

# **Principal:**

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#### Mass Times:

Tuesday – Friday: 9am (English)

Saturday: 5pm (English)

7:30pm (Vietnamese)

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

12pm (Vietnamese)

Prep: Samenta Ganeshanantham, Juliana

Bizjak & Thy Tran

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

Grade 2: Mary James, Thilini Nanayakkara & Celine Goulding

**Grade 3:** Christine Saunders/CB, Angela

Lopez-Dee & Allana Curmi

**Grade 4:** Elise Ring, Beatrice Mariano, Stefany Nemet & Zachary Gordon

**Grade 5:** Julie Murnane, Raquel McClurg,

Janelle Dumaguit & Matthew Laureano

Grade 6: Kathryn Barrie, Jacelle Cablao, &

Michael Higgins/Kathleen Morrison

**Education in Faith Leader:** Anne-Marie Conte **Learning & Teaching Leader**: Erin McNally

Literacy Leader/Intervention: Jane Hurren

Literacy Intervention: Karen Colman.

Maths Leader/Tutoring P-6: Erin McNally

Maths Intervention: Maryanne Camilleri **Learning Diversity/Wellbeing Leader:** 

Family & Community Engagement/

Wellbeing Leader: Crystal Carmuciano

**Mental Health in Primary Schools Leader** (MHiPS) / School Counsellor: Edward Faraci

**Speech Pathologist:** Claire Huntington

STEM/ ICT Leader Clare Christie

Music: Colleen Azzopardi

Visual Arts: Shobha Hickey **Physical Education:** Jake Franze

Visual Arts/Physical Education: Gabrielle Bright

**LOTE:** Yvonne Rosevear, Joe Sirianni

**EAL/New Arrival:** Irene Jurista

<u>Library:</u> Jenny Bistricki

**Business Manager:** Sue Smart

Administration Staff: Mandy Huong,

Stefani Richardson, Georgina Vella

# **Learning Support Officers:**

Nwares Bahnam, Ryan Burns, Nu Cuai, Menka Dave, Ester Dawt Thluai, Jessica Di Pietro, Catherine Hoang, Sara Kasko, Erica (Thoa) Le, Celia (Thoai) Nguyen, Chau Nguyen, Trang Nguyen, Van Nguyen, Thi Phan, Elizabeth Sant, Rosemarie Slater, Caitlyn Tamchai, Alesha Tran, Frances Wulf, Mary Xuereb, Sarah Xuereb, Rita Zammit.

**Cleaners:** June Balatbat & Maria Attard School Maintenance: Peter Buttigieg



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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY -GLORY BE TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, ID TO THE HOLY SPIRIT, ASTT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND EVER SHALL BE, WORLD WITHOUT END. AMEN.

# ▼ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (16:12-15)

Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I still have many things to say to you, but they would be too much for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes, he will lead you to the complete truth,

since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt;

and he will tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me, since all he tells you

will be taken from what is mine.

Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said:

All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

# The Gospel of the Lord.

Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

It has been an extremely busy term at Holy Eucharist School. Our students have been actively engaged in their class activities, and a great deal of learning is taking place. Over the past few weeks, howeverparticularly now that the weather has become cooler—I have noticed that a number of students are arriving very late in the morning. Please remember that all school gates are locked at 8:55am, and classes begin promptly at this time. When students arrive late, they miss critical instructions, and teachers are often required to repeat themselves, which disrupts the flow of the lesson and affects the learning of the entire class.

Earlier this term, we introduced a new arrangement for the church driveway. The driveway is now closed each day at 2:00pm and reopens at 3:05pm under the supervision of Mr. Peter Buttigieg (our maintenance staff) and myself. This decision was made in response to ongoing safety concerns, as several parents were leaving their cars unattended in the driveway, preventing others from accessing it. This was not only disruptive but also posed a significant safety risk.

The new arrangement has been working well, and we thank you for your cooperation. In an effort to continue improving both safety and traffic flow, the line markings in the church driveway will be repainted next week. The zebra crossing currently located behind a parking bay will be moved, as it is not in a safe position. A new zebra crossing will be painted to lead from the Kiss and Go zone to Gate 2. A solid stop bar will be added in front of the crossing to make it clear where vehicles must stop, and footprints will be painted on the driveway to indicate where students should walk immediately after getting out of the car. Next Thursday, we will be celebrating our school's Feast Day. Each year, we observe this special day on the Feast of Corpus Christi, also known as the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Around the world, this feast is traditionally celebrated on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday to honour the Holy Eucharist. In Australia, we typically celebrate it on the Sunday after Trinity Sunday.

