



Holy Eucharist School - St Albans South

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Deputy Principal:

Ms. Anne-Marie Conte

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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

Prep: Mary James, Shalini Dos Santos

Bianca Gomez & Mikaela Borg.

Grade 1: Tania Gatt, Jo Dragovic, Angela Lopez-Dee & Elise Ring.

Grade 2: Julie Murnane, Jessica Kerlin, & Thy Tran.

Grade 3: Thilini Nanayakkara, Stephani Oggenovski, Carla Lolicato & Dion Xuereb

Grade 4: Jennifer Khong, Kathryn Barrie & Hania Borowik/Rose Barnes.

Grade 5: Bruno Pellaschiar, Adam Nicholl, Clare Christie/Vanessa Shaw

Grade 6: Wally Antonowicz, Jacelle Cabla & Helen Kennedy.

Education in Faith: Vanessa Shaw

Learning & Teaching/Literacy Leader:

Bernadette Parnis

Learning Diversity/Staff Wellbeing:

Julie Semcesen

Student Wellbeing: Anne-Marie Conte

Literacy Intervention: Charise Gibbs,

Jackie Dabal, Kristine Lorenc.

Reading Recovery: Karen Colman &

Cassie Renfrew

Maths Leader/Tutoring P-6: Erin McNally

Maths Intervention: Maryanne Camilleri

Family School Partnership /Wellbeing:

Clare Christie

School Counsellor: Edward Faraci

Digital Technology/ICT: Allison Borg &

Vivian Faraj

Visual Arts: Shobha Hickey

Performing Arts-Music: Damian O'Bree

Physical Education: Harry Herrera

LOTE (Mandarin): Miya Sun

EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista

EAL: Gabrielle Bright

Education Support: Joe Sirianni, Anita Bison

Library: Jenny Bistricki

Business Manager: Sue Smart

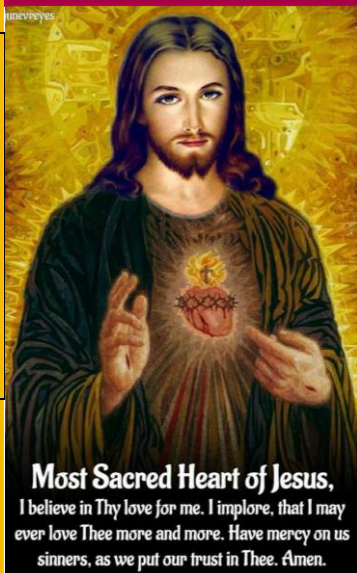
Administration Staff: Connie La Macchia,

Mandy Huang

Community Hub: Adella Howard

Cleaner: June Balatbat & Maria Attard

Maintenance: Barry Lynch



Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

I believe in Thy love for me. I implore, that I may ever love Thee more and more. Have mercy on us sinners, as we put our trust in Thee. Amen.

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Friday 11 June

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Saturday 12 June

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mk 4:26-34)

The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.

Jesus said to his disciples,

"Here is another example of what the kingdom of God is like: it is like a mustard seed. A mustard seed is the smallest of all seeds.

But when it grows, it becomes very large, and its branches are so big that birds can come and make their nests in it and be protected from the hot sun."

Jesus always taught the people by using examples like this so they would be able to understand. But whenever Jesus was alone with the twelve apostles, he explained everything to them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Principal's Message:

Dear Families and Friends,

I would like to thank you for your patience whilst the school was closed over the past 2 weeks due to the lockdown restrictions. I am pleased to report that all our students and staff did an amazing job during remote learning in light of this situation. I am also very proud to say that our very resilient students came back to school reenergized and with great enthusiasm to learn.

As you are aware, we are living in a COVID world. COVID is still around and continues to disrupt our lives. This means that we will need to continue doing things differently at home, at school and in the community. Some practices that we have introduced here at the school since COVID may not be ideal, but they are there to keep everyone in our school community safe and I seek your full cooperation. For the time being, we are asking parents/carers to drop off and pick-up students at the gates. This is only a temporary measure until further restrictions are lifted.

