Greetings everyone.

This Saturday evening many children and their families from our school will be celebrating their first Eucharist during the 5.30pm parish Mass at Mary of Galilee church. This celebration will mark another significant step along their journey in faith where they can experience the presence of God in their lives, in relationship with their faith community and family. The children and their families have prepared in partnership with Ms. Sharon Doyle, Miss Kerri Gould and Sr. Margaret Ann. I would like to acknowledge these people and the families for their commitment to supporting their children’s journey in faith in such a life-giving manner. Kerri Gould has some further information about this celebration in this newsletter.

On Sunday, the Catholic parishes and schools in the southern region will be joining together to strengthen their understandings and relationships with each other at the Regional Expo Day at All Saints Catholic School gymnasium at Seaford at 12.30pm. Members of the Galilee Catholic Community (school and parish) will be sharing information about the wonderful things that are celebrated in our community such as the learning we enjoy, the community connections, celebrations, services to families and more. You are all invited to attend and learn more about our community and the neighbouring catholic communities in our region as well as enjoy moments of prayer, joy and a meal with friends.

Next week, we will all be engaging in our term 3 learning conversations where children, families and teachers discuss achievements, challenges and goals for learning. These are an important time where we can engage our children in their learning journey through respectful conversation and show them that we are working in partnership with them and their teacher in a positive and constructive manner. If you wish to discuss your child’s learning in the specialist areas of art, music, Italian or eco-literacy, you can contact these specialist teachers through the front office and the teachers will be able to make a time with you.

I hope you are enjoying the increasing amount of sunshine that we are beginning to see. This time is a wonderful time of the year in which we can begin to return to our gardens and outside spaces to enjoy these spaces with the family. We are beginning to see new growth in the plants around Galilee too, which brings great excitement and inspiration for bringing new life to our learning and the way in which we see each other. It certainly is a wonderful time of the year.

In the spirit of new life in spring, it is with great excitement that we can announce that Nicole and Sean Perry are celebrating the birth of young Theodore Michael yesterday morning. Everyone is doing well and we look forward to Nicole and Theodore visiting sometime in the future.

God bless.
Anthony Garton
Acting Principal
‘Galilee Twilight Supper and Art Show’ and ‘Galilee Family Fun Fair and Art Show’
The Parents and Friends Co-ordinating group are organising a Twilight Supper and Art Show on the evening of Friday 23rd October. This is going to be a wonderful evening, showcasing art pieces from our children and local artists. The cost of the Supper is $30pp which includes cocktail menu catered by the Salopian Inn and the Fleurieu Kitchen, with local wines available for purchase, supplied by Geddes Wines and Dowie Doole. A separate notice will be sent out soon regarding purchasing tickets for the night.

The Twilight Supper will be followed by the ‘Galilee Family Fair and Art Show’ on Saturday 24th October which will showcase the creativity of our children and local artists whilst including a variety of market stalls, activities for children, food, drinks and fun. Exhibited art will also be available for purchase.

We are currently calling for market stall holders who would like to be involved in the Family Fair day, the price per stall is $10 for a stall under the veranda and $15 for a marquee stall. We are also asking for donations of fire wood. If you are able to donate fire wood or if you are interested in being involved in either the Friday or Saturday event please leave your contact details at the front office for Amy Dicks and Sarah Adams who will make contact with you.

Collection of junk jewellery for the Junk Jools Fiesta stand
One of the activities at the Fun Fair will include the ‘Junk Jools Fiesta’. We are calling for donations of crafty jewellery making items. These items can include beads, buttons, plastic flowers, tiaras, key rings, old sunglasses plastic headbands and any type of pre-loved or unwanted jewellery. We would also accept clasps, bead wire, broach backings etc.
The ‘Junk Jools Donation Box’ will be located on the decking outside the office door during school hours. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Special Burrito Lunch – Thursday 17th September
A reminder about our upcoming special lunch event organised by the PFCG– Burrito Day will be held on Thursday 17th September. The PFCG will be supplying the wraps, meat and beans (vegetarian, GF and Dairy free available). We ask families to bring in a salad item, grated cheese, sour cream or sauces etc. We are also asking for parent helpers on the day. If you are able to help by supplying food or volunteering your time, please indicate on the form that was sent home last week. Your help is always much appreciated.

