

Principal: Mr. Michael Bonnici principal@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au

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#### Parish Priest: Fr. Vincent Long Pham CSsR **Priests in Residence:** Fr Joseph Hieu Xuan Nguyen CSsR Fr Patrick Corbett CSsR (P) 9366 1310 Mass Times: Saturday: 6pm (English), 7:30pm (Vietnamese) Sunday: 8:45am, 10.00am, 6pm (English) 12pm (Vietnamese) Prep: Mary James, Samenta Ganeshanantham & Rebecca Howard Grade 1: Jo Dragovic, Angela Lopez-Dee & Elise Ring, Grade 2: Thy Tran, Dion Xuereb, Juliana Bizjak, Maryanne Camilleri/Christine Saunders Grade 3: Vivian Faraj, Carla Lolicato, Jennifer Khong, Jackie Dabal/Crystal Carmuciano Grade 4: Kathryn Barrie, Julie Murnane & Janelle Dumaguit Grade 5: Bruno Pellaschiar, Jane Hurren, Stefany Nemet & Thilini Nanayakkara Grade 6: Jacelle Cablao, Helen Kennedy & Adam Nicholl Education in Faith: Vanessa Shaw Learning & Teaching: Anne-Marie Conte Literacy Leader: Bernadette Parnis Literacy Intervention/Tutors: Colleen Azzopardi, Gabrielle Bright, Reading Recovery: Karen Colman. Maths Leader/Tutoring P-6: Erin McNally Maths Intervention: Maryanne Camilleri Learning Diversity/Wellbeing: Julie Semcesen Mental Health in Primary Schools Leader (MHiPS) / School Counsellor: Edward Faraci Speech Pathologist: April Jones Family & Community Engagement Leader: **Crystal Carmuciano Digital Technology and Family & Community** Engagement Assistant: Clare Christie ICT: Vanessa Shaw Visual Arts: Shobha Hickey Performing Arts: Eboni Morrell Physical Education: Harry Herrera LOTE: Yvonne Rosevear, Joe Sirianni EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista Library: Jenny Bistricki & Rita Zammit Business Manager: Sue Smart Administration Staff: Mandy Huong, Stefani Richardson, Georgina Vella Community Hub Leader: Mandy Huong Learning Support Officers: Nawares Bahnam, Nu Cuai, Ester Dawt Thluai, Jessica Di Pietro, Catherine Hoang, Sara Kasko, Erica (Thoa) Le, Celia (Thoai) Nguyen, Chau Nguyen, Trang Nguyen, Van Nguyen, Thi Phan, Dianne Punicki, Elizabeth Sant,

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## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew** (25:31-46) Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply,

"Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.

## Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, marking the conclusion of the liturgical year. Following this, we will enter the Season of Advent, a time to reflect on hope and the anticipation of Jesus entering our lives.

I'm delighted to inform you that our 'Fun Day' held yesterday was a tremendous success. Students from Prep to Year 6 enjoyed a variety of tabloid sports activities led by Kaboom Kid Sports. The day concluded with a fantastic performance at our Assembly by our talented students who are part of ABC Music.

In other news, 2 weeks ago, our students in Prep to Year 2 participated in the Junior Athletics Carnival. They engaged in a variety of track and tabloid activities, including dress-up relay, running relays, sack races, and egg and spoon races, earning points for their respective houses. Despite the hot weather, our students exhibited fantastic teamwork throughout the day. In anticipation for their efforts, I had the pleasure of rewarding the students and staff with Zooper Doopers (flavoured ice treats) for their fair play and hard work.

The school year may be concluding, but exciting events still await. Ms Thy Tran will be going on maternity leave as of the 1<sup>st</sup> December. On behalf of everyone at Holy Eucharist, I would like to say farewell to Thy and to wish her and her partner Andy all the very best!

Looking ahead, we have Orientation Day on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. This will provide students with the opportunity to meet their 2024 class teacher and classmates. On Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, join us for a Family Picnic and Carols on the oval starting at 5 pm. We will have fundraising activities, including a sausage sizzle stand and drink sales. The Carols will commence at 6:30 pm on the outdoor stage. Additionally, on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, our Year 6 students will have their graduation ceremony in the Church at 6 pm, with a special appearance from a local MP.

The last day of school for students at Holy Eucharist is on Friday,15th December. Students in Prep, 1, and 2 will finish at 1:55 pm, while students in Years 3-6 will conclude their day at 2 pm. Thank you for your ongoing support, God Bless!

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## 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 <u>all students wear their school hat and their correct school uniform at all times.</u> School hats are now available for purchase at the school office.