This year's Feast Day holds special significance, as it coincides with Holy Eucharist School's 50th Anniversary. To commemorate this milestone, the students and staff will attend a whole school Mass at 10:00am, which will be led by Auxiliary Bishop Rene Ramirez RCJ. We are delighted that many former staff members and other special guests will be joining us for the celebration, including Dr. Edward Simons, Executive Director of MACS, as well as a representative from the office of the Hon. Natalie Suleyman, Member of Parliament for St Albans. We warmly invite all parents and carers to come along and celebrate this important day with us.

Wishing you a restful weekend. Keep warm, and God bless!

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#### SCHOOL FEAST DAY - 19th JUNE 2025

Holy Eucharist School's feast day is celebrated annually on the Feast of Corpus Christi – the Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus. Many churches around the world celebrate this feast on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday to honour the Holy Eucharist (this year, it falls on 19th June, which is our school's feast day). Here in Australia, however, we observe the feast on the Sunday after Trinity Sunday.

This year, we are excited to celebrate Holy Eucharist School's 50th Anniversary on our Feast Day. Students and staff will attend a whole-school Mass at 10:00 am, followed by a free sausage sizzle lunch. After Mass, they will enjoy a theatre production and take part in an Amazing Race activity.

## HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL'S 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

You are cordially invited to join us in celebrating Holy Eucharist School's 50th anniversary. This special celebration will take place **next week, on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Thursday, 19th June 2025.** It is a momentous occasion for our school community, made even more significant as it coincides with our School and Parish Feast Day.

Auxiliary Bishop Rene Ramirez RCJ, who was appointed bishop by Pope Francis in November 2024, will celebrate Mass with us in the church at 10:00 a.m., followed by morning tea in the staff room. Many former staff members and other dignitaries will also be present, including Dr Edward Simons, Executive Director of MACS, and a representative from the office of the Hon. Natalie Suleyman, Member of Parliament for St Albans.

## CHURCH DRIVEWAY – NEW LINE MARKING

Earlier this term, we made a change to close the church driveway each day at 2:00pm (Oleander Drive and Chedgey Drive entrances), reopening it at 3:05pm when it is supervised by Mr Peter Buttigieg (our maintenance staff) and myself. This arrangement has been working well so far.

Next week, the line markings in the church driveway will be repainted to improve safety and traffic flow. Key updates include:

- The zebra crossing leading to the church will be relocated, as its current position behind a parking bay is not safe.
- A solid bar will be painted to clearly indicate where cars must stop.
- Footprints will be added to show where students should walk.
- A new zebra crossing will be installed leading to Gate 2.

Please remember that the church driveway is a 'Kiss and Go' zone. Vehicles are not permitted to be left unattended at any time in the church driveway.

A reminder also that the **church driveway** is one way only. Vehicles must not drive or reverse into the driveway from Chedgey Drive. The local council has been issuing fines for illegal parking and for blocking the road. Please avoid blocking the street while waiting for the driveway to reopen.

Thank you for your ongoing support in keeping our students safe.

## REPORTS, PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS & NEW ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM

#### Semester 1 Reports and Assessment Portfolios

We regard Parent–Teacher Interviews, along with assessment and reporting, as a vital part of our school program. On **Friday, 4th July 2025**, you will receive your child's formal report

and Assessment Portfolio. The work samples in the portfolio were collected throughout Terms 1 and 2 and serve as evidence of your child's learning during Semester 1. These samples support the learning documented in the term outlines and should be reviewed alongside your child's report before attending the interviews.

## Parent-Teacher Interviews

Holy Eucharist School will be conducting Parent–Teacher Interviews in the second week of Term 3. The interviews will be held on **Wednesday, 30th July 2025, from 12:15pm until 7:00pm.** Please note that on this day, students in Prep to Year 3 will finish school at 11:55am, and students in Years 4 to 6 will finish at 12:00pm.

Parent–Teacher Interviews are a valuable opportunity to communicate with your child's teacher about their progress. They are also a time to raise any concerns or ask questions. We encourage you to think ahead about what you would like to discuss, to ensure you make the most of your allocated time. Each interview will run for approximately 15 minutes, providing a focused opportunity for discussion. Please ensure you arrive on time, as we are unable to accommodate changes on the day. Specialist and intervention teachers will also be available should you wish to discuss your child's progress with them.

