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**Mass Times:**

Tuesday – Friday: 9am (English),

Saturday: 6pm (English),

7:30pm (Vietnamese)

Sunday: 8:45am, 10.00am, 6pm (English)

12pm (Vietnamese)

**Prep:** Samenta Ganeshanantham, Juliana Bizjak & Caitlyn Tamchai

**Grade 1:** Dion Xuereb, Jo Dragovic & Jin-Young Lee,

**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 Dumaguitt

**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

**Learning & Teaching Leader:** Erin McNally

**Literacy Leader/Intervention:** Jane Hurren

**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

**Learning Diversity/Wellbeing Leader:** 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

**Music:** Colleen Azopardi

**Visual Arts:** Shobha Hickey

**Performing Arts:** Carla Lolicato

**Physical Education:** Lenny De Cruz

**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:** Van Nguyen

**Learning Support Officers:** Nwanesi Bahnam,

Nu Cuai, Menka Dave, Ester Dawt Thluai, Jessica Di Pietro, Catherine Hoang, Sara Kasko, Erica (Thoa) Le,

Celia (Thoi) Nguyen, Chau Nguyen, Trang Nguyen,

Thi Phan, Dianne Punicki, Elizabeth Sant,

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

**Cleaners:** June Balatbat & Maria Attard

**School Maintenance:** Peter Buttigieg

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HOLY EUCHARIST PRIMARY SCHOOL

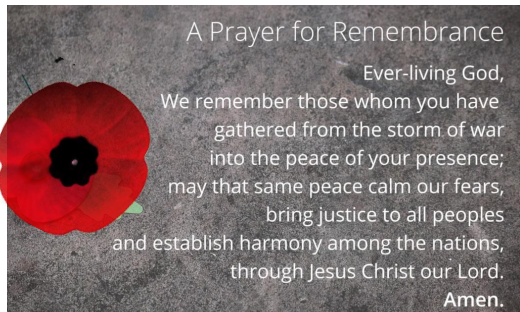
## Holy Eucharist School - St Albans South

**Address:** 1A Oleander Drive, St Albans VIC 3021.

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## Remembrance Day - 11th day of November.



### A Prayer for Remembrance

Ever-living God,  
We remember those whom you have  
gathered from the storm of war  
into the peace of your presence;  
may that same peace calm our fears,  
bring justice to all peoples  
and establish harmony among the nations,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

*They shall grow not old,  
As we that are left grow old.  
Age shall not weary them  
nor the years condemn.  
With the setting of the sun,  
and in the morning  
we will remember them.*

### John 15: 9-14

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you.

*We remember with thanksgiving those who made the supreme sacrifice in time of war. We pray that the offering of their lives may not have been in vain. On the 11th day of November, we dedicate ourselves to the cause of justice, freedom and peace; and for the wisdom and strength to build a better world.*

Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

November brings us into a season of reflection, remembrance, and new beginnings. It's a time to honour the Saints and remember our loved ones who have passed.

Last Monday, we observed Remembrance Day, or Armistice Day, by pausing for a minute of silence at 11 am to remember those who sacrificed their lives in wars. November 11 holds special significance as it marks the end of World War I, with 11 am marking the moment when the fighting ceased. It's a special reminder of the sacrifices made for the lives we enjoy today.

We have had a busy start to November here at Holy Eucharist. Our 2025 Prep students attended their first Pre-Prep session, where they had the chance to meet future classmates, and our teachers connected with their families. This program is invaluable for identifying each child's unique abilities and needs, allowing our teachers to plan lessons tailored to support them. Next week, we'll hold another session, including a Prep information meeting for parents and carers. My sincere thanks to Mrs. Crystal Carmuciano and our dedicated school staff for their efforts in making this program a success.

As part of the Big Day Out program, our Year 4 students had a wonderful visit from Holy Cross students from New Gisborne. They began with a liturgy in the church and participated in various activities together, including a sausage sizzle lunch. In two weeks, our Year 4s will have the opportunity to visit Holy Cross Primary School in New Gisborne.

