



Holy Eucharist School

St Albans South

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Holy Eucharist School

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Mass Times

Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am, 6pm

Vietnamese Mass at 12pm

Education in Faith:

Vanessa Shaw

Prep:

Sharon Bonnici,
Mary James, Shalini Dos Santos
& Bianca Gomez.

Grade 1: Tania Pufek, Mikaela
Borg & Gwen Laughlin.

Grade 2 Julie Murnane, Jessica
Kerlin, Thy Tran & Vivian Faraj

Grade 3: Natalie Kranjec,
Angela Lopez-Dee/Hania

Borowik & Thilini Nanayakkara

Grade 4: Jacelle Cablao, Jennifer
Khong & Kathryn Barrie

Grade 5: Bruno Pellaschiar, Clare
Christie & Adam Nicholl

Grade 6: Wally Antonowicz,
Vanessa Shaw/Erin McNally &
Tamara Patel

Learning Diversity /Wellbeing:

Julie Semcesen.

Family School Partnership

/Wellbeing: Jo Dragovic

School Counsellor: Edward Faraci.

Library: Jenny Bistricki.

Digital Technology: Allison Borg.

Art: Shobha Hickey.

Music: Damian O'Bree.

Literacy Leader: Charise Gibbs

Intervention Leader: Hannah
Power

Literacy Intervention: Jackie
Dabal & Kathleen Bezzina

Reading Recovery: Karen Colman

Maths Intervention: Anne Ablinger

Maths Leader P-6: Erin McNally

EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista

Physical Ed: Harry Herrera

Education Support: Joe Sirianni

LOTE: Linda Hyunh & Miyi Sun

Business Manager: Sue Smart

Administration Staff:

Connie La Macchia, Mandy Huong &
Rosemarie Slater.

Community Hub: Adella Howard

Cleaner: June Balatbat

Maintenance: Barry Lynch

OSHP: Register on Camp Aust website

Second Sunday of Lent Year A



*A reading from the holy Gospel according
to Matthew*

His face shone like the sun.

*Jesus took with him Peter and James
and his brother John and led them up a
high mountain where they could be
alone. There in their presence he was
transfigured; his face shone like the sun
and his clothes became as white as the
light. Suddenly Moses
and Elijah appeared to them; they were
talking with him. Then Peter spoke to
Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for
us to be here; if you wish, I will make
three tents here, one for you, one for
Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still
speaking when suddenly a bright cloud
covered them with shadow, and from the
cloud there came a voice which said,
'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys
my favour. Listen to him.' When they
heard this, the disciples fell on their
faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus
came up and touched them. 'Stand up,'
he said 'do not be afraid.' And when
they raised their eyes they saw no one
but only Jesus.*

*As they came down from the mountain
Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one
about the vision until the Son of Man
has risen from the dead.'*

The Gospel of the Lord.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Guardians and Care Givers,

Last Wednesday, the school and parish community celebrated the beginning of Lent with a beautiful Mass. The children from Grade 6 Antonowicz led us in prayer and they did an exceptional job. The celebration of Mass is very important to our school and parish as it is an opportunity for us to continue to develop a sense of community.

Last Monday the Grade 5 students, staff members and teachers attended camp at Malmsbury. The children were involved in so many new activities from archery to the giant swing. I would like to thank all the staff members who attended camp and assisted in looking after the students.

On Friday 28th February, a Meet and Greet was organised in the Community Hub. The Meet and Greet gave parents an opportunity to get to know each other and some of the school staff. Thank you to those parents who attended and provided some valuable feedback to us.

On Monday 2nd March, 3 of our students represented the school at the inter-school swimming carnival. Congratulations to the 3 students who represented the school. They are Charlotte Jensen, Oli Nedjo and Andy Dinh.

Please be vigilant when parking around the school and make sure you obey the parking restrictions, as there have been many complaints from parents who have received parking fines. The school is unable to pay the fines for you so please do not come to the office with your complaints. The parking situation around the school is not ideal and we are working closely with the Brimbank Council to come up with ways to improve the drop off and pick up areas around the school.



Please remember your testing times for Thursday 5th or Friday 6th March. It is very important that your child attends at their designated time.

Have a great long weekend and God Bless.

Mr Jeffrey Parker

Principal

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Sat 7 th / Sun 8 th March	Monday 9 th	Tuesday 10 th	Wednesday 11 th	Thursday 12 th	Friday 13 th	Sat 14 th / Sun 15 th	Monday 16 th
2 nd Sunday of Lent 	Labour Day Public Holiday NO SCHOOL	Letter to be sent home re Parent Teacher Chats	Parent Support Group Meeting	Whole School Mass 9am All Welcome Assembly 2.35pm in hall	Round 6 Interschool Sports Heights v HE (Away)	3 rd Sunday of Lent 	

LEARNING AND TEACHING

LITERACY AND NUMERACY TESTING

Just a reminder, that the Literacy and Numeracy Testing will take place this week. Testing will be held on **Thursday 5th and Friday 6th March 2020**. Each student will be allocated **45 minutes** to complete a series of tests with their class teacher. On testing day students are **only required to be at school for 45 minutes to complete the testing**. When the testing is completed, **students must return home**. Please ensure that students are not left unsupervised at school, as there are **no classes on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th March 2020**.

