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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 4 2021 October 4 - December 14, 1.30pm

Term 1 2022 January 31st - April 8th 1.30pm

Victorian Government Roadmap back to school

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Term 4, Week 3 starting October 18th, 2021	18/10/2021 Prep Onsite (Year 1-6 Remote Learning)	19/10/2021 Prep Onsite (Year 1-6 Remote Learning)	20/10/2021 Prep Onsite (Year 1-6 Remote Learning)	21/10/2021 Years 1/2 Onsite (Prep, Year 3- 6 Remote Learning)	22/10/2021 Years 1, Year 2, Years 5 and Year 6 Onsite (Prep, Year 3 and Year 4 Remote Learning)
Term 4, Week 4 starting October 25th, 2021	25/10/2021 Prep Onsite (Year 1-6 Remote Learning)	26/10/2021 Prep, Years 3 and Year 4 Onsite (Year 1,2,5,6 Remote Learning)	27/10/2021 Prep, Years 3 and Year 4 Onsite (Year 1,2,5,6 Remote Learning)	28/10/2021 Years 1, Year 2, Years 5 and Year 6 Onsite (Prep, Year 3 and Year 4 Remote Learning)	29/10/2021 Years 1, Year 2, Years 5 and Year 6 Onsite (Prep, Year 3 and Year 4 Remote Learning)
Term 4, Week 5 starting November 1st, 2021	1/11/2021 School Closure	2/11/2021 Public Holiday Melbourne Cup	3/11/2021 Prep, Years 3 and Year 4 Onsite (Year 1,2,5,6 Remote Learning)	4/11/2021 Years 1, Year 2, Years 5 and Year 6 Onsite (Prep, Year 3 and Year 4 Remote Learning)	5/11/2021 All year levels Onsite Prep - Year 6 Onsite
Term 4, Week 6 starting November 8th, 2021	Prep - Year 6 Onsite				

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 4

SCHOOL HAT TO BE WORN IN TERM 4

- November 1 - School Closure Day
- November 2 - Melbourne cup Public Holiday

- November 11 - Prep 2022 Transition Session 5
- November 17 - Music Soiree 5-8pm TBC
- November 18- Prep 2022 Transition Session 6
- November 23-25 - Year 3 Camp TBC
- November 25 - Prep 2022 Transition Session 7
- November 26 - School Closure Day
- December 2 - Prep 2022 Transition Session 8
- December 3 - School Transition session Yr1-5
- December 10 - School Transition session Yr 1-5
- December 13 - End of Term for Year 6 1.30pm
- December 14 - End of Term for P-5 students 1.30pm




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](#)

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

School Closure Days

2021

November 1

November 26

Sacramental Dates 2021



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Postponed: StsPP

Postponed: OLMC

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Postponed: OLMC

Confirmation

Postponed: StsPP

Postponed: OLMC

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

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

228 Bank St, South Melbourne
Open times TBC once out of lockdown.

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,

We would like to congratulate our wonderful school community on a fabulous effort during remote learning.

Students you have been outstanding. Your positive attitude on each and every Google Meet has been noted by the teaching staff. Your ability to adapt to a different way of schooling, participate in numerous Google Meets each day, complete work independently and interact with teachers and peers online for such a prolonged period of time has been nothing short of amazing. We are all in awe of you.

Staff, we can't thank you enough. The staff at Galilee have gone above and beyond

during this very long lockdown. They have spent hours preparing and planning for teaching students in a way that they were not trained to do. They have adapted their style of teaching which is very different from the pedagogical approach they were trained to use. Staff, your continued commitment to, and genuine care for your students has not gone unnoticed. Your willingness to work long hours, front up on Google Meets beamed into the loungerooms of your students and continually search for a way to make online learning more meaningful, fun and exciting for students has been outstanding. Thank you for everything that you have done.

Parents we really couldn't have done it without you. Never have home-school connections been so strong. We know the work that you have had to put in during remote learning. The supporting, coaching and explaining that you have had to do has been monumental and we would like to thank each and every one of you. You have been asked to become experts in managing Dojo notifications, reading timetables, logging onto Google Meets, troubleshooting technical problems, re-explaining a task that didn't make sense, motivating your children when it all seemed too difficult and balancing all of this during a global pandemic, while in the longest lockdown in the world, while often trying to work from home and continue to perform

all the duties that come with having a family.

We couldn't be more proud of everyone in our community. Thank you for everything that you have done.

Please note, **Monday 1st November is a School Closure Day.** If you need to use GOSH, please book your child in via www.theircare.com.au.

Tuesday, 2nd November is the Melbourne Cup public holiday.

We will see all students back onsite on Wednesday 3rd November when all will return to school on a full-time basis.