**The cost for the burrito is $2. Please bring the money on the day and give it to your homeroom teacher who will keep record.** If your child does not wish to eat a burrito please send them with their regular healthy packed lunch.

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**Enrolment News**

Hi everyone,

I am writing to share some information regarding enrolments at Galilee. You may have heard in the media that some changes are to be implemented regarding enrolments in Catholic Schools in South Australia. After an extensive community consultation Catholic Education SA has reviewed their enrolment policies and can now provide two intakes of Reception students each year. We have decided to implement this at Galilee with a start date dependent on numbers of applicants.

The first intake (Term 1) includes children who turn 5 on or before April 30th. The second intake (Term 3) includes children who turn 5 on or before October 31st.

At this stage we are considering implementing this from next year (2016) however this will depend on numbers. If you wish for your child to be considered for Term 3 intake for 2016 and they will turn 5 on or before October 31st 2016 please collect an enrolment application form at the front office.

At Galilee siblings have a priority enrolment. This means that if you already have a child attending Galilee, their younger siblings will have a place. **However to ensure this place is set for your child you still need to submit an enrolment application form as soon as possible.**

If you have any questions regarding enrolment at Galilee please do not hesitate to contact me on 8557 9004 or njwalters@galilee.catholic.edu.au
Places are characterised by their people, objects and activities. These photos show Aja, Skye and Tyler, Lara and Amaya configuring places to play at outside learning time.

Researcher and educator David Sobel writes that “it is crucial for children to participate in world-making or world-shaping activities. Children need the opportunity to create and manipulate, to organize a world and then find places within it to become themselves.” At Galilee we agree so we encourage children to construct places and, in the process, to build affirming relationships with others and the world around them. This term place making is also a great introduction to Stage One’s Geography topic.

Axle is proud that he “made this part of the cubby”, Kyan is “cooking dinner” and Steven is waiting ’til dinner is ready then will “(pretend) to eat it”.

Constructing Places at Galilee
Pope Francis' Encyclical ‘Laudato Si’
Last Tuesday evening members from the Archdiocese of Adelaide were invited to a seminar where Earthcare Australia Director, Ms Jacqui Remond and Fr Denis Edwards, Australian Ecological Theologian engaged in dialogue about the Pope’s invitation for us all to renew and deepen our response to being Caretaker’s of God’s creation. The document is a call to conversion and action. Caring for the environment is now even more clearly and surely part of the Church’s teaching. I wonder what is your lasting memory of being in nature? I wonder how this might deepen or connect you with faith, creation and with God? What are your hopes for your child? What connections to the children today have with creation? Pope Francis calls on the family, Catholic schools, seminaries and universities to be the means to develop “awareness of our common origin, of mutual belonging, and of a future to be shared with everyone” (LS202). Thank you to Karen Edwards, Paul Johnson and Merenia Vince who attended this event on behalf of the community.

St Vincent de Paul
On Monday 7th September the local members from the St Vincent de Paul Society had a commissioning celebration in the church followed by a shared lunch in the hall. Thank you to representatives from the schools Mini Vinnies group Roman, Jackson, Montana, Jasmin, Olivia and Maya who attend and helped at this event.

First Eucharist
This Saturday, 12th September, at the 5.30pm Family Mass several children will celebrate their First Eucharist. We congratulate these children and wish them all the best. Georgia Moore, Sebastian Antonowicz, Brady McDonald, Michaela McDonald, Jacob McDonald, Ashley Hooper, James Potter, Frank Tiedje, Ethan Flack, Samuel Flack, Rhys Middleton, Isabel Grimwood, Max Carr, Eamon Lawrence, Kaylee Brookes and Ravyn Taylor.

Regional Gathering
The Catholic parishes of the Southern Fluerieu and Kangaroo Island have been engaged in a process of ‘Renewing Church’ together. A number of initiatives have been implemented that have seen successful collaboration among the five parishes. On Sunday 13th September a regional gathering is going to be held at All Saints primary school gymnasium, which will showcase the various groups, services and schools operating within the parishes. Families are warmly welcomed to this event, which begins at 12.30pm with a prayer and shared meal followed by an expo and an address by Fr Phillip Marshall finishing at 4pm. It will be an occasion for networking, acknowledging and celebrating all that occurs within these communities.

