

### GALILEE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

<b>Year Completed:</b>	Stage 1 - 2007 Stage 2 - 2010 Stage 3 - 2012
<b>Building Area:</b>	Stage 3 – 404 m <sup>2</sup>
<b>Site Area:</b>	6 Ha

#### Description

Galilee was established in 2007 as a R-7 co-ed Non-Government Catholic School, and is located 40km south of Adelaide City in the metropolitan suburb of Aldinga.

The community is part of the local Catholic Church's vision for family-centred learning. Providing for learning inside and outside, in small and large spaces, with flexibility in the design of the physical space helps teachers and learners explore a pedagogy that leads to deep and holistic learning.

Galilee takes an ecological approach to learning based on an understanding that there is a reciprocal relationship between the physical and psychological environments, and this includes a focus on sustainability. The purpose built learning spaces foster collaborative, inquiry based learning as well as explicit, individual and small group teaching. Learning spaces and furnishings are designed to support wellbeing as well as learning. Learning at Galilee is inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach with the central themes of caring about learning, caring about self and each other and caring about the environment guiding the learning programs.

This site visit is a unique opportunity for a smaller group to spend the afternoon at one school, interact with the staff and students, visit the facilities and in particular understand in more depth how the Reggio approach can work for older students and also their approach to eco-literacy, play and the relationship between indoors and outdoors. The sessions will be led by Jodie Higgins, Principal of the school, and Paul Johnson, who is a part-time Ph.D. candidate at Flinders University and part-time Eco-literacy coordinator at Galilee Catholic School.

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