School Description

Holy Eucharist is a Catholic Parish Primary School headed by Father Minh Tran sj, our Parish Priest. The sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Reconciliation are celebrated in the Parish community, after each parent has registered or enrolled their child during the previous Advent Season (Nov/Dec). Parents support their child throughout the preparation by attending all sacramental meetings, which are conducted out of school hours. Holy Communion is celebrated in the parish gathering during the Easter Season and Confirmation is celebrated around the feast of Pentecost. We have a genuine respect for all religions, and we pride ourselves on being a truly multi-cultural school.

Holy Eucharist is situated in the west of Melbourne. The children come from diverse multi-cultural and socio-economical backgrounds. Indeed there are 50 different ethnic backgrounds represented in the school. The number of children is over 440 and for learning purposes are at present broken into 17 learning groups. Within their class groupings the teacher use: peer group teaching, cross-age tutoring, team teaching, co-operative learning and negotiated curriculum to enhance the learning process.

Holy Eucharist offers many special programs including a mobile computer lab with access to the internet, Mandarin, a comprehensive literacy program; ie P-6 and CLASS P-2, Reading Recovery, a Integrated/Negotiated Curriculum, Prep –6 SINE Maths program, Prep-6 camping program, a developmental and sequential Physical Education Program, Special Needs Program-for those eligible, passive play areas and a Before/After/Vacation Care Program. For further information see our school web site home page: www.hestalssth.catholic.edu.au

Enrolment Policy

Holy Eucharist Primary School will:
- Welcome all in the name of Christ and His Church.
- Recognize and accept cultural differences and similarities and provide programs that enhance knowledge
- Acknowledge that our local community is made up of diverse cultures and religions
- Provide an environment that is welcoming and accepting of all.
Enrolment Procedure
- All parents seeking enrolment for their child/children are required to complete an enrolment form and information in the enrolment supplementary booklet.
- Children enrolled for Prep need to be 5 years old before April the 30th of the year they are enrolling.
- Prep children enrolled for the beginning of the school year, are required to go through our Pre-Prep process of being welcomed into the school.
- All catholic families will also be registered with the Parish.
- Class sizes are in line with the Certified Agreement that governs Catholic Schools
- A completed immunisation certificate from the Health Insurance Commission must be supplied to the school before the child commences Prep.

School Fees
- If the Catholic fee applies, a contribution of at least $10 per week per family, in Thanksgiving is required.
- If the higher fee applies, the lump sum is payable to the school.
- School Fees are sent out in Term 1, 2 and 3, with re-enrolment in Term 3 (this is deducted from Term 1’s fees, the following year).
- Families that go overseas during the school year are expected to pay full fees for the school weeks the children are absent from school. This will reserve a place in the school on their return. Thanksgiving must also be kept up to date whilst overseas.

Education Maintenance Allowance
Any person holding a current Health Care Card or Pension Card at the beginning of the school year should come to the school office and speak to Mrs Kelly for information about EMA. If eligible, this will help towards the payment of fees.

School Discipline Policy
Holy Eucharist School Discipline Policy is available from the school office.

Camps
- Prep, Grade 1, Grade 2, Grade 3, Grade 4 help prepare children for independence through school based activities, in preparation for out of school camps.
- Camps in Grades 5 and 6 have been established to bring about and encourage various attitudes and skills in our children.

General Information
- School Hours 8.55am - 3.15pm. Monday -Friday:
  - Children should be at school by 8.50am
  - Lunch 11.15am – 12.00pm  Afternoon Recess 2.00pm-2.30pm
- Leaving the School during School Hours: Children are to be collected from school office.
- School Uniform: School uniform is to be worn to and from school at all time. School hats are compulsory in Term 1 and 4.
- The uniform is available from PSW School Wear, 58 Westwood Drive, Deer Park.