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Our Parent Calendar can be found at the bottom of our website. Click <u>HERE</u> to get to our website or the below quick view link.

EVENT QUICK VIEW

https://www.gsmelbournesth.catholic.edu.au/all events

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

Assembly Link

meet.google.com/sar-duym-vgq

Early Pick Up Times



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

Closure Dates Semester 1

April 26

June 10

October 31

December 2

Camp Dates 2022

Year 5 Merricks Camp 8-11 March

Year 6 Canberra Camp 11-14 July

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 <u>or</u> 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:

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

Galilee Second Hand Uniform

Shop open on selected Wednesdays at 228 Bank St, South Melbourne (opposite the Police Station). Open days will be published on Messages page in newsletter.

Lunch Orders

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

Order online at www.flexischools.com.au



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,

This week is Catholic
Education Week. Catholic
Education Week highlights the
education that Catholic
schools offer to families and to
the community.

As part of Catholic Education
Week at Galilee, we celebrated
St. Patrick's Day today. St.
Patrick's Day is special in
Melbourne as St, Patrick is our
patron saint.

St Patrick is widely known as one of the most influential missionaries in the Church's history. He was sent to Ireland in the fifth century, becoming the country's second bishop. A man of deep faith, Patrick spread the Word of Jesus and breathed new life into existing local churches.

St Patrick's legacy was palpable in the early days of the Catholic Church in Melbourne. Melbourne's Cathedral was built and named after St. Patrick—a testament to the rich Irish culture present at the time.

As an Archdiocese, we continue to celebrate St Patrick for all he has brought to our city. It is his missionary example that we are called to imitate—by going out into the streets of Melbourne. As St Patrick travelled, he carried with him a fire to light the way. We too are called to let Christ to light our way.

Today, students were involved in activities that Miss Greenan one of our Irish teachers

organised. It was wonderful to see so many students wear a touch of green and get involved in the large variety of activities that were happening at school today.



Harmony Day at Galilee

On **Monday 21st March** we are celebrating Harmony Day at Galilee.

On Monday 21st March students are encouraged to wear clothing from their families' cultural background, a culture you relate to or the colour orange.

On the day, students will be involved in special Harmony Day activities in their classrooms.

Harmony Day is an opportunity to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, and the successful integration of migrants into our community.

Australia is one of the most successful multicultural countries in the world and we should celebrate this and work to maintain it.

Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united.

We look forward to making this important day at Galilee next week.



Galilee Parent App

We're very pleased to inform you that our school is implementing a phone app called **Updat-ed** that will make connecting with you so much more convenient. The app will be launched in Term 2 but you can download it now. To download the app just visit the App Store for iPhones or Google Play for Android's. Search for **Updat-ed** by sponsor-ed and from the menu select our school. We'll receive your registration request and will need to approve you before your app is up and running.



So what will the app do?

The app's great for sending out alerts and reminders with one of its best features being the ability to save events directly into your phone's calendar.

Letters will be stored for easy access ata later date.

School Advisory Council (SAC)

From 1 January 2021, the Board of Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools Ltd (MACS) has responsibility for the strategic direction and oversight of the operation and management of MACS Catholic schools, including Galilee. Clear lines of authority, reporting and delegation have been established which delegate the day-to-day operational management of Galilee to the principal. In keeping with the objects of the MACS Constitution, which states "The good work of educating the young, undertaken in the light of the Gospel, is a co-responsible task led by every member of the Catholic school community", the School Advisory Council (SAC) provides a crucial point of connection between the wider school community and school leaders. While the School Advisory Council does not have a decision-making authority, it informs, advises and supports the principal and school leadership.

The School Advisory Council (SAC) provides a forum for discussion and discernment,

where the parent/guardian voice and perspective are available to inform and support the decisions made by the principal and leadership team for the good of school where the wellbeing and outcomes for students is paramount. School Advisory Councils do not have a legal identity and do not become involved in the day-to-day management of the school.

SAC members understand that their role is to give consideration to, and advice on, important school matters in order to support the principal in the context of the MACS governance arrangements. The School Advisory Council acts within the parameters of the Terms of Reference which are published on our website.

I would like to introduce you to our School Advisory Council for 2022:

Principal - Simon Millar
Deputy Principal - Amy Burns
Deputy Principal - Carlo
Martello
Chair - Athena Romic (Peter
4G/ Nikolas 4R/ Paul 4R)
Deputy Chair - Carlo Pizzini
(Francesca 3G/ Edoardo Prep
M)

Secretary - Tegan Stuart

Member - Darren Catherall
(Ailish Prep 2023)

Member - David Gloag
(Maxwell 3L & Annabelle 6M)

Member - Bernard Mandile (Lorenzo 2W) Member - Nicole Loriente (Matteo 4G/ Alessandro 3G)

Member - Tim Anderson (Alexis 5R)

Our key objectives for 2022 will be published shortly together with providing updates of action during the year.

