





Dear Parents/Carers,

It is great to be back for this final term of 2021. The next seven weeks will fly by and we look forward to all the exciting activities that will take place between now and when we finish on Wednesday 8 December. More information about end of year events will be communicated over the next couple of weeks.

Class Placements

Placement of students for 2022 will occur over the coming weeks. As previously mentioned, we will be transitioning away from composite classes and will have two classes per year group from Reception to Year 6 next year. This is a complex process and involves careful consideration of many factors. Staff consider academic, social and wellbeing needs of individuals as well as class size and importantly, how the students may work together as a class.

If parents/carers have specific information regarding their child's learning, social and wellbeing needs that may help us, we ask that this is provided in writing or email to your child's homeroom teacher or Natalie Walters <u>njwalters@galilee.catholic.edu.au</u> by Friday 29 October. Please remember, information you provide is either a request or information to assist in our decisions and will be considered along with our knowledge and experience of all the children at Cardijn College Galilee. Requests regarding specific staffing will not be considered. Thank you for your support in this.

Consent2Go

Over the next few weeks please be on the lookout for information about Consent2Go, which is a system we will be using from 2022 for all our incursions, excursions and camps. The Cardijn Campus have been using the system for a couple of years now and it has enabled things to become more streamlined, especially in regards to up to date contact and health details. It has also decreased the amount of paper used for communication.

Sammy D Foundation

At the end of last term, the Year 6 and 7 classes were visited by the Sammy D Foundation. The Sammy D Foundation came to school following a very kind donation, of one of their programmes, from one of our Grandparents – Mr Philip Martin. The students learnt about what happened to Sam Davis and the consequences of bullying. A big thank you again to Philip for providing our students with this opportunity.

Big Band

On Thursday last week, we were joined by music students from the main Cardijn Campus. Together with our Galilee drum line, and our Senior choir, they held a performance for our students. Children were invited to join in the singing and drumming and also try out some brass instruments. Our music programme continues to grow and later this term our junior choir will participate in a performance at the main campus.

Have a great week everyone

Nick Wright Head of Campus



Sammy D Foundation visit – A student reflection

At the end of last term, the dad of Sam (Sammy D foundation) came to talk to us about his story. Sam's dad always wanted him to be a footy player but he preferred soccer. Sammy had a LOT of friends playing soccer and grew really tall when he was about 14. He was asked to play footy, and he changed over to footy, and gained even more friends. When he was about 15 he went to a party with his friends. It was a massive party with everyone there. Two bullies who were harassing people weren't on the list, but they pretended to be two other people to get in.

Sam was out the front when they went through and a fight broke out between the bullies and Sam's friends. The hosts tried to split up the fight and Sammy got angry and tried to leave the party and as he was leaving and one of the bullies followed him and then hit him in the back of the head and Sammy ended up unconscious. In the hospital Sammy died from his injuries.

Sammy's dad is trying to stop this from happening to other families. It was really upsetting to hear, I never knew that one hit could end someone's life. We were glad they came to share this story. We did an activity to think about what we could do in tricky situations. We received a bracelet to help us remember Sammy's story and look out for one another. The Sammy D foundation is to raise awareness and stop this from happening to other families. Shaela and Kaia.

Healthy, thriving learners

Thank you

Welcome back! We are already off to a busy start and have full term ahead of us. I wish to say thank you for the numerous families, staff and children who congratulated me on the recent announcement of my substantive leadership position. I feel very humble and grateful. I am excited to continue to work with this community and along with the students, families, staff, and leadership team to bring about the College's vision for 2022 and beyond!

Attendance

A friendly reminder that our school day starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.10pm. We are thankful for your support in avoiding late drop-offs and early pick-ups. All the extra minutes your child is at school with their teacher and friends enables them to finish learning activities, engage in learning and be with their friends. Evidence shows, children who attend full days of school consistently, achieve stronger learning progress. Continual attendance at school supports both short term and long-term student learning achievement and wellbeing. Children can continue to deepen their understandings of concepts daily and build and maintain friendships more successfully. If a child is picked up early or arrives late, this also impacts on the learning of your child and others as admin staff need to make calls to homerooms and interrupt learning. It is the school's responsibility to report student absences. If you are having any difficulty with a child coming to school, please contact us soon as possible for advice and support. The wellbeing of each other is important. We want everyone to have the best possible opportunity to learn.

