



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 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 3

August 6 - Year 3 Winter

Warmer 8.45am TBC

August 7 - Sacrament of First

Eucharist OLMC 4 - 5pm

August 12 - Year 4 Winter

Warmer 8.45am TBC

August 13 - Year 5 Winter

Warmer 8.45am TBC

August 18 - Prep 2022

Transition Session 2, 2.15-

3.15pm Online or onsite TBC

August 19 - Year 6 Winter

Warmer 8.45am TBC

August 20 - Grandparents Day

TBC

- Prep Winter Warmer 8.45am

TBC

August 23 - Book Week

August 26 - Year 1 Winter

Warmer 8.45am TBC

- Family English Night 5 - 6pm

August 27 - School Closure

Day

August 31 - Dendy Athletics

September 3 - Footy Colours Day

- Father's Day Breakfast & Mass TBC

September 9 - Prep Transition Session 3

September 17 - End of Term 1.30pm

School Closure Days

2021

August 27

November 1

November 26

Sacramental Dates 2021

Eucharist

Postponed: StsPP - Sunday

18th July at 2:00pm for 4H and (Year 5 students who didn't make it last year)

Postponed: Sunday 25th July

at 2:00pm for 4R and (Year 6

student who hasn't made it yet). Cancelled

OLMC - Saturday 7th August

Sacrament of Reconciliation

OLMC - Wednesday 25th
August 7pm

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 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>

 [Lunch Order List 2021.pdf](#)

www.danceworldstudios.com/galilee or feel free to visit the studio next door to Galilee.

Galilee New Uniform:

 [GALILEE REGIONAL CATHOLIC PS.pdf](#)

Second Hand Uniform

228 Bank St, South Melbourne
Open on Wednesday 25th
August from 9-9.30am.

Lunch Orders

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

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





Messages

Live Love Learn

Dear Families,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for once again embracing our new normal during our the first week back at school after the latest Victorian Lockdown. Thank you for joining our live streamed Assembly, for using the QR code check in system, for following the protocols during morning drop off and afternoon pick-up, for being flexible with the many cancelled and postponed events and for agreeing to meet teachers virtually where possible.

We understand the importance of following the COVID-19 restrictions in order to maintain the safety of everyone within our community but do miss seeing you and we look

forward to the day that we can welcome our entire community back onsite.

Family Literacy Night

We are very excited to invite all families to our Family Literacy Night. This is a great opportunity for you to come in and hear about the VCOP Writing program whilst playing some interactive games with your children.

When: Thursday 26th August

Time: 5-6pm

Location: Your child's classroom*

*If you have more than one child, you will move around as a family and there will be an opportunity for you to visit

more than one classroom throughout the evening.

We will also have the book fair open from 3.30pm - 5.40pm in the Hall Foyer.



Wellbeing

The Group Plan

Understanding what it means to be part of a group is a fundamental social concept to develop in young learners. It's a precursor to so many other aspects of our social lives: having friends, working in a classroom, having a successful

career and being part of a community.

This week in our Wellbeing classes, our focus is *the group plan*: when everyone is thinking about and doing the same thing, which is different from following one's own plan. When everyone is following the plan, we are thinking of each other. This in turn makes everyone feel calm and comfortable. When people follow their own plan, others might have uncomfortable feelings and thoughts.

We can use the language of 'group plan' and 'own plan' at home as well as at school. I encourage families to use the language of 'group plan' and 'own plan' to reinforce the learning we are doing at school. For example, *'Our (family) group plan is to have dinner together and then wash up. Each of us needs to follow the group plan so that we can have some relaxing family time before bed.'*

This common language will help our young ones create the mental and emotional connections needed for social communication and social awareness. I look forward to

hearing all of our children engaging in our whole school group plan! Feel free to email me your success stories/photos at jferris@gsm.vic.edu.au and I'll share them in next week's bulletin!

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD)

Each year, schools are mandated to complete the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) on Students with a Disability. The NCCD counts the number of students who receive additional adjustments or 'help' at school because of a disability. The NCCD helps the government to plan for the needs of students with disability. For more information, see the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1HGVS1m1CmGS1TmYfR3SAetj9TG6PkIS-&usp=gmail>

Book Week - August 23-27



Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds

Book Week 2021 is going to be lots of fun.

We have an illustrator coming to visit us, a book week incursion, an author visit, dress up day, class Read-A-Thons and plenty of wonderful activities based on the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) shortlisted books for 2021.

Dress up day Thursday 26th August. Come to school dressed up as your favourite book character.

We will be having a competition for the best book review. Keep your eyes peeled over the next few weeks!

Hoop Time Basketball

Hoop Time Basketball Competitions have been postponed due to COVID-19 restrictions and density limits. Hoop Time Competitions will now take in Term 4. This will give us longer to plan, prepare and organise ourselves for the competition.

