



# Holy Eucharist School

St Albans South

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## Holy Eucharist School

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Mr. Michael Bonnici

## Holy Eucharist Parish

Parish Priest-

Fr. Tuan Anh Do CSsR.

Assistant Priest:

Fr Peter Ly Trong Danh CSsR

Fr Patrick Corbett

(P) 9366 1310

Mass Times

Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am, 6pm

Vietnamese Mass at 12pm

Education in Faith:

Joanne Stead

Prep: Sharon Bonnici,

Mary James, Shalini Dos Santos &  
Bianca Gomez.

Grade 1: Anita Bison,

Heribert Herrera, Mikaela Borg &  
Gwen Laughlin.

Grade 2 Julie Murnane,

Kathryn Barrie & Jessica Kerlin.

Grade 3: Natalie Kranjec,

Nancy Johnson, Joanne Stead &  
Jackie Dabal.

Grade 4: Thilini Nanayakkara,

Jacelle Cablao & Stephani  
Oggenovski

Grade 5: Bruno Pellaschiar,

Jennifer Khong, Jo Dragovic & Erin  
McNally.

Grade 6: Wally Antonowicz, Hania  
Borowik & Vanessa Shaw

Learning Diversity/Wellbeing:

Julie Semcesen.

Wellbeing: Jo Dragovic

School Counsellor Edward Faraci.

Library: Jenny Bistricki.

STEM/Community Partnership

Allison Borg.

Art: Shobha Hickey.

Music: Damian O'Bree.

Literacy Leader: Charise Gibbs

Literacy Intervention:

Hannah Power & Kathleen Bezzina

Reading Recovery:

Mary Valentino-Pamment.

Maths Intervention: Anne Ablinger.

Maths Leader P-6: Erin McNally

EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista.

Physical Ed: Clare Christie.

Education Support: Joe Sirianni.

LOTE: Linda Hyunh & Sue So.

Business Manager: Sue Smart

Administration Staff:

Connie La Macchia, Mandy Huong &  
Rosemarie Slatter.

Community Hub: Adella Howard

Cleaner: June Balatbat

Maintenance: Barry Lynch

Out of Hours Care:

Kelly Triantafillidis 0402 390 969

## Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C



*A reading from the holy Gospel according  
to Luke (Lk 6:27-38)*

*Be merciful as your Father is merciful.*

Jesus said to his disciples: "I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. "Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back."

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been a lot of activity taking place at school over the last two weeks. A new sand pit has been built for the children and at this stage it is very popular. The old office block has been transformed into a classroom however, there is still a section under construction and the room should be finished towards the end of the term.

Our school sporting teams competed last Friday against St Albans East Primary School and they represented the school well. Congratulations to all the teams on their sportsmanship. On Friday 13th children from Grade 3-6 attended the Keilor Downs Leisure Centre to try out for the District Swimming Sports. All of those who trialled will represent our school in the District Swimming Sports on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March. I wish them the very best of luck.

Our Grade Prep children commenced full school days and have completed 8 full days of schooling. I would like to congratulate the Prep children and teachers on this achievement.

Next Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February, we will be having our annual family school picnic from 5pm-7pm. This is an opportunity to celebrate together as a community and to get to know the teachers and other families. I look forward to seeing you all on this day.

Please make sure that your child/children are picked up on time after school. If your child has not been picked up on time they will be sent to after-school care, which will be a cost to you.

God Bless.

Mr. Jeffrey Parker  
Principal

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## IMPORTANT DATES IN FEBRUARY/MARCH 2019

Sat 23 /Sun 24	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> /Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>
<p>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter sent home today to parents regarding Parent/Teacher Chats.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preps - not at school today.</li> <li>Open Day for Kinders 12-2pm.</li> <li>Family Picnic 5-7pm</li> <li>Portfolios are due back at school</li> </ul>	<p>Whole School Mass at 9am. Gr 6 A. All Welcome!</p>		<p>8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preps are full time from now on.</li> <li>School Photos: Students must wear summer uniform and black shoes.</li> </ul>

## LEARNING AND TEACHING

### ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIOS

All students at Holy Eucharist School have an Assessment Portfolio. This portfolio enables teachers to have a consistent approach throughout the school in collecting data and evidence of your child's work. This Assessment Portfolio will be sent home **at the beginning** and **at the end of each term**.

