



Dear Parent/Carers,

Term 2 is well and truly underway at Cardijn College Galilee and opening the gates at 8:30am has helped with the smooth transition into the Homerooms for learning to begin at 8:45am. The students have started well and are working hard within their homerooms.

NAPLAN Online

This week we, along with the rest of Australia, have begun carrying out the NAPLAN assessments for Years 3, 5 and 7. These assessments are now online and give a snapshot of how well the students are learning. Results will be forwarded to parents later in the year.

Uniform

We have been pleased with the way students have returned to school wearing their winter uniform. The uniform is an important part of our identity and we will keep working with students and their families to ensure this is worn appropriately. Information about uniform can be found on our website <https://www.galilee.catholic.edu.au/policies.html>

You may have noticed that our Middle school students have transitioned to the Cardijn College uniform as part of their Step up to Middle School. Last week they were presented with their school blazers which they have been proudly wearing.

Car Park

Just a reminder when entering the kiss and drop area, I ask that cars do not block the flow of traffic to our site as this causes congestion on How Road. Your cooperation with this is much appreciated for the safety of our whole community.

New staff

Term 2 also brings us two new members of staff to Galilee. Rachel Bishop joins us as our new Learning Enrichment Coordinator and Brenda Byrne has been appointed as our Director of Teaching and Learning. Rachel has started in her role already and is getting to know the children, staff and parents. Brenda is currently the MacKillop House Leader at Cardijn so will transition over this term to Cardijn College Galilee and will be full time from Term 3. Brenda has already started her visits and will be working with the staff and students on the development of the curriculum. Please give them a big welcome if you see them around the school.

Have a great week everyone.

Kind regards

Nick Wright
Head of Campus





SPORTS DAY

On April 9th, Cardijn College Galilee students finished Term 1 with a historic 2021 Sports Day. This year's Sports Day saw the introduction of two perpetual awards, the Sports Day Shield, where our year three to six students could win points for their house, and the Spirit Cup, where students were allocated points when demonstrating their encouragement and great sportsmanship throughout the day.

Our students looked brilliant in their house colours, wearing their bright tops, coloured hairspray, and zinc. There was a sense of community from start to finish, with our students welcoming our families and guests with a house dance routine led by our house captains to start the day. Students participated in several novelty events such as the sack race, the egg and spoon race, and the dress-up relay. Students also demonstrated their level of athleticism and skill in traditional track and field events such as shot put, high jump and running races.

As each event was completed, the scores were very close all day and continued to change. Nevertheless, there could only be one winner! After much anticipation and excitement, our inaugural Sports Day Shield winners were Wattle by 21 points over Marigold. But the heartbreak for Marigold did not last long, as they were crowned the 2021 Spirit Cup winners by 4 points. In fact, first and fourth place were only separated by 11 points, showing that all students continued to show their community spirit which is a value we uphold every day at Cardijn College Galilee.

Michael Goode
PE Teacher and Sports Coordinator

Student Well being

The wellbeing of our students is a priority for the Cardijn community. We are committed to catering for individual needs and differences of all our students and to enhancing the opportunity for all students to achieve. To us, our students need to grow academically, emotionally, socially and spiritually.

At Galilee the staff are trained in using Berry Street Practices and also teach circle time to develop student's social and emotional learning. We also have our Galilee Chaplain, Merenia Vince, who provides nurture and pastoral care for families and students. Added to this we now also provide student counsellors.

Emily Thomas and Anthony Simons from the Cardijn Noarlunga counselling team will be working at Galilee regularly starting this term. Emily will be in on a Monday 11- 12.30pm and Anthony on a Tuesday 9-10.30am. If you think your child would benefit from a speaking with a counsellor please speak to your home group teacher, email myself kgould@galilee.catholic.edu.au or pick up a referral from the front office.

How can counselling be helpful?

Counsellors listen carefully to children to find out how they feel, what they think about, what they enjoy and dislike, and what they are confused about. They can help children to make sense of things that seem confusing or upsetting.

Counsellors can help children to feel better about themselves and make changes in their lives. They assist children to find their strengths and help with solving problems. Common issues students present with include difficulties with friendships, grief, assertiveness and anxiety. Recently SA Health released short term funding to further support not for profit organisations around the effects of COVID-19 to children up to 12 years of age. As a result of this initiative Aldinga Centacare have been chosen to provide extra support for families until June 30th. This is short term funding for specific stressors or impact of COVID-19 to young people. For more information regarding referrals and Centacare services please refer to flyers in the front office.

"Happiness and well-being are actually best regarded as skills."

— [Richard Davidson](#)

Have a great week,
Kerri Gould
Deputy Head



Catholic education Week

Raising Hearts and Minds to the wonder of creation – it's a hopeful and loving thing to do!

