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Parent Calendar

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

Parent Dear Families,

It has been wonderful to see such exciting learning occurring across the school. Although there are many foci, major prorities in 20222 are in Mathematics and STEM. Today we created two films of students and staff outlining our major priorities for 2022. Unfortunately, the first video will not be available till a later date. However, you are strongly recommended to watch the second one below. https://drive.google.com/file/d /1VWLMAzakLiHReEvaUD1Ws ACjErSOIAbs/view? usp=sharing

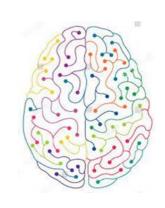
It has been wonderful to gradually welcome back parents onsite, in mornings and during assemblies. A number of exciting social gatherings
have been planned by the
Galilee Parent Association.
Families are strongly
recommended to engage with
the school as often as possible.

Many classes experiencing inconsistent staffing due mainly to COVID-related retrictions. There is a lack of Casual Relief Teachers across Melbourne making this a difficult task at times.

Sometimes staff have been away while attending professional development but after the previous two years, we consider this critical to the learning of our staff and students. Thankyou for your patience throughout 2022.

Wellbeing

By understanding how to create patterns for your brain to look for, you will improve how you learn and think. Your brain thrives on finding patterns by reading over what you did in class each night at home, you will create such patterns. This doesn't take up much time, but the rewards from doing this intelligent process every night will benefit your memory. Your brain quickly forgets things it doesn't see more than once.



Prep News

During our Inquiry unit on Rights and Responsibilities this term, we learnt about groups in our community who keep us safe such as the police, fire fighters and paramedics.

On Tuesday 22nd March, the three Prep classes received a visit from Belinda who is not only a paramedic but mum to Galilee student, Lucy.

Belinda shared with us some of the things that she does as a paramedic to keep us safe. She showed us the bag she takes out in the ambulance with her. We learnt that she might need to bandage someone or take them to hospital. When we asked Belinda who she has helped before we were amazed to learn that she has not only helped people but a variety of animals including dogs.

Belinda taught us that it is important to know the number 000 so we can call it if we ever have an emergency!

We had so many questions for Belinda which she kindly answered for us. Some lucky students even got to dress up in some of the clothes worn by paramedics.

Thanks again Belinda! We learnt so much from your visit.



Sport Reports

Year 6 Lawn Bowls Competition - By Daniela

"Yaaaaaaaaaaaay!" we exclaimed as we heard the ecstatic news that we had won the first annual Emerald Hill lawn bowls cup.

The sun was shining, the birds were chirping and we were ready for a day filled with fun.
Throughout the day each team played 3 matches for 50 minutes each against teams from South Melbourne Park Primary. They had some great teams but in the end we came through with a win. Huge congratulations to Bamlak, Karin and Wendy for coming first out of 10 teams.

We have some good news for the Year 5's and the next Year 6 classes to come.

We will be continuing the Emerald Hill Lawn Bowls competition for years to come. A massive thank you to Mr Hill, Jack and all of the people who helped organize the day and made it so amazing.



Cross Country - By Eva

"Woo hoo!! GO!" We all screamed as people were crossing the finish line at cross country.

Friday was cross country day!

We all went down to Murphy
Reserve for an eventful day of
cheering and clapping.
The first race of the day was
the 12 girls race, which was
3km and then the 12 boy race
which was the same distance.
Next was the 9- 10 boy and girl
races, which was 2km. Then
the other age group, the 11
girls and boys raced.





And all the people who came top 10 in their race will make it to the Dendy competition later in the year.

Overall everyone had smiles on their faces and had a great time.

But the team that won was...
Saints Green.

Easter Raffle & Hamper

Easter Hamper Donations



Easter Hamper prizes will be given out on the last day of Term 1 (next Friday 8th April) to the lucky winners of our Easter Raffle!

We are hoping to give out at least one 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

Please drop donations in the tub outside school each morning or to the office by **Friday 1st April.**

possible).

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



Easter Raffle Tickets

A reminder to hand in your envelopes with raffle tickets and money to 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.

