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12pm (Vietnamese)

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Grade 2: Christine Saunders/Maryanne Camilleri,

Angela Lopez-Dee & Mary James

Grade 3: Jennifer Khong, Crystal Carmuciano/Jackie

Dabal, Vivian Faraj & Lina Ogu Grade 4: Elise Ring, Bruno Pellaschiar, Stefany Nemet

& Janelle Dumaguit

Grade 5: Thilini Nanayakkara, Julie Murnane & Raquel

McClurg

Grade 6: Kathryn Barrie, Jacelle Cablao, Helen Kennedy

& Michael Higgins/Kathleen Morrison

Education in Faith Leader: Anne-Marie Conte

<u>Learning & Teaching Leader</u>: Erin McNally

Literacy Leader/Intervention: Jane Hurren

Literacy Intervention: Charmaine Briggs

Literacy Intervention/Tutor: Gabrielle Bright,

Reading Recovery: Karen Colman.

Maths Leader/Tutoring P-6: Erin McNally

Maths Intervention: Maryanne Camilleri Maths Intervention/Tutor Joe Sirianni

<u>Learning Diversity/Wellbeing Leader:</u> Julie Semcesen

Mental Health in Primary Schools Leader (MHiPS) /

School Counsellor: Edward Faraci

Speech Pathologist: Claire Huntington

Family & Community Engagement Leader:

Crystal Carmuciano

STEM/ ICT Leader Clare Christie

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Visual Arts: Shobha Hickey **Performing Arts:** Carla Lolicato

Physical Education: Lenny De Cruz

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Library: Jenny Bistricki & Rita Zammit

Business Manager: Sue Smart

Administration Staff: Mandy Huong, Stefani Richardson,

Georgina Vella

Community Hub Leader: Van Nguyen

Learning Support Officers: Nwares Bahnam,

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Celia (Thoai) Nguyen, Chau Nguyen, Trang Nguyen,

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Thi Phan, Dianne Punicki, Elizabeth Sant,

Rosemarie Slater, Julia Vieira, Frances Wulf, Mary Xuereb, Sarah Xuereb

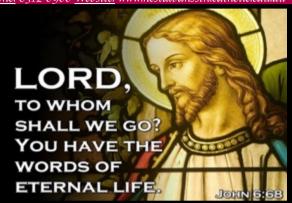


Holy Eucharist School - St Albans South

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B



A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. (In 6:60-69)

Lord, whom shall we go to? You have the words of everlasting life.

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said,

'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?"

Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said,

'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before? 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.

'But there are some of you who do not believe.'

For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

It has been a lively and eventful time here at Holy Eucharist School, and I am excited to share some of the highlights with you.

This week, we warmly welcome Ms. Lina Ogu, who has joined our Year Three team. Lina is taking over from Miss Chloe Goggi, who is embarking on an exciting journey overseas to work in London. We are thrilled to have Lina with us and wish her a rewarding experience at our school.

On Tuesday, we celebrated Book Week with great enthusiasm. The assembly was a vibrant display of creativity as both students and staff dressed up as their favourite book characters. It was truly heartwarming to see the effort and dedication put into this event, highlighting the importance of reading in our students' learning journeys. A special thank you to Mrs. Jane Hurren and the entire staff for organising such engaging activities that made Book Week memorable for everyone.

Finally, a reminder for parents with children attending kinder this year and planning to start school in 2025: please ensure you enrol them at the office as soon as possible. We are excited to already have three Prep classes scheduled for next year, but spots are filling up quickly. If you know of any families who need to enrol their child, please encourage them to contact our school office on 8312 0900.

Thank you for your continued support of our wonderful community.

Wishing you all a restful weekend. God Bless!

EDUCATE

Michael Bonnici

Principal

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I wanted to share some exciting news with you regarding the upcoming weeks. I will be joining a group of principals from the northern zone on a two-week pilgrimage, retracing the footsteps of Saint Paul. Our journey will take us from Athens to Turkey, and I am looking forward to this spiritual experience. I will be departing on 2 September and, following the pilgrimage, I will be taking some long service leave, returning to school on 21 October 2024.

