



Holy Eucharist School

St Albans South

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Holy Eucharist School

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Fr Patrick Corbett CSsR

Fr Christoforus Matutina CSsR

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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 Cablaou, 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

Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A



*A reading from the holy gospel according to John
John 9:1, 6-12, 35-38 (CEV)*

*The man who was blind went off and washed
himself and came away with his sight restored.*

*One day as Jesus walked along,
he saw a man who had been blind since birth.*

Jesus spit on the ground.

*He made some mud and smeared it on the man's
eyes.*

*Then he said, "Go and wash off the mud in Siloam
Pool."*

*The man went and washed in Siloam,
which means "One Who Is Sent."*

When he had washed off the mud, he could see.

*The man's neighbours and the people who had seen
him begging*

wondered if he really could be the same man.

Some of them said he was the same beggar,

while others said he only looked like him.

But he told them, "I am that man."

"Then how can you see?" they asked.

He answered,

*"Someone named Jesus made some mud and
smeared it on my eyes.*

He told me to go and wash it off in Siloam Pool.

When I did, I could see."

"Where is he now?" they asked.

"I don't know," he answered.

When Jesus heard what had happened,

he went and found the man.

*Then Jesus asked, "Do you have faith in the Son of
Man?"*

He replied, "Sir, if you will tell me who he is,

I will put my faith in him."

"You have already seen him," Jesus answered,

"and right now he is talking with you."

The man said, "Lord, I put my faith in you!"

Then he worshipped Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Guardians and Care Givers,

Thank you for your patience over the last few weeks in regards to the COVID-19. At this stage the school will remain open and it will be business as usual. It is just unfortunate that the school has had to cancel so many events, but we must follow the protocols from the Federal and State Governments. I will keep you updated of any changes that may occur in the future.

There have been many children absent since the outbreak of COVID-19 and on Wednesday over 200 children were away from school. If your child is staying home due to illness or for any other reason, you should be notifying the school before 9.15am. If you do not notify the school, it is our responsibility to telephone you to find out why your child is not at school. When there are over 200 children away, it is a huge task for the Administration Office to call all the parents. **Our school phone number is 8312 0900.**

Please make sure that you are obeying the traffic rules when picking up and dropping of your child/children. The parking inspectors have been handing out a lot of parking infringements around the school so please follow all the rules to avoid fines.

As this is the last newsletter for the term, I would like to thank all the Parents, Guardians and Carers for their support and I wish you a safe and happy holiday.

God Bless

Mr Jeffrey Parker

Principal

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**Don't forget to contact the school office if
your child is going to be absent.
Telephone number 8312 0900**

Sat 21 st /Sun 22 nd March	Mon 23 rd	Tues 24 th	Wed 25 th	Thurs 26 th	Fri 27 th	Sat 28 th /Sun 29 th	Mon 30 th
4 th Sunday of Lent Year A 			Feast of the Annunciation		End of Term 1 School Finishes at 2.00pm	5 th Sunday of Lent Year A 	School Holidays

LEARNING AND TEACHING

CORONAVIRUS – COVID-19

We will continually update parents and caregivers in regards to the Coronavirus as soon as it becomes available. The school has first aid plans in place to respond to incidents and injuries and we have placed additional antibacterial liquid in all classrooms, as well as antibacterial soap in common toilet areas. We are continually promoting and reminding students that regular hand washing with soap is the single most effective way to reduce the spread of germs that cause respiratory disease. For more information and daily updates, please visit the Department of Health and Human Services Victoria:

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/>



SCHOOL PHOTOS

As the situation around Coronavirus continues to develop, our number one priority is the well-being of students, staff and the overall community. As a result, we have made the decision to postpone all school photography jobs for the remainder of Term 1. **Therefore, there will be no school photos on Monday 23rd March 2020.** We will be rescheduling school photos and we will let you know when a new date has been released. Parents who have placed an order online will receive an email letting them know that their order will be held until photography has been completed.



ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIOS

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, many parents have decided to keep their children at home. As a result, we have decided not to send the Student Assessment Portfolios home until the beginning of Term 2. It is anticipated that the Term 2 outlines will go home at the beginning of next term. Parents will then have the opportunity to see their child's work which was completed in Term 1.



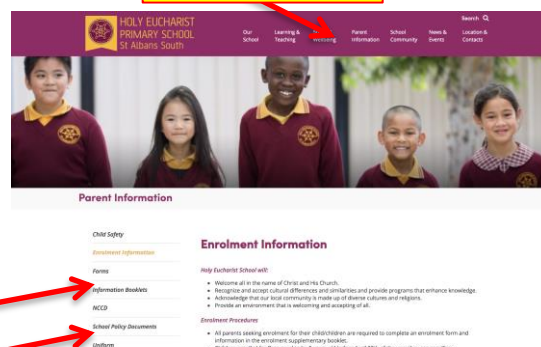
SCHOOL WEBSITE

The school policy section on the Holy Eucharist School website has been updated again. The Child Safety (2.19) Policy, the Anaphylaxis Policy and First Aid Policy have all been revised. A new Infectious Diseases Policy is also now available. 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.