**At the beginning of each term the folder will contain a Term Outline.**

#### Term Outline

- The Term Outline has a summary of what is going to be covered in your child's year level, across all curriculum areas for that term.
- The Term Outline will go home at the **beginning** of each term inside the Assessment Portfolio and **parents will be required to read and sign the sheet**. The **Term Outline** needs to be **returned** to school **inside** the Assessment Portfolio.

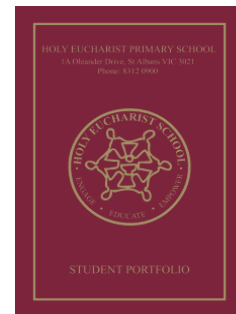
**At the end of each term the folder will contain Work Samples (evidence).**

#### Work Samples

- Throughout the term, teachers will collect samples of your child's work. These samples are collected as evidence of your child's achievements and as an indication of what has been taught.
- The samples collected should also correlate with what has been documented on the Term Outline sheet.
- The work samples are corrected by the teacher and should have relevant comments to support what the student has achieved.

Parents are invited to **look through the Assessment Portfolio with their child**. Parents are requested to **write positive comments** in the space provided (on the yellow cover sheet) and to sign it.

Term outlines/Assessment Portfolios will **go home on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** and need to be returned by **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February**.



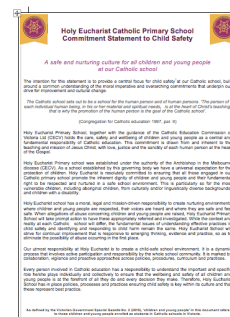
### COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

All Assessment Portfolios will contain a copy of Holy Eucharist School's Commitment to Child Safety in English and in Vietnamese. The purpose of Holy Eucharist School's Commitment Statement is to demonstrate our strong commitment to the care, safety and wellbeing of all students at our school. It provides an outline of the policies, procedures and strategies developed to keep students safe from harm, including all forms of abuse in our school environment, online and in other locations provided by the school.

This commitment takes into account relevant legislative requirements within the state of Victoria, including the specific requirements of the Victorian Child Safe Standards as set out in Ministerial Order No. 870. This Commitment Statement applies to school staff, clergy, school employees, including volunteers, and contractors.

**All present and future staff at Holy Eucharist School will be required to read and sign a copy of the School's Commitment to Child Safety as well as the School's Code of Conduct. We also urge all parents and caregivers to read and sign our Commitment Statement to Child Safety inside the Assessment Portfolio.**

If you require any further information, please contact me (Michael Bonnici) at the school office.



### SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taken on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019**. All students need to wear their **full Summer Uniform and black school shoes** (*Please see School Uniform below*). Each child has been given individual order forms. If you would like to order photos you will need to fill in the order form, pay the correct amount and return it to your class teacher on **photograph day**. Alternatively, you can order photos online and they will be accepted up to 2 days after photo day (*without incurring the late fee*). If you would like your children to have a family photo, you will need to collect a special order form from our school office.



### SCHOOL UNIFORM

Holy Eucharist School has a Uniform Policy. It is an expectation that all students are wearing the **correct school uniform at all times**. If students are not wearing the correct uniform **they are required to have a written letter from their parents** explaining why they are out of uniform. Please find an explanation of the school uniform listed below. Alternatively, you can visit our school website to view our school uniform policy <https://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/uniform/>

#### Girls - Summer:

Maroon Check Dress  
White socks / Black shoes – **no runners**  
Woolen jumper with school logo – **not the PE tracksuit top**  
School Hat – In Term 1 and Term 4

#### Girls- Winter

Maroon check pinafore or Maroon slacks  
Yellow skivvy or yellow polo shirt with logo  
White socks / Black shoes - **no runners**  
Woolen jumper with school logo - **not the PE tracksuit top**

#### Girls – Sport (Only on Sport Days)

Maroon shorts or Maroon skirt/skort  
Maroon tracksuit with school logo on top  
Gold polo shirt with school logo  
White socks and runners

#### Boys - Summer:

Grey Shorts  
Gold polo shirt with school logo  
Grey socks / Black shoes - **no runners**  
Woolen jumper with school logo - **not the PE tracksuit top**  
School Hat – In Term 1 and Term 4

#### Boys Winter

Long grey pants  
Yellow skivvy or yellow polo shirt with logo  
Grey socks / Black shoes - **no runners**  
Woolen jumper with school logo - **not the PE tracksuit top**

#### Boys - Sport

Maroon shorts  
Maroon tracksuit with school logo on top  
Gold polo shirt with school logo  
White socks and runners

**Please note:** If students are **not wearing the correct school uniform, a note will be sent home** informing the parent/guardian. This note will need to be signed by the parent/guardian and the **name of the student will be recorded at the school office**. **NB: Hats are compulsory for all children and staff during Term 1 and Term 4.**

## PARENT/TEACHER CHATS

To help us better engage your child in learning and to develop your child holistically, we need to involve you as our key partners in education. To do that, we will be having **Parent - Teacher Chats** on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019** from 12:10pm until 6:00pm.