This week also featured an Open Classroom Learning Expo where students from Prep to Year 6 showcased their learning from this semester. The creativity on display, including dioramas and experiments, was a testament to the students' hard work. Thank you to our dedicated staff for organising this event and to our families for attending and supporting our students.

Next Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, we will hold our final School Advisory Council Meeting of the year at 7 pm. I would like to extend my gratitude to all our council members for their time and their invaluable contributions to the decisions that support our school community.

Wishing you a restful weekend. God Bless.

*Michael Bonnici*

**Principal**

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## SCHOOL FUN DAY

We are excited to announce that Holy Eucharist School will be hosting a 'Fun Day' on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, to celebrate the end of the 2024 school year.

Students in Prep to Year 6 will participate in a range of tabloid sports activities, led by Kaboom Kids Sport. It promises to be a day filled with fun, teamwork, and physical activities to make it a memorable experience for our students. 'Holy Eucharist's Got Talent' will also be held on this day, showcasing some incredible performance skills by many of our students.

On this special day, lunch will be provided, and your child will enjoy a free Sausage Sizzle. Please stay tuned for further information in the upcoming weeks.



## PREP 2025

By now, all Prep 2025 families should have received information from the school office regarding the Pre-Prep Program and Orientation Day. This letter provides you with crucial details about your child's scheduled Pre-Prep sessions, as well as information about the whole school Orientation Day. We understand that a smooth transition into the new school year is of utmost importance, and therefore, we kindly request that your child attends all Pre-Prep sessions and the Orientation Day.

## PRE-PREP 2025

We look forward to welcoming your child into Prep 2025. It was lovely meeting the students and families during the Pre-Prep sessions this week. Next week is the final week of the Pre-Prep Program. If for any reason, your child cannot attend the allocated Pre-Prep session, please promptly inform the school office. Next week, the Pre-Prep sessions will take place on:

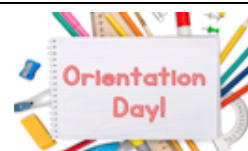
### WEEK 2

- **Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November:** 9am - 10:30am and 11:30am - 1pm
- **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November:** 9am - 10:30am and 11:30am - 1pm

## ORIENTATION DAY

Our whole school Orientation Day will be held on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024**. The students at Holy Eucharist school will meet their class teacher for 2025 from 2:00pm until 3:00pm. Students will also get to meet their new classmates for 2025.

All new families for 2025 (including Prep 2025) are asked to assemble in the hall before 2pm.



## GRADE 6 GRADUATION

The Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony will take place in the church, on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024**, at 6:00pm. 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.



## END OF YEAR SCHOOL PICNIC AND CAROLS

Once again, this year we are going to have family picnic and carols on the oval. This event will be held on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December**. The picnic will commence at 5:00pm followed by carols at 6:30pm (weather permitting). There will also be fundraising on the day. We will be having a sausage sizzle stand and drinks for sale. 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 look forward to seeing you all there!



## ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING – SEMESTER 2

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, parents and carers will receive their child's Semester 2 report, along with work samples gathered by teachers to demonstrate learning and progress throughout the term. We encourage you to review these samples together with the report to gain a comprehensive view of your child's achievements and areas for growth.

Both the Semester 2 report and work samples will be sent home in an envelope.



## 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

Holy Eucharist School has a Uniform Policy. It is an expectation that all students are always wearing the correct school uniform. If students are not wearing the correct uniform, they are required to have a written letter from their parent/carer explaining why they are out of uniform. Alternatively, you can visit our school website to view our school uniform policy.

[https://www.psw.com.au/schools/holy-eucharist-school-st-albans.html?\\_id=1660168686498&product\\_list\\_limit=36&product\\_list\\_order=price](https://www.psw.com.au/schools/holy-eucharist-school-st-albans.html?_id=1660168686498&product_list_limit=36&product_list_order=price)



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.

There are samples of our school uniform on display at the office.

