



### Dear Parent/Carers,

Week 10 already and we have begun our celebrations of Holy Week in preparation for Easter. Today the children presented the Stations of the Cross. A time when we follow the last days of Jesus' life before his resurrection. It is an important time in the Christian calendar and reminds us of the sacrifice Jesus made.

## Sports Day 2021

We are all really excited for Sport Day this year, especially with not being able to carry out this event last year due to COVID. Sports Day is Friday 9 April and we look forward to a day of sporting endeavour. A reminder to use the following link:

<u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> and code: **pen2g** to book in so we are able to monitor attendance. On the day can I remind visitors to sign in using the Cardijn College Galilee QR code, which is at various locations around the school, and practice social distancing during this event. I thank you for your help and understanding with this.

#### **Learning Conversations**

Thank you to all the parents who made appointments with their child's class teacher last week. It is important to have discussions about your child's learning and how we can work together. If you were unable to make last week, I encourage you to speak with your child's teacher about meeting with them over the next few weeks.

#### **Uniform**

As we head to the end of Term 1 a reminder that when we return on Wednesday 28 April for Term 2 children will need to be in their Winter uniform. Information about uniform can be found on our website https://www.galilee.catholic.edu.au/policies.html

### Feedback Survey

Finally, I draw your attention to the feedback survey that was sent out earlier this term (closing date 9 April 2021). Your feedback is important to us, so please spare a few moments to share @ http://bit.ly/2Q9jWnW

Have a great week everyone and enjoy the well earnt Easter long weekend and see you all again on Tuesday 6 April for our last few days of Term 1.

Kind regards

Nick Wright

**Head of Campus** 



#### **Student Leadership**

A key feature of Cardijn College Galilee is the active involvement of students in the life of the school. We value student voice and see our students as capable and competent learners. We offer a diverse range of opportunities for all students to be involved in decisions about the school and community and we support student leadership across the school in a variety of ways.

Each fortnight home groups take part in home group meetings. Students gather thoughts and ideas to bring to student executive meetings with a member of the leadership team. We also have students who participate in leadership programs such as crossing monitors, restorative peer mediators, youth environment forums, festival choir and students also have the opportunity to host community prayer, Galilee Gathers or liturgies and masses.

This year as our year 6 and 7 students step up into Middle School, we have introduced leadership positions. Over the last couple of weeks students in year 6 and 7 were invited to apply for these roles and personally I have been proud of the number, and standard of the applications. It is with joy I announce our 2021 Cardijn College Galilee Student Leaders.

Galilee Ambassadors - Eva and Macy

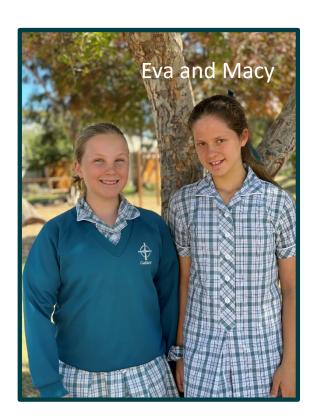
Vice Ambassadors – Jack and Shaela

#### **Sport Captains**

Banskia – Pearl and Ella Wattle – Halle and Mia Sheoak – Addison and Shaela Marigold – Dana and Laura Reading Ambassadors – Sebastian and Laura Arts Leaders – Macy and Ella Eco-literacy Leaders – Jemma and Zahli Social Justice Leaders – Arella and Dakota

Congratulations to all students, we look forward to seeing the growth of these roles throughout the year and the opportunities it provides for the whole school!

Kerri Gould Deputy Head of Campus





## A Story of Easter

We wish everyone a wonderful and blessed Easter!

Our students are looking forward to the extended break and the arrival of Easter Bunny of course! Easter is a happy, joy-filled time and rightly so. All of these outward signs of Easter – the chocolate eggs, rabbits, etc are signs of new life and can help point to the underlying meaning of Easter in the rising of Jesus to new life.

Over this week and next we connect to the stories of Holy Week and Easter. In our Holy Week celebrations and prayers with students we focus on God's love for all and what it means to be people who are full of hope.

We really miss having parents and families with us during our Community Prayer and liturgy times given the need to follow requirements for community gatherings. We offer the following summary of our involvement in the rhythm of Holy Week and Easter as one way to support your connection with these important stories.

#### Palm/Passion Sunday

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday. This event recalls Jesus being welcomed into Jerusalem by those who were encouraged and liberated by his words and actions.

It is also the event that recalls his arrest by the rulers and chief priests who were threatened by his teachings and popularity.

## **Holy Thursday**

We remember the meal Jesus had with his friends known as the Last Supper. The Church recalls this meal every week at mass where we hear the words Jesus said, "This is my body. This is my blood. Do this in memory of me." Our Early Years students held a prayer time in the church about the love Jesus showed as he shared his last meal with his friends. We remember Jesus welcomes all.



#### **Good Friday**

We hear about Jesus carrying his cross and about the feelings of his friends and followers. The cross isn't the end of the story! It only makes sense if we remember Jesus rising to new life. This is a story of hope and belief that there is always 'a light at the end of the tunnel.' We are challenged to look for light in dark times.

Mr Westover's group lead us in a Stations of the Cross that helped us focus on how we show compassion towards others, and the hope this brings. The middle school students held a Stations of the Cross that focused on the part we can all play in caring for our home, the earth.