## **New Online Booking System**

This year, we are introducing an online booking system that allows parents/carers to browse available time slots and book interviews with teachers. They will also be able to indicate if an interpreter is required. Parents/carers will receive a website link and an event code from the school. The system will guide them through three simple steps, and they will receive a confirmation email once their booking is complete. Next week, parents/carers will receive a letter with detailed instructions on how to book Parent–Teacher Interviews online. If parents/carers need assistance with this, they can contact the school office.

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

Students must stay at home if they are genuinely sick.

This will prevent other students and staff from becoming unwell.

Students should stay at home if they have any of the following symptoms:

- persistent cough, runny nose, shortness of breath.
- tummy pains
- sore throat, loss of taste or smell
- temperature
- vomiting

It is important that your emergency contact details are up to date. It is also essential that your emergency contact person is available if, for any reason you are unable to pick up your child if we ring you.













#### WHOLE SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Holy Eucharist staff will be participating in Religious Education Professional Learning on Monday, 21st July 2025 (the first day of Term 3). As a result, the school will be closed on this day.

All teaching staff, Learning Support Officers (LSOs), and administration staff will be required to attend this professional learning with other staff from the Western Zone.

School will resume for Term 3 on Tuesday, 22nd July 2025.

#### SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

As of next term, the school newsletter will no longer be printed and sent home with students. Instead, it will be available digitally via ClassDojo and on our school website.

For families who still wish to receive a printed copy, a limited number will be available for collection from the Administration Office. We take this step to have more environmentally sustainable practices at Holy Eucharist and to avoid increasing printing costs.

#### YEAR 6 TO YEAR 7 TRANSITION

Each year, the Department of Education releases Year 6 to Year 7 placement information for schools and for parents/carers. Parents and carers should have received the placement pack for government schools which includes the current application for Year 7 placement form. To ensure all Year 6 students are placed in a secondary school for Year 7 parents/carers will need to complete these forms and return to school without delay.



Parents will receive notification of their child's Year 7 placement in a government secondary school on Tuesday 1 July 2025.

#### **CAMP AUSTRALIA - Out of Hours Care**

If you need to go to work or have other commitments before 8:30am, then your child/ren will need to go to <u>Before School Care</u>. Camp Australia is contracted by the school to provide this service from 7am each day until 8:30am. <u>After School Care</u> is also available from 3:10am until 6pm. Parents/Carers will need to enrol their child prior to their child attending the service, which will incur a fee (*Please note, you may be eligible to receive subsidies of up to 90% on Your OSHC fees with the Child Care Subsidy (CCS).*We strongly recommend you apply for the CCS to determine your eligibility).



For more information regarding Out of Hours Care (Camp Australia), please visit our school website for more information <a href="https://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/before-after-school-care/">https://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/before-after-school-care/</a>

## **WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM**

As we are now in Term 2, all students are required to be in their full school winter uniform. 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. Please visit our school website to view our school uniform policy or click on the following link to access PSW Uniforms <a href="https://www.psw.com.au/schools/holy-eucharist-school-st-albans.html">https://www.psw.com.au/schools/holy-eucharist-school-st-albans.html</a>? =1660168686498&product list limit=36&product list order=price

#### **Girls-Winter**

Maroon check pinafore or Maroon slacks Yellow skivvy or yellow polo shirt with logo White socks / Black shoes - no runners Woollen jumper with school logo - not the PE tracksuit top

# Girls – Sport (Only on Sport Days)

Maroon shorts or Maroon skirt/skort
Maroon tracksuit with school logo on top
Gold polo shirt with school logo
White socks and runners

#### **Boys Winter**

Long grey pants
Yellow skivvy or yellow polo shirt with logo
Grey socks / Black shoes - no runners
Woollen jumper with school logo - not the PE tracksuit top

## Boys - Sport Maroon shorts

Maroon shorts
Maroon tracksuit with school logo on top
Gold polo shirt with school logo
White socks and runners