### VIOLIN

As the 2023 school year draws to a close, our budding musicians will be celebrating their musical accomplishments by performing at the upcoming assembly on **Thursday**, **30**<sup>th</sup> **November at 2:30pm**. I invite you to join us for this special event to acknowledge all of the students' hard work with their musical learning.

This will mark the conclusion of violin and cello lessons for the year and so we kindly request that you assist your child with preparing their instrument for return to the school over the summer holiday period.

Please ensure that your child's instrument, bow and any associated accessories (shoulder rest, rosin) are packed away correctly and securely. These are then to be given directly to Ms Hopkins at the conclusion of the assembly.

## **ORIENTATION DAY**

Our whole school Orientation Day will be held on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023**. The students at Holy Eucharist school will meet their class teacher for 2024 from 2:00pm until 3:00pm. Students will also get to meet their new classmates for 2024.

All new families for 2023 (including Prep 2024) are asked to assemble in the hall by 2pm.

## END OF YEAR SCHOOL PICNIC AND CAROLS

This year, we are going to have family picnic and carols on the oval. This event will be held on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December.** The picnic will commence at **5:00pm followed by carols at 6:30pm** (weather permitting). We will also be fundraising on the day. We will be having a sausage sizzle stand and selling drinks. Our Christmas raffle will also be drawn on the night.

Our students will be performing on a large stage on the school oval. During the performance, the students will be sitting on the oval in their class groups. Parents/carers are asked to bring a picnic rug/picnic chairs. We all look forward to seeing you there!

## ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING – SEMESTER 2

On **Friday 8th December 2023** parents/carers will receive their child's formal report as well as their child's Assessment Portfolio. The work samples inside the portfolio are collected by the teacher as evidence of what has been taught during the term. These samples support what has been documented in the topic outline and should be looked at in conjunction with your child's report.

Assessment Portfolios will need to be signed and returned to school by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. The classroom teacher will pass these folders onto next year's teacher. All work samples collected during the year will be placed inside a Holy Eucharist Assessment envelope and given to you to keep.

### **GRADE 6 GRADUATION**

The Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony will take place in the church, on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023**, at 6pm. The Graduation Ceremony will begin with Mass followed by presentations.

It's a wonderful opportunity for parents, guardians and families to join with the Holy Eucharist teachers and staff to celebrate the students' wonderful achievements. More information will be sent to families in the coming weeks.

## HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL IN 2023 AND 2024

## Last Day of Term 4, 2023

The last day for Term 4, 2023 (for students) will be on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

Students in Prep, 1 and 2 finish at 1:55pm and students in Years 3,4,5 and 6 finish at 2pm.

## First Day of Term 1, 2024

School will resume for Term 1 in 2024, on Tuesday 30th January 2024, for students in Prep to Grade 6.

## Grade Prep (Enter via Gate 2)

Preps next year will be at school from 8:55am to 3:10pm every day except for Wednesdays in January/February. The Preps will have no school on:

- Wednesday 31st January,
- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February,
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February,
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February,
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

#### Grades 1, 2 and 3

In 2024, students in Year 3 will follow the Junior Bell and Junior timetable. Therefore, students in Grades 1, 2 and 3 will commence school at 8:55am and will finish school at 3:10pm

#### Grades 4, 5 and 6

Students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 will commence school at 8:55am and will finish school at 3:15pm.

## SUNSHINE LIONS CLUB – CHRISTMAS CAKES

Sunshine Lions has been supporting the Sunshine community for over 50 years. Each year, Sunshine Lions donate \$100 scholarship to various schools in Sunshine, Albion, Ardeer and St Albans. Thanks to the Lions Club we have been able to award a \$100 scholarship to a deserving, graduating student at the end of each year.

Once again, we will be assisting the club by taking orders for the Lions Club's Christmas Cakes. Delivery of cakes is expected mid -December.

Lion's Christmas Cakes include a 1kg Cake priced at \$16 and 1.5kg Cake at \$20.

Please support this worthy cause. Please contact the office to place your order.

The Lions Club will also be selling Christmas trees at Bunnings Sunshine on the first two weekends in December.







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#### **NEW BUILDING**

I am delighted to update you on the progress of the new building construction. Currently, plastering on the ground and first floor is almost complete, with painting and installation of essential services underway, including light fittings and power points. The light fittings above the main stairwell are already installed and protected until the building's completion.

However, we've experienced a delay with the installation of the outdoor panelling preventing the removal of scaffolding. Hopefully, the panels will arrive early next week. The builders are actively addressing this issue to ensure the timely completion of the building, aiming for readiness by the upcoming school year.