**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/>



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



## 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:

<b>Prep CT</b> Week 5: Mysel Week 6: Heidi	<b>Prep SG</b> Week 5: Mary Jane Week 6: Dung	<b>Prep JB</b> Week 5: Skylar Week 6: Matthew	
<b>Year 1DX</b> Week 5: William Week 6: Joseph	<b>Year 1JL</b> Week 5: Vivi Week 6: Chloe	<b>Year 1JD</b> Week 5: Jeffrey Week 6: Tommy L	
<b>Year 2AL</b> Week 5: Hanna Week 6: Chanel	<b>Year 2SC</b> Week 5: Princess Week 6: Deng	<b>Year 2MJ</b> Week 5: Mario Week 6: Timothy	
<b>Year 3VF</b> Week 5: Lui-Rose Week 6: Danny	<b>Year 3DC</b> Week 5: Elaine Week 6: Anna	<b>Year 3JK</b> Week 5: Chloe Week 6: Rijul	
<b>Year 4BP</b> Week 5: Rio Week 6: Ashton	<b>Year 4SN</b> Week 5: 4SN Girls Week 6: Vivian	<b>Year 4JD</b> Week 5: Jason Week 6: Jamielene	<b>Year 3CG</b> Week 5: Quyen Week 6: Winston
<b>Year 5RM</b> Week 5: Andrae Week 6: Jazlyn	<b>Year 5JM</b> Week 5: Isabelle Week 6: Julia	<b>Year 5TN</b> Week 5: Jacky Week 6: Bao	<b>Year 4ER</b> Week 5: Amelia Week 6: Aparer
<b>Year 6JC</b> Week 5: Xavier Week 6: Amath	<b>Year 6HK</b> Week 5: Isabella Week 6: Daniel	<b>Year 6H/M</b> Week 5: Salina Week 6: Ellen	<b>Year 6KB</b> Week 5: Roman/Chelsea Week 6: Truc

## IMPORTANT DATES - 2024

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November: **Grade 2 - Scienceworks excursion**
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November: **School Advisory Council at 7pm**
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November: **Pre-Prep**
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November: **Pre-Prep**
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November: **Violin Concert - 2:35pm – 3:10pm**
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November: **Big Day Out – Grade 4**
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November: **Grade 6 - Immigration Museum excursion**
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November: **Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun Fundraising Event**
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November: 9:05am - **ABC Music Concert**
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November: **Grade 3 – Movies excursion and Christmas play incursion**
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December: **Grade 1 – Melbourne Museum and IMAX excursion**
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December: **P-6 Orientation Day at Holy Eucharist**
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December: 5 – 6:30pm **Family BBQ** 6:30 – 7:30pm **Christmas Carols**
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December: **Grade 1 Breakfast**
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December: **Whole School Fun Day**
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December: **Grade 6 Orientation Day (Secondary School) and Grade 6 Graduation Mass at 6pm.**
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December: **Parish Mass at 6:30pm and Christmas Carols at 7pm**
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December: **Student's Last Day 2024 (Students will be dismissed at 2:30pm)**
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December: **Staff Last Day 2024**

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## IMPORTANT DATES - 2025

- Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January: **Australia Day**
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January: **Australia Day – Public Holiday**
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January: **Staff commence school**
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January: **Students in Year 1 to Year 6 commence school**
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January: **Students in Prep 2025 commence school**

## PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2025 - STILL OPEN

**Enrolments are still open for 2025.**

Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025. We still have a few spots available for Prep next year, as well as in other year levels.

**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.**

If you would like a tour of the school, please contact the office to make a booking.



## SUNSHINE LIONS CLUB – CHRISTMAS CAKES

Sunshine Lions has been supporting the Sunshine community for over 50 years. Each year, Sunshine Lions donate \$100 scholarships to various schools in Sunshine, Albion, Ardeer and St Albans. We are very grateful to the Lions Club for supporting our school's graduation program over the years. This year, we will be able to award 2x \$100 scholarship to two deserving, graduating students.