Simon Millar

See below for our Terms of Reference:

https://www.gsmelbournesth.c atholic.edu.au/uploaded_files/ media/galilee_sac_tor_1.pdf

Wellbeing

Engagement and Mindfulness
By understanding why you
don't engage with certain
things you need to do, you will
be able to use your strengths to
apply yourself to get started.
When you feel that you are
about to put off starting
something, takeoff on it for five
minutes writing, scribbling or

drawing. Then spend the next five minutes improving what you have just done. You can overcome not engaging by using the five-minute takeoff process time after time.

Year 6 Lawn Bowls Trial



Galilee School Community 2022 Welcome Picnic

Sunday 20th March 2:00- 4:00pm

Edwards Park (in and around Trugo Club) 219 Esplanade East, Port Melbourne

BYO food, drink, picnic rug/chairs

*Zooper doopers, small pkt's of chips and lolly bags for sale.

Please join us to celebrate and welcome the 2022 school year.

A great opportunity to get

together with our school community (finally).



Easter Raffle & Hamper

Easter Hamper Donations



Easter Hamper prizes will be given out on the last day of Term 1 to the lucky winners of our Easter Raffle!

We are hoping to give out at least 1 hamper prize per class so we are asking for donations of Easter bunnies and Easter eggs

(We recognise some children have food allergies, we will try to accommodate this where possible).

Please drop donations in the tub outside school each

morning or to the office by Friday 1st April.

Raffle will be drawn during school hours on the final day of Term 1.



Easter Raffle Tickets

You should have received raffle tickets in an envelope in your child's school bag. This is an Easter Fundraising event to raise money for our school.

*Tickets - \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Please clearly label each purchased ticket with your child's name and class.

These envelopes can be returned to class teacher or the school office by

Tuesday 5th April.

*Additional raffle tickets will be available at the school office if

you wish to purchase more.

There is no obligation to purchase tickets.

Hot Cross Bun Drive at Galilee

This Easter we are running a super delicious fundraiser with Bakers Delight, and we are egg-cited!

On Monday 21st March, families will receive information about how to order Traditional, Apple & Cinnamon or Choc Chip Hot Cross Buns at \$8.50 per 6-pack. \$2.00 from every 6-pack sold will be donated back to Galilee Primary School.

Orders will be due on Wednesday 30th March and students will be sent home with the Hot Cross Buns they ordered on Wednesday 6th April.



Uniform Transition

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

Second Hand Uniform

Second Hand Uniform shop at 228 Bank St, South Melbourne, will be open on Wednesday 6th April from 9-9.30am. 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.

Term 2

Wednesday 27th April - LAST collection day for older style uniforms out the front of the school 8.35-8.50am.

First Aid Training for Staff

On Tuesday 15th March, all
Galilee Staff completed First
Aid Training. The full day
course included theory and
practical training and all staff
received a Level 1 Certificate in
First Aid. All staff updated their
CPR, Asthma and Anaphylaxis
training and updated training in
dealing with a range of issues
including snake bites, stokes,
broken bones, burns etc.

We feel lucky at Galilee to have all staff trained in Level 1 First Aid, ready and willing to assist with any first aid issue that may arise with students, parents or staff onsite.





Parent Helpers in the Classrooms

It is with great excitement that we will be able to welcome Parent Helpers back into the classroom in early Term 2 to assist with student learning from Prep to Year 6.

We are holding Parent Helpers' Workshops in the second last week of term for parents who are new to helping in the classroom at Galilee. We are offering the Workshops on Monday 28th March at 4pm and will repeat the session on Friday 1st April at 1.30pm. 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, 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. The workshop will go for approximately half and hour.

You will need a current Working With Children's Check, triple vaccination certificate and an availability to assist at a set time once a week or once per fortnight. For example, every Tuesday morning or second Thursday every between 10-11am. 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, a triple
COVID-19 vaccination

certificate and are interested in helping in the classrooms again this year, we will be seeking your availability in early Term 2.

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



Simonds Catholic College

We are extremely excited to announce our partnership with Simonds Catholic College. We have been able to secure a 'feeder school' status with Simonds Catholic College, offering our boys at Galilee a wonderful pathway to continue their Catholic Education at a school that is located approximately 5km from Galilee.

Peter Riordan, the Principal at Simonds, has been out to speak to our boys in Year 4-6 and Simon Millar and Amy Burns have been to visit Simonds College to gain a better understanding of the education that they offer.