Changes due to COVID-19 restrictions

To ensure that we are following COVID-19 requirements and recommendations we have made some big changes to our timetable for the remainder of the year.

We have changed the Specialist Timetable, Recess and Lunchtimes and the

spaces that students can play in for the remainder of the year. These changes will come into effect on Wednesday 3rd November. These changes have been made so that students are only mixing with their own classmates when they are inside. This is in an effort to reduce the risk of a COVID-19 positive case coming into direct contact with a range of students throughout the school.

If we are to have a COVID-19 positive case attend school we will follow the advice of the Victorian Department of Health. At this stage, it is our understanding that if a COVID-19 positive case attends school during their infectious period, students and staff who are considered close contacts would need to test for COVID-19 and quarantine for 14 days if unvaccinated and for 7 days if vaccinated. Close contacts would only be released from quarantine if they receive a negative COVID-19 test result. Students and staff considered Casual Contacts would need to test for COVID-19 and isolate until they receive a negative test result.

Close contacts can be:

- someone who has had face-to-face contact (15+ minutes) or spent time in a enclosed space (2+ hours cumulatively) with someone who has COVID-19 while they were infectious.
- someone who has been in an outbreak or other setting where there is a higher risk of transmission of COVID-19 (shared the same classroom etc).

Casual Contacts:

- Someone who has been in the same general area as someone who has tested positive for the coronavirus while infectious.
- Someone who has had less than 15minute face-to-face contact in any setting with a confirmed case in the 48 hour period before the onset of their symptoms; or
- Someone who has shared a closed space with a confirmed case for less than two hours in the 48 hours prior to the onset of their symptoms.

The purpose of staggering our recess and lunch times limits our students' opportunities to mingle and make contact with each other. This will reduce the number of students and staff who will be considered close contacts should we have a positive COVID-19 case attend school during their infectious period. This will help avoid a prolonged school closure and slow the spread of COVID-19.

Recess and Lunch break times for the remainder of the year:

- Students in **Prep and Year 1** will have a recess break at 11:00 - 11:40am
- Students in **Prep and Year 1** will have a lunch break at 1:00-1:40pm
- Students in **Year 2 and Year 3** will have a recess break at 11:40 - 12:20pm
- Students in **Year 2 and Year 3** will have a lunch break at 1:40 - 2:20pm
- Students in **Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6** will have a recess break at 10:20-11:00am
- Students in **Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6** will have a lunch break at 12:20-1:00pm

At recess and lunch time every day of the week, students will be able to play on the grass area and the playground. We hope that this new timetable gives students more opportunities to run and play ball games twice a day as opposed to the old timetable where students were required to spend some recesses and lunches playing inside. Students will continue to eat their recess and lunch at regular times.

To accommodate these break times we have had to change the days students need to wear their P.E. Uniform.

These are the days that students will need to wear P.E. Uniform for the remainder of the year:

- Prep S - Wednesday and Friday
- Prep P - Tuesday and Friday
- Prep M - Tuesday and Friday
- Year 1J - Monday and Friday
- Year 1B - Monday and Friday
- Year 2E - Wednesday and Friday

- Year 2J - Wednesday and Friday
- Year 2R - Tuesday and Friday
- Year 3M - Monday and Friday
- Year 3B - Wednesday and Friday
- Year 4R - Wednesday and Friday
- Year 4H - Monday and Friday
- Year 5C - Monday and Friday
- Year 6M - Tuesday and Friday
- Year 6F - Tuesday and Friday

Library

Unfortunately we have decided to close our Library for the remainder of the school year. We have been advised to limit the number of shared resources and we have been advised to limit the opportunities for students to mix in the same inside space. With our Year 2E students using half of the library space as a classroom during our building project, we have decided to close the library for the remainder of the year. If you have any books at home belonging to our library, please

send your child them to the office with them.

Air Purifiers

We have been anxiously awaiting news of the Air Purifiers we were promised from the Victorian Government but are still yet to receive information about when they are likely to arrive. In the meantime we have decided to purchase 10 Air Purifiers that should arrive next week. These Air Purifiers will go into classrooms that have been deemed to have less airflow. The Leadership Team met last week to decide which classrooms would receive an air purifier because the airflow was insufficient.

Window Gaps

Window Gaps have been installed in all classrooms. Window Gaps allow for windows on a multistory building to be opened safely. The installation of window gaps means that we are fully compliant with Victorian Government requirements to maximise airflow in all learning areas. We would like to thank Paul Mapley for organising and installing all window gaps throughout the school.

Shade Sail Grant

Galilee has applied for a Shade Sail Grant to encourage more outdoor learning. If successful we will be able to repurpose a section of our playground so that it will be a shaded area to play and a shaded area to learn.

