



Year 6 adventure camp!

# TOGETHER WE GROW

## Dear Parent/Carers,

As we head towards the end of the term we have done so much and there is still so much more to come. There have been camps, excursions, sporting carnivals and also the Cardijn College Sports Day that our Year 7 children took part in. They all had a great time representing their houses of MacKillop, Romero and Kolbe. Congratulations to Mitchell House for taking out Sports Day and the Brother Walter Smith Cup and also to Faulkner House who won the Spirit Trophy.

## Sports Day 2021

This year Cardijn College Galilee will be having Sports Day as well on Friday 9 April. The children have been practising the different events and being part of their own sports team – Banksia, Sheoak, Wattle and Marigold. Sports day is a wonderful community event in the life of the school and parents are more than welcome to attend. To assist with monitoring visitor attendance, we ask that all visitors register their attendance using a registration link, which will come out next week with more information about Sports day 2021. We look forward to a great day of sporting endeavours.

## Bullying. No Way!

On Friday we will come together as a school to say Bullying. No Way! This is the National Day of Action against bullying and violence and schools all around Australia will use this day to continue the conversation to address bullying. The children will work on some activities and deliver the message that bullying and violence has no place in our community. More information about this will follow from Miss Gould.

## Learning Conversations

Next week you are invited to join with your child and their teacher in learning conversations. This is an opportunity to come together to share in their learning and see how we can all work in community for your child. Please take the opportunity to book in with the teachers ([www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) code **apusx**).

If the times do not work for you as a family, please get in touch with your child's teacher to see if another more mutually agreeable time can be made.

## Feedback Survey

Lastly a reminder to complete the feedback survey that was sent out early this week. Your feedback is important to us, so please spare a few moments to share @ <http://bit.ly/2Q9jWnW> Thank you.

Have a great week everyone.

Kind regards,

Nick Wright

Head of Campus

***Camp was breathtaking and amazing. It was like nothing we've done before. The best part for me was laser skirmish because we got to work as a team and we even had team captains! I got closer to a lot of people***  
***Ella Yr 6***



## All are Welcome!

Each morning all home groups take part in a morning welcome. This routine looks different according to the age and needs of each home group, but the primary purpose of this welcome is to support each child to establish connection.

We make sense of our learning by connecting with what is around us, where we are and who we are with. This welcome develops a sense of emotional safety in the context of establishing the home room community. It brings people together, supports relationships and creates connections. Creating connections is more than a lone process but a process involving all of the community.

**Thus, it is very important children are on time each morning and establish a positive learning culture at the beginning of the day.**

It is a whole school approach that fits in to the rhythm of a day. At Cardijn College Galilee we believe welcome is first and foremost to being community. The research shows that belonging to a school is key to well-being and achievement as is connection within the family. Belonging starts with the way we welcome each and every one!

### Parents and Friends Group

This year our Parents and Friends group look forward to welcoming parents and carers to join them. The Parent and Friends support the leadership team in the overall aim of building community. I would like to thank the 2020 team for all of their support and look forward to growth of a larger team in 2021. I know there are already some great and exciting projects in the making. If you would like to find out more about the Parents and Friends come along to the family room on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 9am. Parent and Friends meetings will be held in weeks 2, 5 and 8 of each term. If you are unable to attend a meeting but would like to be involved, please email or contact me, [kgould@galilee.catholic.edu.au](mailto:kgould@galilee.catholic.edu.au).

Wishing you all a great week.  
Kerri Gould  
Deputy Head

## The Buddy Bench

Marlee from Mrs. Janssan's learning group came up with an idea of having a Buddy Bench at school and took this proposal to Student Executive. People without someone to play with could sit on the bench and then others could ask them to play. Students agreed it would be a good thing to do. Leadership said we could use one of the Blue seats near Stage 1. The students decorated some letters saying, 'Buddy Bench' and we found a Buddy Bear to sit on the Buddy Bench. Students in the homeroom also wrote some questions that people could ask each other.

**Annabelle and Laila explain how it works here:**

Do you feel lonely or sad? No-one to play with? Feeling depressed by friendship issues?

We have a solution: The Buddy Bench!!!

If you don't feel good today, come and sit on the Buddy Bench near the Sensory Garden.

If you see someone sitting on the blue Buddy Bench, be kind, give them a hand and invite them to join you in a game.

Don't be shy to sit on the Buddy Bench.

There will always be somebody there for you!



## Nurturing children's spirituality

Our children and young people bring such insightful questions and theories to all aspects of life, including those really big 'meaning of life' type of questions. Catholic Education SA has a document titled *Children: Close to the Mystery of God* which clearly states the value of children's own experience and questions and our belief that "no less than the lives of adults, the spiritual lives of children are of unsurpassable value".

The ECA (Early Childhood Australia inc.) booklet *Nurturing the spiritual child: Compassion, connection and a sense of self* names key components in nurturing the spirituality of young children including:

- Valuing 'being' in the present and learning more about themselves as unique and loved
- Connecting and relating – this includes encouraging children's questions about the faith tradition and its possible meaning in their lives
- Cultivating compassion – this requires developing imagination, empathy, and care for others

Spiritual development can lead to a more socially just world, opportunity and equality for all. By promoting spiritual development, in addition to traditional domains of learning such as literacy and STEM, educators create a more peaceful and just society while raising children who are prepared to participate in society in positive ways.

Through spiritual development, children learn to be aware of and comfortable with qualities such as respect, responsibility, and reverence for self and others. They learn to acknowledge differences between people without feeling fear. They develop a love for the earth and take action to protect it. And in our context here at Galilee, they have the opportunity to explore symbol and ritual that can provide meaning and connection.

Sharon Doyle  
APRIM



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fees for Terms 3 and 4.

Children must be 5 on or before  
31 October 2021.





## Magic Harvest update

Have you chosen a plot yet?

**Salad, Soup, Stir fry, Pizza?**

All of the above?

Students from Stage 2 Magic Harvest group planted their first seedlings last week.

**Layla** – Last week Stage 2 Magic Harvest group planted new seedlings in our garden beds. We planted beetroot, spring onions, lettuces, and some herbs, oregano, thyme and parsley. It was nice and cool in the morning when we planted.

**Isabel** – We had to water the seedlings straight away to give them a drink.

**Layla** – The seeds that we planted in egg cartons are growing now too because we water them every day.

Magic Harvest students from Mrs Pengilly/Mrs Forbes, Mrs Janssan's and our Curious Friends from Playgroup will be joining in on the planting fun over the next few weeks.

It's not too late to get involved! This is a whole community program that can be done at school or at home. All you need is a 1m by 1m space, some compost, some seedlings and a curious mind!



For further information please email Carmen Moyse our Eco literacy educator at [cmoyse@galilee.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cmoyse@galilee.catholic.edu.au)



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

### School

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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

Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Yr 5 Aquatics
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Learning Conversation Week
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Good Friday Public Holiday
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Monday Public Holiday
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Sports Day R-6 LAST DAY TERM 1
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> April	PUPIL FREE DAY
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> April	First Day Term 2



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## SOCCER

REGISTRATIONS OF INTEREST DUE  
FRIDAY 26<sup>th</sup> MARCH

Games start term 2

Don't miss the chance to be a part of the first Cardijn College Galilee Soccer teams! Parents and Carers we need coaches and team managers (usual volunteer checks apply)  
REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE IN FRONT OFFICE