Recently, the government has made it mandatory for all schools across Victoria to have registered QR Codes available for visitors to use in addition to signing into the school. The new QR Codes have been placed on the windows outside each classroom and in the Administration Building. It is also going to become mandatory for all staff in schools to use the QR Codes as well as in all other Victorian workplaces. This service by the government assists contact tracers to contain a COVID-19 outbreak. I ask that all parents/carers use these QR Codes when permitted to come back onsite, particularly when visiting your child's classroom (i.e., Parent/Teacher Interviews) or when entering the school office.

On a lighter note, I would like to mention that during our lockdown we had 2 more people join our staff. Mrs Anita Bison has come back to us (from retirement) on a part time basis. She will be providing extra support in the Junior school and will be supporting our graduate teachers. We also welcome Mr Dion Xuereb who will be replacing Miss Faraj in Grade 3, whilst Miss Faraj takes on her new role as Digital Technologies/ICT Leader at the school. I also would like to take this opportunity on behalf of everyone at Holy Eucharist, to say farewell to Ms Allison Borg who will officially start her maternity leave as of next week. I would like to wish Allison and her partner Joe all the very best.

Please remember that Monday 14th June 2021 is a Public Holiday.

Thanks again for your cooperation and understanding. Please stay safe and take care.



Mr Michael Bonnici

Principal

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**Queen's Birthday
Public Holiday
No School on Monday
14th June 2021**



ENGAGE



EDUCATE



EMPOWER

COVID-19 UPDATE

As you are aware, the coronavirus pandemic continues to challenge us in education, so we have had to keep some safety measures in place. Since last year, we have had hand sanitiser accessible in all classrooms. Students and staff are required to sanitise their hands when entering a room and upon leaving the classroom. All rooms are disinfected with spray twice daily and electronic devices are wiped down with antibacterial wipes. Teaching staff have been provided with disinfectant spray bottles and rolls of paper which are to be used to clean and sanitise workspaces.

Social distancing is an essential element of stopping the transmission of COVID-19. This must be adhered to once more with the return of COVID-19 in the local community.

The Government has listed sites identified as potential transmission locations. Any staff or student who have been at one of the sites at the identified times must follow COVID testing procedures. Any person who has any symptoms of cold or flu must not attend school. Stay home, get tested and if the test result is negative then returning to school is possible.

QR Codes have been placed on the windows outside each classroom and in the Administration Building. It is becoming mandatory for all staff and visitors to use the QR Codes provided to assist with any contact tracing.

We must all play our part in limiting the spread of COVID-19 in the community now that it has returned. If we work together and follow all of the safety precautions we can once again manage the Corona Virus.

STARTING AND FINISHING TIMES

All classroom teachers will be in their rooms at 8:45am and school will begin at 8:55am. However, we will be having staggered finishing times until the end of Term 2. The finishing times are as follows:

- Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 **will finish** school at 3:05pm
- Preps, 1s and 2s **will finish** at 3:15pm

Please note:

- Students in Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be allowed to pick up their younger brother or sister in Grade Prep, 1 and/or 2 at 3:05
- If the Grade Prep, 1 and 2 students do not have an older sibling, then they will be taken to their allocated gate by the teacher for dismissal at 3:15pm and will wait for the students to be picked up.

DESIGNATED GATES:

Each grade level has a designated gate to enter/leave the school.

- **Gate 1** (Next to the hall) – Grade Prep and Grade 3
- **Gate 2** (Next to the church) – Grade 1 and Grade 4
- **Gate 3** (Admin gate) – Grades 6
- **Gate 4** (O'Brien Drive) – Grade 2 and Grade 5

Please remember:

- In the morning the gates will be open from 8:30am until 9am.
- Students will need a late pass after 9:15am
- In the afternoon gates will be open from 3:05pm until 3:30pm.
- **At this stage, parents/carers/visitors are not permitted to enter the school grounds.**
- You will need to wear a mask outdoors if you cannot maintain the 1.5 metre physical distancing rule.
- If you have more than one child at school, you can drop off and pick up your children from a preferred gate, so long as you have one child who belongs to the year level specified at the gate.
- Students will need to use the same gate during drop off and pick-up time.

