



THANK YOU!

RAISING
HEARTS
AND
MINDS



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Cardijn College Galilee and Term 2. It is great to have so many of our students back and continuing the learning they began in Term 1.

Catholic Education Week

This week, we are celebrating Catholic Education Week. The theme this year for all Catholic Schools across South Australia is 'Thank You'. As a community we thank all of our wonderful staff for the way in which they carry out excellent teaching and learning every day.

NAPLAN

For the next two weeks the students in Years 3, 5 and 7 are carrying out their NAPLAN tests. They have been really focussed and have all been trying their absolute best, which has been wonderful to see. We continue to wish them well for the remainder of the test window. NAPLAN results will be reported to school and parents in Term 3.

Building update

It has been great to see that the builders have been progressing while we have been away from school. Lots of work has been happening under the ground but it is good to see that blockwork to the north of the building along with steel work have been erected. We look forward to seeing the building develop further this term.

Enrolment for Reception 2023

Last night we had a very successful tour of the Campus grounds with a number of current and new parents. It was great to see the smiling faces of the children as they explored the site. If you are looking for a place in Reception or another year group, remember we are R-9 from 2023, please get in touch with our Enrolments Officer, Natalie Walters on 8557 9000 or njwalters@galilee.catholic.edu.au who will be only too happy to discuss this with you.

New Family Room Opening

Next week our brand new Family Room will open with playgroup on Monday at 9am – 10:30am for our Galilee families (ahead of our Grand Playgroup Re-opening on Monday 30th May) and then the second hand uniform shop re-opening on Wednesday at 2.45 – 3.30pm and Friday 2.45pm – 3.30pm. We are excited to offer this new space and look forward to welcoming you. Further details later in the newsletter.

Have a great week everyone

Nick Wright
Head of Campus

♥ 'Thank you to my teachers and to my school and my friends that I play with.' - Riley

♥ 'Thank you to Ms Gregory, if we hurt ourselves she helps us get up.' - Arlo

♥ 'Thank you to my teachers and friends for helping me through stressful times.' - Macy



A place for families

Welcome back to term 2. I hope you and your family had a chance to enjoy the beautiful autumn weather during the break and to recharge and energise ready for term 2!

Term 1 was certainly a very different term, with many of our usual whole school events cancelled and parents unable to come into the school.

As we begin term 2, we are pleased to welcome parents and carers into school in a covid safe way. To enable us to be prepared for future restrictions and continue to build our parent community and connection with each other we have moved the Family room to the transportable building behind the church. This room will also hold playgroup on a Monday morning, the Second-hand uniform shop and parent/carer morning tea with Merenia our chaplain on Wednesday mornings beginning Wednesday 8th June (week 6).

To launch the new Family room Nick Wright and I invite you to an afternoon tea on Thursday 2nd June from 2.00-3.00pm. If you have younger children with you, they are welcome to play in the secure play space accessible in this area.

What: Family Room Afternoon Tea

When: Thursday 2nd June 2.00-3.00pm

Where: Family Room (transportable building behind the church)

We hope to continue to provide further opportunities for parents and carers to come together and to focus on topics to support children's learning and development. There are many ways you can be involved in school life. If you would like to find out more about how you could be involved and are unable to attend this gathering, please email or contact me,
kgould@galilee.catholic.edu.au.

Have a great week,

Kerri Gould

Deputy Head



Vacation Care



Our April Vacation care programme was vibrant, exciting and inspiring! Hands-on activities sparked children's imagination, curiosity and confidence to learn new concepts and skills.

Our incursion days were a big hit with Ignite Virtual Reality, Tie dye, Wheels Day, Build a Bear, Gardening and our Mystery Flight being the stand out favourites. Having a balance of planned and spontaneous activities resulted in meaningful involvement and enthusiasm.

The positive feedback from children and families each day provided our team with valued evidence of a successful and stimulating program.



Eco-Literacy

Gardening engages all the senses and nourishes our well-being. It helps centre us, and creates a calm, peaceful space for our minds to relax. The growth that results, can be beautiful and awe-inspiring, promoting a sense of wonder, gratitude and love for creation. Tending to gardens develops responsibility and a desire to care for our Earth, as God intended.

The palette of colours, the sounds of birds and creatures, the variety of tastes, textures and fragrances, are so satisfying for children too. They love tasting the produce, bending the leaves to smell the basil and lemon, feeling the plant textures and discovering insects and creatures. As they weed, plant, harvest and explore, they share their questions, knowledge and understanding with others. There is choice, a sense of purpose and hope. There is a desire to protect and nurture - Aren't these such important life skills?

We ask: How can we prepare the soil and plot? What shall we plant? Is the timing right? What was in there before? How can we protect and support the plant? What will we cook with it? Who shall we share it with?

In Week 1 and 2, classes started weeding some plots and tidying up ready for some winter planting. We are adding compost, worm castings and mulch to the soil.

We have also just been successful in gaining a grant for each Stage to have a worm farm to maintain. Some classroom food scraps can be placed in these and the worm juice and castings can be used on the gardens. The castings are the richest natural fertilizer known to man! They can increase yield, make soil more absorbent, remove toxins and reduce disease.

If you would like to do some planting at home, you may be interested in this document: 'What to Plant, When.' <https://bit.ly/3kTSHKd>

I hope you enjoy gardening and have a try at home!

Kerry Janssan





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

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Galilee Playgroup

9am – 10.30am
Melanie Wilson p 85579000

Second-hand uniform

Opening times
Wed and Fri 2.45pm – 3pm

KEY DATES

TERM 2

Mon 16 May	Playgroup re-opens for Galilee Families 9am – 10:30am (and 23/5)
Tues 17 May	Sacrament Confirmation Workshop #1 5pm
Wed 18	Second-hand Uniform shop reopening 2.45pm – 3.30pm
Tues 24 May	Sacrament Confirmation Workshop #2 5pm
Wed 25 May	Yr 6 Camp (Return 27/5)
Mon 30 May	Official Grand Re-Opening of Playgroup – Bring a friend! 9am – 10.30am
Thurs 2 June	Family Room Afternoon Tea 2.00pm – 3pm

**Please
keep your
child home
if unwell**

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