



# Holy Eucharist School

## St Albans South

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### Holy Eucharist School

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### Holy Eucharist Parish

Parish Priest-  
Fr. Tuan Anh Do CSsR.

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9366 1310

### Mass Times

Saturday: 6pm  
Sunday: 9am, 10.30am, 6pm  
Vietnamese Mass at 12pm

Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Newsletter No. 16

English

### Principal's Message:

Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

Welcome to Term 4, a term which promises to be filled with so many exciting events and activities. Last night the Grade 3 teachers and children slept at school as part of our School Camping Policy. The children had a fun night with lots of enjoyable activities taking place. From all reports the children were very excited and slept for most of the night. However, they did get up very early this morning while their teachers managed to enjoy a sleep-in. I would like to thank all the teachers who gave up their time to sleep-over and look after our children. I am sure the experience was very valuable for all concerned.

Last Friday was a special day for our junior school as they participated in their Sports Day. The children actively engaged in all the activities and they demonstrated some great sportsmanship. Congratulations to the Taylor (Green) House who won on the day. Thank you to all the parents who attended and to all the staff members for their hard work on the day. Also, a big thank you to Miss Christie for planning and preparing the day so well.

On Friday, our Girls' Softball Team won the zone final and will now compete in the State Championships. The girls have trained really hard early on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and all their hard work and commitment has paid off. I congratulate the girls on their achievements so far and wish them all the best for future games. I would like to thank Mr Antonowicz for training and coaching the girls after taking over from Mrs Borowik.

Congratulations to three of our girls who represented the school at the Zone Athletics. Well done to Stephanie Afano, Victoria Daniels and Adut Aywel.

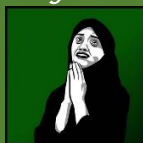
On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November, the school will be running its annual Mission Market to raise money for the missions. On this day it is important that the students run ALL the stalls. Last year we had some parents setting up and selling items which we appreciate very much. However, it takes away the learning and responsibility of the students as they are not involved in the selling of the goods. If you are willing to help, you can talk to your child's teacher to see how you can assist on the day.

Most of you would have heard the sad news through the media, about the death of a young child in the car park of a Day Care Centre. The accident occurred while a mother was picking up her child. This really brought home the fact that we all must be vigilant when picking up and dropping off our children. The slightest misjudgement and the disobeying of rules, can result in someone being seriously injured.

God Bless

Mr Jeffrey Parker  
Principal

### TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C



*Gospel*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke  
(Lk 18:1-8)*

*God will see those who cry to him vindicated.*

*Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!"*

*For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."*

*And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'*

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

### ADMINISTRATION NEWS

#### Re-enrolment

Re-enrolment for 2020 is now due. The re enrolment fee for 2020 is **\$80.00 per family**. It is very important that re enrolment is paid as soon as possible so student numbers can be finalised for next year.

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.

#### Fees

**All outstanding school fees need to be finalised before the end of this month.** Any family with concerns are to contact me to arrange an appointment.

#### Sue Smart

Administration/Business Manager

### REMINDER DATES

Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct
<b>29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cyber Safety Project (Student sessions throughout the day)</li> <li>Tennis Clinic in Grade 2 and Grade 3</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life Education Van at school</li> <li>Parish Education Board at 7pm in the staffroom</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life Education Van at school</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life Edu Van at School</li> <li>School Mass: 9am – All Welcome</li> <li>Grandparents Day Morning Tea</li> <li>"Big Day In "St Albans Secondary (Grade 6)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life Education Van at school</li> <li><b>Mission Market</b></li> <li><b>National Day for Daniel</b></li> <li>Assessment Portfolios sent home today</li> </ul>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life Education Van at school</li> <li>State Athletics (Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park)</li> <li>Tennis Clinic in Grade 2 and Grade 3</li> </ul>

## LEARNING AND TEACHING

### SCHOOL HATS IN TERM 4

In Term 4 all students and teachers are required to wear a hat when they are outside. It is an expectation and school policy that all students wear their school hat and their 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 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.**



### ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIOS

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October, the students will be taking home their Assessment Portfolio containing the Outline for Term 4. The Term Outline sheet will have a summary of what is going to be covered in your child's year level, across all curriculum areas during the term.



The Term Outline Sheet **must stay inside** the Assessment Portfolio. **Parents are asked to look carefully at the Term Outline and to sign it in the space provided.**

### DAY FOR DANIEL - 25<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2019

National Day for Daniel is Australia's largest child safety awareness and education day. Its goal is to make Australia a safe place for all children. The Daniel Morcombe Foundation Inc. was established by parents Bruce and Denise Morcombe in 2005 after their son Daniel was abducted and murdered in December 2003 while waiting to catch a bus on the Sunshine Coast. The Foundation was established as a lasting legacy to Daniel and now has two main aims; to educate children on how to stay safe in a physical and online environment and to support young victims of crime.