During my absence, Anne-Marie Conte will be stepping into the role of Acting Principal, and Erin McNally will be serving as Acting Deputy Principal.

Over the school holidays, Anne-Marie will also be embarking on her own special journey. She has been selected to attend the 'Inspired to Lead' program in Rome, Siena and Assisi which runs from 20 September to 4 October. While Anne-Marie is in Rome, Erin McNally will assume the position of Acting Principal, and Clare Christie will step in as Acting Deputy Principal.

Please keep Anne-Marie and me in your prayers as we embark on these pilgrimages. I look forward to reconnecting with you all in Term Four and sharing more about our experiences.

Kind regards,

Michael Bonnici
PRINCIPAL

A Prayer of Blessing for Pilgrims
Remain with your servants
on this holy pilgrimage
and guide their way
in accord with your will.
Shelter them
with your protection by day,
give them the light
of your grace by night,
and, as their companion
on the journey,
bring them to their destination
in safety.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen!

PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL PREMISES

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 is 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.
- 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.

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 in English and in various other languages and dialects, from Monday 2nd September and will need to be completed by Friday 20th September 2024. 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 Mr Michael Bonnici or Mrs Crystal Carmuciano at the office.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Holy Eucharist School, Breakfast Club will be operating in the new **Catherine McAuley Learning Centre**. Breakfast club will operate from **Monday to Friday from 8.30am until 8.45am**. Breakfast will be provided for all of our students who may not have had breakfast before coming to school. Breakfast consists of toast with butter and/or jam or vegemite. All students are welcome.

LOST PROPERTY ITEMS

We have accumulated a number of lost property items at the office that are not labelled with names. This includes jackets, jumpers, beanies, water bottles and lunch boxes.

We kindly remind you to ensure that your child's name is clearly labelled on all items. Often, we find articles of clothing with names that are so faded they are hard to read, making it difficult to return them to their owners. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep track of our students' belongings.





PSW UNIFORMS REBRANDED TO UNIFORM GROUP

The PSW Uniform store has rebranded to Uniform Group. Trading Hours are: Monday to Friday from 9am – 5pm and on Saturday from 10am until 1pm.

STORE ADDRESS:

UNIT 2, 51-53 WESTWOOD DRIVE. **RAVENHALL VIC 3023** (03) 9768 0342

For more information please visit https://uniform-group.com.au/brand/psw/

OUR DEER PARK PSW STORE HAS BEEN REBRANDED



HEALTH DEPARTMENT ALERT - INCREASING WHOOPING COUGH CASES (PERTUSSIS)

The Victorian Health Department recently issued a public notice in relation to an increasing number of cases of whooping cough (pertussis) in Victoria, particularly among children aged 10-12.

Pertussis is a highly contagious respiratory illness known for causing a cough, and can lead to life threatening infections in babies. Many babies who get pertussis catch it from older children and adults who might not even know they are infected.

Pertussis usually begins with cold-like symptoms, such as a dry cough (occurring in bouts), characteristic 'whooping' sound when breathing in, tiredness, runny nose, and low-grade fever.

Please speak to your doctor (GP) and seek a diagnosis if your child is exhibiting any of these symptoms. Early identification and separation are crucial in preventing the spread to other children.

Pertussis is mostly spread to other people by droplets from coughing or sneezing, so good hygiene practices and immunisations help prevent the spread. Immunisations are particularly important for infants and pregnant women.