#### Student's thoughts about these services:

Annabelle, Laila – "It's a better way to learn things, to do something instead of just watching a video or something. It was good to walk around with the Stations of the Cross so kids don't think Easter is only all about chocolate and so they know why, for example, hot cross buns have a cross on them.

Zahli and Shaela – some people don't go to church and celebrate in that way and we might want to mention how people come together. It would be good to explain the story

Gemma, Eva, Arella, Macy – "It's so good to do this – it gives a deeper understanding about these events and why they matter". "The stations we did provide more reasons why things happened and the questions about what it's got to do with our lives, help us be a better version of ourselves". "I felt totally motivated to do something about the world. I had ideas about designing T-shirts with messages about care for the planet".



On Easter Sunday we hear the story of the empty tomb. The message is - Jesus has risen and the promise of new life extends to all creation. At Galilee, the students are constantly noticing this cycle of life, death, change, and new life whether in the garden, in the life cycle of butterflies or in the ways they see themselves and their relationships change.

The rising or resurrection of Jesus brings the promise of new life. For the followers of Jesus their despair turned to hope and the courage to carry on the message of Jesus.

We are part of this hope today.

As Joan Chittister puts it: "Every time we see Jesus where we did not recognize him before—in the faces of the poor, in the love of the unloved, in the revelatory moments of life, Jesus rises anew".







#### **Parish Easter Services**

You are always very welcome to celebrate with the parish over the Easter weekend:

The following Holy Week and Easter services will be held at Mary of Galilee Church ...

Holy Thursday: Thurs 1st April at 6pm

Good Friday: Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 10am for Stations of the Cross and 3:00pm for Celebration of the

Lord's Passion

Easter Vigil: Sat 3rd April at 6pm

Please see the parish bulletin or newsletter for other services in the region.





# **Enrol now**

for our mid-year Reception intake and benefit from waived tuition fees for Terms 3 and 4.

Children must be 5 on or before 31 October 2021.





#### **Swimming Carnival**

Written by Halle C and Pearl L

On Wednesday week 8, we had year 4, 5, and 6's compete in the SACPSSA swimming carnival. We had two swimming trials and the people with the Fastest time made it in. The team trained before the carnival. We practised all the strokes such as freestyle, backstroke, breast stroke, and butterfly and made sure we were ready!

Some of the events were freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly. We also competed in the freestyle relay. Four people from each age group participated in the relay. Competing for Year 4, Shahlee, Sofia, Austin, and Tai came 5<sup>th</sup>, they did really well. Competing for the year fives 50 metre freestyle relay Gypsy, Lottie, Laila, and Albey came 2<sup>nd</sup>, that was an amazing effort, CONGRATULATIONS.

Competing for the year sixes 50 metre relay, Halle, Pearl, Mia, and Addi who all gave it their maximum effort after a long day in the pool.

Our highlights were seeing our team do really well in the events, diving off the BOOM!!!!! on a diving block, placing in some events, and trying our best.

Some people who did really well were Albey: who came second in 3 events, Halle: who came third in backstroke, Pearl: who came 3<sup>rd</sup> in 25 metre freestyle, Gypsy: who came second in 3 events, and Harriet: who came 4<sup>th</sup> in backstroke. Cardijn College Galilee came 7<sup>th</sup> with 61 points all together.

So at the end of the day we had loads of fun and we will try even harder next year. We are really proud of our achievements and it was worth it.

# **Summer Netball Competition Aldinga Netball Club**

This season we had 3 teams enter the local Summer Netball Competition. The 6/7 age group began with a 4-week training session. They then took these skills to the court. The players always had a smile on their face and tried their best. Thank you to Lauren Straiton for volunteering to coach the team.



The White Lightening team took out the Final, showing persistence and great teamwork. Thank you to *Tristan*Sampson for coaching the girls. Your commentary on the side of the court was at times comical and very entertaining for the spectators. Our favourite couple of quotes .... "Don't worry, it's only a toe" and "what is this? outside learning!".





The Under 9's had two teams enter from Galilee. Both teams made it to the grand final!

A Galilee showdown was underway! The improvement in both teams is a testament to their Coaches. A BIG thank you to Nona Stanley for coaching the Galilee Giants, runners up in the Grand final.



Thank you to Ms. Pengilly for organizing and supporting the Summer Netball Teams and making this opportunity possible for our athletes.

Well done everyone!



If your child is going to be absent, late, or leaving early please notify the office by SMS on 0407761162 before 9am. Please provide the following details:

- · Child's name
- Reason for absence/early departure/late arrival
- Child's home room teacher

## **Galilee Directory**

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CURIOUS FRIENDS Playgroup Mondays 9am - 10.30am Melanie Wilson p 85579000

#### PFCG:

pfcg@galilee.catholic.edu.au

**Second-hand uniform**Shop Wednesdays & Fridays
8.45am - 9.15am
& 2.45pm - 3.15pm

# **KEY DATES**

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> April Good Friday Public Holiday

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> April Easter Monday Public Holiday

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> April Sports Day R-6 LAST DAY TERM 1

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> April Anzac Day Public Holiday

Tues 27<sup>th</sup> April PUPIL FREE DAY

Wed 28<sup>th</sup> April First Day Term 2

The office will be closed from 4pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April and will reopen at 8am on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April.

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