**On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October (Mission Market Day), children at Holy Eucharist School and schools around Australia have been encouraged to Wear Red, Educate and Donate. Holy Eucharist will be donating part of the proceeds from the Mission Market to this worthy cause.**



### PRE-PREP 2020

All Prep 2020 families will be receiving information from the school office outlining the dates for the Pre Prep Program and Orientation Day. It is very important that this letter is kept handy, as it details your child's scheduled pre-prep sessions, as well as Orientation Day. It is vital for a smooth transition that your child attends all the sessions. If you cannot attend for any reason please inform the school office.

The Pre Prep Program will run for 2 weeks and have been scheduled for:

#### WEEK 1

- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November (9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm – 3pm)
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November (9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm – 3pm)
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November (9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm – 3pm)

#### WEEK 2

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November (9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm – 3pm)
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November (9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm – 3pm)
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November (9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm – 3pm)

### THE 2020 SCHOOL YEAR – LITERACY AND NUMERACY TESTING

Literacy and Numeracy testing provides teachers with important data to inform teaching and to enable teachers to target specific student needs. Over the past few years, Literacy and Numeracy testing took place at the beginning of Term 1 prior to the students commencing school. Last year we had moved the Literacy and Numeracy Testing to the end of Term 1, due to the large number of students who travel overseas with their families to celebrate the Lunar New Year.

As Term 1 in 2020 is only 8.5 weeks, we have decided as a staff to move the Literacy and Numeracy Testing to March, just before the Labour Day weekend. This will enable the teachers to have their data earlier and will allow them with sufficient time to submit it to Catholic Education Melbourne (CEM).

#### The changes for 2020 are as follows:

- **Students in Grade 1 to Grade 6** will commence school on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 8:55am – 3:15pm.**
- **Students in Grade Prep** commence school on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 8:55am – 12:15pm.**
- **Grade Prep** students will **finish at 12:15pm until Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020. (Preps have no school on Wednesdays in February).**
- **Grade Prep students** are at school from **8:55am to 3:15pm from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020.**
- **Literacy and Numeracy Testing** will be held on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020** (Students will be given an appointment time – School Closure Days).
- **Parent/Teacher Chats** will be held on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019. (All students finish at 12pm)**

#### Testing in the middle of Term 1 will mean that:

- Students and their families will have arrived back from their overseas holiday.
- Students will have had the opportunity to settle into their new grades and will have met their teacher.
- Class teachers will have had the opportunity to meet parents in order to assist students in their class.
- Teachers have sufficient time to submit Literacy and Numeracy testing to CEM.

### BOOK COVERING – WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We have recently purchased some brand new books for the library as well as teacher resources from Pearsons for the Junior, Middle and Senior school at a total cost of **\$7666.00**. These new books are currently being processed by Mrs Bistricki in the library and will need to be covered before students and teachers can use them in the classroom. If you are able to assist with book covering please contact Michael Bonnici, Jenny Bistricki or Adella Howard. Your help will be greatly appreciated.



### GRADE 6 GRADUATION PHOTO

School Pix will be at Holy Eucharist School on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November to take the Grade 6 Graduation photo at 9.00am. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform. This includes **black school shoes.**



## VIOLIN STUDENTS

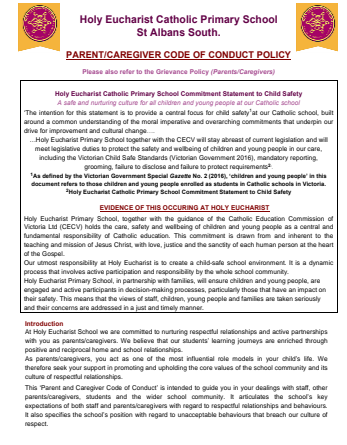
Mandeville Hall have kindly extended their offer to teach violin from Grade 2 to Grade 6 at our school. Every Monday, Ms Alice Gaynor comes to Holy Eucharist to teach violin. This week six grade 2 students commenced their violin class, making it a total of 33 students on the Mandeville Hall violin program. Mandeville Hall have also invited our violin students (in the Grades 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6) to take part in a violin workshop at their school in Toorak on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019. The students will be part of the 'String Spinners' class and will also have the opportunity to tour the school. Our students will be leaving the school at 9:30am and will be back by 2:45pm. Loreto - Mandeville Hall have also kindly offered their school bus to transport our students. On the day our students are required to wear their full school uniform and must wear their school hat. They will also need to bring their violin, their morning snack and their lunch in a plastic bag with their name on it. The students will be accompanied by Mr Michael Bonnici, Mrs Mary Xuereb and Ms Alice Gaynor.



## PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

At Holy Eucharist School we believe that Parents and Caregivers play a key role in the education of their children and should act in the best interest of students, their families, staff, and the School community. Our utmost responsibility at our school is to create a child-safe school environment. It is a dynamic process that involves active participation and responsibility by the whole school community.

Holy Eucharist School, in partnership with families, will ensure children and young people, are engaged and active participants in decision-making processes, particularly those that have an impact on their safety. This means that the views of staff, children, young people and families are taken seriously and their concerns are addressed in a just and timely manner. In order to remain true to our commitment, we have developed Parent/Caregiver Code of Conduct Policy which highlights the school's key expectations of both staff and parents/caregivers with regard to respectful relationships and behaviours. It also specifies the school's position with regard to unacceptable behaviours that breach our culture of respect. Please take some time to familiarise yourself with this policy. It can be downloaded from our website or can be obtained from the Administration Office.



## SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Holy Eucharist School will be closed on the following days:

- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019 – (Report Writing Day)**
- **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2019 – (Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup)**

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**Mr Michael Bonnici**

Learning and Teaching/Deputy Principal

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## SPORTS NEWS

Term 4 is off to a great start in the Sports Department with Junior Sports Day, Divisional Girls Softball Competition and Regional Athletics all taking place in the first week back.

Last Friday, students from Grade Prep, One and Two participated in the Junior Sports Day where they rotated around different tabloid sports activities to try and earn points for their House Colour. Congratulations to the Green House for winning the most points on the day and to all the students for their efforts. Thank you to our Leadership team, Junior teachers and LSO's, Grade 6 leaders and our wonderful parents and families for their support.

The Girls Softball team has progressed to the next round after winning their matches last week at the Divisional Softball Competition. The team will now travel to Geelong for Regionals on Tuesday the 29th of October- Good luck girls!

Finally, on Tuesday three girls from Grade 5 and 6 represented our school at the Regional Athletics Championships. They all performed extremely well in their events and achieved some personal bests. Congratulations girls!

That marks the end of the Athletics season for Holy Eucharist 2019. Looking forward to seeing what 2020 has in store!

Miss Clare Christie  
**Physical Education Teacher**



## MISSION MARKET 2019 FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

**Nearly half of the world's children are still living in poverty today.** We can as a school get involved in helping to change this statistic. This month, let's come together as a school community and be part of the movement to make a change? Let's turn October into Socktober and help 'sock it to poverty'!

In support of this we will be having a **Crazy Sock Day. It will be on the same day as Mission Market, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.** We are encouraging all students to wear crazy socks.

Half the money raised from the Mission Market will be donated to Catholic Mission to help bring about change in education in Ghana and similar situations around the world. This money will help these children to receive an education that they would otherwise never receive. The other half of the money raised will be donated to Day for Daniel foundation, to promote child safety awareness and education. To signify 'Day for Daniel', we are also encouraging the students to wear something red.

Pope Francis is urging each of us to reflect on our mission. **'As far as God's love is concerned, no one is useless or insignificant. Each of us is a mission to the world, for each of us is the fruit of God's love.'** And in his World Mission Day message he declares: **'Faith in Jesus Christ enables us to see all things in their proper perspective, as we view the world with God's own eyes and heart.'** As we begin to explore Ghana let's carry this vision of the world with us.'

We can do this by coming together as a school community and supporting a great cause through our Mission Market.

Pull your socks up and wear them high to show that you are helping to sock it to poverty in developing countries around the world!

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you all wearing your crazy socks on 'Crazy Sock Day'.



## BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE



Come and join in the fun at Before and After school care. Learning through play is fun. Before care 7am-8:30am, breakfast is served before 8:15am. After care is from 3:15pm-6pm. A snack is provided with fruit every day for afternoon tea.

Activities on offer are; active group games in the hall, arts and crafts- painting, drawing, models, beads, science experiences. A chance to do homework and socialize with the other children during free play time.

All children MUST be registered before they attend the program. Registration is FREE. All bookings are to made through the website at [www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)

*If your child is absent from school and will not be attending the after school program, you are to contact me direct on 0402 390 969 or cancel the booking online before the session as it causes confusion on the day when I'm expecting the child to be there.*

**Ms Kelly Triantafillidis**  
After School Care Coordinator  
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## SCHOOL NEWS

This term, the Australian Dental Van will be visiting Holy Eucharist School in the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.