## 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:

<u>Prep TT</u>	Prep SG	Prep JB	
Week 7: Linh My	Week 7: Kalilah	Week 7: Jet	
Week 8: Peter	Week 8: Jimmy	Week 8: Duckies	Dec (1)
<u>Year 1DX</u>	<u>Year 1JL</u>	<u>Year 1JD</u>	
Week 7: Lucia	Week 7: Louis	Week 7: Rachel	
		Week 8: Simon	STUDENT
Week 8: Mary Jane	Week 8: Akoon		OF A
Year 2TN	Year 2CG	Year 2MJ	THE
Week 7: Abigail	Week 7: My-Tam	Week 7: William	
Week 8: Kenrich	Week 8: Isabella	Week 8: Elijah	
<u>Year 3AL</u>	Year 3 AC	<u>Year 3S/B</u>	WEEK
Week 7: Kathy	Week 7: Hana	Week 7: Aluac	_
Week 8: Nathanael	Week 8: Mario	Week 8: Sherman	
Year 4ZG	Year 4SN	Year 4BM	Year 4ER
Week 7: Solomon	Week 7: Kathy	Week 7: Emily	Week 7: Delina
Week 8: Isak	Week 8: Rajul	Week 8: Lual	Week 8: Jayden
Year 5RM	Year 5JM	Year 5JD	Year 5ML
Week 7: Felix	Week 7: Megan	Week 7: Nathan	Week 7: Julie
Week 8: Vivian	Week 8: Ellie	Week 8: Ashton	Week 8: Khamh Bawi
Year 6JC	Year 6H/M	Year 6KB	
Week 7: Julia N	Week 7: Jacky	Week 7: Vivian	
Week 8: Masara	Week 8: Selena	Week 8: Chierdit	

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

15 Jun. Sun SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

19 Jun, Thu **HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL'S** 

**50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DAY** 

22 Jun. Sun SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY **BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST** 

23 Jun - 27 Jun Grade Prep & 1 Swimming program

24 Jun, Tues "Cyber Bullying" Online Parent Seminar 5 - 6pm

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL 29 Jun. Sun

30 Jun - 4 Jul -Grade Prep & 1 Swimming program

4<sup>th</sup> July, Fri End of Term 2

6 Jul, Sun 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6-13 Jul **NAIDOC Week** 

13 Jul, Sun **15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** School Closure Day - (NO STUDENTS) 21st July, Mon

22<sup>nd</sup> July, Tues Term 3 Begins 28th July **Athletics Carnival 3-6** 29<sup>th</sup> July

100 Days of Prep 30<sup>th</sup> July, Wed Parent/Tea 4<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> Aug Gr 2, 4, 6 Sr 25<sup>th</sup> Aug 5<sup>th</sup> Sept Gr 3 and 5 Parent/Teacher Interviews. Gr 2, 4, 6 Swimming Program

1-3<sup>rd</sup> Sept Gr 6 Camp

# **IMPORTANT SACRAMENT PREPARATION DATES:**

22 July, Tues 6.30pm First Reconciliation Family Information Session (Gr 3)

29 July, Tues 6.30pm First Communion Family Information Session (Gr 4)

5 Aug, Tues 6.30pm Sacrament of First Reconciliation (Gr 3) 24 Aug, Sun 10am First Communion Presentation Mass (Gr 4)

31 Aug, Sun 10am Sacrament of First Communion (Gr 4)

## CHURCH CALENDAR EVENTS

13 Jun, Fri Saint Anthony of Padua 19 Jun, Thurs Saint Romuald 21 Jun, Sat Saint Aloysius Gonzaga 23 Jun, Mon Saint Paulinus of Nola

24 Jun, Tues THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST 27 Jun, Fri THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

28 Jun, Sat Saint Irenaeus

THE MOST IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY





## PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2026 - NOW OPEN

Enrolments are now open for Prep 2026. Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30th April 2026. We already have a number of applications for next year and have started interviewing

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

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



# **Nominate Australia's Best Teacher**

At the heart of all MACS schools are the teachers who enable vibrant centres of learning and growth – forming the head, heart, hands and soul of our young people.

An expert judging panel will shortlist all nominations for entry into Australia's Top 50 Best Teachers list to be announced in June.



## PLEASE REMEMBER:

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July – End of Term 2 (Students in P-3 finish at 2:25pm) (Students in 4,5,6 finish at 2:30pm)

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July (School Holidays) Monday 21st July - No School (School Closure Day)

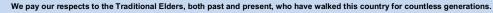
Fuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Term 3 Begins

# 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.



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.