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

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



**LIONS CLUB OF SUNSHINE Inc**  
We Serve

Mr Michael Bonnici

Principal

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### LITERACY NEWS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have hundreds of small books that need to be covered with clear contact. If you are able to assist, please let me know and we will send home some books with contact for you to cover at home. My email address is: [jane.hurren@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jane.hurren@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au). Thank you in advance for your support!

Mrs Jane Hurren  
Literacy Leader

[jane.hurren@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jane.hurren@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au)

### FAMILY SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

A vertical purple bar with a white scale from \$0 to \$6000. The current level is at \$2000. To the right of the bar is a photo of a child in a rainbow shirt. Below the bar is a cartoon character holding balloons.

—\$6000  
—\$5000  
—\$4000  
—\$2000

**KEEP FUNDRAISING!!**

JOIN US IN REACHING OUR GOAL OF \$6000!

**school RUN4FUN**

## Colour Splash Run 4 Fun

Don't forget to register online at [www.myprofilepage.com.au](http://www.myprofilepage.com.au) and share your link with family and friends!

We have 87 students who have created a profile page and they have raised \$5161 together so far for school resources!!!! What a fantastic job!!! Imagine if just half of our school, 250 students, created a profile page and shared their link? Please help us get to our goal and raise money for Holy Eucharist! We need to work together! Your support is much appreciated.

Mark your calendars: **Tues, Nov 26th** is the Colour Splash Run 4 Fun Day!

**\*\*Students will need to buy a white t-shirt for the Colour Splash event\*\***

These can be purchased from Best & Less or Kmart for \$3.50. (If you have a white or light-coloured t-shirt at home, students can wear this with their sport uniform shorts or pants)

We can't wait to host this exciting event at Holy Eucharist.

Thank you,

Mrs Crystal Carmuciano

Family School Partnerships Leader

[crystal.carmuciano@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:crystal.carmuciano@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au)

A large yellow banner with a photo of three children in school uniforms. The text '2025 PREP ENROLMENTS now open' is in large, bold letters. Below the banner is a photo of a modern school building.

**HOLY EUCHARIST PRIMARY SCHOOL ST ALBANS SOUTH**

# 2025 PREP ENROLMENTS now open

**8 new classrooms opening early 2024**

**CELEBRATE DIVERSITY** ✓  
**POSITIVE NAPLAN RESULTS** ✓  
**SPECIALIST PROGRAMS:** ✓  
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### HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH RAFFLE

Please show your support for our Parish Community

#### !! Raffle Details:

✓ Ticket Price: \$25

✓ Exciting Prizes:

- ♦ **Prize 5:** \$500 Gift Voucher
- ♦ **Prize 4:** \$1,000 Bunnings Voucher
- ♦ **Prize 3:** iPhone 16 Pro, valued at over \$1,799
- ♦ **Prize 2:** \$2,500 Flight Voucher
- ♦ **Prize 1:** Mazda CX3, valued at \$29,990

#### !! Drawing Date: Tickets will be drawn on

Christmas Carol Night at the Parish, **7 PM on Friday, December 13, 2024.**

We encourage everyone to join us for a joyful evening of carols and community spirit. If you purchase tickets but cannot attend, the organizing committee will notify the winners that evening.

#### !! Ticket Sales:

- ♦ Tickets are available after Saturday and Sunday Masses starting the first week of October until December 13.
- ♦ You can also purchase tickets by calling:

☎ 0466 055 077 (English)

☎ 0415 599 413 (Vietnamese)

A colorful poster for the Holy Eucharist Parish Raffle. It features a church icon, a star, and various prizes like a car, a phone, and a voucher. The text includes 'CHRISTMAS CAROL NIGHT', 'To support our Church's Masterplan Project!', and 'Drawing will be on Fri, 13th Dec 2024'. It also mentions 'Lots of Entertainment!' and 'Gifts for all!'. A QR code is at the bottom.

### 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](http://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.

We pay our respects to the Traditional Elders, both past and present, 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.