



Holy Eucharist School - St Albans South

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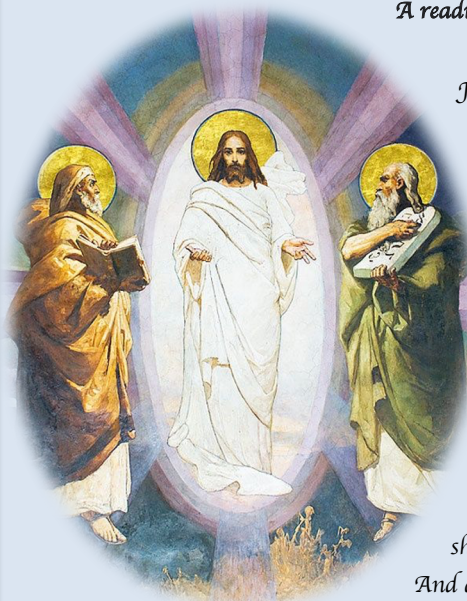
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Saturday the 6th day of August 2022, is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Lk 9:28-36)

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Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone.



*The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen. **The Gospel of the Lord.***

Principal's Message:

Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

Last week the staff from Holy Eucharist were offsite for 2 days to participate in Professional Learning. We utilised this time in preparation for our School Review by looking at the Vision and Mission of Holy Eucharist School and to familiarise ourselves with the 11 New Child Safe Standards which came into effect on 1st July 2022.

Last week, I posted a note on Class Dojo regarding facemasks. The Department of Education, together with the Independent Schools and Catholic Education Commission of Victoria are strongly recommending that students who are 8 years and above wear a facemask in indoor settings. Your support will help keep our school open and will ensure that our students and staff remain safe and healthy. We will have facemasks and hand sanitiser available at all gates and in all classrooms.

On a more positive note, I would like to congratulate all our Grade Prep students who celebrated 100 days at school. The Prep students celebrated the day by participating in 4 different FUNFIT workshops and they had a sausage sizzle. I would also like to congratulate Ms Allison Borg who will be getting married tomorrow. On behalf of everyone at Holy Eucharist I would like to wish Allison and her partner Joe all the very best.

Today, we also bid farewell to our Administration Officer, Mrs Connie LaMacchia. Connie has been part of our Holy Eucharist family for almost 13 years. Connie has taken on a new administrative position at CRC St Albans. We will miss Connie and thank her for her hard work and commitment to Holy Eucharist and wish her all the best. Ms Stefani Richardson has been appointed to take on the administrative position and we welcome her to our school.

Finally, I would like to thank all the parents and carers who participated in Parent Support Group (PSG) discussions over the last few weeks. At Holy Eucharist we recognise the importance of working in collaboration with our families. For students with diverse needs, these partnerships between family and school are crucial in supporting our students. As parents/carers, "you have a depth of knowledge and can make valuable contributions about additional practices and processes that will support your child at school" (CECV, 2021). During the PSGs it was pleasing to see our parents/carers and staff working together in partnership to support our students with diverse needs. Our National Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) for funding of children with additional needs will be submitted on 5th August 2022.

Wishing you a peaceful weekend.

God Bless,

Mr Michael Bonnici
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Ms. Anne-Marie Conte

Parish Priest

Fr. Vincent Long Pham CSSr

Community Leader:

Fr Peter Ly Trong Danh CSSr

Assistant Priest:

Fr Vincensius Lolo CSSr

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, Natalie Lucchiar, Carla Lolicato & Samenta Ganeshanatham,

Grade 1: Jo Dragovic, Angela Lopez-Dee, Elise Ring & Crystal Carmuciano/ Maryanne Camilleri.

Grade 2: Jackie Dabal/Claire Christie, Thy Tran, Dion Xuereb & Juliana Bizjak.

Grade 3: Thilini Nanayakkara, Jane Hurren & Vivian Faraj/Christine Saunders.

Grade 4: Jennifer Khong, Kathryn Barrie, Julie Murnane & Rose Barnes/ Gabrielle Bright.

Grade 5: Bruno Pellaschiar, Vanessa Shaw/ Tamara Patel & Stefany Nemet.

Grade 6: Jacelle Cablao, Helen Kennedy & Adam Nicholl.

Education in Faith: Vanessa Shaw

Learning & Teaching: Anne-Marie Conte

Literacy Leader: Bernadette Parnis

Literacy Intervention: Charise Gibbs,

Literacy Tutoring: Allison Borg

Reading Recovery: Karen Colman & Cassie Renfrew.