Literacy and Numeracy testing provides teachers with important data to inform teaching and to enable teachers to target specific student needs. 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. However, this year, Term 1 is only 8.5 weeks in duration. Therefore, we have had to move the Literacy and Numeracy Testing to March, just before the Labour Day weekend. This will allow sufficient time for data to be submitted before the end of term to Catholic Education Melbourne (CEM).

PARENT/TEACHER CHATS

On Tuesday 10th March you will be receiving a letter regarding Parent/Teachers Chats. Parents and Caregivers will be invited to choose a time to meet with your child's teacher. **Parent - Teacher Chats** will be held on **Wednesday 18th March 2020** 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 a number of questions, eg: *Where was your child born? When did they arrive in Australia? What is their first language? What languages are spoken at home? etc.* These questions will enable staff to support students and to target specific needs. 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.

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. In the coming weeks, you will receive more information and will be invited to choose your preferred time.

SCHOOL NURSE PROGRAM 2020

In early February, all Prep children received an envelope from the Primary School Nursing Program – State Government. The envelope contained a questionnaire about your child's health and development. These questionnaires **are now overdue and need to be returned to school without delay**. If you need assistance with the questionnaire, please contact Michael Bonnici at the school office. **The school nurse will be visiting the school in March.**

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Due to unforeseen circumstances, our school photos have had to be rescheduled. Our school photos will now be taken on **Monday 23rd March 2020**. All students need to wear their **full Summer Uniform and black school shoes**. Soon, the students will receive 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 photo day**. Alternatively, you can order photos online up to 2 days after photo day.



SCHOOL WEBSITE

The school policy section on the Holy Eucharist School website has been updated. The Child Safety (2.19) Policy, the Anaphylaxis Policy and First Aid Policy have all been revised. Please take some time to familiarise yourself with these policies. Some of these policies contain (new) important forms which you are able to print and submit.

Parent Information

The School Policy drop down menu contains the following:

- Our Commitment to Child Safety
- Additional Needs – Students with Disabilities
- Anaphylaxis Policy
- Assessment and Reporting
- Attendance Policy
- Bullying Policy
- Child Protection and Reporting (2.19)
- Code of Conduct
- Counselling Policy
- Discipline Policy
- Engagement of Volunteers
- Enrolment Policy
- First Aid Policy
- Grievance Policy for Parents/Carers
- Headlice Policy
- Homework Policy
- ICT eSmart Policy
- Mobile Phone Policy
- Onsite Supervision of Children Policy
- Out of School Activities Policy
- Parent/Caregiver Code of Conduct Policy
- Parent Information Booklet (English/Vietnamese)
- Pastoral Care Policy
- Police and DHHS – Protocols
- Privacy Policy -2020
- School Child Safety Policy
- School Uniform Policy
- Standard Collection Notice 2020
- Student Safety with External Providers Policy
- SunSmart Policy
- Values for Australian Schooling
- Visitors Policy
- Working with Children Policy

Policies

In the "Forms" drop down menu you will find:

- ASCIA – Action Plan – Allergic Reactions
- ASCIA – First Aid Anaphylaxis Plan - Generic
- ASCIA – Action Plan – Anaphylaxis – EpiPen
- ASCIA – Action Plan – Anaphylaxis – Generic
- ASCIA – First Aid Anaphylaxis Plan - EpiPen
- Asthma AU – Care Plan for Education and Care Services
- Asthma AU –Victorian School Action Plan Bricanyl Turbuhaler
- Asthma AU – Victorian School – Action Plan – Puffer Alone
- Asthma AU – Camp and Excursion Plan
- Asthma AU – Victorian School – Action Plan – Puffer and Spacer

For more information, please visit our school website: www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au

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 <http://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/files/School%20Uniform%20Policy.pdf>

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.

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO SCHOOL ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

- **Thursday 5th March** – Literacy and Numeracy Testing (*Students have been given an appointment day and time*)
- **Friday 6th March** – Literacy and Numeracy Testing (*Students have been given an appointment day and time*)
- **Monday 9th March** – **SCHOOL CLOSED (Labour Day Public Holiday)**



Mr Michael Bonnici

Learning and Teaching/Deputy Principal

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ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Fees 2020

I would like to thank all families for your patience as we rolled over into 2020 on our new administration system. We now have all fees processed ready for any family that would like to come in and pay. Please come to the school office and see Connie and she will process them for you.

Fee statements will be sent out at the beginning of next week. If any family has any query or concern about school fees please call on 8312-0900 or come into the office and see me.

