

Holy Eucharist School

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# Holy Eucharist School

St Albans South

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# Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019

# **Newsletter No. 14**

English

#### Principal's Message:

Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

Last Friday the school celebrated Father's Day with our annual Father's Day Breakfast. It was great to see all the dads, grandfathers, mums and other family members, join in the fun to celebrate this very important day. I would like to thank the school staff for all their hard work in preparing and helping on the day. To all the fathers and grandfathers, I hope you had a great day on Sunday with lots of presents.

On Monday the children from Grades 3 – 6 began their swimming classes. From all reports, the children are enjoying their time in the pool. Swimming will conclude on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

NAPLAN results were released yesterday and every child in Grade 3 and 5 would have received a copy of their own NAPLAN results. Please make sure these results are kept in a safe place as they are needed for enrolment into secondary schools. In the last two weeks, parents have asked for a copy of their child's NAPLAN results for enrolment into a secondary school. The school is able to reprint the results at a cost of \$10.00.

There are still a lot of children coming late to school every morning. Please make sure that your children are at school before 8:55 am. All classrooms are open at 8:45 am for the children to prepare themselves for the day ahead. If your child is not here on time, they are missing out on some very important instruction and information.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Lk 14:25-33) All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples.

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Please remember that the school will be closed for staff professional development on Monday September 9<sup>th</sup>. <u>NO CHILDREN ARE TO</u> ATTEND SCHOOL ON THIS DAY.

God Bless.

Mr Jeffrey Parker Principal

## **ADMINISTRATION NEWS**

#### Fees

An Arrears fee statements will be sent home next as there is still quite a few families with outstanding fees. If any family has any queries or concerns please contact me on 8312 0900.

#### Re-enrolment

Re-enrolment for 2020 will be going home early next week. If your child is not returning to Holy Eucharist next year please inform the school office as soon as possible as there a many families on our waiting list.

If your child is returning next year please make sure you update any family information including phone numbers for when your child is unwell.

The enrolment fee for 2020 is \$80.00 per family. This amount will be deducted from next years' school fees. If any family has any queries or concerns regarding the re-enrolment for next year please contact me on 8312 0900.

### Sue Smart

Administration/Business Manager

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

#### **Reconciliation**

Congratulations to the children in Year 3 who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September. We continue to pray for these children that they will always turn to God in difficult times and know that God's love and forgiveness is never ending.

REMINDER DATES								
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 15 <sup>th</sup>	Monday 16th	
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C Birthday of Our Lady	NO SCHOOL SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY Staff Professional Development Intervention Framework		Grade 1 Dinner at school	National R U OK? Day <u>Whole School Mass</u> In Church 9am All Welcome <u>Open Classrooms</u> 2.45pm – 3.15pm	Prep Breakfast at School <u>8am</u> Middle & Senior Swimming Program finishes today Playgroup – 9-11am In After School Care Room *Portfolios go home today*	TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C		

#### MONTH OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

September has been declared as the 'month of prayer for the care of creation'. Pope Francis has established the 1<sup>st</sup> of September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. The day is inspired by Pope Francis' landmark encyclical Laudato Si', which calls on "every person living on this planet" to care for our shared Earth.

He calls us all to celebrate this moment to "reaffirm [our] personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation, as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

I have included a prayer that you can use with your families to pray for our fragile world during the month of September, that we can appreciate the gift of creation, both in nature and humanity, and treat it with care, respect and love as we do with our God.

Prayer for our world

Creator God, Who made our beautiful world, appointed us as its guardians and gifted us with everything we need, forgive us for the times we cause it harm; for the times our way of life affects our neighbors.



Inspire us To care for the environment; To help rebuild lives and communities, To share in the griefs and anxieties, Joys and hopes of all your people So that all your creation may flourish. Amen. (Stephen Davies/CAFOD)

HOLY EUCHARIST ART EXHIBITION GRAND OPENING 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 – Starting at 10 am EVERYONE WELCOME



Dear Parents, Teachers, Parishioners and Friends,

This is to announce the upcoming Art exhibition on Thursday, the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 10 am, after Mass. The exhibition will take place in the *Holy Eucharist School Hall*. We are looking forward to a great time and we will get to meet two important artists who live locally to open the exhibition.

We kindly ask that you be seated by 10am and then afterwards you can view your child's accomplished artworks and see the art program in the school. The exhibition will be open till 7pm on Thursday and Friday till 10am.

You are invited to have morning tea in the new staff room after the opening and once you've had a chance to view the artwork.

#### Mrs Shobha Hickey Visual Art Specialist Shobha.hickey@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au

Sport News

Athletics season is well and truly underway with our Athletics team having two competitions over the past couple of weeks. On Friday 23rd of August, 48 students from Grade 3-6 competed against the local schools in the St Albans district in track and field events. Our students performed really well on the day and came home with quite a few ribbons and lots of happy faces.

All the students who received 1st or 2nd then represented the school at the Divisional Carnival on Tuesday the 3rd of September where they competed against schools in the north-western region. Congratulations to the following girls; Emily Pilepich (6A), Savonne Afano (6HB), Stephanie Afano (6HB), Tracey Tran (5Pe), Adut Aywel (5JK) and Victoria Daniel (5D/Mc) for making it through to the Regional Competition on the 15th of October. Good luck girls!





