



# Galilee Bulletin

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# Parent Calendar & Information

## Parent Calendar

Click on the link to see all events/excursions/sacraments etc.

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

\*\*Dates and Times may change. Parents will be informed via newsletter

## Early Pick Up Times



If you are picking up your child before the school day finishes, please collect at either 10.45am, 1.30pm or 2.20pm. It is appreciated if you can email your child's teacher and the office of your collection time.

## Closure Dates Semester 1

March 15

April 26

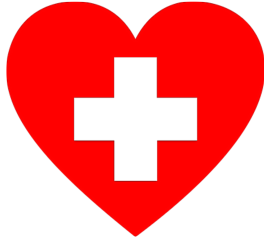
## Camp Dates 2022

Year 6 Canberra Camp 28 Feb-3 March

Year 5 Merricks Camp 8-11 March

Year 4 Angahook Camp 14-16 September

## 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.

### **PSW Uniform:**





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](http://www.danceworldstudios.com/galilee) or feel free to visit the studio next door to Galilee.

**GALILEE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**PERFORMING Arts**

**SCHOOL OF ROCK**  
**HOLLYWOOD**  
**PITCH PERFECT CHOIR**  
**THE DRAMA CLUB**

**NEW CLASSES TERM 3**

**AFTER SCHOOL ROCK (Gr 4-6)**  
 Be a part of a rock band! All instruments welcome.

**INTRO TO FILMMAKING (Gr 4-6)**  
 Taking you through the basics of movie making process from having an idea to screening of your own movie.

**PITCH PERFECT CHOIR (Gr 2-3 & Gr 4-6)**  
 Belt out catchy tunes & gospel songs with the school community choir.

**THE DRAMA CLUB**  
 Available for grades 1 to 6. Build confidence to speak publicly and explore your creativity through role play.

**RETURNING CLASSES**  
 • HIP-HOP • SONG & DANCE  
 • ACROBATICS • BALLET

All classes are conducted at Dance World Studios, next door to Galilee, mostly during recess & lunch-time.

**FOR MORE INFO:**  
 PHONE: 9696 2943  
 Email: [info@danceworldstudios.com](mailto:info@danceworldstudios.com)  
[www.danceworldstudios.com/galilee/](http://www.danceworldstudios.com/galilee/)



# Messages

## Live Love Learn

### Dear Families,

At Galilee, we believe in the power of educating the whole child. Preparing a child for life beyond education is about far more than good test results. The whole child approach is about **holistic education**, where learning looks beyond the classroom to support personal development and is focused on the individual. The start of the 2022 school year, is a perfect example of how we work at Galilee. Students have been immersed in rich learning opportunities that have focused on their emotional, physical, spiritual and academic skills. Students are engaged in a multidisciplinary approach that gives them the chance to apply their learning in real-life examples. Students have all started their inquiry

unit based on history and civics and citizenship that is linked to other learning areas such as: Religious Education, Literacy, Numeracy and PSEL. Students draw from skills learned in one area and apply them to another. For example, students may be learning how to write a persuasive text at the same time that they are learning about famous persuasive speeches that have been presented in Australia's Federal Parliament. Students may be learning about number-lines and applying their knowledge during a history lesson where they are creating a timeline.

Next week, our students will all be involved in the Galilee Athletics Carnival at Lakeside Stadium in Albert Park. Students will be encouraged to

try all of the events and will be challenged to do their very best. The skills students have been focusing on in their Physical Education lessons over the past few weeks will be put into action as they aim for a personal best result.

Our Year 5 students will be heading up to Sovereign Hill next Friday, to give their learning about democracy some context as they experience what life was like during the Gold Rush at the time of the Eureka Stockade.

We would like to wish all the students who are representing Galilee at the Dendy Swimming Carnival on Monday all the best.



## 2022 Foci

Our 2022 Annual Action Plan has been created by all of the staff and some of our **key priorities** in 2022 are:

- developing the teaching practice of Mathematics to increase the growth of all students;
- increasing learning opportunities in STEM;
- fine-tuning writing skills through Big Write and VCOP;
- completion of the building project.