WELCOME BACK TO HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL	
<p>Dear Parents/Carers,</p> <p>Each grade level has a designated gate to enter/leave the school.</p> <p>Please remember:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gates will open for students at 8:30am. No parents/carers/visitors are allowed inside at this stage.• If you cannot maintain the 1.5 metre social distancing rule, then you will be required to wear a mask outdoors.• For the remainder of Term 2 we will be implementing the following:• Students in Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 will finish school at 3:05pm. These students can also pick up their younger brother or sister in Grade Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 at this time.• Students in Grade Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 will line up at their gates at 3:15pm if they are not collected by a sibling. <p>NB: If there is more than one child in the family, parents/carers can use one gate to drop off and pick up their children (as long as one child from the family is from the year level specified on the gate. The gates will be used for pick-up).</p> <p>Thank you for your cooperation.</p> <p>We Michael Bennett Principal</p>	
TERM 2	
GATE 1 (O'Brien Drive - next to the hall)	GRADE 3 (O'Brien Drive - next to the hall)
GATE 2 (Gate next to the Church)	GRADE 4 (Gate next to the Church)
GATE 3 (O'Brien Drive - Admin Gate)	GRADE 5 (O'Brien Drive - Admin Gate)
GATE 4 (O'Brien Drive - Lanesway Gate)	GRADE 6 (O'Brien Drive - Lanesway Gate)

STUDENTS WHO ARE UNWELL

Please remember that if your child is feeling unwell, please keep them at home. Students will be sent home if they present with symptoms such as a sore throat, temperature, tiredness, loss of taste or smell, tummy pains or shortness of breath. It is important that your emergency contact is available, particularly, if you are unable to pick up your child when we ring you. **The constant message is for all of us to be responsible in the actions we take.** By keeping yourself safe, you are keeping your families, your colleagues and your friends safe.

PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

Now that we have returned to school, I urge you to please respect the neighbours around the school and to obey the parking restrictions. Please note that Brimbank Council are issuing these fines to people not obeying the law and not the school. Therefore, the school cannot pay cancel or pay for these fines.

Please ensure that you adhere to the following road rules:

- Do not leave your car unattended in the church driveway
- Do not block or park in neighbouring driveways
- Do not double park. Even if it is for a few seconds.
- Only those persons with DISABLED stickers are permitted to park in the disabled parking bays at front of school.
- Do not park on people's nature strips.

REPORTS AND ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIOS

The Semester 1 Reports will be going home on Friday 18th June 2021. However, the Assessment Portfolios will now be sent home (early) in Term 3. The Assessment Portfolios will contain the work samples collected in Term 2 as well as the Term 3 Outline. These will be sent home at around the same time as the Parent/Teacher Interviews (which have been rescheduled – please see below).

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Unfortunately, due to the recent restrictions, we have had to postpone our Parent/Teacher Interviews. The Parent/Teacher Interviews will **now take place in Term 3 on Thursday 15th July 2021. The students will be finishing school at 12pm on this day.**

Please note that the Assessment Portfolios will be sent home early that week to support the Parent/Teacher Interviews. We regard Parent/Teacher Interviews and Assessment and Reporting as a vital part of our school program. We will be providing more information about the Parent/Teacher Interviews in the coming weeks.



ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

The Annual Report to the Community is a requirement by the VRQA and Catholic Education Melbourne. The purpose of the Annual Report to the Community is to inform parents and the wider school community of the school's successes, activities and achievements throughout the year, and to meet legislative and regulatory requirements under the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006* and the National Education Agreement 2008. Schools are required to submit a school annual report to the Melbourne Archdiocese of Catholic Schools (MACS)

The 2020 Annual Report to the Community is now published and can be viewed on the school website. Alternatively, you may obtain a copy from the school office.