CSEF

A reminder that if you have a new student or any Prep families who commenced at our school and have a current Health Care Card or Pension Card you may be entitled to CSEF from the Government. This will help reduce some of the student fees that are now due. Please come to the school office as soon as possible and Mrs Mandy Huong will check to see if you are eligible.

The Annual Student Medical Survey and Permission to Photo for 2020

There are still quite a few families who have not returned the above forms. The office will be calling these families as these forms must be completed

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Program – Sunday 29th March 2020:



10:30am - Outdoor Mass

*Mass will be celebrated on the school oval.

You are invited to wear your national clothes

NB: This weekend Mass will only be celebrated on Saturday Sunday at 10:30am (on the oval), and Sunday evening at



HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH MULTICULTURAL DAY



12.00pm onwards - Sausage Sizzle & Multicultural

Food:

*Taste the wide range of food from all around the world

(Gold coin?note donation)

Cultural Performances:

Samoan, Vietnamese, Sudanese, Filipino, Maltese,

Other activities include:

*Trash & Treasures – held at the School Car park

*Jumping Castle, Face Painting and Balloons for the children.

*Water will be provided.



If you would like to hold a Trash & Treasure stall, please contact the presbytery on 9366 1310 to book a table.

GRADE 5 CAMP 24th to 26th February 2020

Grade 5's went to Camp Doxa Malmsbury for a 3 day camp. Some of the fun and challenging activities they did were the Giant Swing, Rock Climbing, Ga Ga Ball, Bush Walking, Archery, and Trampolines. The bush setting of the camp provided valuable and memorable experiences for all our students. Thanks to Mrs.Semcesen, Mrs. Xuereb, Mrs. Dragovic and Mr. Parker who came on camp to help the Grade 5's.



During this Season of Lent, let's go further, together as a community at Holy Eucharist!

You can donate through the Compassion Boxes which were sent home last week or in Classroom Compassion Boxes. The Compassion Boxes will be presented at the end of School Mass on

Thursday 26th March 2020 at 9.00am.

**PROJECT
COMPASSION**
GO FURTHER TOGETHER

Please ensure that take-home Compassion Boxes are returned to the School by Monday 25th March.

Thank you for joining us as we reach out to others.

**End Poverty. Promote Justice.
Uphold Dignity.**



VISUAL ART NEWS

The 2020 Creative Arts Exhibition will be held at the Catholic Leadership Centre, (next to St John's church) 576 Victoria Pde. The dates are as following:

Monday 12th March to Friday 20th March between 9am – 3pm
Saturday 21st between 12pm- 4pm.

Please put these dates in your calendar.

There will be around 400 entries on display at the centre. Three of our school entries have been selected for the exhibition. I would highly recommend students who are interested in Art/Design/Technology/ Fashion, to attend and be inspired to see how students, both from Primary and Secondary schools have expressed their ideas creatively through 2D and 3D artworks. I am sure it will be a great eye opener and inspiration for the students, as well as a great family excursion into the city.

Mrs Shobha Hickey

Visual Art Specialist

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH 2020

- Sun 1st Mar - First Sunday of Lent
- World Wildlife Day/Clean Up Australia Day
- Mon 2nd Mar - School Photos – Student to wear full summer uniform
- Preps are full time from now on
- District Swimming Carnival – Mon 2nd or Wed 4th March (St Albans Leisure Centre 1-3pm) (TBC)
- Wed 4th Mar - Parent Support Group Meetings (PSG's)
- Thurs 5th Mar - School Closure – Literacy and Numeracy Testing
- Fri 6th Mar - School Closure – Literacy and Numeracy Testing
- Round 5 Interschool Sports Meadows v HE (AWAY GAME) Sports Summer Comp (TBC) 9am till 11am
- Sun 8th Mar - Second Sunday of Lent
- Mon 9th Mar - Labour Day Public Holiday

March 2020 Contd....

- Tues 10th March -Letter sent home regarding Parent/Teacher Chats
- Wed 11th March -Parent Support Group Meeting (PSGs)
- Thurs 12th March -School Mass at 9am - All Welcome
-Assembly (2:35pm-hall) All Welcome
- Fri 13th March -Rd 6: Interschool Sports: Heights v HE (Away)
- Sun 15th March -Third Sunday of Lent
- Tues 17th March -St Patrick's Day
- Wed 18th March -Parent Teacher Chats
-Students go home at 12pm.
-Divisional Swimming (Oak Park)
- Thurs 19th March -Feast of St Joseph -School Mass gam
- Fri 20th March -National Day Against Bullying & Violence
-Rd 7 Interschool Sports East v HE (AWAY)
-Assessment Portfolios go home

SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community. The Holy Eucharist Commitment to Child Safety and Reporting Process are on display in the Administration foyer of the School and School Policies are available on the website at www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au