## School Fees



Statements were emailed to families yesterday. Please note, this statement will not reflect payments made after 24 January 2022. If you have made a payment after that date, I will send you a receipt as the payments are processed over the next few days. If you nominated to pay your account in full by 25th March 2022, please deduct \$250 from your

amount owing and pay the balance by this date. The \$250 discount will be applied to your account after this date. Any debtors who did not nominate their preferred payment timeline eg; Annual/Tri-Annual /Monthly - your account has now defaulted to monthly payments. To make monthly payments you need to divide your balance into **7 equal monthly payments**. The first payment is due on February 25th and will conclude on August 25th 2022. Late fees will apply to payments missed. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact Wendy for confidential assistance in assessing your eligibility.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONSFUND (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seekers and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school

to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

### HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download it from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody,

change of name,  
concession card number,  
or new siblings  
commencing this year.

### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about  
CSEF  
visit:<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

Click on the link to apply:  
<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/PAL/csef-application-form.pdf>

## Prep 2023

Prep 2023 interviews for siblings of current Galilee students will be taking place from Monday 28th February. If you have submitted an enrolment form, you will receive Operoo book the time and day that suits you.

## Uniform Transition

A reminder that all students from Prep to Year 5 will need to be fully transitioned into the new uniform from the beginning of Term Two.

## Recess and Lunch Classes at Danceworld



## Rapid Antigen Tests for COVID-19

A new box of Rapid Antigen Tests have been handed to each student and staff member on Friday 11th February. This box of Rapid Antigen Tests are for use the weeks starting February 14 and February 21. We recommend that Rapid Antigen Tests be used twice per school week, or if COVID-19 symptoms develop eg. Monday and Wednesday of each week. [If your child receives a positive RAT or PCR test result, please follow the instructions in this attachment:](#)



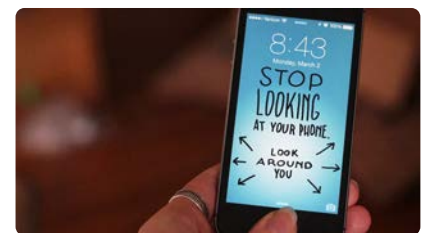
Positive Result  
Information.pdf

## School Musical

We are excited to announce that in 2022, we are planning to again hold a whole school musical in our new performing arts facility. We are in the planning phase and will communicate more information soon. STAY TUNED

## Wellbeing

By turning off your device to have more face-to-face conversations, you will feel the beauty of human connections. You are hard wired to be at your best with other people in person, not glued to a screen. The human race only survived the caveman days by being in tribes to seek food, shelter and safety together. The feel of good chemicals, serotonin and oxytocin, were the rewards they felt for working together.





## Galilee School Wellbeing Programs

Here is some information about the types of Wellbeing Programs the school runs for students. Please read through the different programs and email Jane ([jferris@gsm.vic.edu.au](mailto:jferris@gsm.vic.edu.au)) and Sharon ([scameron@gsm.vic.edu.au](mailto:scameron@gsm.vic.edu.au)) for further information about the below programs.

- Seasons for Growth
- Social Skills Groups
- Peaceful Kids
- Peaceful Classrooms
- School Counselling Services

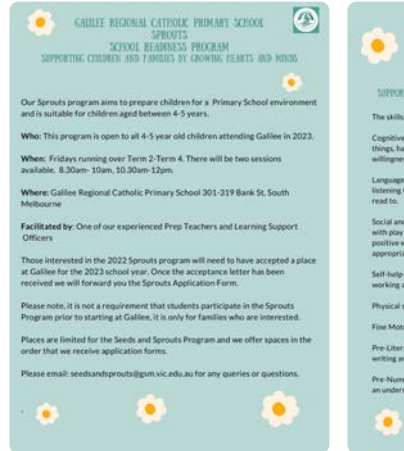


Galilee School Wellbeing Programs.pdf

## Seeds and Sprouts Program

Thank you to those families who responded with an expression of interest for the Galilee Sprouts program. This ensures the program will run and helps us organise group times and sizes. Sprouts will commence at the beginning of Term 2. Those interested in the 2022 Sprouts program will need to have accepted a place at

Galilee for the 2023 school year. Once the acceptance letter has been received we will forward you the Sprouts Application Form.



Please note, it is not a requirement that students participate in the Sprouts Program prior to starting at Galilee, it is only for families who are interested.

Places are limited for the Seeds and Sprouts Program and we offer spaces in the order that we receive application forms.

Those interested in the 2022 Seeds program will need to have completed an enrolment form to start at Galilee in the 2024 school year.



We will email those on our 2024 enrolment list to seek expressions of interest.

Please email:

[seedsandsprouts@gsm.vic.edu.au](mailto:seedsandsprouts@gsm.vic.edu.au) for any queries or question.

## D.O.G.S



The first D.O.G.S Social Night for the year is tomorrow, Friday, Feb 18th at the Middle Park Bowls Club from 6:30pm onwards.