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
- Infectious Diseases 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

Parent Information



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

Term Outlines can be found under 'Learning and Teaching'. For more information, please visit our school website:

www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au

Please check for regular updates on our school website in regard to the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

You can click on to our new link on our home page.

NAPLAN 2020

The students in Years 3 and 5 will be taking part in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) on 12th, 13th and 14th May 2020. 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.



UNIFORM DRESS CODE

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. Alternatively, you can visit our school website to view our school uniform policy <http://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/files/School%20Uniform%20Policy.pdf>

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 THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

Friday 27th March – End of Term 1 (Students finish school at **2.00pm**)

Monday 13th April – Easter Monday (PUBLIC HOLIDAY – NO SCHOOL)

Tuesday 14th April – Term 2 Begins



Mr Michael Bonnici

Learning and Teaching/Deputy Principal

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ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Fees 2020

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.

Absent Students

Please contact the school on 8312 0900 if your child is going to be away from school on any given day. If the phone is busy, please leave a message.

Sue Smart

Administration/Business Manager

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Connecting the Gospel to Catholic experience

It is not enough just to be at worship. We must come with insight (faith) and participate fully, actively, and consciously.

Students at Holy Eucharist School will not be attending Thursday Mass with the Parish community, until further notice. In the spirit of the Gospels and our Catholic Faith, particularly during the Lenten season, please encourage your child to pray and also to think of others through acts of kindness in their words and actions.

Thursday 19th March is the Feast Day of St Joseph. On this day, we call upon St Joseph to guide our world.

On this great feast day, we simply say:

“St Joseph pray for us!”

Mrs Vanessa Shaw

Faith Leader

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Holy Eucharist School Student Leadership Team for 2020

Congratulations to the following students who were announced as the 2020 Student Leadership Team at our recent Assembly. These students were presented with their badges on Thursday 19th March 2020.

School Captains

School Vice-Captains

Tanya Dsouza

Kaitlyn Au

6WA

6WA

Japvir Singh

Thien Tran

6WA

6SM

Padley House (Yellow) Captain

Stevens House (Red) Captain

Taylor House (Blue) Captain

Clarke House (Green) Captain

Stephanie Truong

Tracey Tran

Kie Otukolo

Vincent Tran

6WA

6SM

6WA

6TP

Vice-Captain

Vice-Captain

Vice-Captain

Vice-Captain

Johnny Nguyen

Han Luong

Anshi Sunkara

Minh Nhat Nguyen

6TP

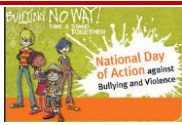
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God of Love: Grant these students the light of your Holy Spirit to guide them in their responsibilities, working in harmony for the good of our School community. Amen.



National Day of Action Against Bullying & Violence and Harmony Day 2020

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (NDA) is an important day to mark Australian school communities standing together against bullying and violence.

On the last day of Term 1, Friday 27th March, 2020 the whole school will be celebrating and supporting the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence and Harmony Day. **Students are invited to dress in their cultural clothes, or the colours of the flag of their heritage, or orange – the colour of Harmony Day.**

Harmony Day falls on or close to the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence each year. The day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity and is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone, themes that link directly to the anti-bully focus of the National Day of Action.



CATHOLIC SOCIAL JUSTICE AT HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL LIVING OUR FAITH THROUGH OUR ACTIONS

St Vincent de Paul 2020 Non-Perishable Food Appeal.

As we have been made aware this week our School community will not be attending Mass at Holy Eucharist Parish, until further notice. Therefore, the St Vincent de Paul 2020 Non-Perishable Food Appeal presentation that was going to occur at the end of Term 1 Mass, on Thursday 26th March, 2020 at 9.00 am has been cancelled. **However, the baskets of non-perishable foods will be given to Bruno, St Vincent de Paul representative on that day to be given to the homeless teenagers, adults, elderly and needy families within our community.**

If you would like to donate any non-perishable foods, you are more than welcome.

<i>Suggested Non-perishable Food(s)</i>
Packets of pasta or rice.
Cans / packets of soup.
Packets of biscuits / fruit juice.
Boxes of cereal / muesli.
Spreads, for example: jams, peanut butter, nutella.
Tins of tuna, chicken and legumes.
Instant coffee, tea bags, long life milk / sugar.

There will be a basket in each classroom where the non-perishable foods can be placed. Your generosity in supporting the appeal has been very much appreciated.



Project Compassion

Please return any Caritas Project Compassion boxes to Holy Eucharist School by Thursday 26th March as they will be given to the Parish Office to help to end poverty in our world.

Thank you for your kind contributions.

Mrs Jo Dragovic
Family/School Partnership (FSP)

Mrs Julie Semcesen
Wellbeing/Learning Leader

Mrs Vanessa Shaw
Faith Leader

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Due to the outbreak of the Coronavirus, the school is taking a number of precautionary measures to ensure the safety of our students parents and staff. Therefore, all extra curricular activities as outlined in the school calender have been cancelled until further notice.

These precautions are put in place to keep our community safe. We ask for your cooperation in adhering to these precautionary measures. We will keep you updated with any changes that may occur regarding the COVID-19.

Term 1 ends – Friday 27th March 2020 – 2.00 pm

Term 2 starts – Tuesday 14th April 2020 – 8.55 am

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