Maths Leader/Tutoring P-6: Erin McNally

Maths Intervention: Maryanne Camilleri

Learning Diversity/Wellbeing:

Julie Semcesen

Speech Pathologist: April Jones

Family and Community Engagement

/Wellbeing: Clare Christie

School Counsellor: Edward Faraci

Digital Technology/ICT: Vivian Faraj

Visual Arts: Shobha Hickey

Performing Arts-Music: Damian O'Bree

Physical Education: Harry Herrera

LOTE:

EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista

Education Support: Joe Siriani

Library: Jenny Bistricki & Rita Zammit

Business Manager: Sue Smart

Administration Staff: Connie La Macchia, Mandy Huong

Community Hub Leader: Adella Howard

Cleaners: June Balatbat & Maria Attard

School Maintenance: Peter Buttigieg

COVID-19 UPDATES

Face Masks:

Last week, a letter was posted on Class Dojo regarding the wearing of face masks at school.

The Victorian Department of Health strongly recommends that face masks are worn in indoor settings.

As a result, the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) together with the Department of Education and Training (DET) and Independent Schools Victoria have asked that all students aged 8 and over and all staff in all schools across Victoria to wear masks when in class (except where removing a mask is necessary for clear communication) from now to the end of winter.

They have stipulated that students won't be required or expected to wear masks when outdoors, and this expectation won't stop student participation in the full range of school activities, including music, sport and performances.

Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) together with the Department of Education and Training (DET) and Independent Schools Victoria have asked for your support in explaining to your child or children the importance of this simple step that will help keep our schools as safe as possible.

They have also urged that you make sure your child (or children) takes a mask to school (and wears it if they are travelling on public transport) or collects a mask when they arrive at school.

We all appreciate how important it is for students to be back at school. This action will help make sure as many students and staff as possible are protected from COVID and other winter illness. Thank for your help with this collective effort to keep our communities safe and healthy.

Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs):

The Victorian Government is providing up to three further deliveries of Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) in Term 3 and again in Term 4 to schools. These will be available for collection from the school office for those who are symptomatic or who are household contacts.

Transport of children to school by positive cases:

Parents/carers who are COVID-19 positive can now leave self-isolation to transport children to or from school via private vehicle. However, the parent/carer must travel directly to and from the school only. **They must remain in the vehicle at all times**, unless it is reasonably necessary to leave the vehicle to walk the child to and from the entrance of the school safely. **They must wear a face mask at all times.**

Expanded eligibility for fourth COVID-19 vaccine dose:

The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) has updated its recommendations around fourth doses of COVID-19 vaccination. From Monday 11 July 2022, people over 30 years will be eligible for a fourth dose. ATAGI recommends that people aged 50 to 64 years should have their fourth dose, while those aged 30 to 49 years may choose to have a fourth dose. For further information see the [ATAGI website](#).

IS YOUR CHILD UNWELL? IF YES...PLEASE KEEP THEM AT HOME!

Staff members and students must stay at home if they are unwell or if they have COVID-19.

Please remember, that your child should **not come to school** if they have a sore throat, a temperature, if they feel fatigued (tiredness), if they have a loss of taste or smell, tummy pains or shortness of breath. If the students show any of these symptoms whilst at school, they will be sent home immediately. 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

There are still a number of parents/carers who are leaving their cars parked unattended along the church driveway. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR PARKED IN THE DRIVEWAY NEXT TO THE CHURCH TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD/REN!** When this happens, the people behind you become angry and frustrated because they are blocked and cannot leave.

The church driveway should work just like a **Kiss & Go Zone**. This means that:

- **The Kiss and Go Zone is a "No Parking" area.**
- **The driver should remain in their vehicles at all times.**
- **When you leave home you need to ensure that your child is in their seats with their bags with them.**
- **Your child must use the footpath side of the door when getting in and out of the car.**
- **The driver must never double park.**
- **If the Kiss & Go Zone is full or you wish to get out of the car, please park in an area away from the Kiss & Go Zone.**
- **When crossing the driveway, please use the Zebra Crossing. We need to set good examples for our children.**
- **Do not park in the Staff Car Park to Drop Off or Pick Up Children.**

Please make sure that you obey the parking restrictions around the school, as there have been many complaints from parents/carers who have received parking fines. Please note that Brimbank Council are issuing these fines to people not obeying the law and not the school. Therefore, the school cannot 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.

The parking situation around the school is not ideal. However, I have been liaising with Brimbank Council to come up with ways to improve the parking situation around the school.