Free barefoot bowls / table tennis / snooker, live music, food trucks and drink specials.

Never been to a D.O.G.S. event, make this the first one.

We'll be on a table near the back rink.

Get a crew together or fly solo, either way hope to see you there.

Regards, James McGann & James Eagle

## Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Book Club Issue 1 orders will close this Monday, 21st February. All orders need to be made through the Loop App. No cash orders at school.



## Staffing

A letter has been sent directly to staff and families of Year 2F about the information below.

Unfortunately, Mrs Ferguson (Year 2F) has been diagnosed with a pregnancy-related illness and been directed to stop working until after the delivery of her baby. This means, regretfully, she will not be returning to the classroom in 2022.

This afternoon we have employed Mrs Helen Walker to teach the students full-time for the remainder of 2022. Mrs Walker has worked at Galilee as a CRT for several years and throughout remote learning. Prior to being a CRT, she has twelve years of experience as a full-time classroom teacher with her most recent experience being in Year 2/3 at St Monica's in Term Four, 2022. Mrs Walker is thrilled to be working with the class at Galilee from Tuesday Feb 22.

We wish Julie all the best while she is on leave.

**Best wishes,  
Simon Millar**



# Community Links

## TheirCare - G.O.S.H

Dear Families,

We hope you are well and as happy as we are seeing so many children back to our service.

For the last 2 weeks we had a lot of fun and experience, letting our new Preps get acquainted with the environment and to get used to our school and GOSH.

The first two themes were "Back to school" and "Origami week".

During the "Back to school" week we enjoyed playing group games outside so the new students could get introduced to each other and involved into the atmosphere of learning and fun.

On Monday we made 3D models of our friends and had

outdoor free play.

Tuesday surprised children with a summer collage and craft for the display. Jai, Maya, and Jessica have made plenty of collages.

The rest of the kids enjoyed playing "Fruit salad" outside.

We made plenty of rings and other "jewellery" on

Wednesday: Priya, Sofia, Maya, Darcie, Robyn, Cherry, Lara, Charlotte, Dimitra, Jessica, Amelie, and even Jai have made minimum 3 sets each! It was the biggest Art and Craft event since 2019!!!

At the same time outside, we had Ninja Run course with Ryger which Jacob, Ishaan, Elijah, and Marco helped to organise.

Just before the end of the day we had an UNO tournament between Charlotte, Robyn, Jessica, and Ryger.

On Thursday Oliver created a huge Puzzle treasure hunt involving all the children. They were solving different puzzles and running all around the school to get access to the main "castle". Sofia, Max, Lehara, Zoe, Sarah, and Charlotte were helping Oliver to set up this huge activity.

The "Origami week" began interesting as well:

On Monday Haell, Natasha, Henry, Ellie, Hazel, and Darcey were making Origami Foxes with me. They loved it a lot. Ryger was running, with the help of Jacob, different group games, of course Fruit Salad was the one on demand!

Tuesday brought us origami bunnies, and huge outdoor Everybody's in game. Oliver was creating group games he will run every Thursday, starting from this week. Anthony, Maya, Lily, and

Sebastian made very cute bunnies we took pictures of. On Wednesday Maya, Isabella, Anthony, Dimitra, and Will made very cute mice' family during art & craft session. Outside Jacob was helping Ryger to run group games and he was leading them too. Oliver created outstanding group game on Thursday named 'giant treasure Hunt', 30 children took part in it. The remained 6 were making origami with Letitia and me. Dimitra shared with us her colourful origami paper. Girls and Henry made beautiful hearts and butterflies! Friday brought us big outdoor play, while inside we have made Ninja Stars. It was big

fun, and almost all children made at least 1 star! Great way to finish the week!



Be safe, happy, and healthy!  
Kateryna and Ryger

## Star of the Sea College

## South Melbourne Districts





# Drop Off & Dismissal Process and Protocols 2

## 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 8.50am. Students will go straight 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 a staff member, we encourage you to email/Dojo you child's teacher or call the office so we can arrange an appointment time.

#### **Afternoons:**

Students will line up on inside the grounds with their teacher. The gate will open at 3.25pm for parents to walk in, collect their child/ren and move in a clockwise position around the back of the class lines and out the gate.

*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 10 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)
- Please see below a map of the school for the collection of children

 [\\_2022 Classroom \\_ Room Locations.pdf](#)

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, Year 3-6 students are required to wear a mask. Students in Prep-2 are not 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.