Gypsy

Raising hearts and minds is like raising friendships, being with each other during these times, caring for one another. It's a time of caring, using our minds for thanks for what we have and how lucky we are here, knowing there are people elsewhere having a really hard time. It's also about friendship, caring and giving thanks for the **environment** so that we act with justice.

Ava

If you see a child swinging on a branch and it doesn't look like it can support their weight, you could tell them we're caring for the environment by making sure trees can live on. When you're running around the school you might accidentally step on plants. Help one another to watch where you're stepping, especially if you're playing chasey. Please run in open spaces **around** plants, not **through** plants.

Mia and Mae

We take action for God's creation by planting, looking out for rubbish blowing in. We make space for forests and orchards. We remind one another to use the paths. We learn outside too not just in buildings. We spend lots of time doing lessons outside – it doesn't have to be about nature.

Sunny

When my grandfather helped at school, we made fans for solar systems. This helps us understand how to save the earth's resources and not waste resources. See right for Sunny's diagrams.



Raising Hearts and Minds to the wonder of creation

Adelle

We have bird feeders in the almond grove. Almond trees are excellent for cubbies. The blossoms are really beautiful – the area looks like a cloud when the blossoms are out. This is an area that can support wildlife and raise our hearts to the beauty of creation.



Kiani

We have three big mulberry trees with beautiful green leaves and juicy mulberries on them sometimes. There are kids playing in the trees at outside learning, enjoying themselves, building cubbies, selling mulberries in leaves. Care for these places is important.



Christian

We planted in the sheoak forest when it was getting bare. This helped make homes for little animals and to make it look more beautiful and make the school nicer.



When we raise our hearts and minds to care for creation it's a hopeful thing to do. It's so important for our world. This week, can you do something with your friends to show care for the environment? - Gypsy

Youth Environment Forum

On Tuesday 4th May at Tatachilla Lutheran College, Amelie, Addi, Zahli, Jemma, and Aaron attended the Youth Environment Forum accompanied by Ms Moyse our Eco-Literacy Teacher and Andy one of our volunteers.

Other schools involved in the day were - Emmaus, St Johns, Tatachilla, and Southern Vales Christian School.

The day was presented by Jeremy from Green Adelaide.

Activities included:

- Icebreaker to meet everyone from the other schools
- Fossil dig (we found 2 frogs, and bones)
- Tour of the grounds (we found 3 wallabies and many potoroos)
- Scavenger hunt
- Egg drop

We took part in an imagination activity where we were asked to think about what we wanted our future to look like. (sustainable)
These were some of our ideas:

- Lots of trees
- Veggie patches
- Native plants
- Surrounded by animals
- Clean fresh air
- Less rubbish in the environment

We started talking about our Cardijn College Galilee environmental project for 2021. This group will lead the project and involve interested students from around our school. We have been discussing the important places in our school grounds eg. Wetlands, Dry Creek bed and how we can support these places which is the theme of World Environment Day: Ecosystem Restoration.



April Vac Care

Our April Vacation Care Program brought new meaning and excitement to us all with the long-awaited return of excursions.

Our excursions provided the opportunity for new discoveries and experiences, enabling children to extend, explore, and enrich their learning.

Our four excursions to The South Australian Museum, The Living Kaurna Cultural Centre, Lollipop Indoor Playland and Port Noarlunga Outdoor Playground all provided endless opportunities for children to PLAY, LEARN and develop new skills and interests.

Intentionally teaching children that learning and enjoyment is not limited to any activity, time or place.

Our Program also included a variety of educational and fun Incursions. Our Solar system Project, Science Day, Nuts, bolts and woodwork Day and the most popular of all, a visit from Ignite V.R. The children were blown away by the opportunity to experience virtual reality and become immersed in another world.

As Educators when we observe children smile, laugh, build new friendships and meaningful relationships we can with pride announce another successful Vacation Care Program. Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank three members of staff, Neil our bus driver and Nathan and Tony two of our I.T Specialists. Neil, Tony and Nathan showed care and support to our OSHC children and staff with an on-going willingness to attend to our needs. Your attentive assistance was not only appreciated but commendable.

A huge Thank You to all involved.
Assistant Director
Lisa Brown

"In this world there is nothing so beautiful as a happy child."

L. Frank Baun





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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CURIOUS FRIENDS Playgroup

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Second-hand uniform

Shop Wednesdays & Fridays
8.45am - 9.15am
& 2.45pm - 3.15pm

KEY DATES

Fri 14 th May	School Disco
Tues 18 May	Sacraments Workshop 5-6pm
Mon 24 th May	Year 3 Camp
Tues 25 th May	Year 4 Camp
Tues 1 st June	Sacraments Workshop 5-6pm
Thurs 3 rd June	Yr 6 Excursion Parliament House and Centre for Democracy
Tues 8 th June	Sacrament of Confirmation
Mon 14 th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tues 29 th June	Sacraments Workshop 5-6pm
Fri 2 nd July	Last Day Term 2
Wed 21 st July	First Day Term 3