Cleaning

The school will continue to be professionally cleaned each night of the school week. Touchpoints in all classrooms and communal areas will be cleaned each night of the week. All desks and chairs are wiped down twice a day and any resources that are shared (eg. a dice) are collected after each use and disinfected.

Borrowed Devices/Chromebooks

Please make sure that any borrowed devices/chromebooks are returned to the school office on Wednesday 3rd November.

All borrowed devices and chargers can be brought to the school office by students upon

their arrival on Wednesday 3rd November.

Galilee's New Building

Today we have had an enormous crane onsite. Those onsite were lucky enough to watch extremely large panels get put into place. Isn't it exciting to see our building coming along!



Wellbeing



Connect to Belong

By feeling a sense of connectedness and belonging to classmates, teachers, friends and family, you will feel more confident to build your best possible self. Being with other people is the most

effective way for you to cope with life's ups and downs. When you feel you are struggling, make yourself talk to people you trust to release the power of serotonin and oxytocin to lift your spirits. In-person social connections are the best feelings lifters.

Uniform

All students should now be wearing the full Summer Uniform. A reminder that the **school hat must be worn from the start of Term 4.** *NB Galilee follows the Sun Smart policy: No hat, no play.*

The new Galilee uniform is available for purchase from PSW (online ordering). Click [HERE](#) to go to PSW's website. Items of the current uniform are on sale and can be worn until the end of Term 1 2022. An exception will be made for Year 6 students. All other students must be in the new uniform by Term 2, 2022. The Sports Uniform must be worn on allocated PE days. *Please note, PE classes will resume in Week 6 and we will inform you of your allocated PE day prior to the beginning of Week 6.*

SUMMER UNIFORM OPTIONS	
BOYS Navy blue shorts worn with navy up and down ankle socks Short sleeve polo or short sleeve shirt Wool blend maroon jumper with embroidered logo Black leather school shoes (velcro or lace-ups)	GIRLS Summer dress worn with white socks Navy blue shorts worn with navy up and down ankle socks Short sleeve polo or short sleeve shirt Wool blend maroon jumper with embroidered logo Black leather school shoes (velcro or T-bar)

Second Hand Uniform

Donations accepted out the front of Galilee on Wednesday 10th November from 8.35am until 8.50am. Clean and in good condition uniforms accepted.

The Second Hand Uniform shop will be open on Wednesday 17th November from 9-9.30am.

***There is no access to the uniform shop out of hours listed above.**

***If you are not double vaccinated, please Tegan and Wendy your mobile number and Carla will contact you to arrange collection time.**

All older style uniforms that students can no longer wear will be donated to a charity that will send them overseas.

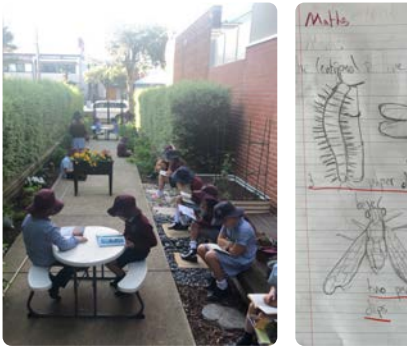
Class Groups 2022

Classroom placements are based upon student friendships and the needs of each individual.

If parents have concerns, for social reasons, over classroom placements of their child with another peer, they are asked to send the request to Mr Millar in a hand-written letter or email to the office, by **no later Monday 8th November 2021**, including the reason for the request. These requests will be kept confidential but there is no guarantee that all can be accommodated. Teachers are yet to be given placements for 2022 and requests for teachers by parents will not be considered.

Student Learning

2E have had a busy few weeks. We have been learning to write explanations, measure the length and area of things around our home and think about the qualities of a good friend. We were excited to get back to school and see each other! We started a new tradition of reading in the garden last week.



Practicing Mindfulness with Mrs Ferris

Practising Mindfulness literally changes our brains over time. It changes the way we think, the way we behave and the way we feel with a huge amount of science and research to prove this. Our brain has an intricate network of neural pathways which are always changing through what is called *neuroplasticity*. We now know that our brains can continually grow new neurons and are continually adapting and changing throughout our lives.

The amygdala is a key brain structure known as the emotional or fear centre of the brain, the area responsible for the fight-or-flight response. Smaller amygdalae are found in more mindful people and are

associated with greater emotional control. Over time, the amygdala reduces in size the more we practice Mindfulness. People who practice Mindfulness show reduced activity in the amygdala that is often associated with fear, stress, anxiety and depression. With Mindfulness training, the amygdala still kicks in when needed (fight, flight or freeze); however, messages feeding into it from the prefrontal cortex and the hippocampus that give context to the situation, such as realising its not a life-or-death situation, become stronger.