**Students will be finishing school at 12pm** on this day.

During this meeting your child's teacher will be asking questions which will provide the teacher with information to help your child. eg: *your child's birthplace, date of arrival in Australia, first language/s spoken, etc.* The Parent – Teacher Chats will be approximately **10 minutes in length** – just enough time for you and your child's teacher to meet and communicate. **Next week** you will be asked to choose your preferred time and to return it to your child's teacher.

Parent-Teacher Chats are a great opportunity to communicate with your child's teacher and to hear about how your child has settled into their new class. However, they are also a great way to discuss any concerns or questions you may have regarding your child. It is important that you take the time to think about the things you would like to discuss with your child's teacher, to ensure you make the most of your allocated time.

## MEDICAL SURVEY

Over a week ago, the students were given a Medical Survey. Parents were asked to complete this survey to enable us to provide you with relevant medical forms for your child (if applicable). Please note that **medication can only be administered by office staff once the appropriate forms have been completed by a medical practitioner and are returned to school.**

**Medical surveys need to be returned without further delay.**

## NAPLAN 2019

The students in Years 3 and 5 will be taking part in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) on 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

NAPLAN is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year, in the second full week in May.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or 'domains') of:

- Reading
- Writing
- Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- Numeracy

NAPLAN tests skills in Literacy and Numeracy that are developed over time through the school curriculum.



## LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH (LOTE) – MANDARIN

Learning another language in addition to English extends student's literacy repertoires and their capacity to communicate. It also builds on their understanding of the nature of language, culture, and the processes of communication.

This year at Holy Eucharist School, Chinese (Mandarin) will be taught from Grade Prep to Grade 6. Mandarin is also taught at neighbouring secondary schools where students can continue learning about the language and culture.

Learning an additional language at school "broadens students' horizons about the personal, social, cultural and employment opportunities that are available in an increasingly interconnected and interdependent world" (Victorian Curriculum, 2019).

The purpose of having an additional language at school is to enable students to:

- communicate in the language they are learning
- understand the relationship between language, culture and learning
- develop intercultural capabilities
- understand themselves as communicators.

Please note that Vietnamese is taught at the school on weekends. This program aims to assist students in maintaining their first language. However, having an additional language such as Mandarin, enables students to develop their "intercultural capability, including understanding of and respect for diversity and difference, and an openness to different experiences and perspectives" (Victorian Curriculum, 2019).

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL

We are in the process of trying to organise a Second Hand Uniform Stall at the school. This is a great way for our school community to support each other by providing **unwanted school uniforms** which are **in good useable condition**.

We will gladly accept donations of second hand uniforms (including school shoes), which can be worn by our students.

Uniform items can be left at the school office. Once we have a sufficient supply of uniforms, we will then be able to organise a stall. If you would like to assist in anyway by donating, washing and sorting of clothes, please contact Michael Bonnici at the school office.

## IMPORTANT DATES:

### FEBRUARY 2019

Mon 25th Feb -Letter sent home for parents regarding Parent/Teacher chats  
Wed 27th Feb -Open Day for Kindergartens 12-2pm  
-School Family Picnic Night 5pm- 7pm  
-Portfolios are due back at school  
Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> -Whole School Mass at 9am – Gr 6 A (All welcome)

### MARCH 2019

Mon 4th March -School Photos – Students to wear full summer uniform/black shoes  
-Preps are full time from now on.  
-District Swimming  
Tues 5th March -Shrove Tuesday

### MARCH 2019 (Cont'd)

Wed 6th March -Ash Wednesday – Mass at 9am (Day of Fast and Abstinence).  
Please note: No school mass on Thursday.  
Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> March -Grade 1 excursion to Melbourne Museum  
Mon 11th March -Labour Day (Public Holiday)  
Wed 13th March -Parent Teacher Chats - **Students go home at 12pm.**  
Fri 15th March -'National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence'  
Sun 17th March -St Patrick's Day  
Mon 18th- 20th -Grade 6 Camp  
Tues 19th March -Feast of St Joseph  
Thurs 21st March -Harmony Day / Multicultural Day  
Mon 25th March -Feast of the Annunciation of Mary  
Fri 29th March -Portfolios sent home.