Father’s Day
I hope all Father’s had a great day on Sunday 6th September. Last week at community prayer my home group gave thanks for all the special people in our lives. Let us remember to give thanks for all the acts of kindness and love we are shown.

Harry – Help us to say thank you to those who help us.

Marley – Please look after all Dads this Father’s Day

Jade – Thank you for my Mum and dad who feed me everyday and night. Look after them.

Archie B – Thank you for our Dads who care for us and keep us safe.

James – Thank you for our Dads who help us all the time like washing the car and riding our bike without training wheels.

Kerri Gould
Can you supply donations to help for Pastoral Care?

As part of our Chaplaincy programme and pastoral care for families at Galilee we have a weekly soup kitchen. At present we are seeking donations of pantry items. Merenia will prepare the dishes with the help of students, parents and carers. The main dishes that are made each week, depending on the ingredients donated, are vegetarian fried rice, filo parcels, pasta bake, and soup in the cooler months. Meals are delivered freshly-made for families in need including those contacted through St Vincent de Paul. “We made food to help people who aren’t as lucky as us.” – Mali, Miss Little’s class.

When someone is in need in our community, from illness, a death in the family, a new baby, stress or financial hardship, we ask people to contact the office so that we can prepare a meal for them. So let us know if you have a friend in need. This is one of the ways we connect with one another and build community at Galilee.

Suggestions for donations

- Rice, Pasta, Rolled oats, Vegetable Oil/Olive Oil, Eggs, Tinned tuna, Tinned beans (chickpeas, butterbeans etc)

“When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed.”
— Maya Angelou

Fruit Roster Volunteers Wanted!

Each morning we provide a platter of fresh fruit as “brain food” for every child. In order to provide this we rely on volunteer help to prepare the platters each day. It takes around 15 minutes in the morning at drop off time if we have enough volunteers. In the next week I will be preparing a roster each for Stage 1 (including Receptions) and Stage 2 (including Stage 3).

It’s also a lovely opportunity to be able to connect with other parents. If you can help and would like to be placed on the roster please fill out the slip below and return to your child’s homeroom teacher or to the front office. Alternatively please email me on the email address below.

I look forward to hearing from you.

IF YOU REQUIRE MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT JO SICHERI ON 8557 9000 OR jsicheri@galilee.catholic.edu.au

Fruit Preparation Reply Slip - (please return to Jo Sicheri by Thursday 17th September 2015)

I would like to be added to the fruit preparation roster.

Name:_____________________________________ Child’s Homeroom:____________
Contact phone number:_______________________

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY
STAGE 1 & Reception (please circle). Stage 2 & Stage 3 (please circle).
Galilee Twilight Supper, Art Show and Family Fun Fair – Fri 23rd and Sat 24th October
Please look out for the note in the newsletter from our P&F regarding this community event. We’re very excited and looking forward to showcasing art in our community as well as building community connections.

Comments from students in Ms Guilfoyle’s learning community …

“I’m going to paint a picture of a dragon. I really like dragons and I like putting in the detail on dragons – like scales, and different types of dragon eyes.”

“I might do a painting of all different colours splodged on the paper. It’s kind of a feelings painting – just letting the feelings on to the paper. I learnt that in art therapy.”

“We’re just really excited because everyone can put their art into the exhibition and everyone can come and look at it. We can’t wait to see the artwork.”

“I think it’s clever. I love art. You can display your art work even when you’re a kid.”

Come along and look out for these wonderful works of art!

Many thanks to the teams of parents, carers, staff, students and local community members who are all working hard to create a wonderful community event!

Staff Professional Learning and Pupil Free Day
Just a reminder about our Pupil Free Day next week Friday 18th September, when the staff will gather with renowned educator, Bill Hansberry. This day gives staff a significant opportunity to further develop our school focus on Behaviour Education and Restorative Practice. Bill works with many school communities on practical strategies for building constructive and lasting approaches to the development of personal responsibility. Bill will help us reflect on best practice approaches and problem-solve around specific areas of need. We look forward to sharing something of the work on this day with the whole community.