This is a free service for children provided by Medicare Bulk Billing. Medicare CDBS provides children funding of \$1000 for preventative dental treatment every 2 years.

The Australian Dental Van will let you know if you are eligible for this service.

Thank you to those families who have filled in and returned the forms.

Any questions please come in and speak with Mrs. Semcesen at the office.



## CYBER SAFETY PROJECT



### THE CYBER SAFETY PROJECT PARENT EVENT

**Focus: Safe online and social media practices**

For children today, growing up digital is a whole new world. Learning safe practices and strategies for maintaining a positive digital reputation starts in the home. It takes a village to raise a child, so understanding what your children are learning at school is crucial in ensuring the messages are consistent and ongoing.

This session aims at providing parents with the insights and important information about popular social networking and online gaming platforms for young people today. Building a positive and healthy family environment where digital use is encouraged but managed effectively can be a tough balance. We will discuss ways you can ensure your children stay safe through making use of an application's privacy settings and help them to build positive digital habits through your family's digital user agreement.



### WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- ✓ Discover the ins and outs of YouTube, Instagram, Snapchat & Tik Tok
- ✓ Uncover mobile apps and games that can be potentially harmful
- ✓ Managing and monitoring gaming and promotion of self-regulation
- ✓ Explore strategies that foster positive digital experiences for children
- ✓ Discuss ways to manage digital wellbeing for children at home

### SPEAKER



**SAM MACAULAY**  
Educator & Cyber Safety Curriculum Specialist



### EVENT DETAILS

**DATE:** Monday 18th November  
**TIME:** 6.00pm – 7.30pm  
**LOCATION:** Staffroom (enter via School Office)

### Selecting a Secondary School for Your Child: What You Need to Know Now

**Date:** Wednesday, 23 October 2019  
**Time:** 6:30pm – 7:30pm  
**Location:** Caroline Chisholm Catholic College Quin Auditorium (enter via Gate 3, Darnley Street) 204 Churchill Avenue, Braybrook VIC 3019

**Who should attend?**  
Families with children in Grade 4.

**Find out information about:**

- The College and options regarding secondary schools.
- The enrolment process in a Catholic school versus a state school.
- Tips on how to make the enrolment process as smooth as possible.
- What you can do now to ensure you make an informed decision regarding the best secondary school for your child.

**RSVP your attendance to [rsvp@cccc.vic.edu.au](mailto:rsvp@cccc.vic.edu.au) by providing your name and number of individuals attending.**

### OCTOBER

Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	-Cyber Safety Project <i>(Student sessions throughout the day)</i>
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> -Thurs 31 <sup>st</sup>	-Life Education Van at school -Parish Education Board at 7pm
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	-School Mass: 9am – All Welcome -“Big Day In” St Albans Secondary (Gr 6) -Grandparents Day Morning Tea
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	- <b>Portfolios are sent home</b> - <b>Mission Market</b> - <b>National Day for Daniel</b> <i>(Day for Daniel is all about 'Keeping Kids Safe'. Remember to Wear Red, Educate and Donate)</i>
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	-State Athletics <i>(Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park)</i>
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	-Portfolios are due back at school
Thurs 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	-School Mass: 9am – All Welcome -Assembly: 2:35pm (hall)-All Welcome

### NOVEMBER

Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	-Feast of All Saints
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	-Feast of All Souls
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	- <b>School Closure Day (Report Writing Day)</b>
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	- <b>Melbourne Cup (Public Holiday)</b>
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-School Mass: 9am – All Welcome
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	- <b>Remembrance Day</b> - <b>Dental Van at Holy Eucharist</b>
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-Pre-Prep: 9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm-3pm.
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	- <b>World Kindness Day</b>
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-School Mass: 9am – All Welcome -Mandeville Hall excursion -“Back to-Day” - Year 7 CRC Students visiting Grade 6. -Assembly 2:35pm (hall)-All Welcome -Pre-Prep: 9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm-3pm.

### NOVEMBER (Cont'd)

Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-Pre-Prep: 9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm-3pm -Grade 2 Excursion to the Shrine of Remembrance
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-Cyber Safety Project: Information night for parents and staff 6-7:30pm
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-Pre-Prep: 9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm-3pm.
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	-School Mass at 9am – All Welcome -Pre-Prep: 9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm-3pm.
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	-Pre-Prep: 9-10:30am, 11:30-1pm, 1:30pm-3pm.
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-Grade 6 Graduation Photos
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-School Mass at 9am – All Welcome -Assembly 2:35pm (hall) – All Welcome

**At Holy Eucharist Catholic Primary School we promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children**