ENROLMENTS 2022

Enrolments are now open for 2022

We have already had a number of enquiries at the office from new families who wish to enrol their child for Grade Prep in 2022.

It is really important that our current parents register their child/ren at the office if they wish to enrol them Grade Prep in 2022.

Unfortunately, due to the restrictions we have had to postpone interviewing our new enrolment applicants. Hopefully we will be able to conduct the interviews in the coming weeks.

VIRTUAL TOUR OF HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL

Unfortunately, due to the new restrictions we are unable to have small group tours for families to see our amazing school. However, in the meantime, we invite you to take a brief tour of our school by visiting our school website or by clicking on the following link;

<https://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/#home-video>

We hope that this presentation will provide you with some insight into this vibrant school. If you would like further information, please call our school office on 8312 0900 or please email

principal@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au



IMPORTANT DATES

- Please note that there is **no school on Monday 14th June 2021** (Queen's Birthday -Public Holiday).
- The end of Term 2 is **Friday 25th June 2021**. **Students will be finishing school at 2pm**



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CELEBRATING LEARNING AT HOLY EUCHARIST

Remote learning is not our preferred style when it comes to promoting learning. However, at the moment we have no choice. Thankfully remote learning is allowing students and teachers to remain connected and engaged during this lock down period. As I am sure is the case in other schools, **everyone** at Holy Eucharist is doing an excellent job; teachers, learning support officers, administration staff, students and parents alike. The time and effort is certainly acknowledged and appreciated. Thank you for the brilliant effort!

And, despite the setting change, students continue to rise to the challenge and take responsibility for their learning. Following is an example of just that! Dennis, from 6JC, not only wrote an amazing information text about Komodo dragons, he also creatively published it on YouTube. Please follow this link to check out Dennis' work. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nXeS86HDCiE>

READING

We all know how important reading is. It helps develop our thoughts, gives us knowledge, builds vocabulary and helps keep minds active. For our children, reading helps them to learn sounds, words and language. It sparks their imagination and stimulates curiosity. Above all, the more time children spend reading the more they learn to value books and stories which in turn builds their love and skills.

We have a subscription with Sunshine Online. This digital platform provides access to levelled books as well as other sections that work on alphabet, spelling etc. The website details <https://library.sunshineonline.com.au/login/student>

Our login details are; username - heps3021 password - heps3021.

In addition, we have 30 days free access to *Storybox Library*, a digital online opportunity for children to listen to the best stories being read aloud by storytellers. Our login details are; username - heps3021 password - heps3021.

And, if you would like more, the State Library provides free online registration. Over 200,000 eBooks for free. You can join remotely <https://www.slv.vic.gov.au/>

WRITE 4 FUN COMPETITION

Each year 'Write 4 Fun' encourages students to read and write by providing fun competitions that are easy for students across Australia to enter. This year marks 20 years of supporting writing competitions. The 2021 Schools Poetry and Short Story Writing Competition closed in April. We have a number of students at Holy Eucharist enter the competition. Many students received notification to inform them that they made it to the second round of judging. Results were announced on 2nd June 2021 and whilst no students from Holy Eucharist progressed further, from my perspective every student that entered is a winner! Congratulations for taking on this challenge students. You all have much to be proud of. Don't let this be the first or last time that you enter. Please follow this link to view the winners list and read the entries. <https://www.write4fun.net/competitions/68/winners>

ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (EAL)

The Department of Education with the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority have released a revised version of the English as an Additional Language Curriculum. This curriculum is not inferior to the English Victorian Curriculum. It has been devised in order to provide students that speak a language other than English the best opportunity to develop their English in what is called modes - Speaking and Listening, Reading and Viewing and Writing. This revised version is being implemented in all Department, Catholic and Independent schools this year. As a result, teachers at Holy Eucharist have examined the information collected from you during Parent Teacher interviews at the beginning of the year, to decide which curriculum would best suit students' needs. Therefore, a number of students will now be following an EAL pathway and they will receive an EAL report to assess their Literacy skills. Teachers will advise you if this is the case. Please do not be alarmed. I reiterate, this curriculum is not inferior! Literacy is still taught in the same way but with more of an emphasis on developing proficiency/skills/knowledge, such as understanding grammar, learning new vocabulary, speaking correctly in full sentences etc.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like further information.