Uniform News

Spring is here and that means warmer weather and nearly Summer Uniform time!!

Remember the Second hand Uniform shop has a selection of Summer Uniforms boys/girls and also a selection of NEW uniforms for sale.

We are having a SALE on the NEW Summer uniforms with 20% off the RRP, so if we have your size please drop by and save a drive!

Uniform Shop Opening Hours

Monday: Morning and Afternoon
Wednesday: Morning and Afternoon

Morning opening times: 8.45am-9.15am-Afternoon 3.00pm-3.30pm
Please text if your child is going to be absent, late, leaving early for an appointment etc, you can send a SMS text message before 9am on m) 0407761162. Note new number.

Please provide child’s name, reason, and teacher. Please record this number in your mobile.

Q Can I buy a Galilee school hat from the front office at school?
A Yes. Hats are $16 each and will be available from the front office. We have two sizes and styles available; bucket and slouch. Small/medium or large/extra-large.

Q Do private music tutors teach lessons on site at Galilee?
A Yes for Guitar, Piano and for Violin. If you are interested in private tuition for your child you can contact the relevant tutor below and they will provide information about lessons which are held on site and during the school day. These lessons are rostered at a different time each week so that your child will not miss out on the same lesson each week. i.e. the lesson may be at 9am one week and at 10am the next and so forth. For more information contact:

GUITAR: Tammara Wellman 0410595300
VIOLIN: Robin Anthony 0450981476
PIANO: Beth Maddock 0412284594
DRUMS: Kyrie Anderson 0403882382

Q Where is the Lost Property located?
A Lost Property is located adjacent the Front Office on the Eastern side. Lost property will be cleared out each fortnight.

Q When is the Second Hand Uniform shop open?
A Yes. The uniform shop will be open the following times this term:

MONDAY Morning and afternoon
WEDNESDAY Morning and afternoon

Morning opening times: 8.45am–9.15am - Afternoon 3.00pm–3.30pm
At present we have some jumpers missing. Please check through your school jumper supplies for any accidental strays. Many labelled jumpers have gone walkabout and may have unintentionally found a place within your collection. Could you please check for a jumper labelled ‘Ruby McGrath’

Q Are invoices for sporting events, camps, soccer etc. covered by our regular fee instalment?
A No they are not. All extra-curricular invoices need to be paid separately the weekly fee amount does not cover these, if required payment arrangements can be made by emailing or phoning our finance officer Kylie Taylor finance@galilee.catholic.edu.au
**Polly’s Pirate School Play**


**Nature Play**


**School Dental Service**

The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider. All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome to attend. Dental care is FREE for most children. A small fee may apply for children who are not eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. All dental care provided is FREE for preschool children. To locate your local School Dental Clinic, or for more information about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, visit [www.sadental.sa.gov.au](http://www.sadental.sa.gov.au) or p) 8384 9244.

**Organic Vegetable Market Stall**


**Aldinga Summer Netball Competition**

It is time to start thinking about getting teams together for the summer netball competition held on Thursday nights at the Aldinga Netball Club. As always we would love to have teams from Galilee enter in U9’s, U11’s, U13’s. Team registrations will close on Friday 25th September with the first games starting on Thursday 15th October.

**Aldinga Recreation Centre**

2 McRae Street, Aldinga Beach SA 5173

- **Junior Basketball Clinic** - Held Monday 5-6pm - $5 per child
- **Junior Netball Clinic** - Held Monday 4-5pm - $5 per child
- **Junior Soccer Clinic** - Held Friday 4-5pm - $5 per child

Please contact Maureen p) 1300454906 or e) aldingarec@belgravialeisure.cm.au if you would like to register.

**Newsletter contributions:** All items for the newsletter should be submitted by 3pm on Tuesday. Please email items to jsicheri@galilee.catholic.edu.au. We will try to include things with as few amendments as possible, but sometimes we need to conserve space. Items included are at the Principal’s discretion. Address: Cnr How and Quinliven Rds, Aldinga SA 5173 P) 8557 9000, F) 8557 9099 W) [www.galilee.catholic.edu.au](http://www.galilee.catholic.edu.au)