Diary Dates

SEPTEMBER 2015
Dance Performance – 9.15am
Mr Nizzola & Ms Kinnear’s h/group
Stg 3 Walk to Shark Park
End of Term 3

OCTOBER 2015
PUPIL FREE DAY  12th MONDAY
Term 4 Commences
Tuesday
Family Mass
6.00pm
Principal’s Tour
SACPSSA Handball Carnival
Art Exhibition Launch
Art Exhibition Day
Saturday
Principal’s Tour
Sacrament Parent Meeting
Parents only – 6.30pm
Instrumental evening
6.00pm – 7.15pm
Principal’s Tour
GCCC Meeting
Dowie Doole

NOVEMBER 2015
Reconciliation Workshop
5.30pm

EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURE
2.30pm - TUESDAY - 10th
Year 7 Reflection Day
Reconciliation Liturgy
6.30pm
Willunga High Transition Visit
PFCG Meeting
Greetings everyone.

We are in the midst of our final week of term 3 which has seen some great achievements across the school by individuals, groups and the wider community. Some of the great things enjoyed and celebrated this term include:

- Children celebrating First Eucharist
- Galilee Aeroskools teams won their categories
- 3/4/5 Choir sang at Aldinga aged care facility
- Students attended the Cross Country carnival
- Early Years students enjoyed dance
- Galilee weekend soccer teams competed
- Term 3 learning conversations
- Book Week

Term 4 is going to be a wonderful time to be at Galilee too. It will bring more opportunities for our community to learn and celebrate with each other, such as:

- Summer netball
- Catholic Charities Market Day
- ATSI Children’s Art Day
- Galilee Art Exhibition
- SACPSSA European Handball Carnival
- Remembrance Day
- Advent Pageant
- Vinnie’s Christmas Hampers Collection
- Year 7 Sending Forth
- Transition Days

The site for the new admin building and landscaping may begin to be prepared later next term as well. We hope the building process will be completed mid next year if all goes to schedule. The new admin building and landscaping will create wonderful spaces both inside and outside for our community to gather, learn, celebrate and strengthen relationships. You are welcome to view the plans on display in the front office.

Jodie Higgins will return from her leave at the beginning of term 4. I’m sure Jodie will have so many great experiences that she will be keen to share with the community, especially from her work at Stonefields School in NZ and Holy Family Catholic School in Parafield Gardens. We are all looking forward to Jodie returning so that we can also share with her what wonderful things have been happening while she has been learning abroad.

One of the things I have been reflecting on recently is change. Change is something that I can find challenging just as we all can. Sometimes change is smooth, other times it is challenging. During the past six or so weeks we have experienced changes at Galilee with staff taking leave and new staff replacing them, leadership staff undertaking different roles, the weather warming up slowly but surely, new families joining our community and more. I have realised the things we value so highly at Galilee have also guided me (and others) through these changes and continue to grow. These values are:

- Welcoming: We welcome the new opportunities that change can bring with an open mind
- Respecting: We respect each other and what we can bring to this time of change
- Constructing: We collaborate and support each other constructively during change

It has been wonderful to work with students, teachers and families as Acting Principal during the past six weeks. I have appreciated your support and constructive engagement at Galilee along with the staff and children in a number of events and projects. I would also like to thank the Galilee Catholic Community Council for their support and wisdom too.

I trust you enjoy the upcoming school holiday break with your family. Don’t forget that our very own Galilee OSHC have a wonderful Vacation Care program that can be enjoyed during the break too.

God bless.
Anthony Garton,
Acting Principal
Supporting positive student relationships and behaviour
Last Friday the entire staff of Galilee gathered with Bill Hansberry, renowned educator and author who facilitated our professional learning day on Behaviour Education with a special focus on Restorative Practice. Jhovana Fenu from the Catholic Education Office Behaviour Education Team, and who works with our staff, was also able to join us.

Apart from being an engaging speaker and teacher, Bill provided opportunities for wide-ranging learning about restorative approaches to relationships and behaviour. He provided clarity about these approaches which are neither ‘punitive’ nor ‘permissive’, but which engage students (and adults) in a range of ways to own and be held accountable for, our behaviour in relationship.

This very practical day of learning will be followed up throughout next term when Jhovana will continue to work with us, as we further develop our policy and practice.

It was a wonderful day in terms of both content and the benefits that come from our whole staff being able to learn together.

Family Fun Fair help request
As part of our major fundraiser for the year we are having a family fun fair on Saturday the 24th of October. We will be cooking a sausage sizzle and are asking for parents to volunteer an hour or so of their time to run it. We would also love for someone to Co-ordinate the BBQ in the lead up to the event and on the day. If you are interested please fill out the form that went out this week or leave your details in the office.

Burrito day
A Big thankyou to all the parents that volunteered their time to help ‘Burrito day’ run so smoothly. Also thank you to everyone who donated food items to Burrito day, the response was overwhelming and all leftovers went to Fred’s Van to help feed those in need. It seemed to be a hit with the children and hopefully it’s something we can do again in 2016.

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. Tickets are now available and can be purchased over the phone, via direct debit or through the office (please see attached).

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 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.

Donations
With the above event running over 2 days, we hope to have a silent auction as we did at last year’s quiz night on the Friday night. Secondly, we would like to have a raffle, we will sell tickets in the lead up to the event and then throughout the event and it will be drawn on the Saturday afternoon. Your participation could be in the form of a generous donation of products or services. As first prize in the raffle we are putting together a local produce hamper so if you’re a small business owner or make something that you would like us to include in the hamper please drop it off to the office by the end of the term.