SCHOOL REVIEW

In Victoria, schools are reviewed to make sure they are meeting the minimum standards and other requirements for registration. The review is a requirement by the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA). Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Melbourne take part in the review process every 4 years. The School Review is used to support deep learning and ongoing monitoring of improvement throughout the four-year continuous improvement process within the School Improvement Framework.

School Review supports schools and the wider system to foster improvement in an ongoing and continuous way, as well as ensuring schools continue to meet external legislative and regulatory requirements.

School Review has two main dimensions – **Improvement** and **Compliance**.

In Term 3, we have another School Closure Day to prepare staff for our School Review. Therefore, the school will be closed on **Friday 19th August 2022**



SCHOOL/MACS POLICIES - UPDATED

We are continually updating our Holy Eucharist /MACS policies on the school website.

There are features on our website to assist with navigating. Some of the new features include:

- ❖ Translations in 18 different languages
- ❖ An 'Enrol' tab which now has the updated Holy Eucharist School/MACS enrolment forms for 2023
- ❖ A drop-down menu to assist in locating all the updated policies mandated by MACS



NEW HE School/MACS Policies



MELBOURNE ARCHDIOCESE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS – SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SURVEYS (MACSSIS)

Throughout each year, we pause to listen to our students, families and staff to gauge how our learning community is travelling. This feedback is invaluable to our progress as effective school communities and is backed by evidence-based research and best practices.

A significant and formal way in which we engage and gather data is through MACSSIS, the Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools – School Improvement Surveys. One of the main goals of the MACSSIS survey is to identify the strengths and areas for improvement within our school. We believe it is important that you have a voice in order to contribute to shaping the ongoing improvement of Holy Eucharist School.

The survey will be accessible online, from Monday 29th August and will need to be completed by Friday 16th September 2022. The survey will be available in English and in various other languages and dialects. All participation is invited, welcomed and 100% voluntary. The surveys are not a test; they are an inclusive way to inform the work we are already doing to improve our school. Everyone has the right to refuse to participate, or withdraw from the survey at any point before, during, or after completion of the survey. Please notify the school if your child (Years 4-6) does not wish to participate. If you would like more information, please free to contact Michael or Anne-Marie at the office.

Mr Michael Bonnici

Principal

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LITERACY NEWS

Hello Everyone,

Firstly, welcome back! Term 3 is lining up to be extremely exciting Literacy wise (as always :-)

We will be hosting a Book Fair and celebrating Book Week not to mention the loads of new learning in Literacy!

I must give special mention to the teachers who worked busily during the last week of Term 2 to plan lots of exciting reading, writing and speaking and listening learning opportunities. One of the tasks has been for the students to set goals in order to improve themselves so now they are working towards achieving growth. I cannot wait to see the students not only enjoying their learning but also taking on the challenges to improve their writing and reading skills.

Book Week 2022

Book Week 2022 will run from August 20-26. The theme is *Dreaming With Eyes Open*. The theme is beautiful and gives us a lot of scope to reflect our Indigenous culture. Jasmine Seymour, illustrator of *Baby Business*, which won the CBCA Award for New Illustrator in 2020, has designed the official artwork. **Please make note of the following date, Thursday 25th August, as this will be our Book week Dress Up Day with an Assembly at 12pm.** So please get working on your costume :-)

More information and news to follow including the Short Listed books. Stay posted.

Book Fair

Our school is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair during Week 6 Monday 15th - Thursday 18th August. Our Book Fair Family Event is the week before Book Week and we would love to see you there!

You and your child will have the opportunity to explore a huge range of affordable books featuring characters and subjects kids love and want to read about. From newly released books and bestsellers to award-winning titles and perennial favourites.

This is also a great way for you to learn about, and discuss your child's interests and every book sold benefits our school, adding resources to our library and classrooms.

Scholastic Book Fairs help us show students the wonder of reading. After all, when kids choose their own books, they will be more excited to read, and they will naturally read more!

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

Mrs Bernadette Parnis

Literacy Leader

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

17th Week in Ordinary Time

24 Jul World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
25 Jul Saint James, Apostle
26 Jul Saints Joachim and Anne
29 Jul Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus
30 Jul Saint Peter Chrysologus
30 Jul International Day of Friendship
30 Jul World Day Against Trafficking in Persons

18th Week in Ordinary Time

31 Jul Saint Ignatius of Loyola
1 Aug Saint Alphonsus Liguori
2 Aug Saint Eusebius of Vercelli and Saint Peter Julian Eymard
3 Aug Saint Dominic
4 Aug Saint John Vianney
6 Aug The Transfiguration of the Lord
6 Aug Hiroshima Day

ADMINISTRATION NEWS – FEES FOR TERM 3

Dear Parents

Thank you to all families, we appreciate your continued commitment to paying the Holy Eucharist School fees. Fees statements will be sent home early next week. If there is any family that has any financial concerns or queries, please contact me on 8312 0900.

