



Shrove Tuesday

TOGETHER WE GROW

Dear Parent/Carers,

Well we are well and truly up and running in this first term. The students have settled in well and have been busy getting to know their new homerooms and have begun the year of learning with great enthusiasm.

Last week we celebrated our opening school Mass. This was a great occasion to begin the new year and we were able to formally welcome the first Year 7 children to the Middle School. They all received a candle designed and given out by members of the Reception Homerooms. Dr Paul Rijken and I were also officially welcomed into the community as the new leaders of the community. As is the tradition at Galilee we were blessed with sand, water and vines. We were also given a candle as a sign of Christ within us as we all journey together as Cardijn College Galilee.

This week we celebrated Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday in a slightly different way to what we are used to due to COVID. The children enjoyed the pancakes cooked by the Galilee community and we thank all those volunteers who were able to assist with making this a success for the students. Ash Wednesday, as the beginning of Lent, was marked by the students celebrating together in their Stages in the Church. It is an important time in the Catholic Church as it traditionally focuses us on prayer, fasting and charity. Often the 'giving up' something is what we do but Lent means so much more and we are often encouraged to do a little bit more for others. During this period of Lent the students will also learn about the Catholic charity – Caritas through their work in Project Compassion.

As we have seen recently around Australia outbreaks of COVID-19 can occur at any time and it is important for us as a community to be vigilant and continue to follow the advice of SA Health and Catholic Education SA. Therefore, just a gentle reminder that all parents/carers, that enter the school site, need to check in using the QR codes, which are at various places around the school. If you are not able to check in via the COVID-SAfe Check-in part of the mySA GOV App, then please make your way to the Office to sign in manually. Again, thank you for your ongoing support with this. Have a great week everyone.

Kind regards

Nick Wright
Head of Campus



Shrove Tuesday and pancakes!

"The parents were helping the teachers so the teachers don't have to cook the pancakes. It's hard for the teachers to cook because then they can't teach. They can't teach while they're doing the cooking. So the parents want to help them." - Angus, Adrian, Busby

A huge thank you to all those parents and caregivers who were able to help with cooking, serving and cleaning – we really appreciate your generous involvement and community-building contribution.

"A long time ago people made pancakes to use up the expensive foods before they were starting to fast – to eat more simply".

"The pancakes were good".

"There were a few parents helping – they care about our community and what we're doing".

Ethan, Tai, Daisy, Eddie

... and now, with Ash Wednesday, we begin the season of Lent

Throughout the day today our homegroups have gathered in the church with their stage to reflect on the symbol of 'ash' and the meaning of this season we call Lent.

The invitation during Lent is to grow as a person, 'not just to get tall' as one student suggested, but to grow in our ability to give and receive love. It's a time set aside for intentional acts of caring for ourselves and others.

Each homegroup has a 'planting plan' over Lent – today they plant seeds to care for and bring to life. This action of care mirrors the ways we try to mindfully look after ourselves, one another, our earth and our relationship with our loving God – it takes time, reflection, intentional action and moments of prayer.

For the students today the message has been – take time to think about how you want to grow remembering you are never alone but are held in God's love and the love of all around you.

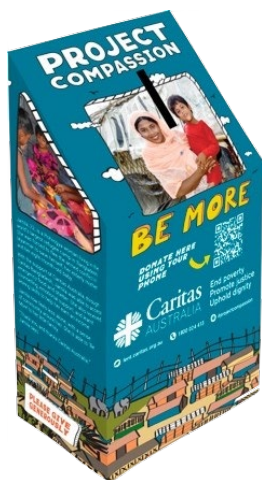
Project Compassion

Today you will receive a Project Compassion box.

The children know the importance of talking as a family about this, as the needs of every family are different. We remind them there are a great variety of meaningful ways to support those in need. We can also give of our time, skills, prayers, thoughts and kindness. Please remember though, if your child places one small coin in this box out of their desire to consider another, encourage them to return the box at the end of Lent (wk of 29th March). Every contribution is truly significant and this action affirms your child's understanding of themselves as capable, compassionate people. Thank you.

Project Compassion is co-ordinated by Caritas –

www.caritas.org.au



Nurturing Respectful Relationships

Have you heard your child or teacher refer to the 5 R's or 5 C's? At Cardijn College Galilee our practices are based upon an agreed understanding of respect.

Respect for self
Respect for children
Respect for adults
Respect for learning
Respect for environment



As the students move into the Middle school you will notice the students step up from 5 R's to 5 C's.

Cooperation
Commitment
Community
Courtesy
Care

Establishing a shared set of expectations is an essential step in creating and maintaining a peaceful community. In each home room and you will see how each learning community are working towards these goals. This list of expectations is the basis of a community agreement and becomes a working document that will serve as a guide towards the goals and ideals. All members share the responsibility to encourage positive social participation, self-management and life-long learning.

*"Let us love not just in words and talk;
it must be true love, which shows itself in action".
1 John 3:18*

Kerri Gould
Deputy Head

Parents and Friends Group 2021

Our PFG are committed to supporting the building of a strong, united community. Would you like to make new friends, learn a new skill or share your skill or talent, with others and contribute to the school community?

Come along to our first meeting to find out more on:

Tuesday 23rd February at 9.00am in the staff room

Whether you know you want to be involved or just want to find out more information, **we would love to see you there!**

If you are unable to attend this meeting but would like to be involved, please email or contact Kerri Gould kgould@galilee.catholic.edu.au

Premier's Reading Challenge

At Cardijn College Galilee, we highly value literacy and love helping our students develop a love of reading. One of the ways we do this is through participation in the Premier's Reading Challenge. The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program designed to encourage students to read more books and enjoy reading! The first reading challenge was held in 2004. It is a fantastic way to develop a love of reading for leisure, pleasure and learning through quality literature.

The Challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and early September. This year we are aiming for 100% student participation in the challenge.

Students from Reception to Year 6 will be required to read 8 books from the extensive Premier's Reading Challenge booklist at an appropriate literacy level. They may read 4 books of their own choice. Students in Year 7 are required to read 4 books from the Reading Challenge booklist then select 8 books of their own choosing.

All students who participate in the Challenge will receive an award from the Premier, either a certificate or a medal.

So if you child is:
reluctant to read
voraciously reading
fascinated with a particular genre
looking for a new genre to try
enjoying reading for pleasure
not yet enjoying reading for pleasure
never without a book
never with a book
reading widely
not reading widely
... then the Premier's Reading Challenge is just for them!

Happy Reading,

Bec Little



Reading is for everyone!



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TOUR OF **GALILEE**

**THURSDAY
11 MARCH**

9.30AM & 6.30PM

**TUESDAY
4 MAY**

9.30AM & 6.30PM

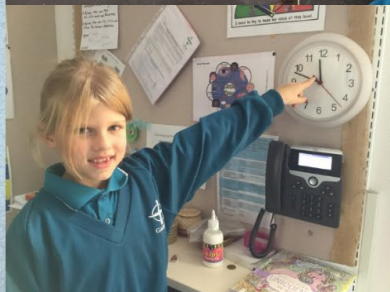
**SATURDAY
15 MAY**

9.30AM



BOOK ONLINE

www.galilee.catholic.edu.au



Join us as we proudly launch our school based resource:

All children are Mathematicians!

Wednesday 10th March 6pm
Cardijn College Galilee

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/all-children-are-mathematicians-revised-launch-date-tickets-138539482321>

Cardijn College Galilee are proud to announce the revised launch of their school based resource 'All Children are Mathematicians' on Wednesday the 10th March at 6pm. This publication documents an appreciative inquiry into mathematical practices and children's mathematical competencies at Galilee Catholic School (2016-2018). The resource is a collection of learning stories and teachers' reflection upon these stories revealing both the image of the competent child and competent teacher. We invite you to register your interest in attending through the Eventbrite link:

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/all-children-are-mathematicians-revised-launch-date-tickets-138539482321?fbclid=IwAR1WK--Vif7YxsA8ya7Mn_eZJDLO9Bn5TXvYNNtNQNTXzyb9Jh6gBiS-eXo

We look forward to sharing this exciting resource with you.

Catherine McCluskey and Carmen Moyse

Can you help?

Our year 1 and 2 children are looking for pots, pans, containers etc in safe used condition for sandpit play. If you have something you can donate please drop off at the front office.

Thank you, Stage 1 Children.





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 OpShop

CLOSED until further notice

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

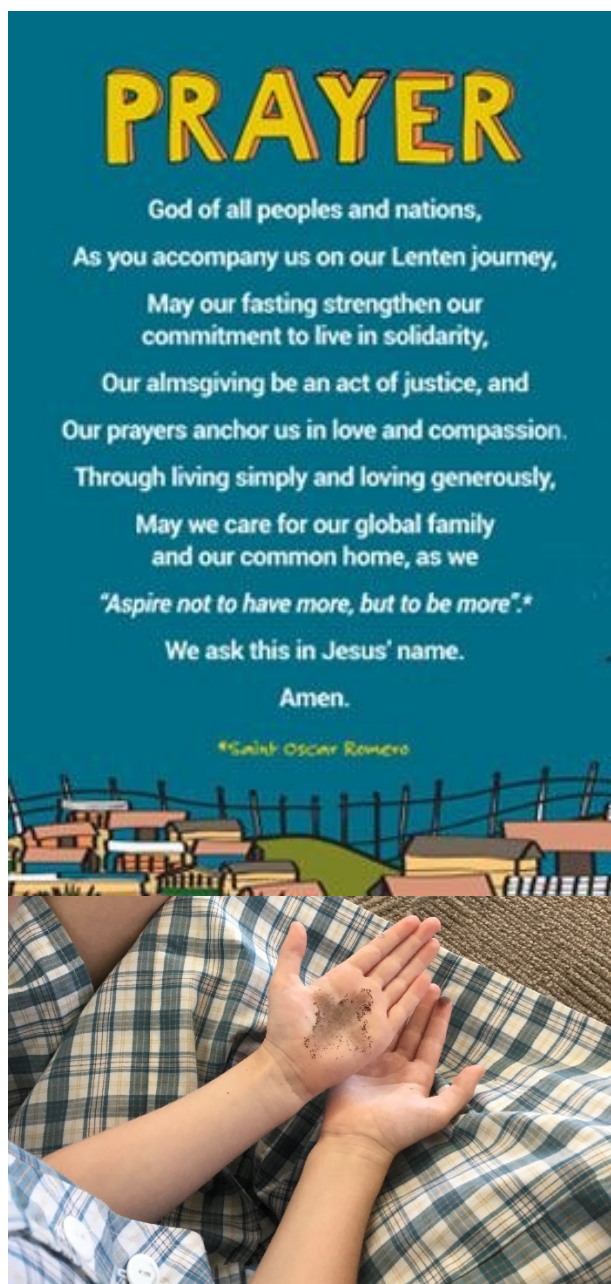
KEY DATES

Tues 23rd February Parents and Friends 9am

Mon 1st March Year 7 Camp

Wed 3rd March Year 6 Camp

Mon 8th March Adelaide Cup Holiday



We look forward to providing you with more information of these and future events. If you have any questions in the meantime please do not hesitate to contact us on 8557 9000.