If pertussis is diagnosed, your GP will advise on appropriate treatments. If you have any questions, please speak to your GP. Read the full alert here: https://www.health.vic.gov.au/health-advisories/increasing-pertussis-whooping-cough-cases-in-victoria

For diagnosed cases:

- The treating doctor can provide specific advice in relation to exclusion periods from school, and can verify when exclusion periods can be ended.
- Children diagnosed with pertussis to be exclude from primary schools and children's services for a minimum period of 21 days after the onset of cough, or until they have completed 5 days of a course of antibiotic treatment.
- The treating doctor will complete the required notifications to the Department of Health
- Schools should notify MACS via the report form on CEVN or at ohs@macs.vic.edu.au

For contacts of diagnosed cases:

- The exclusion requirement only applies to contacts who meet all three of these criteria: -aged less than 7 years;
- -in the same room as the child with the diagnosed case; and
- -have not received three effective doses of pertussis vaccine

Children meeting these criteria should be excluded for 14 days after the last exposure to the infectious case, or until they have taken 5 days of a course of effective antibiotic treatment.

Pertussis (whooping cough) Cases in Victoria are increasing. Here's what you should

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Class teachers will select one student per week to receive the "Student of the Week" award. The names of these students (first name only) will be published in our newsletter. This week we congratulate the following students:

Prep CT	Prep SG	Prep JB	*/*
Week 5: Alicia	Week 5: An	Week 5: Helen	
Week 6: Akoon	Week 6: Louis	Week 6: John	
Year 1DX	<u>Year 1JL</u>	<u>Year 1JD</u>	STUDENT
Week 5: Naomi	Week 5 : Mehtab	Week 5 : Denis	
Week 6: Alyssa	Week 6 : Vanessa	Week 6 : Lisa	
Year 2AL Week 5: Kaitlyn Week 6: Connor	<u>Year 2SC</u> Week 5 : Michael Week 6 : Emilia	<u>Year 2MJ</u> Week 5 : Leopold Week 6 : Dante	WEEK
Year 3VF	<u>Year 3DC</u>	<u>Year 3JK</u>	<u>Year 3CG</u>
Week 5: Henry N	Week 5 : Sophie	Week 5 : Sammie	Week 5 : Rebel
Week 6: Anna	Week 6 : Jayden N	Week 6 : Ryan T	Week 6 : Seal
<u>Year 4BP</u>	<u>Year 4SN</u>	<u>Year 4JD</u>	<u>Year 4ER</u>
Week 5: Albert	Week 5 : Japman	Week 5 : Yar	Week 5 : Milena
Week 6: Kevin	Week 6 : Megan	Week 6 : Khamh	Week 6 : Anna
<u>Year 5RM</u>	<u>Year 5JM</u>	<u>Year 5TN</u>	
Week 5: Jared	Week 5 : Reuben	Week 5 : Amen	
Week 6: Mandy	Week 6 : Kade	Week 6 : Pheobe	
Year 6JC	<u>Year 6HK</u>	<u>Year 6H/M</u>	<u>Year 6KB</u>
Week 5: Steven	Week 5 : Jordan	Week 5 : Wol	Week 5 : Tom
Week 6: Chelsea	Week 6 : Emily	Week 6 : Aiden	Week 6 : Jordan

IMPORTANT DATES

- Tuesday 27th August.
- Monday 2nd September
- Tuesday 8th September
- Friday 20th September Sunday, 6 October
- Monday 7th October
- First Reconciliation Sacramental Celebration 6:30pm in the Church
- School Closure Day No School
- The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- End of Term 3 (Students in P-3 finish at 2:25pm and students in 4-6 finish at 2:30pm)
- Daylight Savings. 2:00 am clocks are turned forward 1 hour
- Term 4 begins



PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2025 - NOW OPEN

Enrolments are still open for 2025.

Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30th April 2025. We already have a number of applications for next year and we are fast approaching the final stages of the admission process.

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 2025.

Tours of the school are now taking place after school. Please contact the office to make a booking.



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Principal

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NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LEADER

Dear Community,

Welcome to Term 3 at Holy Eucharist School. This term, in Religious Education classes, the students across all levels of the school will be investigating the wonders of God's magnificent Creation and exploring ways in which they can be Stewards of that Creation. Some Grades will deepen their understanding by researching ways that they can take up Pope Francis' call to care for Our Common Home.

During Term 3 the Grade 3 students will also explore the Sacrament of Penance and many students will make their First Reconciliation. This will be the first of 3 sacraments that they will participate in during their primary school years. Please keep our candidates in your prayers as they deepen their faith and strengthen their relationship with our great God.