Mrs Bernadette Parnis

Learning and Teaching/Literacy Leader

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ADMINISTRATION NEWS CAMP, SPORT, EXCURSION FUND – 2ND ROUND APPLICATIONS FOR TERM 2

Dear Parents

If you have a **new** Health Care Card or Pension Card issued between **28th January and 19th April, 2021**, you may be entitled to apply for CSEF (Camp, Sport, Excursion Fund) from the Government.

Please bring your card/new card to the school office as soon as possible and see Mrs Mandy Huang. Mrs Huang will then process your application for this fund. There is one more week left for you to apply.



Mrs Sue Smart
Business Manager

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GENERAL NEWS

PARKING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

This is a reminder that the school has had complaints regarding our parents parking on people's nature strips and driveways around the school. We understand that parking can be difficult, however we must always be respectful to our neighbours.



This is a photo of the damaged caused when someone had driven over a neighbour's water meter. This happened in O'Brien Drive.

We respectfully ask our families to consider those who live around the school area and to please not park or block our neighbour's driveways or park on their property at all. In the morning, school gates open at 8.30am and after school, teachers supervise children up until 3.30pm each day. There is enough time to plan your drop off and pick up carefully.

MATHS TUTORING

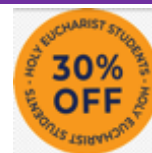
MATHS TUTORING - 30% DISCOUNT FOR HOLY EUCHARIST STUDENTS

MPiR Tuition is a maths tuition centre located in Cairnlea that offers tutoring to students from Years 3 to 12. Our classes are conducted in small groups with specially designed classwork and homework books. Our weekly 80 minute sessions are run by VIT registered teachers. For more information please visit www.mpirtuition.com.au or contact 0481 333 678.

ĐẠY KÈM TOÁN - GIẢM 30% HỌC PHÍ CHO SINH VIÊN TẠI TRƯỜNG HOLY EUCHARIST

MPiR Tuition là một trung tâm dạy kèm tại Cairnlea cung cấp dịch vụ dạy kèm toán

cho học sinh từ Lớp 3 đến Lớp 12. Các lớp học được tiến hành theo nhóm nhỏ với các bài tập soạn riêng cho mỗi học sinh. Các buổi học được dạy bởi giáo viên có bằng cấp. Để biết thêm chi tiết, vui lòng truy cập www.mpirtuition.com.au hoặc liên lạc 0481 333 678.



IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Sat 12th June** -Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- **Mon 14th June** -Queen's Birthday Public Holiday – No School
-Refugee Week
- **Fri 18th June** -Reports go home
- **Sat 19th June** -Confirmation 2pm (TBA)
- **Sun 20th June** -World Refugee Day
- **Tues 22nd June** -Healthy Tuckshop Day

- **Thurs 24th June** -Nativity of St John the Baptist
- **Fri 25th June** -End of Term 2 – Students finish at 2pm
- **Mon 28th June** -School Holidays
- **Tues 29th June** -Feast of St Peter and St Paul

JULY

- **Mon 12th July** - Assessment Portfolios go home
- **Thurs 15th July** - Parent/Teacher Interviews – Student finish at 12pm

LAST DAY OF TERM 2
Friday 25th June 2021
Students finish
at 2.00 o'clock



STUDENTS
RETURN TO
SCHOOL FOR
TERM 3
Monday 12th July 2021



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