

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 4 2021 October 4 December 14, 1.30pm

Term 1 2022 January 31st April 8th 1.30pm

Early Pick Up Times



If you are picking up your child before the school day finishes, please <u>collect at either 10.50am or 1.40pm.</u> 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 23-24 - Year 3B Camp November 24-25 - Year 3M Camp November 25 - Prep 2022

Transition Session 7

November 26 - School Closure Day

November 27 - First Eucharist StsPP 4H 10am

November 28 - First Eucharist

StsPP 4R 2pm

December 2 - Prep 2022

Transition Session 8

December 2 - Sacrament of

Confirmation at StsPP 7pm

December 3 - School

Transition Yr 1-5

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



School Closure Days

2021

November 26

Sacramental Dates 2021



Eucharist

StsPP: 27th November 4H

10am

: 28th November 4R

2pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

StsPP: November 30 10am

Confirmation

StsPP: 2nd December 7pm

Camp Dates

Year 3 Zoo Snooze - November 23 to 24 3B

Year 3 Zoo Snooze - November 24 to 25 3M

Medical Consent



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

Galilee New Uniform:



GALILEE REGIONAL CATHOLIC PS.pdf

Second Hand Uniform

Wednesday 1st December 0900-0930 Shop open. Older style uniform available only at this time.

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

listed above. Also no pram access.

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

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,

Today was an important day for our school community. After two years of cancellations, we were able to hold a wholeschool event, our swimming carnival. The atmosphere was positive and the students endured cool weather, to show enthusiasm and teamwork for the events. Some students may have last had swimming lessons in 2019, so a little trepidation was understandable. We are very proud of the efforts of all of our students today. It was the first time we have had the involvement of limited parents/carers in a school event and their presence was greatly appreciated. Thank you to the many who volunteered but were unable to attend due to limited places. Thank you to

Mr Hill for his organisation and to the student House Captains for supporting other swimmers in the pool.

Today we were also able to hold our second face-to-face **Prep Transition** session for our 2022 Prep students. It was wonderful to see the excited faces of our soon to be students in the Prep classrooms working with their teachers. Much like this year, we are once again having three very small Prep classes in 2022 that will be rolled into two classes in 2023 for Year 1.

2022 Prep teachers will be Ms. Pinner, Miss McAuliffe & Miss Evans/Ms. Fahy (sharing a class).

Next week our Year 3 students will go on their first **school camp** to the Zoo. Students will spend the night at the Zoo with their classmates exploring all the Zoo has to offer.

Wellbeing Learning Together

By combining your individual strengths and talents with those of other students, you will learn in more effective ways. You are hard-wired to be at your best when working with others. When learning together, create shared expectations of how you will act, which could include one person to speak at a time, no put-downs, valuing all input, listening activity and showing other students matter. You will also feel the uplifting

power of serotonin and oxytocin.

School Closure Day

Friday 26 November, Galilee will be closed for students but GOSH will be operating. Make sure you book in on their website

www.theircare.com.au.

Thank you to Theircare for their flexibility and generosity in organising a Holiday Program at the conclusion of our school year.

Preps 2021/2022

Attached is the letter sent home to 2021 Prep families on November 6, 2020. It informed families that we would be splitting the Preps into three classes (instead of two) due to reasons outlined in the letter. In 2022, they would again form two Year One classes.



Three Preps 2021 Letter.pdf

School Fees

Thank you to our families for the payment of 2021 school fees. We really appreciate the support of our families during challenging times. Our Fees

Policy is endorsed by MACS, our School Education Board and can be found on our website. This year we have not received a recommendation from Catholic Education to provide reimbursements for a portion of 2021 school fees (for events not held such as swimming lessons and school camps). Despite this not being a system-wide directive, the school leadership and School **Education Board support** similar reimbursements to those provided last year. More information will be sent home next week outlining the details from the Finance Team.

Lost Property

Come and search our lost property!

We have an abundance of uniform, toys and drink bottles in our lost property.

Please don't let your child bring sentimental toys to school as there are many things being handed to the office during break times and not collected.

Swimming Carnival

Today 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 volunteer.

Congratulations to all the students for a fantastic effort and to the Saints House Team (green) for winning the overall points.

Thank you to Mr Hill and the Sports Team for their planning and preparation.

Student Learning

Year 6 Fred Hollows Award - Congratulations James!



The Year 4's have created a badge based on the message of a Bible story. Please read and enjoy.



This week the students in 2R created acrostic poems using their names. First, they brainstormed lots of different things about themselves using a mind map. Next, they wrote a draft, and then they published their poem. The students presented their poems to the class.



Second Hand Uniform Shop

 Donations for the second-hand uniform shop including uniforms that are no longer current will be accepted out the front of Galilee on Wednesday 24th November from 8.35am until 8.50am.

- Wednesday 1st
 December 0900-0930
 Shop open at 228 Bank
 St, South Melbourne
 (opposite the Police
 Station)
- There is a Facebook page for the second-hand uniform shop. Search on Facebook - Galilee Regional Catholic School Second Hand Uniform Shop

Galilee Christmas Party Parent Evening - A Touch of Christmas



You are invited to come and celebrate the end of year with your fellow parents with a Christmas Party at the West Beach Pavilion in Middle Park, on Wednesday 8th December.

With glorious beach views and brilliant company, come share a drink and some nibbles and

celebrate Christmas and better times to come.

You will receive a drink upon arrival and canapés will be served throughout the evening.

A price will be confirmed soon.

Where: West Beach Pavilion
When: Wednesday December
8th

Time: 7pm

How: We will open up bookings early next week and let you know via Dojo and Facebook as to when you can buy a ticket.

This will in turn help us determine numbers for catering.

We can't wait to see you there!

Your Parent Committee of

Galilee

"Roll Up, Roll Up" Lawn Bowls

Yesterday, on what was a beautiful sunny Melbourne afternoon at the Albert Park Bowls Club for "Roll up Bowls".

12 Galilee children and parents came down from Years 1-6, to the local club for an introduction to bowls. Our children represented the school so well, they have been invited next week. Signup is by

Tuesday, so let Paul or Mr
McLeish know if you keen for a
roll. Who knows we may be
surrounded by World
Champions and we don't even
know it!!



Scripture of the Week



We are very fortunate that the celebration of all the sacraments will be able to take place this term.

Father Hugh has asked Fr. Gary to accommodate the OLMC students and their families. Fr. Gary has kindly agreed to his request. All sacraments will be celebrated at StsPP as follows: Eucharist: 4H Saturday

November 27th at 10:00am, 4R

Sunday November 28th at 2:00pm

Reconciliation: December 9 at 10am with Fr. Gary

December 2nd at 7:00pm.

Confirmation: Thursday

As we get closer to the dates of these ceremonies, alongside the possibility of further restrictions being lifted, as well as StsPP needing to follow the Victorian Government's public health regulations, we will notify families of all appropriate guidelines.

Many thanks in advance for your support and understanding as we navigate this.

Best wishes,
Simon Millar (Principal)



Community Links

TheirCare

Lakeside Carols





Poetry Competition





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 taken 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 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 3.30pm
- 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 quicky 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 <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.