TV Shows and their impact

Every now and then TV shows tend to infiltrate our lives and sometimes these shows are not ideal for young children to be watching. The latest Netflix hit called Squid Game may be based around classic children's games – but that doesn't mean it is suitable for children. This show is not recommended for children younger than 15, but recently we have heard children discussing this show at school. Below is a link that parents may be interested in reading about how to protect our children and how to talk to children about Squid Games and other inappropriate content: Let's talk Squid Game and children's exposure | DiGii Social

Wishing you a great week,

Kerri Gould Deputy Head



Eco-Literacy



Butterfly Presentation

Last week Jeremy Gramp from Green Adelaide came to Cardijn College Galilee and did a butterfly presentation. Students from Year 8 at Cardin joined us to learn about the importance of butterflies.

Jeremy showed us the lifecycle of a butterfly, what a butterfly garden needs, and types of plants butterflies like to hide in.

We learnt that butterflies like areas that have lots of layers with tall, medium and small sized trees.

At the end we went outside to our butterfly garden and identified several plants that attract butterflies. Jeremy gave us some ideas on how to improve the area for the butterflies.

Stay tuned for more information about how to create your own butterfly friendly habitats in your yard.

Zahli and Ella – Yr 6





Galilee OSHC



VACATION CARE OCTOBER

Valuing children's strong interest in the outdoors and nature play we extended children's experiences by utilising our connection with the community. Vacation Care offered three excursions to outdoor playgrounds; Glenelg Foreshore Play space, Woodhouse Activity Centre and Wilfred Taylor Reserve.

Our home-based days saw the children's creativity shine with a programme of cooking, drama and sensory play.

This combination of active and creative play throughout the 2-week program provided a sense of **Belonging** and the invaluable opportunity to **Learn**, **Thrive and Laugh**.

A big thank you to all involved.

Assistant Director,

Lisa Brown



Herb and Sensory Garden



Recently the Year 1 & 2 students from Mrs Littlefield's homegroup planted over 20 native and Indigenous plants in the Herb & Sensory garden with the aim to make it a welcoming place for all, including the creatures we share it with.

They planted the following plants – Lambs Ears, Pig Face, Woolly Bush, Fiery Desert, Berry Saltbush, Ruby Saltbush, Sweet Appleberry, Cushion Bush, Swan Plant and Native Rosemary. They also laid bark chips on the ground to improve the look of the space and provide a home and shelter for small creatures that live in the space.

The space looks so welcoming and beautiful as there's lots of new plants. I love it! – Charli I can take care of the garden by watering the plants so flowers can grow – Eden I think it's important to pull the weeds out whenever they grow because we want to keep the Herb & Sensory garden looking beautiful. More plants and less weeds! – Tyler The new plants can make a nice home for the animals that live there – Dalarah I think it's a great place for geckos to hide under the bark chips - Ollie





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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Galilee Playgroup Mondays 9am - 10.30am On hold due to COVID restrictions Melanie Wilson p 85579000

PFCG: pfcg@galilee.catholic.edu.au

Second-hand uniform Shop Wednesdays & Fridays & 2.45pm - 3.30pm

KEY DATES

Tues 26 th October	Cardijn Academy Cup Sacrament Workshop 5pm
Thurs 28 th October	Reception Transition
Sat 30 th October	School Tour 9.30am Sacrament presentation Mass 5.30pm Mary of Galilee
Tues 2 nd November	SACPSSA Athletics Carnival
Wed 3 rd November	Tennis Carnival
Fri 3 rd December	Last day Year 7 students
Wed 8 th December	Last day R-6 students



Second-hand uniform shop

RE-OPENING

Wednesdays & Fridays

2.45pm - 3.30pm

Please enter via outside entrance, use QR code check in and please wear a mask