Mrs Sue Smart

Business Manager

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ENROLMENTS 2023

Enrolments are now open for 2023.

Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30th April 2023. We have already started interviewing our new applicants and places are filling quickly.

It is really important that our current families also register their child/children at the office if they wish to enrol them for Grade Prep in 2023.

Tours of the school are now taking place (after school) from 3:30pm every Tuesday. Please contact the office to make a booking.



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2023 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

At Holy Eucharist Primary School:

- We acknowledge and celebrate individual differences.
- We have achieved positive results in NAPLAN.
- Our specialist program includes Physical Education, Music, Visual Arts & LOTE.
- We work in partnership with families to build a strong relationship between school and family.

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ĐĂNG KÝ NHẬP HỌC NĂM 2023

Tại trường Tiểu học Holy Eucharist

- Chúng tôi hiểu và tôn vinh sự khác biệt của từng cá nhân
- Kết quả thi Naplan vượt trội
- Một chương trình giảng dạy đặc biệt. Nhà trường cung cấp các môn học về nghệ thuật, âm nhạc, thể dục và LOTE.
- Chúng tôi luôn xây dựng mối quan hệ vững mạnh giữa nhà trường và gia đình

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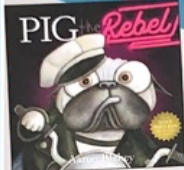
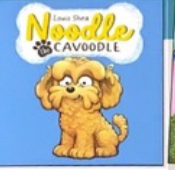


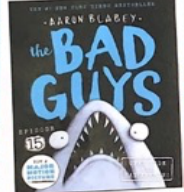



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SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs

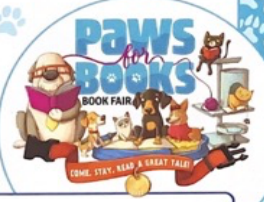
You're invited to our Scholastic

BOOK FAIR

Come. Stay. Read a Great Tale!

Find these books and hundreds more at the Fair!



EVERY PURCHASE YOU MAKE EARNS LEARNING AND LITERACY RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL

Date: Monday 15th August – Friday 18th August
Where: Holy Eucharist School Library

SCHOLASTIC

Newsletter

Camp Australia Holy Eucharist PS OSHC – Term 3 2022 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Time flies by, already term 3.

What's been happening?

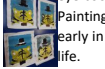


During the first week of May, gifts were created on a daily basis so the children give gifts to their mum's on Mother's Day.

The Handball Competition was on again this year. This teaches the children how to work in teams and build hand eye coordination. It also gives incentive to get active and have fun with friends.



Painting by numbers was an activity the children enjoyed. Painting by numbers develops fine motor-skills and hand-eye coordination, it teaches children how to follow instructions and encourages emotional development.



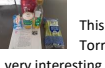
Painting by numbers builds self-esteem in children. Research shows encouraging children to be creative early in life can help them be more resourceful and resilient when faced with barriers or obstacles in adult life.

Sustainability was a topic that was discussed on a weekly basis. The children thought outside the box now to be more sustainable. Masks were created out of shopping bags. Inventions/creations were also made using recyclable material. This gives the children a sense of identity.



Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week were celebrated at this service. Discussions were held, activities were provided including cooking Witchetty grub bites, which the children loved mentioning they will do it at home, Aboriginal symbols amongst other fun educational experiences. The children had lots of fun learning and drawing Aboriginal artwork.

What's happening next?



This term we will be celebrating international day of Friendship, National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day, Science week, Book week, Father's Day amongst other very interesting, educational and challenge appropriate activities for all the children.

REMINDERS:

We are still offering a personalised service to any family who needs helps with registering and booking their children. Bookings for the personalised service need to be made in advance via the school office or by calling on 0402 390 969. Looking forward to assisting all Holy Eucharist community. Please remember to book in your children in advance via Camp Australia parent portal or by calling Camp Australia on 1300 105 343.

I look forward to working with you and your child/ren

Miss Karen



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YEAR 11 & 12
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& FURTHER MATHS

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EMAIL
brendan_lam@outlook.com

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TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

At At Holy Eucharist School, we are honoured to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, the first and enduring caretakers of the land in which we work and live.

We pay our respects to the Traditional Elders, both past, present and emerging, who have walked this country for countless generations. We value the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural heritages and recognise the impacts of colonisation and pledge our ongoing commitment to reconciliation.

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.hestalbinssth.catholic.edu.au