Mother's Day Luncheon Donations



It's nearly that time of year to celebrate our mums! The Mother's Day Luncheon is fast approaching. If you would like to donate to the Mother's Day raffle or have a voucher/samples for the gift bag please complete the google form and a member of the Galilee Parents' Association will be in touch. We thank you in advance for your contribution to our mums! https://forms.gle/fK5dYnQAN9

Parent/Teacher Conferences for Year 1-6

We acknowledge the importance of home-school partnerships and invite you to attend the upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences for families with students in Year 1-6. Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday 4th April from 12:30pm-7:00pm (school finishing at 12 noon on Monday 4th April for students in Year 1-6) and Wednesday 6th April from 3:45-5:00pm (school will remain open as normal on Wednesday 6th April). *Please note, Prep Families attended a Meet and Greet Conference with the teacher at the start of the term and are not offered a Parent Teacher Conference at this time. Prep students will finish at normal time on Monday 4th April.

Information has been sent home previously and bookings can currently be made on PTO.

The Parent Teacher Conferences will go for a period of **TEN minutes**. Students are welcome to attend the conferences but are not required to attend.

Parent Teacher Conferences are offered as either an on-site, face-to-face conference or as a virtual Google Meet conference. You will be able to allocate your preference in a Google Form, via a link that Tegan emailed out earlier today. Parents attending onsite will need to show evidence of

COVID-19 vaccination to enter the school building. Parents attending the virtual meeting will receive a link emailed by the class teacher. Links will be emailed **the day of** the Parent Teacher Conference.

These scheduled conferences will provide an opportunity for a discussion about student achievement, student progress, behaviour and work habits, areas of future growth and ways students will be supported at school and may be supported at home. The purpose is to create a stronger partnership between home and school and ensure that families are on the same page as teachers and can work in a collaborative way to support student learning.

If students are not able to attend the conferences, we encourage you to talk to them prior to the conference about their learning; asking them what they are proud of and any areas they would like improve. After the conference. we encourage you to talk to your child about their learning; expressing positively about their achievements and positively about the different ways they will be supported to continue to learn.

Teachers will be instructed to make another time if parents raise other concerns not linked to Student Learning or request information detailed about specific assessment. There will not be time to go through each assessment in the 10 minute conference, teachers will only be providing families with an overview of learning achievement at this time. Parents are reminded of our Parents. Visitors and Volunteers Policy on our website that and all interactions need to occur in a respectful manner.

Our teachers look forward to meeting with you at school for the Parent Teacher Conferences.

Galilee Parent Association

We're thrilled to announce our Galilee Parent Association roles for 2022:

The roles of President and Vice
President: Danielle Gordon and
Peta Langford
Secretary: Sonia Pandolfo
Treasurer: Tim Gerrand
Executive Member: Monica De
Ubago

Year Level Parent Reps will also be invited to Committee Meetings.

Hot Cross Bun Drive at Galilee

Thank you so much for your hot cross bun orders. We have had a great response from the school community.

Those who have placed orders, will be sent home with their Hot Cross Buns next Wednesday 6th April.



Uniform Transition

From the beginning of Term
Two, 2022, all students except
those in Year 6 2022 are
expected to be in the new
uniform.

The woollen jumper, rugby top, blue pants / shorts and school bag can all be worn/used for the duration of its lifetime as it is similar to the new item or unchanged.

Here is the complete letter regarding the uniform which was emailed to families on Tuesday. To allow for the change in weather, a
transitional time is allowed to
move from Summer to Winter
uniform. All students will need
to be in the new Winter uniform
by Monday May 9, the
beginning of Week Three.



Uniform Transition (1).pdf

Second Hand Uniform

Carla will be out the front of

school with her boot open

collecting the older style of uniform next Wednesday 6th April from 8.35-8.50.

Wednesday 27th April is the LAST collection day for older style uniforms out the front of the school 8.35-8.50am. After this date, the school and second hand uniform shop will no longer accept the old style

Summer to Winter Uniform

of uniform.

During the two weeks of Term 2, students will have the option to wear summer or winter uniform as the weather slowly transitions to cooler temperatures.

On Monday 9th May all students are expected to be wearing the new Winter Uniform.