As the children return to school, it's important that we help them to deal with the stressors we have been living with of late. We have learned about a variety of mindful strategies this year, and at the moment, are focusing on mindful movement. Several classes have already participated in yoga sessions; all children will learn some

yoga this term as one way of reducing the cortisol in their bodies and helping them to deal with any fear, anxiety, depression or angst they might be experiencing as we transition back to some kind of normal at school.



Scripture of the Week

Sunday October 31 | Ordinary Time 31

THE WORD
A Scribe asked Jesus, "Which is the most important commandment?" Jesus answered, "You must love the Lord with all your heart, all your mind, all your strength, and you must love your neighbour as yourself."
The Scribe said, "Master, what you have said is true." No one questioned Jesus anymore. (Mark 12:29-34)

The GREATEST Commandments
Jesus said something else to the Scribe, when the word puzzle below to find out what Jesus said. Unscramble the letters in the columns to work out which letter belongs in the gaps.

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LOOK CLOSER
On the Verse: "Listen Israel - the Lord is God, the Lord is One." Jesus responds to the Scribe by quoting Moses in Deuteronomy: "Love the Lord with all your heart, mind and strength. Let these words be written on your heart."
Make it: On a card write the 10 Commandments.

PRAYER SPACE
Aynsiah Prick
My God,
you are my rock, my fortress,
my salvation.
I have put my trust in you, O Lord, my strength, Amen.

Colour in!

**Best wishes,
Simon Millar (Principal)**



Community Links

TheirCare

Good afternoon dear families!
Last week we greeted a lot of children coming back to school and to GOSH! All of us were excited and happy!

We spent a lot of time outside, enjoying group games like Farmer Sam, Octopus, Helicopter, Poison ball, Footy, Tiggy and many others. We had UNO tournaments, built Lego- city, made puzzles, popped bubbles, made mazes, and played fun ninja games. During the week we created a lot of art & craft items: world's flags, planes and flying objects, fans and plenty of sculpturing. Kids were inspired by Harry Potter and for a few days in a row they were designing elder wands with special spells.



Monday is a pupil free day.
GOSH will be open but please book in students - www.theircare.com.au

We want to remind you, that we are in summer now, so please follow the SunSmart policy: add hats to the children's bags and apply/ give them sunscreens in case they can't use the one we provide.

Promise to keep on going the same way and even better!
Be safe and see you soon,
Kateryna & Ryger

South Melbourne Athletics - Starts November 7

Ride2School Poster Competition

To start the new term off with a bang, our National Ride2School Day poster competition is now open!
Entries close Tuesday 30 November 2021.



Term 4 2021 Poster Comp
v2.pdf

Tennis Hotshots



ACEFUNTENNISCHOOL.COM

Simonds Catholic College - Year 7 2023

SIMONDS CATHOLIC COLLEGE
WE GET THE BEST OUT OF OUR BOYS

Simonds Catholic College is a small school with big opportunities in the heart of the city. Our teachers are experts in teaching the boys how to best achieve outstanding outcomes for our students. We are committed to small class sizes to ensure your son will receive the attention he requires to achieve his personal best.

YEAR 7 2023 APPLICATIONS OPEN
Limited places for entry in 2023 are currently available on all year levels.

**CONTACT THE REGISTRAR TO BEGIN THE ENROLMENT PROCESS
OR BOOK A TOUR TO SEE OUR PROGRAMS FOR BOYS IN ACTION**

St Mary's 7-9 Campus | 275 Victoria St, West Melbourne (2 blocks from Vic HQ) Key
St Brigid's 10-12 Campus | 20 York St, Fitzroy North
www.sccmelb.catholic.edu.au info@sccmelb.catholic.edu.au

SIMONDS_CATHOLIC_COLLEGE f @SIMONDSCC 9321 9200



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 between 8.35am and 8.20am. Students will wait on the playground until 8.50am when teachers will take them up to their classrooms.

We respectfully request that parents remain outside the school grounds in the mornings.

This is due to current COVID -19 protocols.

If you need to speak to someone, we encourage you to call the office so we can arrange an appointment time or email/Dojo your 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 - 3.30pm**
- **All other students riding or walking independently - 3.25pm**

Our reasons for the extended pick-up window is to be compliant with COVID-19 restrictions that aim to reduce the congregation of adults around the school and reduce congestion.

Please ensure you wear a mask and maintain a distance of 1.5m. from others while collecting students at the end of the day. We ask that you move as quickly as you can on the school yard and refrain from talking to others during this time.

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.