Collection of junk jewellery for the Junk Jools Bonanza stand
One of the activities at the Fun Fair will include the ‘Junk Jools Bonanza’. 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.
Exciting Book Fair News
There were lots of conversations happening about books at our recent Scholastic Book Fair. Students and families gathered to look at books that were on display. Students also had the opportunity to write down a variety of books for their personal 'wish list' as well as for the Galilee Library. Many thanks must go to Sarah Adams and Jo Antonowitz who organised and set up the Fair and also to Helen Smith, Michelle Sywak and Tegan Monaghan who also helped throughout the two days. Without these wonderful volunteers the Book Fair would not be possible. The school is now able to purchase books and resources to the value of $750.00. What an amazing effort! Thanks to all the families and friends who were able to support this very special fundraiser, without your generosity the Book Fair would not be this successful.
Happy Reading!

Premier's Reading Challenge
Each year our school participates in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Over the years Galilee has consistently received rewards and acknowledgment for our outstanding participation rate in the challenge. This year, for the very first time, we had 100% of our students complete the challenge! This would not be possible without the wonderful work and encouragement by the teachers at Galilee and also importantly, support by families. So thank you for making reading a daily habit for your child and lifelong joy. All students are encouraged to borrow library books from school over the holidays and don’t forget the fun school holiday activities at Aldinga Library.
Happy Reading,
Karen Edwards
KLT/Librarian

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”.
As my time in this role comes to an end I would like to thank the community for your support. I have thoroughly enjoyed this experience and the opportunity to contribute to the Galilee community in this way. At Galilee ‘welcome’ is a value we constantly reflect upon. In my work over the last six weeks I have been grateful for the ways families, staff and students have made me feel welcome into this role.

“Our love should not be just words and talk; but must be true love, which shows itself in action.”

1 John 3:18

This week at community prayer Mrs Fragnito’s learning community helped us reflect on the gift of flowers and the changing season from winter to spring and all the joy it brings to us. I hope over the holidays that you may get some time to stop and notice nature and the beauty it brings.

Layla: Dear God, Thank you for flowers. They turn into fruit we can eat then. They give food to animals. They look pretty. They give shelter to insects. They make us feel happy.

Oliver: Dear God, Thank you for making the flowers. They make our hearts feel happy.

Eliza: Dear God, Thank you for the flowers because they make our environment pretty and we can use them to make decorations.

Chayce: Dear God, Thank you for making the flowers for the garden. Thank you for sunflowers, they are my favourite.

Staff Retreat Day
On Monday 12th October all Galilee staff will gather for a day of reflection and spiritual connection. We begin our time together with a mass with Father Charles and during the rest of our time we will be lead by Cathy Whewell. Cathy was part of the Galilee Governing council in the early days of Galilee and has worked with Galilee staff on a staff retreat day before.

She will help staff to notice life at Galilee, discover each of our experience and perspectives of working at Galilee and reflect on Galilee’s current story and consider future needs and hopes to build a community well-being. Over the past two weeks we have asked families to consider what they see at Galilee that inspires and delights them and these thoughts have been recorded on our wall of wonder poster that we will take with us on the day as a way of holding the community close as we reflect. We look forward to sharing insights from this day with you in term four.

Sacraments
In term four the next cycle of the sacrament program begins. If you would like your child to participate in making the sacrament of Reconciliation in term four or Confirmation or First Eucharist next year, could you please fill in the attached form and return it to the front office. Any questions please speak to Sharon Doyle of Sr. Margaret Ann.

Happy Holidays!
Kerri Gould
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:_______________________

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Please text if your child is going to be absent, late, leaving early for an appointment etc, you can send an 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:

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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.

Q Are invoices for sporting events, camps, soccer etc. covered by our regular fee instalment?
A No. 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
Interschool Gymkhana
The Eastern Fleurieu School Interschool Gymkhana was extremely well attended this year with a huge field of competitors from schools across Adelaide. Representing Galilee were Amber Thomas on her pony Rocket, Rhys Middleton on Molly and Eliza Reichenbach riding Bobby. They competed in large fields in classes including rider, hack, smartest on parade. The afternoon saw competition in show jumping, barrel racing and fun races such as sack race and can race. The team had a successful day, all bringing home ribbons, including a reserve champion for Amber. We look forward to next year's gymkhana and hope to have more riders join the team.

Nature Play
School Holiday Ideas & A Slower Childhood
With the school holidays just around the corner there are some great ideas from Nature Play SA - Things to do.

25 Things to do in Spring
- Try Geocaching
- Build a Cubby
- Make a Kite

You might also like to read about A SLOWER CHILDHOOD in Frankly Mag http://cathfamily.org/franklymag/

Married Couples – ‘Make your kids Happy’
Leave the children for a weekend and try a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on 23rd – 25th October 2015. For more information call Geraldine and Malachy on p) 0437388513 or e) marriageencountersa@gmail.com or go to www.wwme.org.au

Aldinga Bay Surf Life Saving Club
Family Friendly. Grand Final Day, Saturday 3rd October. BBQ 12.00pm onwards. All welcome. Lazy Sunday is back, first Sunday every month. 12.00pm – 5.00pm. Live music. Food and drinks available. Lunch bookings advised p) 0449898925.

Get in 2 fun Get in 2 Cricket
Milo in2cricket introduces girls and boys aged 5 – 8 to cricket. Held at Reynella Oval, Oval Road, Old Reynella From Saturday 31st October 9.00am – 10.00am. Programme costs $85.00 and overs 5 weeks Term 4, 2015 and 5 weeks in Term 1, 2016 with a bonus Participant pack. To register go to www.placricket.com.au

Wonderful World of Toddlers
Free parenting seminar. Are you the parent or carer of a 1-3 year old? Want to understand their feelings and behaviour? To register p) 83031660 or e) health.parentingsa@health.sa.gov.au Wednesday 4th November, 7.15pm – 9.00pm Adelaide Convention Centre, North Tce, Adelaide