Parent Helpers in the Classrooms

On Monday we held the first of Parent Helpers' our Workshops. Tomorrow will be the last session for parents who are new to helping in the classroom at Galilee. The link to the online workshop is 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 for go 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, Tuesday morning or every every second Thursday 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.



Premiere Reading Challenge Checklist



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Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who generously donated baby blankets, wraps, beanies, mittens etc. for the babies in need at The Royal Children's Hospital. They are blown away with the amount of donations.





Harmony Day at Galilee

Thank you for making Harmony
Day at Galilee such a success.
It was wonderful to see
students and staff dress up and
participate in activities relating
to living harmoniously in
Australia.



Galilee Parent App

We're very pleased to inform vou 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 at a later date.

Year 3 Reconciliation

This week many of the Year 3 students received the sacrament of First Eucharist at StsPP church. The students were so beautifully prepared by their teachers and families. The students' faces indicated their happiness after receiving this sacrament.





A very big thank you to Father
Gary who was only too happy
to cater for all the students at
Galilee. Sue Kidd is a
parishioner at StsPP and
volunteers her time as a
catechist. She comes into the
classrooms to help the
teachers prepare the students

to receive the sacraments.

Both Father Gary and Sue
Kidd's

time, dedication and contributions are greatly appreciated.

We also really appreciate the professionalism, care and dedication of the Year 3 teachers: Mr. Daniel Booth, Mrs Cassandra Gleason and Mrs. Bianca Latto and their contributions in preparing the students.

Thank you also to the staff at Galilee who collectively have shown their support of the Year 3 students and their families either in attendance at the ceremonies and teaching Reconciliation and forgiveness in their Religious Education lessons.

Donations to Friar's kitchen

As we come towards the end of the term and the end of Lent, we would like to support the Friar's kitchen which is a part of the St Peter and Paul's parish. The Friar's kitchen operates to provide home cooked meals for people living

in the area who may be lonely or less fortunate than ourselves.

The social justice leaders in Year Six as well as the social justice leaders in the year levels have met and discussed this. They have made and decorated posters and placed these around the school. If you are able to provide any non-perishable items, could you please drop them off or ask your child to place them in the library foyer no later than Wednesday 6th April. Next week the Social Justice Leaders and the Yr. 3 students will take them to the Friar's kitchen on the school's behalf. Many thanks in advance for any support you can give. Please note that the Capuchin Friar's and parish volunteers are most appreciative of Galilee's generosity.

Helen Rochecouste (REL and Yr 4 teacher)

The last day of term will conclude at 1:30PM.

Best wishes, Simon Millar



Community Links

TheirCare - G.O.S.H

Dear families,

We hope you are well!
Our children are fantastic and
we are incredibly happy to see
the beginning of new
friendships.

We had great themes children liked a lot - "Space" and "We are all fruit salad".

During the "Space" week we enjoyed making all sorts of crafts: Solar system hats, aliens, UFO, and were drawing the galaxy with pastels.

The "We are all fruit salad" theme was welcomed enthusiastically too!
We made handprint collages, paper fruit mobiles, paper plate fruits, cherries and fruit salad in a vase.





Octopus and Fruit salad were the games of the week. Group game of the week was "Zombie tag".

Please don't forget to book your children for our Holiday program at

www.theircare.com.au

We will run GOSH on Monday, 04.04.22, from 12 PM, due to early finish and 08.04.22 (end of term) so we will run the program from 1.30 PM.

Have a wonderful weekend and see you soon!

Kateryna and Ryger

Simonds Catholic College Tour



Holiday Cartoon Workshop



Free Community Concert

ANAM Free Community Concert

ANAM: Celebrating 25 Years as a proud resident of the Port **Phillip Community**

ANAM Orchestra Conducted by Johannes Fritzsch Presented by Eliza Shepherd

2:30 Sunday 3 April St Kilda Town Hall • Carlisle St, St Kilda

Free, but bookings essential Presented with the support of the City of Port Phillip For more information or to book your tickets to the Community Concert, go to anam.com.au or call 03 9645 7911.



SMD Footy





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.