Please take note of the key dates/times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation - candidates attend with their families. Neat attire is required for this occasion.

Tuesday 27th August at 6.30pm (to be seated by 6.20pm in Holy Eucharist Parish Church)

Ms Anne-Marie Conte

Deputy Principal/Religious Education Leader Anne-Marie.Conte@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au

FAMILY SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS NEWS

FATHER'S DAY STALL We are very excited to have our Father's Day Stall next week on Wed, Aug 28th and Thurs, Aug 29th (open for last minute sales on Fri, Aug 30th). Prices will range from \$1 - \$6 and students are asked to bring their own reusable bag to take their items home. Please ask your child what day they are rostered to attend with their class.



FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE

We will be selling raffle tickets during the week leading up to Father's Day breakfast. Tickets are \$1 each and will be sold during lunch time. There are **6 prizes** to win including \$80 worth of Bunnings vouchers, \$150 rolling toolbox, an esky, and an insulated drink bottle. We also have 3 AFL prizes including iumpers, button up tops and caps from Western



Bulldogs and Geelong Cats and many other AFL clubs.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

We also have our **Father's Day Breakfast BBQ** on *Friday, Aug 30th from 7:30am*. We invite all fatherly figures to come and enjoy an egg and bacon roll.



MACSSIS ONLINE SURVEY

Throughout the year we pause to listen to families to gauge how our learning community is travelling. We do this by gathering data through MACSSIS (Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools - School Improvement Surveys).

Families are invited to participate in the MACSSIS survey via their secure online platform. Beginning Sept 2, all families will receive an email from ORIMA asking you to provide your feedback about our school.

Every family who completes the survey will go into a draw to win **\$115 Zoos Victoria voucher** to use at Melbourne Zoo, Healesville Zoo or Werribee Open Range Zoo. We thank you for providing us with this invaluable feedback.

Mrs Crystal Carmuciano

Family School Partnerships Leader

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the draw to win \$115 Zoos Victoria voucher!

Happy Book Week everyone! Thank you to parents, students and staff for all of your planning and participation to make our dress up parade a success this week. Congratulations to the students listed below who were chosen as examples of the effort and creativity involved in putting together costumes to celebrate the magic of books and reading.

PREP JB	PREP CT	PREP SG	M. Carlot
Angel	Lucas	Seayoo	
1JD	1JL	1DX	
Abuk	Matteo	Thea	
2SC	2MJ	2AL	
Hana	Rossie	Nate	
3CG	3VF	3DC	зук
Xin Ye	Philia	Kara	Tiffany
4SN	4JD	4ER	4BP
Japman	Cleo	Simon	Jasmine
5TN	5RM	5JM	
Suri	Julia	Luca	
6JC	6KB	6HK	6H/M
Xavier	Angela	Mia	Vincent

Reading is Magic, was the theme for this year's Book Week. Students across the school wrote about why Reading is Magic and there were so many thoughtful and well written entries. There was a prize awarded for each year level. Congratulations to our winners. We will publish their entries over the next few newsletters.

Prep winner - Madeleine (PSG): "Reading is magic because it takes me to so many places."

Grade 1 winner - Nathan (1JL): "It's magic because it is like a TV but we are reading it. Reading is amazing because it's like a dream land but you don't get hurt. Books are awesome because some books have information and more information means being more smarter."

Grade 2 winner - Courage (2MJ): "Reading is magic because it makes me calm. It makes me smarter and happy. Reading is one of my best hobbies as it takes me to a special place and makes me more creative."

Mrs Jane Hurren Literacy Leader Jane.Hurren@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au





















MPIR TUITION MATHS & ENGLISH TUTORING - 30% DISCOUNT FOR HOLY EUCHARIST STUDENTS

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.

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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 soạn riêng cho mỗi học sinh. Để biết thêm chi tiết, vui long truy cập www.mpirtuition.com.au hoặc liên lạc 0481 333 678.







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



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.

