



Dear Parents/ carers,

We've had another wonderful and busy term with so many achievements to celebrate!

Indonesia goes to school

On Friday 14 June we celebrated the extension of the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between Catholic Education South Australia and the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia in Canberra – an Education Cooperative.

Our students represented our campus with pride and reverence for the rich and full ceremony and official signing and delighted our special guests with Indonesian song, prayer and Anklung music performances. In return they were entertained by Pencak Silat – Martial Arts performances, Papuan songs, Indonesian and Legong dance. They even had a chance to sing, led by Mr Vedi Kurnia Buana (Consul General of the Republic of Indonesia, NSW) and Professor Muk-hamad Naj-ib (Education Attache for the Indonesian Embassy in Canberra). It's hard to say who was more delighted, our children or the special guests!

The celebrations continued with wonderful workshops for the students to experience cooking, food-tasting, dance, martial arts and batik printmaking as well as a special Indonesian lunch. Thank you to Mimi Thorpe for her coordination, enthusiasm and organisation of the day and for the cultural and language experience she provides to the students.

Milo turns 1!

Milo turned one last week, although our official celebrations will not occur until next term. Milo has graduated to spending time in class and is really shining on regulation walks around the oval, providing an opportunity for students to participate in Milo's care, scaffolded by inclusive education assistants, and a space for students to co-regulate in the fresh air with a furry friend. Keep an eye out for our superstar in his very first media appearance in the latest issue of Fleurieu Living Magazine!



Reception Mid-Year transitions

Our 17 new Reception students have settled into a beautiful routine during their recent transition visits. Last week they celebrated the end of their transition visit and the beginning of their school journey with a liturgy with their new teacher, Sophie Way, and their families.

Co-curricular

Our co-curricular offerings are increasing all the time at Galilee, and we are currently offering opportunities in Aerobics and Robotics competitions, Catholic School Music Festival Choir, after-school band and Middle school run club. Two Primary school Aerobics teams recently competed in the Australian Schoolaerobics competition and both teams made it through to the Nationals! We look forward to hearing more about this in term 3.

Volunteers

Following the relaunch of our Parent and Carers Engagement Group (former Parents and Friends), it has been wonderful this term to see a marked increase in the number of volunteers who are participating in events and offering their time for reading, library support, gardening, special lunches and so many things. It's an excellent example of families and schools working in partnership for our children, and we are very grateful for the support and participation and the opportunity to work side-by-side.

Technology Shed

It is with regret that I let you know we have experienced some delays and have not been able to start lessons in the technology shed. I will keep you updated in term 3 regarding progress of this space.

Semester One Reports

Today your child will bring home their semester one report. This is one of the many ways we communicate with you about your child's learning. I encourage you to take the time to reflect on your child's celebrations and achievements along with setting goals for semester two. On Friday 26th July we look forward to celebrating students' achievements with our academic assembly presenting certificates to students who have achieved in academic excellence and academic endeavour which support the Marist Charism, Love of Work.

Swimming

I cannot believe that we have had the coldest and wettest week of the year for our inaugural swimming lessons! With any event there is always learning and improvements. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we listen and reflect on the feedback. The communication from the swim instructors is that Galilee is one of the best schools they have had participate in water lessons. Well done to the students for their participation. A huge thank you to the teachers for their flexibility and enthusiasm during the final week of term.

In closing I hope you and your children have a wonderful term break and we look forward term 3 which starts on Monday 22nd July.

Kerri Gould
Head of Campus

As this term draws to a close and families prepare for school holidays and teachers for a week of professional development before they have a break, I am reminded of our Marist theme for this year 'First Light'. This theme invites us to recognise the world as the place in which we can see and discover God, particularly through creation. Throughout this term we have been reminded of this through Laudato Si' week, World Environment Day, Reconciliation Week and through our weekly Community Prayer. These special days and events give us an opportunity to engage with creation in new ways and remind us that it is our responsibility to care for the earth and preserve it for generations to come. However, it is not just at these times that we need to think about this, it is every day. As you begin this holiday, I invite you to think about where you can recognise and experience God's Spirit through the beauty and goodness of everything that the world holds and reveals. Take time to notice the rain dripping from the trees, the cloud formations in the winter sky, the fresh green growth in the grass and the comfort of a warm cup of tea on a cold day. 1 Corinthians 10:26 reminds us that EVERYTHING reveals the presence of God.



Celebrating the Sacraments

Congratulations to the following children who have taken part in the Sacramental Program this year: Aaliyah, Eli, Elijah, Georgia, Oliver, Riley and Sofia. On Tuesday 6 of these students were Confirmed by the Vicar General, Fr Dean Marin here at Mary of Galilee Church in a beautiful service. On Saturday all these students will make their First Communion at 5:15pm at Mary of Galilee Church. We pray for these students as they reach this important milestone in their faith journey and that they continue to grow in God's love and experience the presence of Jesus in their lives.