#### LEARNING AND TEACHING

#### Dear Parents and Caregivers,

During Term 3, a number of staff, including myself, were away on Long Service Leave. Last Sunday I returned to Melbourne after 9 weeks overseas. I had a wonderful time in Southern Europe and South East Asia, but it's also great to be back. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Parker, Mrs Stead and Mrs Semcesen for filling in for me whilst I was away.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM Literacy and Numeracy On Tuesday our school received the 2019 NAPLAN data. Students who took part in NAPLAN in Grade 3 and Grade 5 were also given their individual NAPLAN report. The data has shown that most our students have made significant growth in the areas of reading, writing and numeracy. Congratulations to all our students and to all our dedicated teachers for their efforts.

If you have not received your child's report, you need to contact Mr Bonnici at the school office.

#### NAPLAN RESULTS

NAPLAN results provide an indication of students' achievements, but they provide only one snapshot of student achievement at a particular time. NAPLAN tests assess only a part of what students learn during the year. It is important for parents to read the Term Outlines inside the Assessment Portfolio to find out more about the curriculum content covered each term.

#### NAPLAN AND SCHOOL REPORTS

Many secondary schools are requesting copies of the student's Year 5 NAPLAN report as well as student's Mid/End of Year report in order to enrol for Year 7. It's important that parents, caregivers and students look after these reports as many secondary schools are requesting these documents during interviews.

Schools can only access a summary of the NAPLAN data and cannot print the original report which was given to parents/caregivers. Please note that the cost for re-issuing each report will be \$10

#### **ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIOS**

On Friday 13th September you will receive your child's Assessment Portfolio containing samples of work completed during Term 1, 2 and 3.

We ask for your co-operation and support by looking carefully at the Assessment Portfolio with your child.

- Encourage your child to talk about what they were required to do for each piece.
  - Encourage your child to talk about what they have learnt/achieved.
- If there are areas which need improvement, discuss with your child what they could do to improve.

As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

#### This Assessment Portfolio contains:

#### • Term 1, 2 and 3 Term Outlines

These provide the parent/guardian with a summary of what has been covered during this semester in all curriculum areas. The Term 2 topic outline went home at the beginning of this term (inside the portfolio) and you were invited to sign it and return it to school inside the Portfolio.

•The teachers have worked extremely hard and have spent a lot of time putting these Assessment Portfolios together. You (the parent/guardian) are encouraged to make comments (on the yellow cover sheet provided) after looking at your child's work. Please sign the yellow card inside the folder as an indication that you have seen your child's work.

The Assessment Portfolio needs to be returned to school by: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

#### YELLOW CARD INSIDE ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIO

Date:	Comment:	Parent's Signature:	
Term 3			
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<ul> <li>Please write the date when you</li> </ul>	Please look at the samples with your child and encourage them to talk about each sample.	• Please sign the yellow card when you have seen your child's work.	
have seen your child's work	<ul> <li>Please write a positive comment about your child's work. These comments can be written in English or in the language spoken at home.</li> </ul>	Please return Portfolios to school by Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	

#### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

All staff at Holy Eucharist School will be taking part in Professional Learning on Monday 9th September and on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019. During these sessions all staff will be unpacking and working through the Intervention Framework (A 'Multi Tiered System' to support student learning).

Therefore, the school will be closed on:

- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 (No School).
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 (No School).













# Term 3 finishes on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 2.00pm

# Children must be collected on time. School Office will be closing at 2.15pm

### CAMP AUSTRALIA

School Closure day Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 Vacation care is available from 7am- 6pm. Breakfast, morning tea and afternoon tea will be provided. Children only need to bring lunch from home.

As there needs to be more than 15 children for the program to go ahead, call Kelly on 0402390969 before 3pm on the 20th September to book your child/children in. There is a different process for school closure days therefore please contact Kelly if you are interested. If there are any changes Kelly will notify parents.

Holiday club bookings are now available for the Spring holiday program. Excursions, incursions, club based days full of fun experiences are on offer. For bookings, please visit the Camp Australia website on <u>www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclub</u>

#### Ms Kelly Triantafillidis

After School Care Coordinator kelly.triantafillidis @hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au



# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

#### SEPTEMBER

- Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Sept Birthday of Our Lady
- Mon 9th Sept NO SCHOOL STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- Wed 11th Sep Grade 1 Dinner
- Thurs 12th Sept- Open Classrooms 2:45pm-3:15pm
- Fri 13th Sept Middle & Senior Swimming Program finishes (Sunshine Leisure Centre)
- Fri 13th Sept- Prep Breakfast
- Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Sept Portfolios are sent home
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Sept Grade 2 Breakfast and Dinner
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Sept Grade 4 Excursion Hanging Rock
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Sept Portfolios are due back at school
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Sept Prep Incursion

#### September continued

- Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Sept Art Exhibition at 10am in the Hall All Welcome
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Sept End of Term 3 (School finishes at 2pm)

#### **OCTOBER**

- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October School Closure Day <u>NO SCHOOL</u> STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October Term 4 Begins for all students
- Thursday 17th Friday 18th October Grade 3 Sleepover
- Friday 25th October Mission Market