Galilee Second Hand Uniform

Donations accepted out the front of Galilee on Wednesday 11th August from 8.35am until 8.50am. After this day, donations accepted at the shop. The Second Hand Uniform shop will be open on Wednesday 25th August from 9-9.30am.

Clean and in good condition uniforms accepted. All older style uniforms that students can no longer wear post 2022 will be donated to a charity that will send them overseas.

COVID-19 Restrictions

As you would be aware we are operating under COVID-19 restrictions as directed by the Department of Health and Melbourne Archdioceses of Catholic Schools. Under the current restrictions we have had to cancel or postpone a number of events:

- Hoop Time has been postponed and will now take place in Term 4.
- Seeds and Sprouts Sessions have been cancelled until further notice.
- Our first 2022 Prep Transition Session has been cancelled.
- Assemblies will be live streamed until further notice.
- Open Mornings have been cancelled until further notice.
- Winter Warmers have been cancelled until further notice.

Found!

An earring was found in the yard last week. If this is your earring, see Tegan at the office.



Grandparent's Day Mass

At this stage we are planning to go ahead with the Grandparent's Day Mass on Friday, 20th August for students only. Parents and Grandparents will be able watch the Mass using a live stream link that will be on the Parent Calendar. Due to COVID-19 restrictions we anticipate that Grandparents will not be able to come into our classrooms this year. On Friday 20th August, we would like to encourage Grandparents to collect students at the end of the day so that they can spend the afternoon together. We are sad that our usual Grandparent's Day Celebrations have been interrupted again this year. We hope to be able to welcome all

of our Grandparent's at our
2022 Grandparent's Day.

Confirmation Information Night

It was wonderful to see so many Year Six families at the Confirmation Information Night on Wednesday evening at Saint Peter and Paul's church.

The families were introduced to the sacrament and given an overview of expectations at the respective parishes.

Please note that if you were not able to attend and would like your child to be confirmed, an enrolment form needs to be completed and sent to the respective parish.

The home activity booklet and white card can be collected from your child's teacher.

We look forward to a successful preparation and celebration of this sacrament!

A Prayer for our First Eucharist Candidates

As you prepare for your First Eucharist we pray for you. May your First Communion celebrate your friendship with Jesus.

As you grow in this friendship may your words be gentle and your touch be kind.

May you hear whispers of Love in your heart each day.

May you have fun in discovering God hidden everywhere!

And, may you remember to thank God often for the gift of life.

Sacramental Dates 2021

Eucharist

OLMC - Saturday 7th August

*First Eucharist at StsPP - TBC when restrictions are lifted for

greater numbers to attend churches.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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A reminder to check the Parent Calendar

(<http://www.gsmelbournesth.catholic.edu.au/page/179/Calendar>) often for important dates

like our *school closure day on Friday 27th August.*

Best wishes,

Simon Millar (Principal)



Community Links

Their Care

Dear parents, we're glad to see all of you back again to GOSH! Last week we had wonderful theme 'Turn the world around', which was dedicated to sport and Olympic Games. Monday was the second last day of the lockdown and children made sports gear and sport uniform.

Tuesday morning was spent playing "skipping snake" and "piglet in the middle". The afternoon brought us new Olympic sport- throwing boomerang, so Hannah, Anthony, and Lehara created unique designs for their terracotta boomerangs.

Wednesday was "back to school day", so just a few children joined art & craft activity, creating the Olympic rings. Majority of children went

with Kateryna outside to play tiggly.

Thursday morning started with throwing frisbee with Isabella.

When Haell, Elijah and Charlotte came, we played poison ball. It was almost impossible to get out Elijah, he has amazing reaction times.

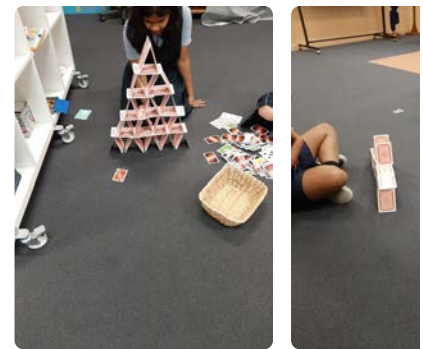
In the afternoon all of us made frisbees and organised competition: Lily, Jai, Lily, Sebastian, Roger and Harriet had much fun creating them.

At the same time Oliver with Jacob organised Olympic Games outside with just a little help of Ryger. Our outstanding champions are Roger, Marco, Sofia, Oliver and Jacob.

On Friday we made some Olympic torches, and all of us continued with mini games outside.

Back inside Lehara, Sarah, Alexander, Joshy and Zoe were building castle from cards.

At the end of the day all of us, including Ryger and myself, were solving mazes.



Don't forget to book your children at www.theircare.com.au.

Have a wonderful weekend and see you next week!
Kateryna and Ryger

Tennis Hot Shots



ACEFUNTENNISCHOOL.COM



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.