For more information in regards to our new building, please visit: <u>https://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/new-</u> learning-centre-in-2024



## PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024. We are almost at full capacity and only have limited places left in Prep for 2024.

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 2024.

Tours of the school are now taking place after school. Please contact the office to make a booking, please call 8312 0900.

## SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The School Advisory Council will be meeting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7pm. Members of the School Advisory Council play an important role in supporting the work of the Principal. The council was established at the end 2021 and is made up of the following members:

- Charlie Dong Chair
- Jane Koesasi Secretary
- Phuong Vo Parent Representative
- Maria Tonsic Parent Representative

- Anne-Marie Conte Staff Representative
- Charlie Desira Parish Representative
- Fr Vincent Pham Custodian of Mission
- Michael Bonnici Principal



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PHYSICAL EDUCATION

We are excited to share highlights from the recent Junior Sports Day held on Friday, the 10th of November 2023.

Our students from Prep to Grade 2 engaged in a variety of track and tabloid activities, including dress-up relay, running relays, sack races, and egg and spoon races. It was heartening to witness the enthusiasm and fair play displayed by each student in every event, showcasing their effort and commitment.

## **Final Scores:**

1st place - Taylor (Green House) - 281

2nd place - Clarke (Blue House) - 245

3rd place - Stevens (Red House) - 240

4th place - Padley (Yellow House) - 232

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all parents who joined us to support and cheer for their children. Your presence added to the joy of the day, making it a memorable experience for our young athletes.

A special appreciation goes out to our dedicated Prep, Grade

1, and 2 teachers, the Learning Support Officers (LSOs), as well as our Year 6 Student Leaders, whose commitment ensured the smooth running of the event.

We would also like to express our gratitude to Ms Rita for her invaluable assistance in recording scores throughout the day.

Mr Heribert Herrera **Physical Education Teacher** <u>heribert.herrera@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au</u>





#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### NOVEMBER at 25th No.

I	Sat 25" Nov	-International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Wome
	Wed 29th Nov	-Grade 3 Christmas Play Incursion
	DECEMBER	
	Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	-International Day of People with Disability
	Tue 5th Dec	-Orientation Day (2pm)
	Wed 6th Dec	-5pm Family BBQ Picnic & 6:30pm School Carols
	Fri 8th Dec	-Reports and Assessment envelopes go home.
	Tue 12th Dec	-Grade 6 STATEWIDE Year 7 Transition
	Tue 12th Dec	-Grade 6 Graduation at 6pm
	Fri 15th Dec	-TERM 4 ENDS (P-2 finish at 1:55pm and 3-6 finish at 2pm)
LITURGICAL CALENDAR		CALENDAR
	Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	-Saint Andrew
Sun 3rd Dec	-1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	-Saint John Damascene
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	-Saint Nicholas
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	-Saint Ambrose
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	-THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Sat 9th Dec	-Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	-2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

# MATHS & ENGLISH TUTORING -30% DISCOUNT FOR HOLY **EUCHARIST STUDENTS**

on sale

MPIR TUITION MPiR Tuition is a tuition centre located in Cairnlea that offers tutoring to students from Years 1 to 12. Our classes are conducted in small groups with specially designed classwork and homework books. For more information, please visit www.mpirtuition.com.au or contact 0481 333 678.

## DAY KÈM TOÁN VÀ ANH VĂN - GIẢM 30% HOC PHÍ CHO SINH VIÊN TAI TRƯỜNG HOLY EUCHARIST

MPiR Tuition là một trung tâm dạy kèm tại Cairnlea cung cấp dịch vụ dạy kèm cho học sinh từ lớp 1 đến lớp 12. Các lớp học được tiến hành theo nhóm nhỏ với các bài tập soan riệng cho mỗi học sinh. Để biết thêm chi 30% OFF tiết, vui long truy cập www.mpirtuition.com.au hoặc liên lạc 0481 333 678.



CALLING FOR DONATIONS FOR HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL'S



business owners can donate for us to raffle at our Christmas Concert on 6/12/23. Every business that donates will be advertised in our school newsletter.

Please bring all donated items to the school office by Friday December 1st



6:30pm Carols

raffle Wed, Dec 6th 5:30pm Picnic on the oval

tickets \$1

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**POSITIVE NAPLAN RESULTS** 

**CELEBRATE DIVERSITY** 

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8 new classrooms opening in 2024

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HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL

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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.hestalbansah.catholic.edu.au

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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.