## Mr Michael Bonnici

Learning and Teaching/Deputy Principal

[mbonnici@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mbonnici@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au)

## HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL - FAMILY PICNIC

Our annual Holy Eucharist School Family Picnic will be held at the school oval on: **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019, from 5pm – 7:00pm.**

We will be having:

- Free jumping castle
- Sausage sizzle (\$2)
- Coffee van
- Drinks available (\$2)
- Activities for the kids

Please come along! We hope to see you there! All Welcome!



## ADMINISTRATION

### Fees for 2019

School fee statements were sent home on Wednesday. Per Capita and excursion fees are now due. If you have any queries or concerns please contact the school office.

### CAMP, SPORT, EXCURSION FUND

A reminder that if you have a new student who commenced at our school and have a current Health Care Card or Pension Card you may be entitled to CSEF from the Government. Please come to the school office and Mrs Mandy Huong will check to see if you are eligible.

### STUDENT MEDICAL SURVEY

There is still Student Medical surveys that have not been sent back to the school. It is very important that all families send this form back as soon as possible so that school can act on any medical issue if it arises.

If you have any queries please contact Mandy Huong on 83120900.

### Mrs Sue Smart

Administration/Business Manager

[suesmart@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:suesmart@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au)

## CAMP AUSTRALIA

### BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Before Care operates from Holy Eucharist School between 7.00am – 8.30am. After Care operates from 3.15pm -6.00pm. Students in Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 will be picked up and dropped off at bell times by a Camp Australia Staff Member. Please ensure that your child/ren is registered before they attend the program. To register call either Camp Australia on 1300 105 343 or Kelly on 0402 390 969 for enquiries.

### Ms Kelly Triantafyllidis

After School Care Coordinator

[ktriantafyllidis@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ktriantafyllidis@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au)



## ICT / COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

### Holy Eucharist Primary School Open Day

We invite you to bring along your pre-school children to our school open day on **WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2019** from **12:00pm - 2:00pm**. We will start in the **SCHOOL HALL** where you can enter via **OLEANDER DRIVE**. There will be fun activities for the kids and school tours running throughout the day!

### Miss Allison Borg

STEM/School Community Family Partnerships Leader

[aborg@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:aborg@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au)

### School Open Day



## COMMUNITY HUB

### Learn English through Arts & Crafts

Free conversational English classes with arts and crafts activities. Classes resume 6<sup>th</sup> February and will run on Wednesdays and Fridays between 1.00pm – 3.00pm. Contact Mrs Adella Howard on 0423435331 for more information.

### Mrs. Adella Howard

Community Hub

[ahoward@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ahoward@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au)



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS



**Want to learn Keyboard, Guitar or Singing??? YES PLEASE!!**  
ABC Music offers music lessons **during school hours** every Friday during the school term at Holy Eucharist School!!

**ENROL NOW ONLINE & Receive FREE Books (\$44)**

[www.abcmusicgroup.com.au/enrol-now/](http://www.abcmusicgroup.com.au/enrol-now/)

**KEYBOARD & GUITAR** Group lessons cost from \$139 per term  
**SINGING** cost from \$220 per term

We offer Private Lessons which cost \$35 per lesson

For more information please contact the ABC office via email: [info@abcmusicgroup.com.au](mailto:info@abcmusicgroup.com.au) or call 03 9427 8049

Western Health  
JOAN KIRNER WOMEN'S & CHILDREN'S

## SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer information sessions are being held for interested community members. If you can commit to a minimum of at least 12 months volunteering.

- Can complete at least 1 x 2 – 3 hour shift per week
- Can supply a Working with Children's Check and attend mandatory training sessions
- Can commit to attending ongoing free training

Please come to the information sessions being held at Sunshine Hospital, Furlong Road, St Albans

14<sup>th</sup> March – 6pm -7pm or  
22<sup>nd</sup> March 10.30am -11.30am

We need your support for the following roles:

- Way finding
- Social support for families
- Tea & Coffee and newspaper trolley
- Activities for children
- Fundraising

Bookings are essential to attend the sessions  
RSVP to [volunteer@wh.org.au](mailto:volunteer@wh.org.au) or 83959096