routines and expectations of the class. If you are only able to help in the classroom occasionally, this is fine too.

If you have attend the Parent Helper Course in previous years, hold a current Working with Children's Check and are interested in helping in the classrooms again this year, we will be seeking your availability in early Term 3.

We continue to value all the support and assistance from Parent Helpers and thank you in anticipation.

Garden Club - Time to get Growing

Yes, Green thumbs of Galilee, it is official Galilee is Growing, literally!

With an overwhelming embrace from children across

all year levels it is amazing to see our kitchen garden taking shape.

Last week saw Charlie and Paul take a visit to the local Bunnings store in Port Melbourne, and take delivery of a very generous donation of plants, to give our kids a real chance to get this initiative off the ground. We also have received other donations from the families and children. which have seen us commence the pioneering plantation part of the garden. With our garden beds now prepared after some keen sieving sessions at lunch times, we see the children invested in the project and their boundless enthusiasm is being rewarded.

NEWS FLASH!!!

Next week see us commence our Scarecrow Workshops, to build and dress up and place over the garden. This will add some further soul and vitality to our garden, and give it that authentic look. If you have some old clothes, shirts, boots, pillow cases, panty hose etc, we would love to hear from you. We also would like to get the children to donate any old footy boots, shoes etc, for our

next project that remains under wraps.

We are very happy with the progress of the growth to date and Mr Millar was kind enough to sample the first harvest of salad for his lunch. Needless to say he survived this organic smorgasbord!

Keep up the energy kids and we look forward to seeing you in the garden. From little things, big things grow.

"The Kitchen Garden Club"

Scripture of the Week



Sacramental Dates 2021

Eucharist Postponed

OLMC - TBC

Please be advised that the new dates for the Galilee students and families to celebrate First Eucharist at StsPP are:

Sunday 18th July at 1:00pm and 3:00pm for 4H and (Year 5 students who didn't make it last year)

Sunday 25th July at 1:00pm and 3:00pm for 4R and (Year 6 student who hasn't made it yet).

Confirmation

StsPP- Thursday 19 August 7.00pm

OLMC - Wednesday 18 August 7.00pm



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 <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.



Community Links

TheirCare

The last week of lockdown had theme "Weather Alert!".

On Monday Jai, Jacob, Haell, and Ella made plenty of different styles of umbrellas for themselves, for parents, and

their friends. They also played musical chairs and built huge Lego castle.

Tuesday afternoon brought us science experiment with rainy clouds. Deio, Anthony and Ella enjoyed the experiment a lot.

On Wednesday Jacob, Jai,
Anthony, and I had very sporty
afternoon: we played
basketball, ping pong, soccer,
and tennis! Later Jai and
Anthony built Lego castle and
made Pokémon colourings.

Thursday brought us excellent weather, so we spent all afternoon outside. Lara and Johnny created group game "Catch the Dinosaur", in which all children took part. After we had numerous games with the skipping rope. The most favourite was "helicopter". Jacob was showing us unbelievable ways of skipping, while Roger was performing super funny ways of it. On Friday finally school started, so we had a lot of students, who missed us and each other.

Indoors Roger, Alexander, Lily, and Lara were making rainbow clouds hanging craft. Outside Jacob was helping Ryger to organise group games starting from fruit salad ending with poison ball.

It was a great end to the week!





Dear parents, don't forget that next week is the end of the term and GOSH will start on Friday, 25.07.21, at 1.30 PM, please book your children at www.theircare.com.au

Have a great weekend! Kateryna