Vinnies

St Vincent de Paul Society- Would you like to help?

As you know, we have a very active Mini-Vinnies group at Galilee and we know that social justice and helping people in need is important to many of us in the community.

If you are interested in getting more involved, we will be holding a meeting here at Galilee on Tuesday 2nd July at 5pm to find out more information.

Kevin Liston, the regional manager for St Vincent de Paul, will be here to share a little bit about what Vinnies does and ways that you might like to be involved.

If you are interested in attending this meeting, please let Kim Calderbank know, or email kim.calderbank@cardijn.catholic.edu.au.

Mini-Vinnies News

It has been a busy term for the Mini-Vinnies group, as they took action to help people in our local community experiencing poverty and homelessness. Thank you to all of the families who sent in non-perishable food items to donate to Vinnies, these have been given to our local Vinnies pantry and will help to put food on the tables of people who are going through tough times. They ran a cake stall at our Family Mass, raising \$234 for Vinnies and went to the local supermarket to buy food for Vinnies with this money. On Friday 21st June we held the Vinnies Winter Sleep-out here at school. The students learnt more about the work that Vinnies does, they sorted the food items, made felt hearts and engaged in prayer and reflection. They slept on the floor of the hall, to stand in solidarity and experience what it is like to go without the luxuries that we enjoy each day. We look forward to appointing some new leaders next semester and remind students that everyone from Year 3-6 is welcome to be a part of Mini-Vinnies. We also celebrate the students who have been consistently come to meetings, and who have reached more than 10 sessions and earned their Mini-Vinnies badges. Well done, your commitment is appreciated!

Our Mini-Vinnies group will be leading our first community prayer next term, we hope that you can join us on Wednesday morning, followed by a barista coffee in the piazza!



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COLLEGE
GALILEE CAMPUS
Presents:
A CONCERT WITH
Andrew Chinn

Composer of:

These Hands
Rainbow
May God Be in My Heart
Together As One
In The Beginning
An African Blessing
Ubuntu
Rise Up!
We Are God's Hands
& Holy Spirit Come



Andrew Chinn is coming!!

In some very exciting news... next term we will have Andrew Chinn coming to Galilee!

On Monday the 5th of August the students will take part in workshops with Andrew Chinn, who is a very well-known and accomplished religious musician. We use many of Andrew's songs for prayer, liturgy and Eucharistic celebrations.

The day will finish with a concert, in which all families are welcome.

More information will be sent out in Week 1.





One tree per child program – Onkaparinga Council

Galilee was fortunate to be a part of the 'One tree per child Program' run by the Onkaparinga Council. We were gifted nearly 40 trees to re-establish our Sheoak forest and wetlands. The Youth Environment Group, Year 9 Passionate Permaculture students and Year 2 students were part of the day. These trees will provide vital food and habitat to the Yellow tailed black cockatoos as well as other birds and animals who are Indigenous to the area.

A big thank you to all the students who were involved as well as Lauren Dew from Onkaparinga Council, Jeremy Gramp from Green Adelaide, Michael from Maintenance/Grounds, Courtney and Andy.

Carmen Moyse
Eco Literacy Coordinator





First Nations Education

During this term the Year 9 Passionate Permaculture students have been caring for Galilee's Community Garden beds. Our Indigenous garden bed has been growing one of the species of Salt bush. During Permaculture Principle 1 'Observe and Interact', students noticed the how big the salt bush was growing and decided to harvest and try propagating the plant. Many of the salt bush varieties can be used in various cooking ways including cutting up finely to be used to add a salty flavour to many dishes,

As part of their Permaculture Action assessment the Year 9 students set up a 'market stall' to gift propagated salt bush for the community to grow at home.

The Year 9 students are looking for new ideas on Indigenous plants to plant in the Winter/Kudlila (Karna language) season. Please see the front office staff if you have any suggestions.

Carmen Moyse





If your child is going to be absent, late, or leaving early please notify the office by SMS on 0438 631 312 or email GalileeAbsentee@galilee.catholic.edu.au 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

Mondays during term time
9am – 10.30am
Melanie Wilson p 85502200

Second-hand uniform

Opening times
Wed 8.30am – 9.15am
Fri 8.30 – 9.15am
Fri 2.30pm – 3.15pm

KEY DATES

2024 TERM 2

Campus Calendar

Week 10

Mon 1 - Fri 5 July

PUPIL FREE WEEK
- Staff Professional Learning

Term 3

Week 1

Mon 22 July

School term begins

Wed 24 July

Community Prayer - Yr 3 Nizzola

Fri 26 July

Whole School Academic Assembly

Week 2

Wed 31 July

Community Prayer - Yr 1 Forbes

Thu 1 Aug

Year 2 Excursion

Week 3

Wed 7 Aug

Community Prayer - Yr 4 Currie



Mid year reception transition & liturgy