After hearing from Peter
Riordan, our boys felt excited
and energised by the
opportunities that Simon's
College has to offer and equally
Simon and Amy were also
impressed by the education
Simonds offer boys in our local
area.

From 2023, Simonds College will operate on one site in West Melbourne. Simon and Amy toured the new facilities and were impressed by the sound of the proposed STEM center that will be opened in 2023, access boys have to local sporting facilities, music program, wood work program, home economics as well as the high standards in English and Mathematics.

In touring the school, we got the sense that every boy mattered. Peter knew every boy he passed, by name and the teachers could passionately speak about their students.

We encourage our boys at Galilee to enquire into Simmonds College when considering Secondary Schools.

Book Club Orders

Issue 2 of Book Club is out now. Please place your **order on the Loop App** by this Monday 21st March.



Royal Children's Hospital Baby Items

Hi Galilee Community,
I'm currently running a baby
blanket collection for The Royal
Children's Hospital. The ward I
work on are really short of baby
blankets and muslin wraps. We
use them to swaddle the
babies to keep them calm and
stop them from pulling on all
the various wires and tubes. It's

also helps to brighten up the environment and make it less scary looking for families and older children.

Does anyone have any they no longer use and would like to donate?

I'm able to except the following used (or new) items.

- muslin wraps
- baby blankets
- any other baby wraps/swaddles
- cot sheets
- booties, hats and socks in all sizes.

If you would like to contribute could you please bring the items to the office by the end of term one so I can take them in.
They will then be sanitised and labelled before being put to good use.

Thanks in advance! Emma (Parent in Yr. 4 & 6)

Recess and Lunch Classes at Danceworld



Year 3 Reconciliation

The Year 3 students will be making their First reconciliation this term.
The Reconciliation sacramental dates are as follows:

Reconciliation:

- Monday 28th March all day - First Reconciliation Reflection day at school
- 29th of March 6 to 7 p.m.
 First Reconciliation 3B
 StsPP
- 30th of March 6 to 7 p.m.
 First Reconciliation 3G
 StsPP
- 31st of March 6 to 7 p.m.
 First Reconciliation 3L
 StsPP

A Prayer for our Reconciliation Candidates

Loving God, teach your children that you love them totally and unconditionally.

Help us to encourage each other to grow in love and to learn how to say sorry, knowing that you always forgive.

Help us to pray for these children and to share our faith with them as we journey together.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Project Compassion

This is the 2022 Prayer from Caritas for Project Compassion:

Loving God, We thank you for the gift of our lives and

for the life of every person, both near to us and far away.

We thank you for the wonder of all your creation. Through fasting, almsgiving and prayer may this Lent draw us deeper into the warmth and light of God's love.

May we see the world more clearly,

Especially those who are often overlooked.

May we come closer to your heart,

Which you showed through the cross of Jesus.

May we be full of hope for all future generations.

We ask this in Jesus' name

Amen.

Best wishes, Simon Millar



Community Links

TheirCare - G.O.S.H

Dear families,

We hope you are well! Let's have a look what we did for the last 2 weeks in GOSH.

During Week 6 of Term 1 children had a lot of fun making random creatures, animals and puppets using their imagination.

We have made chicken, octopus, jelly fish, dogs and pandas.

Children enjoyed playing zombie tag, free play on the playground, soccer, hide and seek, pull the rope competition and various acrobatic exercises on the mat.

Children showed great collaboration while taking part in the art and craft activities, where older children were helping the younger ones to fold origami and to cut difficult patterns.

We could see how our preps are getting more and more comfortable in GOSH, they are starting to engage with older children and they have become more self- confident.

The end of the week brought us plenty of joy making plenty of loom bands and other accessories.

We have made plenty of monsters and their friends using various materials in Week 5.

Outside we have had outstanding zombie tag and everybody's in games. Hardly any children skip our activities! Children loved to create Monster puppets and we had outstanding monster family at the end.

The most creative artwork was made by Ellie, Maya, Anthony, Lily, Lara, Jessica, Alexander, Isabella, Charlotte, Isabel, Michelle, Rosie, Katya, Aoife, Oliver, Mia, and Will.

Marco and Roger made great puzzles together.

Lehara proudly teaches girls

some elements from
gymnastics and acrobatic
tricks.
We've made plenty of

bookmarks with all children (there were 38 of them). After this we had great parachute game outdoors and UNO competition indoors.
Handprint monsters with different patterns and designs were the best end of the week!



Dear parents, don't forget that school holidays are coming soon. Please book your children at www.theircare.com.au
Kateryna and Ryger

Simonds Catholic College Tour



St Mary's College



Register via this link:

https://www.stmaryscollege.vic
.edu.au/enrolments/open-day

Star of the Sea College



Holiday Cartoon Workshop





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 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

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 <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.